

MILLSTREAM COMMONS NEWS DEC 2017







From the Desk of Kathy Olson

Season's Greetings!

It sure doesn't seem like December....until you walk into Millstream Commons and visually experience the magic of Christmas! That's what happens when you arrive the day after Thanksgiving. We are grateful for Monica Lynch and her family who put in long hours to transform our space into a Christmas wonderland. What a sight to behold and a treat to enjoy!

This is such a special time of the year as we carry out family traditions and join with our friends and neighbors to create special new memories. Perhaps your family has been touched in some way by a caring member of the Millstream team. Now is the time to share your story about that memory in a very meaningful way.

A favorite tradition at Millstream is our annual Honor and Remember Ceremony. Tenants, families and the Millstream team gather around our giving-tree in The Connection and share memories that give honor to those we have loved and lost or a special person we want to recognize that has touched our life. We look at all of the ornaments returned and read each special message that has been written on the back. Sometimes the messages are in memory of a loved one; sometimes the messages share appreciation for a team member. Some messages are in honor of a loved one living at Millstream. Sometimes we laugh. Sometimes we shed tears. No matter what, all messages are meaningful and touch our hearts. What a wonderful way to honor and remember our loved ones and those who have made an impact on our lives. Please join us <u>Thursday, December 7th at 2:30</u> as we continue with this longstanding holiday tradition.

Fondly,

Kelly Olson





Thursday, December 7th

Red Hat Ladies from Lakeville Honor & Remember Service



Sunday, December 10th Piano Recital



Monday, December 11th Northfield Senior Center "Seasoned Singers"

Tuesday, December 12th Christmas Tea



<u>Thursday, December 14th</u> Northfield Montessori School visits to sing for us and have cookies & milk

Friday, December 29th New Year's Eve Party Celebrating 2018!!



SAVE THE DATE

Friday, January 5, 2018 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Tenant & Family Holiday Party



Marvis Canon 12/7/1931 Carol Carlson 12/13/1931 Margaret Nokleberg 12/18 Vangie Hall 12/19

Birthday Coffee Tuesday, December 5th—2p.m. The Connection

The holiday season can be difficult for us as we think of loved ones who will not gather around the tree this year or as we remember celebrating the holidays in the home where we used to live. Transitions can bring stressful feelings even if the transition is a positive one. Millstream's spiritual care team consisting of Pastor Bob Kaul and Bonnie Klamm want to be sensitive to those feelings and make ourselves available to you, especially during this holiday season. We

want to reach out to as many of you as we are able. If you would like to receive a visit from one of us, please pass that information on to Kathy or Teresa or any member of the staff and they will get that request to us. We pray that joy will come into your lives in profound ways during this season!

