



## EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION FUND

The **Rutland Place Resident Council** offers this gentle reminder that they are collecting contributions for the **Staff Appreciation Fund**. This is a wonderful way for you to show your gratitude for the great job our staff does throughout the year! These funds will be presented to Service Staff at the **December Resident and Staff Holiday Party**. The Staff Appreciation Fund does not include the leadership team, but is collected to benefit the Service Staff only. Let's show them our appreciation by giving generously! **The last day to make a donation to the Staff Appreciation Fund is Wednesday, December 16th.**

Distribution of funds to our service staff members will take place at the **Resident and Staff Christmas Party**, a pancake breakfast, on Saturday, **December 19th.**

Thank you in advance for your support!



## RUTLAND PLACE

AN EXCEPTIONAL SENIOR COMMUNITY

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## Halloween Fun!

One of the great conundrums for this publication is what to do with Halloween pictures. Since the holiday occurs on the last day of the month, the sometimes outlandish and often amazing pictures can't be included in the November issue due to deadlines. Yet, it often seems so distant by the time to December issue arrives. However, with the effort shown by so many in designing their costumes, we felt it important to share these delightful pictures, delayed though they may be! By the way, **Vickie Wyatt** won the costume contest dressed as a Hershey's Kiss!



### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S CORNER

## Join Us in Celebrating the Brightest Time of the Year Here at Rutland Place

This is a December to Remember! Wow, what a roller coaster year! Even though we're in a crazy pandemic, it's still a wonderful time of year. As we face our trials and tribulations, let us find peace and hope as we remember the reason for the season. This is the special time when we rejoice in the birth of our newborn King.

You'll definitely get into the Christmas spirit when you see what we have planned this month! Please help Dave "Deck the Halls" starting on Monday, November 30th. This will set the pace for a fabulous Christmas season. Among the events planned is our annual **St. Nick Pizza Party** and a **Pancake Christmas Breakfast**. You don't want to miss out on several **holiday-themed arts and crafts sessions** during the month including an opportunity to make Christmas ornaments and a ginger bread man. We will also do some wreath painting! There's something truly special about

engaging your creativity to make some holiday memories!

Dave has done an awesome job of planning wonderful activities to get us and keep us in the holiday spirit throughout the month. Check the calendar and be sure to take advantage of the many opportunities to enjoy the merriment of the season.

We, the Rutland Place staff, Turner Senior Solutions and board of trustees, are so grateful that we have been brought together with you, our residents, as family and friends. As we celebrate another year together, we'd like to say thank you for choosing Rutland Place. We feel honored and blessed that you are here with us.

May you have the blessings of peace, the beauty of hope, the spirit of love and the comfort of faith. Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

—Karen Tucker, Executive Director



### NEW CHILI CHAMPION!

Congratulations are in order for Executive Director **Karen Tucker**, who literally took the crown in this year's Chili Cookoff. The annual event always draws a crowd as they sample an array of delicious chili recipes. Karen beat out some spicy competition!



### HALLOWEEN

Halloween is always a festive time at Rutland Place. See all the delightful costumes and relive the fun of the occasion on the back page.



**A NOTE FROM DAVE**  
*Rejoice! The Holidays are Here*

Hallelujah! I'm sure there are several reasons we can all shout this. Perhaps the most important reason is that we can now say, "'Tis the season!" Another is the realization that we are rounding the corner into the end of an unimaginable and unpredictable year.

Last month offered the opportunity to giving thanks for all things we are grateful for. Although it has been a difficult year, all of us have been blessed in different ways and I hope the holiday offered you a chance to put things into perspective.

Now, entering December, we are in a time of fellowship, happiness and kindness. Its beginning to feel a lot like Christmas! This month we fill ourselves with love, joy, and Christmas carols. Along with decking the halls, we will be making ginger bread men and creating our own Christmas ornaments. We also have a day planned to wrap any unwrapped gifts you have left a few days before Christmas.

Don't forget deadlines to sign up for events and activities you wish to participate in.

This is also a friendly reminder that the deadline to donate to the employee appreciation fund is Wednesday, December 16th.

Let this month be filled with love and joy. Happy Holidays!

—**Dave Putman**,  
Life Enrichment Director

**Holiday Arts and Crafts**

Last month, we created fall trees with paint and loose puzzle pieces. In December we'll create some Christmas crafts! Be on the look out for more craft days!

- **Make Christmas Ornaments**  
Monday, Dec. 7th • 1:00 p.m.
- **Make Ginger Bread Man**  
Monday, Dec. 14th • 1:00 p.m.
- **Wreath Painting**  
Wednesday, Dec. 16th • 1:00 p.m.

*Remember to sign up in advance*



**Hymns**

*Hymns: History, Writers and Stories is an educational and spiritual activity that takes place every Monday. A special thanks to Dianne Cozart for creating the curriculum and leading the class. We would love to have you join us! Don't forget to sign up!*



**Rutland Place Salutes Our Veterans**

Veterans contribute to American society in many ways, not just during their time in active duty. Throughout history, military service members have put on their uniforms to protect the values and liberties upon which this nation was built. That doesn't stop once the uniform comes off and their time in active duty has ended. This Veterans Day, we honored the men and women who have worn the uniform, especially those whom we are blessed to have amongst us here at Rutland Place!



Thomas "Chief" Coulter



Chuck Waits



Cliff Cozart



Ed Besancon



Ray Adelsbeger



Charles Hale

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**Allison Kelly**.....Sous Chef  
**Isabella Anderson**.....Home Services Coordinator

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**Maria De La Garza, Gloria Ridgers, Robbie Humes, Sylvia O'Choa, Missy Kelly, Lisa Swafford**.....Home Services  
**Rachel Burgener**.....Salon

**December Celebrations!**

**RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS**

Lorraine Hould .....1st      Jean Barnes .....13th  
 Mike Villa.....3rd      Rose Glass .....21st  
 Henrietta Schofield..... 6th      Jean Wilson .....27th

**STAFF BIRTHDAYS**

Minna Polhemus .....3rd      Garrett Ott..... 18th

**Birthday Bash**

Tuesday, December 22nd • 1:00 p.m.

