

# The Wellington News

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## Activity Highlights

**Fall Patio Players A Christmas Carol** performance **Friday December 1st 9:15 am** load time, back for lunch.

**Shalom Wildlife Zoo, Monday December 18th 1:30 am** load time. I will only need one volunteer to ride along with us as we won't be getting out. This will be an auto tour only.

Annual **Family Holiday party. Thursday December 14th 3-7 pm. Dinner at 5 pm Santa at 6 pm. Please note it is Thursday and not Saturday as it has been in the past.** As part of our

tradition, we invite you to bring a special family recipe treat to share. New RSVP protocol in effect this year to try and solve some of the issues we've had in the past. Most importantly, RSVP to Goo, via the postcards mailed out, Goo's voicemail box, Goo's email or to Goo in person. Do not leave RSVP message with anyone else. All our staff are very busy and messages get lost. Secondly, all who RSVP with Goo by December 1 will receive, upon arrival, a ticket for a reserved meal. Ticket holders will go through the buffet line first and will have reserved seating with their resident loved

one. The reason we need you to RSVP is so that we have an accurate count for the caterer and the table and chair rentals. We want to have enough for everyone.

**Special Happy Hour Friday December 29th 3 pm.** Over the last five years Goo has loved her job providing the best care and activities in her capacity as Wellington Place at Hartford's Activity Coordinator. She would like to meet with as many of you as possible to say farewell. Goo will be retiring at the end of the day on the 29th so this will be her last big party to throw for residents and families.

*"Three months before starting work at Wellington I lost my mother to Alzheimer's. My parents lived in Arizona so I was not able to be with them and help them out very much. When the opportunity of Activities Coordinator was offered, I jumped at the chance to Pay It Forward and be there for all these surrogate mothers and fathers. I have truly loved being there for your loved ones and building the program we have today."*

Questions? Contact Goo at [ldgohman-kramer@carriagehealthcare.com](mailto:ldgohman-kramer@carriagehealthcare.com).

## Wellington Place at Hartford

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## Facebook Posts

*Sally H. – Wonder if the little kids or the big kids had more fun?! 😂❤️*

*Katie G. – Always love coming!!*

*Jill Kr. – Those paintings are beautiful! 🎨✍️*

*Sally Z. – How creative & each one is great!*

## Job Postings

We are hiring on all shifts for full and part time positions. If you are interested in working somewhere with competitive pay, great benefits, and a homelike atmosphere this is the place you belong. No experience is necessary as we are willing to train the right candidates. Feel free to come in and grab an application. We're excited for you to start this journey with us!

**Apply online at our website.**

## Facility News & Events

**This past month has been a very fun and busy one. A new entertainer came to play for us. Kip's Music Diner, from Waukesha came with plenty of old-time favorites right out of the jukebox. Everyone was treated to a saltshaker maraca and a paper diner hat to keep. It was wonderful how he got many folks involved and singing along.** We had a second entertainer, Whitney Rose, come and sing for us in November.

**We had our annual trek to the pumpkin farm. We tried a new place this year which was fun but think we'll go back to the other really daring, cute place from before. Ended up getting rained on but we had a good time despite the weather.**

The following day for happy hour we carved the big pumpkins and drew on the smaller ones, ready for the Trick or Treaters to come the next week. Thank you all who helped by donating candy for Trick or Treat. We had enough this year and didn't have to run to the store for more halfway through. Goo still goes downtown where the rest of the Business Trick or Treat is happening and hands out flyers letting parents know we are out here but many are remembering and coming on their own now. The residents had fun dressing up in some of Goo's old theater costume pieces.

**This year we waited until the first of November to return to the Horicon Marsh for an outing. The weather took a turn for the worse on Halloween so we visited the Education Center where we could keep warm while checking out the Marsh.**

We also took a drive through the middle of the marsh on the Dike Road. It was a beautiful drive. Alas, we saw more birds on Hilldale Road and our own pond again this year.



## Happy Birthday

*Best wishes to our residents and staff celebrating birthdays this month.*

### Residents

Jim H.	December 4th
Ingeborg B	December 8th
Inga K.	December 12th
Laurie R.	December 23rd



# Activity Photo Highlights



*Pumpkin farm outing and Happy Hour carving*



*Kips' Music Diner with audience participation*



*Fun dressing up for trick or treat*



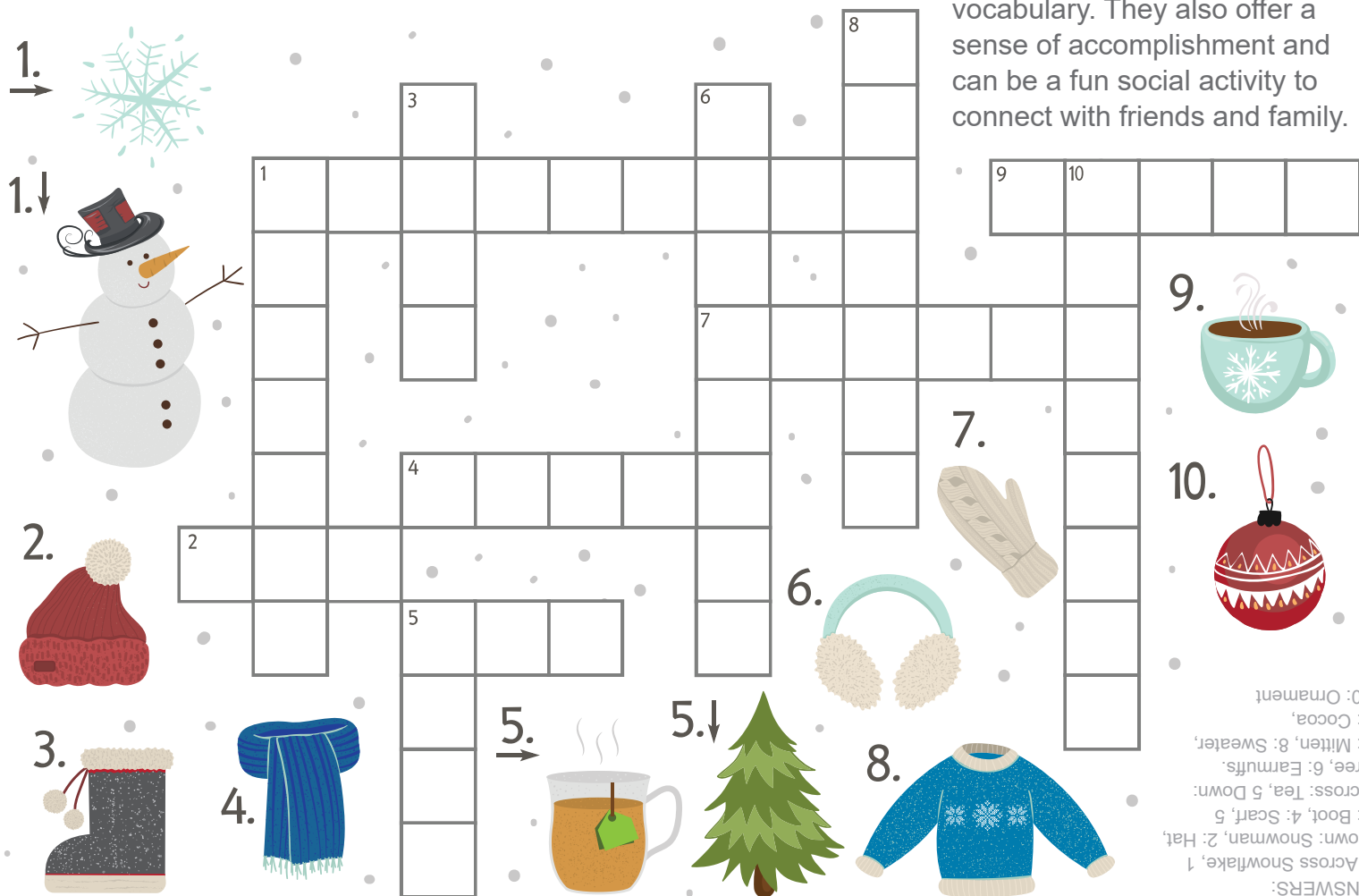
*Keith showing off our Autumn art*



# WINTER THINGS CROSSWORD

CROSSWORD PUZZLE DAY IS DECEMBER 21

Crossword puzzles can improve memory, promote problem-solving skills, and enhance vocabulary. They also offer a sense of accomplishment and can be a fun social activity to connect with friends and family.



## Paper Snowflake Craft

Paper snowflakes are a fun and easy craft for winter. Follow these simple step-by-step instructions to make your own snowy decor.

**Supplies:** Sheets of 8.5in x11in paper and scissors (Optional: pencil, glue, glitter)

Start with your sheet of paper vertical.

- Take the bottom right corner of the paper and fold it diagonally to the opposite corner, forming a triangle.
- Take the bottom left corner of the folded triangle and fold it up in half again, so the right-angle corner meets the opposite side, creating a smaller triangle.
- Cut off the excess paper across the top, leaving just your triangle.

- Fold the right corner to left once more to make a smaller triangle.
- Using a pencil, lightly draw your snowflake design on the folded triangle. You can create simple geometric shapes or more intricate patterns.
- Carefully cut out the shapes you've designed. Be creative and make different cuts to form your unique snowflake.

- Be sure not to cut all the way from one side of your triangle to the other.
- Gently unfold the paper to reveal your paper snowflake.
- Repeat the steps above to create additional paper snowflakes.
- Get creative with your designs, shapes, and sizes to make each snowflake unique. Add glitter to make them glisten.

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