



# Good Neighbor Society

Continuing Care Retirement Community

Neighborhood News | December 2025

December marks the twelfth month of the year, and it always reminds me of the familiar rhythm of "The 12 Days of Christmas," or even the twelve disciples. All in all, the number twelve invites us to pause, reflect, and be thankful for all that we've overcome and persevered through this year together.



Pastor Tim Hardin

This season truly is "the most wonderful time of the year." From "Frosty the Snowman" to "How the Grinch Stole Christmas", from "Home Alone" to "A Charlie Brown Christmas", December brings a sense of child-like joy and faith-filled wonder that warms the heart even on the coldest days.

This month, we impress upon everyone to embrace hope like "Elf" and peace and love like "It's a Wonderful Life". Whether you enjoy pumpkin spice, cookies, holiday music, or simply quiet moments with friends, we at Good Neighbor Society are most thankful for the gift of you. In many ways, you are our "Christmas story," bringing light, warmth, and meaning to our community.

As the snow falls and the wind blows, we pull out our winter coats and settle into the beauty of the season. In those moments, I'm reminded of Nat King Cole's classic "The Christmas Song," with its timeless message reaching "kids from one to ninety-two." And although it's been said many times and many ways, we joyfully say it again: Merry Christmas from Good Neighbor to you!

And so, as we celebrate this season of hope, joy, and togetherness, we wish you a Merry Christmas, happy holidays and a blessed December — from all of us here at Good Neighbor Society to you.

Happy December, everyone!



# December

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CANDLE	FIREPLACE	MISTLETOE	SNOWFLAKE
CANDY CANE	FROSTY	NUTCRACKER	SNOWMAN
CAROLS	GINGERBREAD	ORNAMENTS	STOCKING
CHRISTMAS	HANUKKAH	POINSETTIA	TINSEL
DECORATIONS	HOLIDAY	PRESENTS	UGLY SWEATER
EGGNOG	HOT CHOCOLATE	REINDEER	WINTER
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SHELF	JINGLE BELLS	SLEIGH	

# STAFF

Shelly McGraw 12/1

Nia Burnett 12/6

Mianna Gosche 12/6

Derik Foster 12/7

Kyle Morris 12/7

Devin Rawson 12/7

Virginia Pedersen 12/9

DeMarco Dunn 12/14

Val Schlicht 12/16

Haley Bolsinger 12/20

Jason Neverman 12/20

Hailey Nelson 12/21

Marta Peyton 12/21

Derek Salow 12/23

Natalie Gentz 12/24

Chris Ryan 12/24

Evalyn Robinson 12/26

Emily Prier 12/29

Bella Wegmann 12/29

Mariha Werger 12/30

Thank you for your dedication to  
serve "Compassionate Christian  
Care!"



## RESIDENTS

Gerald Weber 12/3

Leola "Kay" Harris 12/6

Marjorie Cooper 12/9

Martha Huber 12/24

Madonna Eisele 12/24

Pat Swanson 12/26

Bernadette Schumann 12/28

Jenny Wills 12/29

Cheryl Madlom 12/29

Connie Turner 12/29

Louise Hermesen 12/31

## MILESTONES

Mackenzie Engelken 5yrs

Elizabeth Martin 15yrs



# The Magic Touch

Good Neighbor Home | November Highlights

## RECREATION FUN!





MARIETTA'S PLACE RESIDENTS ENJOYED A VISIT FROM CAMP COURAGEOUS. HOW FUN TO TOUCH ALL THE CRITTERS!



IN-MOTION





# The Magic Touch

## New Neighbors

Jean Hedberg

Michael Nelson  
Cheryl Madlom

Sally McGraw

## Wishing You The Best

Carol Jebens

Carol Cole

Don Pruessner

David Gaskill

Dori Corcoran

Michael Nelson

Joyce Woellert

## Always In Our Hearts

Millie Fritz

Dorothy Hoffman

Barb McMahan

Irene Salow

## Christmas MENU

### Brown Sugar Glazed Christmas Ham

TENDER SLICES OF HAM WITH A LIGHT BROWN SUGAR GLAZE

### Mashed Sweet Potatoes

SMOOTH AND LIGHTLY SWEETENED TOPPED WITH A SPRINKLE OF CINNAMON

### Green Bean Almondine

TENDER GREEN BEANS WITH SLIVERED ALMONDS

### Dinner Roll

SOFT ROLL SERVED WITH WHIPPED BUTTER

### Holiday Cranberry Salad

REFRESHING STARTER WITH SOFT MARSHMALLOWS

### Dessert Cart

\$17—RSVP by December 22nd

563-927-3907





# Recurring Events

## Exercise Class

Twice a week our team, with the help of our Restorative nurse here at GNH, offers a head to toe exercise experience, including active games. All residents are encouraged to participate! Moving your body as much as you are able will help you stay in motion as long as possible. We always keep this group fun, fresh, and adaptive to all ability levels. We also play fun word games regularly to keep your minds thinking in creative ways!

## Wine Tasting/Happy Hour/Gazebo Get-Together

These social events are monthly gatherings. Nice music, good food and fun fellowship are our goals for this recreational activity. These are resident favorites and beverages are served (with or without alcohol).

## Pamper and Polish

Join us every other Friday to enjoy a relaxing spa experience. We use various relaxing techniques, which include: aroma therapy, hand massages and music. Quick paint touch ups are offered and light filing. Only nurses and bath aids are certified to cut nails. If you need your nails cut, please let your nurse know before Pamper and Polish. Pamper and Polish is a great opportunity to make new friends. Come hang out, even if you don't want your nails done. We would love to have you!

## Religious Services

- Every Sunday afternoon, our Non Denominational Church service is lead by Pastor Tim,
- Once a month, Pastor Phil leads Methodist Communion.
- Every Thursday, Father Louis & Father Kremer lead Catholic Mass

Group activities are subject to change.

Please reference your Community Calendar and LifeShare screens for the most up to date activity schedule.

**Auxiliary Fund  
Balance  
\$0**

## Town Talk

Every month, residents get together with the Recreation Director to talk about any comments, suggestions and concerns they may have. We also talk about upcoming events, updates, and ask for your suggestions for the next months community calendar. The purpose of this meeting is to record any concerns/suggestions and get them to the right place, so we can work on a solution, but also to keep you updated on what is going on here at Good Neighbor Home.

## Beauty Shop

If you would like your hair done, **let your recreation team know**, and they will get you on the beauty shop list. Amy Stone is here Tuesdays and Thursdays and is always wonderful about working people in!

## Beauty Shop Pricing

Haircut - Male	\$11.00
Haircut Female	\$15.00
Shampoo/Set/Style	\$17.00
Shampoo/Cut/ Set/Style	\$24.00
Color & Style	\$37.00
Color/Cut/Style	\$47.00
Perm/Cut/Style	\$55.00

This Christmas season, our very own Whoville Wishes Tree will twinkle to life on December 1st, sprinkled with tiny tags holding the heartfelt hopes of our Long-Term Care and Assisted Living neighbors.

We invite all you kind-hearted Who-Folks to stop by, pick a tag (or two!), and help make a resident's Christmas wish come true. Whether it's cozy flannel—who-pj's or , yummy gumdrops, every gift brings a little more sparkle to their holiday.

Please return all UNWRAPPED gifts—tag attached, of course—by December 18th, so the magic of Christmas can swirl, twirl, and unfurl right on time.

Trees are located at Good Neighbor Home and the Meadows.

**Good Neighbor Home  
& Neighborhood Villas**  
563-927-3907

**Marietta's Place**  
563-927-1490

**The Meadows**  
563-927-6467

### **Board Members**

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