

November 2023

Fremont Fountain View

Name of your community | Address | Phone number | Other information



Management at your service

“Baruch Senior Ministries seeks to honor God by serving people as they age.”

Administrator
Shelley McDonald

Resident Care Manager
Latasha Robinson

Activity Director
Nicole Wandzilak

Director of Food Service
Lorraine Wellman

Director of
Housekeeping
Sue Cotton

Director of Maintenance
David McDonald

Pastor
Joan Cornelison

The Game Is Afoot

As friends and family gather together during the third week of November to celebrate Thanksgiving, they will have another holiday to celebrate: Game and Puzzle Week. This weeklong holiday is designed to inject some old-fashioned fun and games into a holiday that is often dominated by eating and watching television.

Despite our preoccupation with digital screens, board games are currently enjoying a “golden age” of popularity. In 2021 alone, tabletop games earned a whopping \$13.4 billion worldwide. Designers are developing plenty of innovative, creative, strategic, and beautiful games for our enjoyment. Most importantly, however, these tabletop games deliver something that a screen cannot: a shared social experience.

There are plenty of competitive games where one winner comes out on top: *The Settlers of Catan* rewards the player with the most advanced settlement, *Ticket to Ride* the most extensive rail network, and *Seven Wonders* the most dominant civilization. But designers now offer plenty of games where players must cooperate to win the day. *Pandemic* pits players against the outbreak of various diseases, *Mysterium* requires solving a mystery and a ghost story, and *Robinson Crusoe* forces players to survive together on a deserted island. And then, of course, there is the mother of all tabletop games, *Dungeons and Dragons*, where players assume the identity of a group of fantasy heroes, playact their decisions, and even make the story up as they go along.

Whether games are competitive or cooperative, they often force us to face challenges and solve problems together. Faced with challenges, the strongest and most vulnerable parts of our personalities shine through, revealing who we truly are to the players around the table. These revelatory moments, in a low-stakes setting where defeat means that we can just play another round, are what make gaming so fun. Win or lose, games are bound to provide plenty of laughter, levity, and memories of time well spent.



Fall Crafts

The residents made fall wreaths



Bowling with volunteers

My brother Ben came to volunteer for bowling helping set pins and hand the ball back to the residents. The staff that brought him had helped as well. Thank you everyone.



Puppy Snuggles

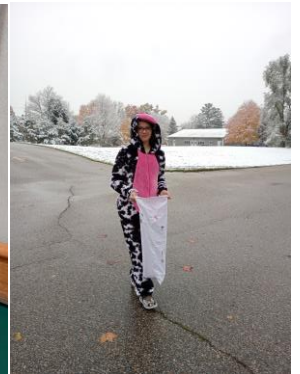
Thank you to Melissa from Happy Bass Golden Retrievers for bringing your adorable furbabies for the residents to snuggle. It brought them so much joy!



Fall Senses Scavenger Hunt: From scented candles to tasty treats, crunching leaves and bumpy pumpkins, the residents enjoyed an indoor scavenger hunt with items for all 5 senses.



Fountain View Trunk or Treat 2023



Music Brings So Much Joy!



Music Therapy with Melissa



Gospel Music



Jane playing the keyboard and Gabby enjoying the music

Anniversaries

Residents:

Luke Kimes.....11-1-2020

Joanie Owen.....11-3-2020

Staff:

Cassie Rollston 10-18



Dominos with Rich



We appreciate our volunteers!

The Childrens Christmas Program and Toys for Tots through True North.

We are collecting new and unwrapped toys. Collection dates are Nov 1st. all the way until **Dec 4th** when True North will come to pick up.



Thanksgiving Dessert Bar

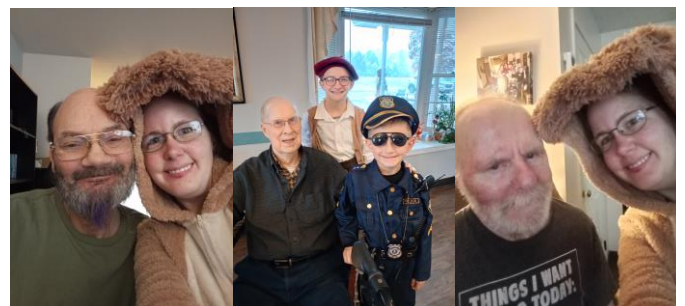
We are doing something different this year. Instead of the full Thanksgiving meal, we are doing a desert bar which will offer a variety of cakes, pies, breads, etc. as well as coffee, tea, or hot chocolate. We are hoping that with this smaller venue, it will allow for a more relaxed and enjoyable time for residents and families. This event will be on **Thursday November 16th at 3:00pm.**

Please **RSVP** by November 13th Will also send out invites through email.



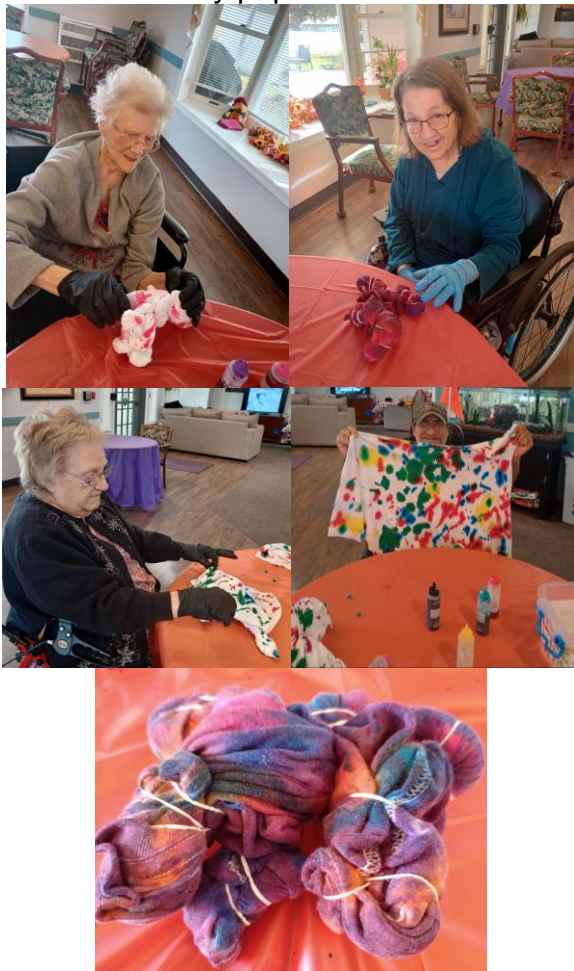
Costume Day At Fountain View

Staff had fun dressing up for Halloween



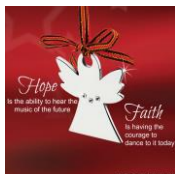
Tie Dye Party

Back by popular demand



Tree Lighting Ceremony

The date for our annual tree lighting ceremony will be **Friday December 15th**. Join us as we honor and remember those who have passed and those who are still with us. The order forms for the ornaments will be available in the office and I will email them as well.



November Birthdays

Residents:

Judy Frantz.....11-19-1957

Staff:

Cassie Rollston.....11-5

Gabrielle Huffman....11-14

Sue Cotton....11-24



Resident of the Month for November:

Cora



Cora is full of smiles and always has a kind word. She enjoys music and devotions. We are happy to have her as part of our Fountain View Family. Congratulations Cora!