



THE DEVONSHIRE



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We would like to wish the following Residents a very Happy Birthday for the month of December:



Residents: Dolly on the 3rd, Irene on the 28th and Jack on the 30th.

Staff: Angie on the 14th and Rosemond on the 20th.

Dates for your Diary



- 8th - Bizzy Bees Christmas Carols
- 12th - Residents Christmas Party with Ricky Sargent
- 23rd - Rah Rah Theatre Company presents "Dick Whittington"
- 24th - Christmas Eve - Mince pies, Sherry & Carol sing-a-long
- 25th - Christmas Day
- 26th - Boxing Day
- 31st - New Year's Eve Party

Fresh Air Drives: These take place each Tuesday & Thursday afternoons.

To all who are travelling during the holiday period we wish you a safe journey.



Residents Meetings

- 2nd - with Jo
- 9th - with Jo
- 16th - with Jo
- 23rd - with Jo
- 30th - with Jo

Residents Council Meeting

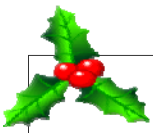
- 17th - with Jean

MESSAGES

Reminder: We would like to remind everyone that our Residents Christmas Party is on Saturday 12th December 2009 from 2pm till 4pm. Two visitors per Resident are invited due to the limited space.

Welcome to: New Residents Jack and Cecil we hope you and your families will be very happy at The Devonshire.





More Messages

Congratulations to: Our Deputy Manager Rosemond who has just had a new baby boy called Samuel and Senior Staff member Sam who has just had a new baby girl called Karly.

Please feel free to put presents for your relatives under the tree in the main reception, staff will be happy to assist with the unwrapping on Christmas morning.

Resident Profile ... Jean

by Vanessa ...

Jean was born and grew up in Lewisham, London. Jean was an only child and she has lots of happy childhood memories of playing games with her seven cousins. Jean went to an all girls school in Manor Lane, Lee, London. She enjoyed her school years and always came top of her class. Jean worked as a Tax Inspector all her working life, a job she enjoyed very much. Jean met her husband Stanley Arthur at Church when he was on leave from the RAF. They went out on a foursome with Stanley's sister's friend Peggy and her boyfriend. Jean and Stanley later married at St Margaret's Church in Blackheath, London and had one son called Christopher. The family lived in Catford, London. Jean had a lot of hobbies, these included gardening, walking their dog 'Whiskey' and going to the pictures, theatre and opera. The family used to holiday at the seaside in Devon, as they were not fond of going abroad. Jean's favourite foods are chicken, turkey and ice cream. She likes the colour blue and her favourite flowers are roses and carnations. Jean has three beautiful grandchildren whom she loves dearly.

**The Residents and Staff of The Devonshire
Would like to wish everyone a very
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!**



Life at The Devonshire

The weather this month has been terrible, it has either been dull and damp, or pouring with rain. We have struggled to see any sunshine at all. On the rare occasions that it has been dry George and Marjorie have managed a stroll around our garden and Iris and Jean have enjoyed a walk up to the tennis courts.

Our daily indoor morning exercises are still as popular as ever with most of our Residents, as they are not getting much outdoor exercises due to the cold weather. Most Residents like to join in daily so that they can keep their muscles working and their bodies active.

Jean A always enjoys the news group she said “my father used to let me read the daily mail newspaper each evening when I was eleven years old, as he said it was good for me”.

When Margaret H was offered the flu injection to stop her catching flu, she said to the nurse “I can’t catch it, I can’t run that fast”.

Some of our ladies helped to decorate the home for Halloween, Iris said “I don’t think I’ll have a skull in my room thank you”.

On Bonfire Night our Residents had sausages in rolls and baked potatoes, which they enjoyed very much. After supper Residents Jean, Iris, Eileen, Joan D, Minnie, Dennis and George all wrapped up in warm clothing to watch our firework display, while most of the other Residents watched from the window as they felt it was too cold to go outside. All our Residents agreed that the fireworks were wonderful.

The Residents enjoyed making poppies for Remembrance Day and enjoyed a nice glass of sherry while they watched the service on T.V.

Jean, Minnie, Irene and Eileen enjoyed the morning sing a long and said how amazed they were that they remembered all the words from the old time songs.

Jean B, Iris, Eileen and George have produced some lovely art work consisting of flowers and memories of the seaside.

MERRY CHRISTMAS 2009



FROM US ALL

THE DEVONSHIRE ACTIVITY SHEET

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
Highlights for December: 26th - Boxing Day 31st - New Year's Eve Party	1st Newspapers Musical Movement Reminiscing Indoor Games Fresh Air Drive	2nd Daily Papers Bend n Stretch Morning Quiz Afternoon Movie Residents Meeting	3rd Current Affairs Morning Stroll Word Searches Beauty Salon Fresh Air Drive	4th World News Bend n Stretch Indoor Games Musical Bingo	5th Newspapers Armchair Stretch Reminiscing Card Games Family Day	6th Weekend News Move that Body Movie & Popcorn Evening	
7th Daily News Bend n Stretch Creative Art Sing-a-Long	8th Daily Papers Morning Stroll Busy Bees Christmas Carols Fresh Air Drive	9th World News Move that Body Musical Bingo Word Searches Residents Meeting	10th News Today Gentle Exercise Card Games Beauty Salon Fresh Air Drive	11th Newspapers Musical Movement Music Games Knitting	12th Current Events Ball Play One 2 One Residents Christmas Party	13th Sunday Papers Gentle Stretch Quiz Afternoon Arts & Crafts	
14th Newspapers Move that Body Horoscopes Christmas sing-a-long Arts & Crafts	15th News today Gentle Exercise Reminiscing Indoor Games Fresh Air Drive	16th Daily Papers Bend n Stretch Afternoon Movie Creative Art Residents Meeting	17th Current Affairs Morning Stroll Word Searches Beauty Salon Fresh Air Drive	18th World News Bend n Stretch Indoor Games Musical Bingo	19th Weekend News Move that Body Arts & Crafts Sing-a-Long Family Day	20th Sunday News Musical Movement Afternoon Matinee Knitting	
21st World Events Morning Stroll Creative Art Sing-a-Long	22nd Newspapers Move that Body Music Quiz Word Searches Fresh Air Drive	23rd Daily News Bend n Stretch Musical Bingo Rah Rah Theatre Residents Meeting	24th Current Events Musical Movement Christmas Eve Party Beauty Salon Fresh Air Drive	25th Daily Papers Gentle Exercise Morning Quiz Christmas Day	26th Newspapers Armchair Stretch Reminiscing Boxing Day Family Day	27th Weekend World Morning Stroll Late night movie with chocolates and sherry	
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