



GENOA  
RETIREMENT VILLAGE  
*A Trilogy Senior Living Community*

# Gazette

December 2022

## Embracing the Season of Giving

Whether you're looking for that special something to give to a loved one or are writing up your own wishlist, here are a few simple – but effective – gift ideas to keep in mind as we head into the holiday season.

### The Power of Books and Novels

Who doesn't love getting lost in another world? Send your loved one a physical copy of a tale from their favorite author, or refer them to an E-book about a topic they might have an interest in.

As beneficial to the mind as it is to the soul, reading is proven to help sharpen mental acuity – making it the perfect gift for anyone looking to explore the works of others.

### What It Means to Receive a Letter

Reflect on what it is that you love most about that special person in your life. Is it their smile? Their wit? How comfortable you feel



when you're with them? Whatever it is about your loved one that brightens your days, use your voice to put those feelings onto paper and let them know just how much they mean to you.

When it comes to gift giving, it doesn't matter how large or small the gesture is – only that it's coming from you. When your

loved one sees your name written on an envelope, stickered onto a box, or signed at the end of a note, they'll simply be reminded of the joy that you bring into their lives, and how easy it is to have those same feelings about you.

**Happy Holidays from  
our family to yours!**

# Happy Birthday!

## Residents

Helen E.	12/04
Dennis L.	12/11
Jacqueline P.	12/11
Irene R.	12/14
Ellen S.	12/15
Marlene A.	12/20
Nelson C.	12/21

## Staff

Brenda B.	12/07
Cynthia V.	12/09
Nicholas M.	12/13
Jammie B.	12/13
Michelle F.	12/22
Denise C.	12/23
Elizabeth G.	12/27
Michelle D.	12/27

## Did You Know...?

Did you know that we are looking for entertainment and volunteers? If you know of anyone that would like to entertain you, please let us know! Also, if you or anyone in your family would like to volunteer, we are in need! Please reach out to any Life Enrichment staff member and we would be glad to get something set up!

## Sunday Brunch

We will not be holding a Sunday Brunch on December 11th. We will instead be having a Holiday Party on Thursday, December 15th from 6pm-7:30pm. Entertainment will be provided by Lyle Diefenthaler and Dave Rybaczewski. More information will follow.

## Executive Director Corner

Welcome to December!

It's officially the most wonderful time of the year, which means that every day becomes a merry celebration. This could mean baking a favorite family recipe, creating a decorative holiday wreath, or attending a worship service with our Inspirations program, which meets once weekly. We always strive to honor the traditions that mean so much to those we serve, so ask our Life Enrichment Director about how you can celebrate the holidays your way!

At a time when there's so much joy to be shared with friends and family, we also remember those who may be spending their Christmas worrying about their livelihood. That's why until December 31st, we'll be continuing to accept donations towards our

annual Hope for the Holidays campaign, which supports our local charities throughout the holiday season. If you or a loved one would like to make a donation, be sure to talk to a member of our team!

As 2022 begins to draw to a close, I also wanted to say thank you to each and every one of you for such a fantastic year. From all of our incredible Theme Dinners to our lunch outings, our Happy Hours to our birthday celebrations, there hasn't been a single moment that I would trade to be anywhere else but with you and your families. This year has truly been one for the books.

I hope that you have a great holiday and an unforgettable New Year!

Yours in Service,

*Michelle Vernon*, LNHA  
Executive Director







## Trick or Treat Highlights



## GALA



## Creative Cooking

We continue to have cooking/baking classes and we are always looking for new recipes! If you have a favorite recipe (maybe a favorite Christmas cookie) we ask if you would be willing to share so we can recreate this recipe together!

## Customer Service Moment

We are very pleased to announce that Genoa Retirement Village made the "Diamond Walk" at our Spring meeting! This means that you and your loved ones gave us high scores in our Customer Satisfaction Survey this fall! We are so pleased that you and your family members trust us to provide you with such wonderful service. All our departments had improved scores and we thank you for this honor. We continue to strive to improve our services and we are very pleased to serve you!









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*Staff Development*

## Stay in the Loop

Keep up with latest campus news  
and happenings by following  
us on your favorite social networks!

*We strive to provide the best customer  
service and quality care for our residents.*

*Our Department Leaders are here  
to solve any concerns you may have.*

*In the event that you need further  
assistance with any unresolved concerns,  
we encourage you to call or email  
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# Monthly Trivia & Activity Corner

*Cut, color, and make a card to give!*

*All trivia answers will be printed  
in our upcoming month's newsletter!*

**Question 1:** How many days  
of Kwanza are there?

**Question 2:** What country was  
the original St. Nicholas from?

**Question 3:** How many ghosts are  
in the movie *A Christmas Carol*?

**Question 4:** How do you say  
"Merry Christmas" in Spanish?

**Question 5:** What are the  
names of the three reindeer whose  
names start with the letter "D"?

*Flip the page for last  
month's trivia answers:*

*Q1: Who was the first U.S. President to  
pardon a turkey? George H.W. Bush*  
*Q2: How many days did the first  
Thanksgiving celebration last? Three days*  
*Q3: True or False: Canada also celebrates  
Thanksgiving in November. False*  
*Q4: Are pumpkins vegetables or fruits? Fruits*  
*Q5: What popular Christmas song  
was originally written to be a  
Thanksgiving song? Jingle Bells*



## Word Search

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B	Q	J	X	N	C	Z	P	C	K	P	B	T	O	S	H	E	D	T
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BOOK  
BRIGHTEN  
FEELING  
FESTIVE

GESTURE  
GIFT  
GIVING  
HOLIDAY

JOYFUL  
LETTER  
NOTE  
NOVEL

SEASON  
SPECIAL  
STICKERS  
WISHLIST