

December 2023

Hyde Park–Living Joy



Flushing Area Caregiver Support Group
Presented by: Alzheimer's Association
Greater Michigan Chapter

Location: Flushing Senior Center
106 Elm Str.
Flushing, MI 48433

When: Thursday December 7, at 2pm

Important Dates

December 5th

Hyde Park Memory
Christmas Party
5:30p- 7p

December 6th

Hyde Park Assisted
Christmas Party
5:30p- 7p

December 8th

Living Joy
Christmas Party
5:30p- 7p

December 9th

Judy School of Dance performance
Living Joy 1:30p
Hyde Park Memory 2p
Hyde Park Assisted 2:30p

December 11th

Flushing United Methodist Church
1pm
Hyde Park Assisted

December 14th

Chaplin Val

December 25th

Christmas Day

December 31st

New Year's Eve



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Chaplain Thoughts

Who Has Time For Peace? Peace is a popular word at Christmas time. We hear it in songs. The theme of one Advent Sunday is peace. Eve the shepherds in the Christmas story heard the angels say, "Peace On Earth". It is obvious the shepherds, angels, and everyone else has not lived my life. Who has time for peace? My family has things for me to do. There are special services to rehearse at church and the assisted living facility. Shopping for gifts and food keep me running. We have get togethers with family and friends. Then there was the year my dad decided to become ill during the holidays. Inconveniently, he passed away and really took away from my idea of the perfect, peaceful Christmas season. The Angels singing, "Peace on Earth", was an announcement that Jesus was born. Jesus had arrived on earth as the Prince of Peace. The Shepherds did the most beautiful thing. They went to be in the presence of God. God had arrived in the flesh, in a baby, in a stable. In the stable, the shepherds were assured that everything would be o.k. God's presence was with them. In 1864, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, was feeling the way many of us have felt during the Christmas season. It seemed life had its ups and downs. Longfellow was feeling quite down during the Christmas season. He was living during the Civil War. His son had been seriously wounded in the war. He was grieving the loss of his wife. Grief is love that has nowhere to go. As a poet, he sat down and composed a poem. "I heard the bells on Christmas day, their old, familiar carols play; and wild and sweet the words repeat of peace on earth, goodwill to men. And in despair I bowed my head: 'There is no peace on earth,' I said, 'For hate is strong and mocks the song of peace on earth, good will to men.'" We've all felt that way. We are down because life isn't the way we want it to be. Longfellow was a person of faith. He didn't end his poem with head bowed down. He ended his poem with the peace of God strengthening him during a difficult time. "Then pealed the bells more loud and deep: 'God is not dead, nor doth He sleep; the wrong shall fail, the right prevail, with peace on earth, goodwill to men.'"

Chaplain Jeff Meyers

Resident Birthdays

Laurie C. 3rd

Mary H. 11th

Robert W. 20th

Angeline S. 27th



!SEEKING!

We are always in need of crafting supplies, bingo prizes, nail care supplies. If you have any questions you may contact Nina at (810) 659-3000 or by email at nina-coleman@baruchsls.org

We are always looking for volunteers at each of our communities. Volunteers are needed for companionship, reading to the residents, hosting a craft or game with the residents. Please contact Nina Coleman @ 810-659-3000 if you are interested in volunteering at any of our communities.

Caregiver Birthdays

Tammy O. 7th

Angela B. 12th

Stacy B. 26th

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

We unfortunately did not have a good turnout for the support group if you are interested in being a part of support group, please reach out to Nina at 810-659-3000

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Postage
Information

Crockpot Christmas Candy

- 2 cups peanuts dry roasted or regular salted
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 1 ½ cups creamy peanut butter
- 1lb vanilla almond bark
- 1lb. chocolate almond bark
- 12oz. dark chocolate chips
- ¼ cup Christmas sprinkles
- 36 cupcake liners
- muffin tin
- 2 tbs. cookie scoop

Toss all ingredients, except for the sprinkles, into your slow cooker. Place on low for 2 hours or high for 1 hour, stirring about every 20 minutes.

Once the candy is completely melted and combined, place 2 tablespoons into cupcake liners in a regular sized muffin tin. This helps to keep the candy's shape. Top with desired Christmas sprinkles and place into the fridge for 1-2 hours until firm. Once they are set enjoy!

