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# HAPPENINGS

## At The Villa

A publication of  
 East Park Villa  
 Senior Living

### ***The Second Floor "Unveiling"***

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For a variety of reasons, projects always seem to take longer than anticipated. Sometimes there are delays in deliveries, occasionally our staff must manage other priorities, so the project is put on hold, and sometimes it is conducive to wait for certain items to be purchased at a sale price rather than full price. However, the result is worth the wait!!

As I walked down the second-floor hallway, I found myself in awe of the beauty. The fresh paint coordinated with the new carpet and accent-colored alcoves. The combination of new and newly reupholstered furniture looks stunning, and the chapel's pews and chairs feel brand new. The artwork by local artists. While descending the grand stairway, the stunning fall tree caught my gaze. The beautiful white columns, the new granite desktop. New furniture in the reception area. The first-floor lobby is positively **spectacular**. There are still a few things to finish but I would say this project is about 92% complete.

All this in preparation for beginning The Grille. The building permit is in-hand and the slab for the new walk-in freezer has been poured. As we work with the contractor, it appears the kitchen updates required for The Grille will be completed by Thanksgiving. Deconstruction on the east dining room will begin December 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Grateful Celebration will also be our grand unveiling of the second-floor renovation. The contributing artists are invited to see their artwork on display. It will be a glorious evening. We look forward to seeing you all there.

*Laurie*

## November Activities

The following activities are **in addition to our regularly scheduled activities**. If you plan to attend, please sign up for activities marked with an asterisk (\*) at least 24 hours in advance. Thanks!

### November:

- 3– Shop Aurora Mall\*
- 3– EPV Council
- 4– Chapel
- 6– Chapel
- 6– Shop Dollar Tree\*
- 6– Ladies Tea
- 7– At Home Hearing
- 7– Trip To Sugar Shack\*
- 10– Shop Aurora Mall\*
- 11– Veterans Day Program\*
- 11– Pinnacle Bank
- 13– Shop Dollar General\*
- 13– Grateful Celebration
- 17– Shop Aurora Mall\*
- 18– Shop Target\*
- 18– FBLA BINGO
- 20– November Birthday Party
- 20– Shop MCHI Thrift Shop\*
- 21– Merrymaker Tim Javorsky
- 21– Lunch @ Chances R & Shop Goodypop In York\*
- 24– Shop Aurora Mall\*
- 25– Pinnacle Bank
- 25– ST. Croix Drink Bar
- 27– Happy Thanksgiving



## November Birthdays

### Residents

- 12– Jim J.
- 19– Cele S.
- 19– Patty R.
- 29– JoEllen R.

### Staff

- 3– Barbie S.
- 22– Becky G.

**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY**

## December Birthdays

### Residents

- 12– Arlene H.
- 17– Dale M.

### Staff

- 27– Cadance E.



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East Park Villa photos.

# Grateful Celebration

November 13, 2025

5:00-7:00 pm

Residents, Family &  
Friends

Soup & Pie

Modern Cowboy

Apple Cider Bar

Crafts

**RSVP BY November 7th  
to 402-694-2300**



HAPPY HALLOWEEN

## *A Note from Nursing...*

It is hard to believe that we are almost to the end of the year already. Just a reminder, annual open enrollment for 2026 has started and ends December 7, 2025. Medicare Part D plans can change from year to year. Because of this, you have the option of enrolling into a different Medicare Part D plan each year. Because Medicare can be confusing, the federal government through the Administration on Community Living, funds a SHIIP or Senior Health Insurance Information Program. The Nebraska SHIIP is part of the Nebraska Department of Insurance. They do not endorse any insurance company, product or agent. They provide free, unbiased Medicare education and counseling to help you understand your options so that you can make a better-informed decision regarding your Medicare Part D insurance. SHIIP offers a **toll-free hotline – 1-800-234-7119**. Any person eligible for Medicare, relatives, friends or providers can call for answers to insurance questions or to arrange a meeting with a SHIIP counselor.

SHIIP services include:

- Explains Medicare eligibility and benefits offered through Medicare Parts A and B
- Explains supplemental insurance coverage options, cost comparisons and how to choose a company
- Promotes awareness of Medicare fraud including how to protect, detect and report healthcare fraud, waste and abuse
- Explains and compares Medicare Prescription drug plans
- Assists limited income individuals in applying for assistance programs to help pay for drug cost
- Explains and compares Medicare Advantage options in your area
- Explains the interaction between Medicare, employer coverage and retiree coverage.

Nebraska SHIIP has a statewide network of certified counselors and partner organizations. They receive extensive training on Medicare and related health insurance and they are available to meet for one-on-one counseling. **To schedule an appointment at one of the local Nebraska SHIIP offices call 1-800-234-7119 or 402-471-2841.**

The following also provide Medicare open enrollment assistance:

Senior Center in Aurora - call 402-694-2176 to schedule an appointment.

Jim's U-Save in Aurora – call 402-694-3187 to schedule an appointment.

Midwest LTC Pharmacy (assisted living residents) – contact Jennifer.

**If you change your Medicare part D plan, please bring your card to Jennifer so that we can make a copy and update your information.**

Wishing you good health and happiness,  
Jennifer, RN/Assistant Administrator

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## December :

- 1– Shop Aurora Mall\*
- 4– Shop Dollar Tree\*
- 4– Chapel
- 5– At Home Hearing
- 8– Shop Aurora Mall\*
- 9– Pinnacle Bank
- 9– Chapel
- 11– Shop Dollar General\*
- 11– Ladies Tea
- 12– Men's Night
- 15– Shop Aurora Mall\*
- 15– Violin Program
- 16– Chapel
- 16– Shop Walmart In York\*
- 18– Merrymaker Mike McCracken
- 18– Twinkle Tour\*
- 18– Shop MCHI Thrift Shop
- 19– Out To Lunch @ Raths
- 22– Shop Aurora Mall\*
- 22– Piano Program
- 23– Pinnacle Bank
- 23– White Elephant Party
- 25– Merry Christmas
- 29– Shop Aurora Mall\*
- 30– December Birthday Party
- 31– New Years Party



## **Hello from Housekeeping!**

*The holidays will be here before we know it. We are more than happy to help you get your holiday items from a high closet, shelf, or out of storage. Although we may not be available to help you the day you ask, we will be sure to assist you at our earliest convenience.*



## **Merrymakers**



**Tim Javorsky**  
**November 21st**  
**6:30 PM**



**Mike McCracken**  
**December 18th**  
**2:30 PM**



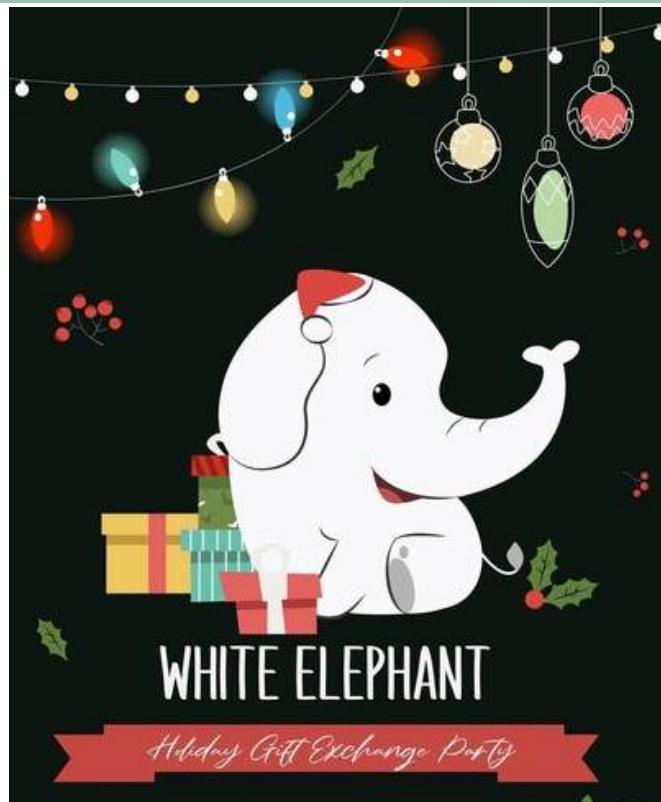
Shopping trip to  
Sugar Shack  
Christmas Market  
in Edgar.  
Sign up @ Front  
Desk.



Friday  
November 7  
1:30 PM



**Bob Leach  
Don Kupfersmith  
Chuck Bowman  
Oscar Lundquist  
Gary Ross  
Don Harvey**



Resident & Staff Party  
December 23rd  
2:30 3rd Floor



December 18th  
6:00 pm  
Christmas Lights &  
Hot Chocolate  
Sign up at Front Desk

Laurie Andrews  
Administrator

Jennifer Hunter, RN  
Assistant Administrator

Nicole Nelson  
Activities Coordinator

Becky Guptill  
Housekeeping Supervisor

Crystal Homolka  
Dietary Supervisor

Jason Fry  
Maintenance Supervisor



*Because every moment matters.*

## Cranberry White Chocolate Chip Cookies

- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup dried cranberries
- 1 cup white chocolate chips
- 1/2 cup unsalted butter
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup brown sugar (packed)
- 1 large egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour



### Directions

Preheat oven to 350°F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. In a large bowl, cream butter, sugar, and brown sugar together until light and fluffy. Beat in egg and vanilla extract. In a separate bowl, whisk together flour, baking soda, and salt. Gradually stir dry mixture into the wet mixture until combined. Fold in dried cranberries and white chocolate chips. Drop rounded tablespoons of dough onto the baking sheet, leaving space between cookies. Bake for 10 to 12 minutes, until edges are lightly golden. Cool on the baking sheet for 5 minutes before transferring to a wire rack.