

NOVEMBER
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“THE VIEW FROM 524”



From the Desk of the Senior Manager, Joan Campbell, CPM



Dear Residents

As I enter my 15th year of managing Westminister House; and look back at my time here; we have accomplished so much. Our renovation in 2017 gave us a new building to be proud of, and to be able to accommodate our residents for years to come. The garden has always been a special place for me. I have loved decorating it for all the holidays and seasons over the years. Our 18th floor has had lots of entertainment and lots of great meals. I have met some wonderful people and have watched them come and go. I think that's the hardest part of working here, losing so many friends we have made along the way.

With that being said, I have decided to retire at the end of this year. I will be turning over the reins to Jennifer Coco, which is well deserved. She has worked hard for us, and we are proud of the work she has accomplished. I will be staying on as a consultant over the next year to help her get through all the changes in her position. I know our building will be in good hands for the future. I look forward to seeing everyone over the next two months to say goodbye. I am moving to the Eastern Shore to be near my siblings. I am looking forward to retiring in a beautiful town with lots of fun things to do. Thank you all for being great residents and staff. I will miss everyone so much, and will miss our building, lots of wonderful memories.

NEW COMPLIANCE SPECIALIST

We would like to welcome Ra'Shiem McCline as a new member of the Compliance Team. Ra'Shiem comes to us with 7 years of Compliance experience and is very excited to join our team.

PULL CORDS

The Emergency Pull Cord system was installed during renovation as a measure of protection for each resident. Please remember that your pull cord strings should NEVER be tied up and should not be blocked by furniture. This is a health and safety issue and could result in a violation letter.



Thanksgiving

WORD SEARCH



CHILDREN
DINNER
FAMILY
GATHERING
GRATEFUL

HOLIDAY
HOME
JOYFUL
MEMORIES
OCCASION

PARENTS
RELATIVES
SEASON
VISITING
THANKFUL

Maintenance News Jeffrey Knox, Supervisor

Please DO NOT put furniture or large items in the trash rooms or out back. YOU WILL BE BILLED for removal of items. If you have bulk items that you need removed, you will need to contact our Bulk Contractor- Please contact me for his information and to let us know. We will review the security cameras and bill for any items disposed of improperly. Large items clog up the trash chute- only put

BAGGED trash in the chutes.

Fall is finally here with its cooler weather. There will be no more AC in the apartments until May of next year. The heat is on. If you have any questions regarding programming your thermostat, or if it is not working properly, please put in a work order at the front desk.

Winter reminder to NEVER plug space heaters into extension cords or surge

protectors. Do not use your stove or oven for heat.

Jeffrey



Lavelle Webb, Resident Services Coordinator

VOLUNTEERS

Once again, the Team at Westminster House and I would like to thank all of the volunteers who do so much for so all of us. We would not be a community without all of your help and support. Our next Volunteer luncheon will be on November 9, 2023 and will be for our current volunteers. If you are looking to volunteer for any committee or group, please let me know.

Do you need assistance with Medicare Open Enrollment Decisions??

Continuing every Monday Kevin with United Health Care will be in the library for anyone that needs on site assistance with Open Enrollment Questions or concerns. He will be on site between



Thanksgiving Dinner

Because many of you may be spending Thanksgiving at home this year, we are happy to let you know that we will be providing free thanksgiving dinners to our residents. Your dinner can be picked up on the 18th floor on Tuesday before Thanksgiving on November 21st We will be using the intercom and calling a floor at a time to pick up your delicious meal. *If you would like a dinner please call in your reservation to the front desk before November 12th, as*




there will be a Lavelle

MESSAGE FROM SOCIAL SECURITY Cost-of-Living Adjustment for 2024

Social Security & Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits will increase 3.2 percent in 2024. The 3.2 percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) will begin with benefits in January 2024. Increased payments to SSI beneficiaries will begin on 12/31/2023. (Note: some people receive both Social Security and SSI benefits).

MEDICARE SUBSCRIBERS

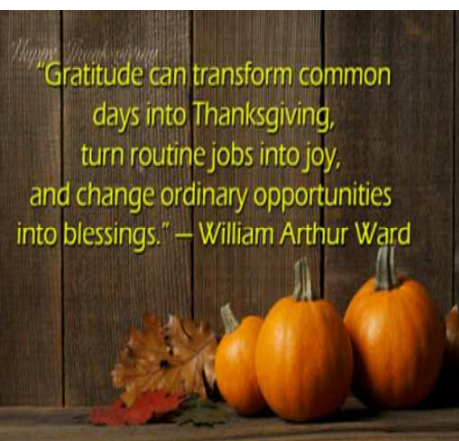
Medicare Premiums for 2024 will increase to \$174.70 per month. Open enrollment for Medicare Coverage ends December 7th. This is the time you can switch to a Medicare Advantage Plan -Medicare Plan C or D, return to straight Medicare, or just Enroll. The Effective date is January 1, 2024. It is wise to check if there are plans in this area that offers better health and/or drug coverage at a more affordable price. Call the Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) at (410) 396-2273 FOR DE 

RSC UP COMING EVENTS

- 11/14 Md. Food Bank Distribution Time Varies
- 11/12 Deadline to respond for Thanksgiving Meal
- 11/21 Thanksgiving Meal
- Walmart Trip Every Tuesday Noon
- Balti-market Orders Due on Tuesdays
- Balti-market Food Delivery Thursdays

THEY ARE NOT JUST SOLDIERS

They are our heroes. We owe so much to them. Let us never forget to pray for them and their families. Let us never forget the sacrifices they have made for us. Happy Veteran's day.



NOVEMBER'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION



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Noland Goodson
LaPonda Lewis
Dorothy Robertson
Frank Bonner
Ramona Wood



Frances Ball

If your name is not listed above, please forgive us as we try to update our listing....we sincerely wish you have a very Happy Birthday. Also!!!, please advise us if you do not want your name included in future newsletters.

SICK AND SHUT INS

If you are aware of any individual(s) that are sick or shut in, please make sure you check in with them.

Compassionate condolences are extended to all the family and friends of those we lost recently.

Jennifer Coco, Compliance Manager Update

Recertification Status Mid-Way Update

We are finished with the initial phase of our Annual Recertifications for January. **If you received a follow up letter because you were unable to keep your appointment, please come see me in the Compliance Office so we can reschedule your appointment as soon as possible.**

I am now processing the final stage of the recertification process. You will get an additional notice from me when your paperwork is complete; and your lease and income certification are ready for your signatures.

The process continues to improve, and we could not have done it without your help.

If your lease does not renew in January– you will receive a notice when it is time for your lease renewal and recertification paperwork. Please try to make your appointments as they are scheduled. I am able to work

