

#### FEBRUARY 2021

#### FAIRVIEW ESTATES STAFF

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

**Monday - Friday, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.:**Doctor Appointments

Monday & Friday, If Available: Shopping/Errands

Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.-2:15 p.m.: Outing If Available

Friday, 2:30 p.m.: Mystery Bus Ride



# **Snowball Fights**

The residents were having fun with the indoor snowball fights. This was the first of many battles. Great for motor skills, improving eye-



to-hand coordination and general exercise, it was also good for blowing off steam and nobody got hurt. There was a lot of laughter going on — especially when they were throwing them at Mike.





# Happy Valentine's Day Facts

Valentine's Day is celebrated annually on February 14th. It originated as a Western Christian feast day honoring one or two early Christian martyrs named Saint Valentine.

While the custom of sending cards, flowers, chocolates and other gifts originated in the UK, Valentine's Day still remains connected with various regional customs in England. In Norfolk, a character called Jack Valentine knocks on the rear door of houses leaving sweets and presents for children. Although he was leaving treats, many children were afraid of him.

The modern cliché Valentine's Day poem, "Roses are Red" can be found in English nursery rhymes of 1784.

In the United States, the first mass-produced valentines of embossed paper lace were produced and sold shortly after 1847 by Esther Howland (1828-1904) of Worcester, Massachusetts.

In 1868, the British chocolate company Cadbury created Fancy Boxes — a decorated box of chocolates — in the shape of a heart for Valentine's Day. Boxes of filled chocolates quickly became associated with the holiday. In the second half of the 20th century, the practice of exchanging cards was extended to all manner of gifts, such as giving jewelry.

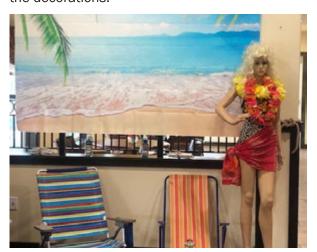
The U.S. Greeting Card Association estimates that approximately 190 million valentines are sent each year in the US. Half of those valentines are given to family members other than husband or wife, usually to children. When the valentine-exchange cards made in school activities are included the figure goes up to 1 billion, and teachers become the people receiving the most valentines. In 2020, Valentine's Day shoppers set new spending records with an estimated \$27.4 billion spent on the holiday.

As for me, I'm frugal. I will be giving my wife a valentine card and then, waiting for the day after, I will buy some Valentine's Day chocolates at half price. The best part about it is my wife is not a big chocolate eater so I have to help her finish them off.



# Let the Adventure Begin

In January we started our Hawthorn Adventure. We began in Hawaii and Fiji and will be finishing up in New Zealand this month. Pictures of the entire adventure will appear in next month's newsletter. Here are pictures of the beginning of the decorations.









#### New Year's Eve

We ushered in the new year quietly this year while trying to create a festive environment. The Dining Room was decorated and the chef prepared a special meal. At home, my wife and I actually made it up until midnight (without taking a nap) watching friends of ours perform on Facebook. We went to bed shortly after, but not before I posted a Happy New Year's greeting on Facebook. This proved to be a mistake though. While we were trying to get to sleep everyone who saw my Facebook message thought "Hey, they're awake still" and for the next 15 minutes my phone wouldn't stop dinging with all the text messages I received.

2020 was a rough year but we survived. 2021 may have a slow start, but I am hopeful that things will improve and our lives will get back to a sense of normalcy. I'm looking forward to a big celebration. Until then, stay safe.







# The Holiday Doors of Fairview

Over the holidays I took a stroll through the halls of Fairview. These were the beautifully decorated doors of our residents.





#### **FEB 2021**

### **Birthdays**

Gloria Allen, 1st
Janice Bradley, 2nd
Franco DeSantis, 17th
Steve Pickman, 20th
John Cruz, 21st
Edie Birt, 21st
Peggy Allen, 24th
Sue Hixon, 27th
Eleanor Ruddell, 27th

#### **Locations**

Activity Room, AC
Atrium, AT
Back Patio, BP
Dining Room, DR
Library, LI
Lobby, LB
Movie Theater, MT

"We must absolutely take care of one another."

-Ruby Bridges

**SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY** 5 10:00 Yoga & 10:00 Residents' Closet 10:00 Ageless Grace 9:30 Balance Class, AC 3 9:30 Blood Pressure Hour: 3rd Floor Exercise Class, AC Meditation, AC 10:00 Residents' Closet Clinic, AC 10:00 Residents' Closet 10:00 Chair Exercise, AC 10:30 Music and Comedy, MT Open: 3rd Floor 9:30 Haka Exercise, AC 10:30 Maori Word Hour: 3rd Floor 10:30 Music and Comedy, MT 10:30 Music and 10:00 Chair Exercise, AC 2:00 Featured Movie, MT 10:30 Music and Comedy, MT 10:30 Welcome to New Challenge, AC Comedy, MT 10:30 Music and Comedy, MT Zealand, DR 2:00 Featured Movie, MT 10:30 Welcome to 7:00 Bingo with 10:30 Welcome to 2:00 Featured Movie, MT Aukland, AC 2:00 Featured Movie, MT 2:00 Do the Haka, DR Franco, AC 2:30 Trivia and Ice Cream, AC Hobbiton, AC 2:30 A Trip to the 2:30 Trivia and Ice 2:00 Featured Movie. MT 2:30 Welcome to 2:00 Featured Movie, MT Bay of Plenty Cream. AC 2:30 New Zealand Queenstown, AC 2:30 Bird Feeders, AC 7:00 Bingo with 7:00 Bingo with Symphony, MT 7:00 Bingo with Franco, AC 7:00 Bingo with Franco, AC Franco, AC 7:00 Bingo with Franco, AC Franco, AC 12 13 10 9:30 Blood Pressure 11 10:00 Yoga & 9:30 Balance 10:00 Ageless Grace 10:00 Residents' Closet Clinic, AC Class, AC Meditation, AC Exercise Class, AC Hour: 3rd Floor 10:00 Chair Exercise, AC 10:00 Residents' Closet 10:00 Residents' Closet 10:30 Music and 10:00 Chair Exercise, AC 10:30 Music and 2:00 Featured Movie, MT Comedy, MT Open: 3rd Floor Hour: 3rd Floor 2:00 Featured Movie, MT 10:30 Music and Comedy, MT 7:00 Bingo with 2:00 Featured Movie, MT 10:30 Music and 10:30 Music and 7:00 Bingo with Comedy, MT 2:00 Featured Movie, MT Franco, AC 2:30 Trivia and Ice Comedy, MT Comedy, MT Franco, AC 2:00 Featured Movie, MT 2:30 Trivia and Ice Cream, AC 2:00 Featured Movie, MT 2:00 Featured Movie, MT Cream. AC 7:00 Bingo with Franco, AC Franco, AC Franco, AC Franco, AC Franco, AC 14 PRESIDENTS DAY 16 ASH WEDNESDAY 17 19 20 **VALENTINE'S DAY** 15 9:30 Blood Pressure 18 10:00 Yoga & 10:00 Ageless Grace Clinic, AC 10:00 Residents' Closet **Meditation. AC** 9:30 Balance Class, AC Exercise Class. AC 10:00 Chair Exercise, AC Hour: 3rd Floor 10:00 Residents' Closet 10:00 Residents' Closet 10:30 Music and 10:30 Music and 10:00 Chair Exercise, AC Open: 3rd Floor Comedy, MT Hour: 3rd Floor 2:00 Featured Movie, MT 2:00 Featured Movie, MT Comedy, MT 10:30 Music and 10:30 Music and 2:00 Featured Movie, MT 10:30 Music and 7:00 Bingo with 7:00 Bingo with 2:00 Featured Movie, MT Comedy, MT Comedy, MT 2:30 Trivia and Ice Comedy, MT Franco, AC Franco, AC 2:30 Trivia and Ice 2:00 Featured Movie, MT 2:00 Featured Movie, MT Cream, AC 2:00 Featured Movie, MT Cream, AC 7:00 Bingo with 7:00 Bingo with 7:00 Bingo with 7:00 Bingo with Franco, AC 7:00 Bingo with Franco, AC Franco, AC Franco, AC Franco, AC 27 21 22 23 26 9:30 Blood Pressure 9:30 Balance 10:00 Yoga & 10:00 Ageless Grace 10:00 Residents' Closet Clinic, AC Class, AC Meditation, AC Exercise Class, AC Hour: 3rd Floor 10:00 Chair Exercise, AC 10:00 Residents' Closet 10:00 Residents' Closet 10:30 Music and 10:00 Chair Exercise, AC 10:30 Music and Open: 3rd Floor Hour: 3rd Floor 2:00 Featured Movie, MT Comedy, MT 2:00 Featured Movie, MT 10:30 Music and Comedy, MT 10:30 Music and 7:00 Bingo with 2:00 Featured Movie, MT 10:30 Music and 7:00 Bingo with Comedv. MT 2:00 Featured Movie. MT Comedy, MT 2:30 Trivia and Ice Comedy, MT Franco, AC Franco, AC 2:00 Featured Movie, MT 2:30 Trivia and Ice 2:00 Featured Movie, MT Cream, AC 2:00 Featured Movie, MT Cream. AC 7:00 Bingo with Franco, AC Franco, AC Franco, AC Franco, AC Franco, AC 28 2:00 Featured Movie, MT 7:00 Bingo with Franco, AC



#### **Bodies In Motion**

While we are in the middle of winter and still in the midst of the Covid pandemic it is important to maintain physical activity. Some of us seem to hibernate during this time of the year. "It's too cold outside" is commonly heard. The old adage "if you don't use it you'll lose it" is true. Now that I am into my 60s I realize that I have to keep active.

Our current schedule offers chair exercise on Monday and Thursday, Ageless Grace exercise on Tuesday, Balance Class on Wednesday and Yoga on Friday. This doesn't mean that you can't do anything on the weekends. We have the Gym open, you can exercise in your room, turn on some music and dance



Ageless Grace exercise class

or simply walk each hall of Fairview. If you start in the Atrium and walk the hall towards the higher numbered rooms, come back and walk the rest of the 1st floor halls, take the small elevator and repeat this for the 2nd and 3rd floors and using the small elevator return to the Atrium you will have covered .7 of a mile. This doesn't include the steps from your apartment to the Atrium. And if you are physically able you can add to this exercise by using the stairs. We also have some unseasonably warm weather during the winter. Take advantage of these days by getting outside, breathing fresh air and getting some vitamin D. You can check the outside temperature from the Activity Room. There is an indoor/outdoor thermometer hanging on the first column when you enter the Activity Room.

Stay active and enjoy.

# The Parade of Hats

In lieu of our usual holiday festivities, some of the women (and also some of the men) participated in a hat decorating contest organized by Ruthie. They all were very creative in their designs and creations. The three winners were Jan Bradley, Barb Devane and John Zdniak. I have included a picture of the hats being modeled.

Hats off to Ruthie and all of you who participated.











# Caroling With Santa

An extremely warm day before Christmas made a perfect setting for caroling with Santa.





# Frosty? the Snowmen?

After a recent winter storm I decided to see how much "inner child" was in some of our residents. What better way than to build snowmen? The dry snow and the chilly temperatures would tend to be detrimental to outdoor snowmen making. However the snow brought inside to the warmer temperature proved to be just right after it started melting. The ladies worked quickly in making the snowmen, or snowladies in the residents' kitchen.



Securing some raisins, cranberries and carrots from the kitchen along with some other items from the Activity Room helped in making these beautiful creations. They made a quick retreat to the outside before they could melt. They stayed out there for a number of days before the sun came out and they went the way of Frosty and soon disappeared.











