#### Thank you to Our Volunteers

As Thanksgiving has come and gone, we want to acknowledge our volunteers and thank them for all they do. From pet therapy visits worship volunteers from Our Lady of Grace and Mount Olivet, and hours of help from different community members we can provide additional services to our residents. We are truly a better community thanks to each of these individuals and organizations.



#### Why Volunteer?

- Build meaningful relationships.
- Make a positive impact in your community.
- Gain rewarding experiences and memories.

No special skills are required—just your kindness and willingness to make a difference. Sign up today on our Aurora website and become part of something truly special!



#### Thank you Trader Joes

We wanted to take this opportunity to thank Trader Joes for their weekly donation of flowers. Flowers bring so much joy to all our Residents and we are very grateful for their continued support.



## Upcoming Assisted/Independent Living Events

**Dec 6<sup>th</sup> Speaker:** Jewelry Appraisals Bob Zagaro's

**Dec 10<sup>th</sup> Group Outing:** Sidekick Theatre "Bells will be Ringing" concert is **SOLD OUT** 

Dec 13<sup>th</sup> Lady of Grace Catholic Confession w/ Father Kevin & Resident Talk: Author Peggy K.

**Dec 16<sup>th</sup> MacPhail Hour:** Nikki Lemire Harpist: Holiday Music

Dec 17<sup>th</sup> Coffee w/Chef Meeting

#### December 2024

# Aurora Happenings

Aurora on France | 6500 France Ave. S | Edina MN 55420 | (952) 848-8888

### **Calendar Highlights**

Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> "Deck the Halls" (Help us decorate Aurora for the holiday season!) 12/4 Craft Sale Veteran's Day was recognized with a heartfelt tribute to 21 of Aurora's revered veterans. We acknowledge and thank these gentlemen for their invaluable service to our nation.

(9 vendors this year)

12/5 Fa la la la Llamas

## 12/9 Ornaments Making

(Choose from different

Outing: Christmas Lights (MC 12/10) (AL 12/12) 12/13 Cookies & Coco

with Mrs. Clause

designs)

12/18 Holiday Card

Making (Choose from

different designs)

12/19 Holiday Dinner

#### **RSVP** required

12/23 Christmas Service 12/23 AL Caroling on MC



#### Veteran's Day Ceremony



In November the Taiko Midwest Drumming Group put on a wonderful performance!







#### **Thanksgiving Story**

Create-A-Story by Skyview Neighborhood

President Franklin Roosevelt, his wife Eleanor, and their grandson Teddy are all having Thanksgiving dinner together. They gather in the dining room of the White House. Eleanor was very charitable. Earlier that day she brought turkeys to people who couldn't afford them. She gave away so many turkeys that they were left with only one turkey, and it didn't have much meat on its bones. To fix this they stuffed the turkey with M&Ms and apricots. When they tried to eat the turkey, they didn't like it at all, so they sent it back. The chef's thought making another turkey would be ridiculous, so they ordered for carry out instead, hamburgers and peanut butter sandwiches. They still needed dessert, especially Teddy, so they got ice cream in the shape of a turkey. The Roosevelt family finally got their turkey dinner!



#### **Skyview Music Events**

12/6 Dan on the accordion 12/13 Loren on the guitar 12/27 Bill on the guitar



#### **Skyview Holiday Crafts**

12/3 Wreath Door Decoration 12/10 Tri-bead Wreath Ornament 12/17 Bobbin Tree Ornament 12/24 Tri-bead Candy Cane Ornament 12/25 Color a joined Elf 12/31 Color a New Years Hat



#### **Theater Listings**

12/5 Grinch 12/12 White Christmas 12/19 Charlie Brown's Christmas 12/26 Frosty the Snowman



#### **Thanksgiving Dinner**

What a great time we all had with friends and families this Thanksgiving. We are all so Thankful to all of you, making Aurora a wonderful place to live and work!



#### Minnetonka Highschool Vantage **Project: Aurora on France**



Project overview: Throughout the semester Minnetonka high school students have been meeting with Aurora residents in hopes to build connections and network. While sharing and learning about their key life events, their sense of purpose, and their sense of community. Their objective throughout this research project is to understand the resident's sense of purpose, and how it has changed throughout their lifetime.





