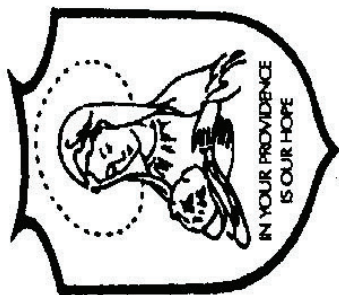


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DIVINE NEWS & VIEWS



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Administrator's Message- Jayna

By now everyone has most likely experienced the national workforce shortage. Either by waiting longer for a good or service, having to adjust your activity because of reduced business hours, or working more hours/covering more duties at your own place of employment. Health care and senior care organizations have been hit especially hard. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, nationally, more than 1.7 million health care workers left the field this year.

Access to care in the communities seniors call home is diminished. Seniors and families are waiting longer for the care they need because there aren't enough caregivers. In October alone, Minnesota's seniors were denied access to older adult services 11,000 times; meanwhile, over half of long-term care providers have waiting lists. Divine is no exception. While we have open beds, we do not have the staff to give the care.

In this season of reflection and gratitude, I think it is imperative to recognize the caregiving professionals who remain dedicated to those who rely on them for life-enhancing care and services. At Divine our frontline care givers along with all the support staff keep our Grandfriends comfortable and safe in our community 24/7. Our team members, many of who have served our Grandfriends for decades, find meaning and purpose in their essential roles. As year three of an unprecedented pandemic ends, please applaud these resilient professionals who gave their hearts and souls to battle COVID and continue to give their all.

While all our staff are amazing, each year we put a special focus on staff that have reached their 5 year milestone anniversaries throughout the past year.

5 Years

Liz Edick, LPN
Rocio Gonzalez, CNA/TMA
Julie Larson, CNA
Alex Sellner, RN

15 Years

Gloria Martinez, CNA

35 Years

Kathy Moldaschel, CNA

10 Years

Michelle Augustin, DON
Jeanne Ludewig, LVM Housekeeping

25 Years

Beth Vait-Kosel, Activities

Facilities Director- Sr. Sharon

THANK YOU LORD FOR THE YEAR PAST

THANK YOU FOR THE YEAR TO COME!

As we come to the end of another year given us by our good God, we recall the many graces and blessings of faith, family, country, and our Home-yours and ours during this Christmastime! A time of gratitude, love, and sharing and no doubt sufferings and losses as well!

There has been no time in the history of the world when there has not been challenges of various sorts. We are experiencing wars, revolts of many kinds, shortages of foods, supplies, and even that of human resources to serve the needs of all. Pope Francis in his message **Urbi et Orbi** stated that all these things affect all of humanity in being true brothers and sisters on this planet earth. Our only Hope is to return to Bethlehem once again to the tiny Child who is the Prince of Peace! He is:

HOPE OF THE PAST-HOPE IN THE PRESENT

HOPE FOR THE FUTURE!

So what is true hope? We learned so many years ago that **"Hope is believing in that which we cannot see!"**

Our Hope is real in Him who came to give us life abundantly! One who will assist us in all our needs if we but trust in His Love and Providential care!

The Magi set out on a journey to an unknown destination and found what they had been searching for...and we? Each New Year is this journey into the unknown. Let us choose well our companion.

So as we begin this New Year, let us resolve to renew our HOPE, trust in Him to guide us into these uncharted waters of this present life and world, to bring about good to all!

Our Prayer for you-

A BLESSED HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR TO ALL

Safe travels! Please us the GPS (God's Providential Star)



CHRISTMAS

SNOWBALL



FUN



AND



WITH

JOLLY



LAKE VILLA MENU

Menu subject to change

Dinner served 11AM-1PM

Jan 1- Pot roast, pork ribs, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, broccoli florets, glazed baby carrots, dinner roll

Jan 2- Grilled ham & cheese sandwich, baked turkey, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, onion rings, asparagus, coleslaw, dinner roll

Jan 3- Chicken kiev, pork roast, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, cheesy potatoes, winter squash, dinner roll

Jan 4- Meatloaf, beef tips, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, creamy vegetable salad, diced beets, breadstick

Jan 5- Baked pork chop, lasagna w/ meatsauce, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, buttered corn, garlic Texas toast

Jan 6- Breaded shrimp, swiss steak w/ tomatoes, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, hashbrown patty, Oriental vegetable blend, sour cream cucumber salad

Jan 7- Mesquite roasted turkey, beef stroganoff, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, broccoli florets, peas & carrots, dinner roll

Jan 8- Meatballs, sliced baked ham, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, baked sweet potatoes, wax beans, stewed tomatoes, dinner roll

Jan 9- Baked chicken, pork roast, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, cheesy potatoes, buttered broccoli, glazed baby carrots, dinner roll

Jan 10- Lemon pepper fish, pot roast, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, baked potato, buttered corn, marinated mixed vegetable salad, dinner roll

Jan 11- Beef macaroni casserole, chicken kiev, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, peas, dinner roll

Jan 12- Ring bologna, country fried steak w/ creamy gravy, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, sauerkraut, breadstick

Jan 13- Pecan crusted cod, chicken drummies, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, California vegetable blend, coleslaw, dinner roll

Jan 14- Open-faced hot turkey sandwich w/ gravy, meatloaf, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, creamy coleslaw, green beans

Jan 15- Baked chicken, pork roast, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, baked sweet potatoes, Scandinavian vegetable blend, asparagus, dinner roll

Jan 16- Mesquite roasted turkey, corned beef sandwich/rye, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, creamed peas, dinner roll

Jan 17- Spaghetti w/ meatsauce, tater tot casserole, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, wax beans, breadstick

Jan 18- Pot roast, baked pork chop, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, scalloped potatoes, pasta salad, Cape Cod vegetable blend, dinner roll

Jan 19- Pork ribs, ring bologna, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, hot German potato salad, coleslaw, California vegetable blend, dinner roll

Jan 20- Baked herb fish, beef tips w/ noodles, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, winter squash, marinated tomato & cucumber salad, breadstick

Jan 21- Chicken alfredo w/ angel hair pasta, sloppy Joe/bun, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, boiled cabbage, peas, dinner roll

Jan 22- Pot roast, glazed baked ham, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, cauliflower, dinner roll

Jan 23- Chicken chow mein, baked fish, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, fried rice, green beans, Oriental vegetable blend, breadstick

Jan 24- Steak Diane, turkey supreme, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, peas & carrots, dinner roll

Jan 25- Pork roast, meatballs, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, calico coleslaw, asparagus

Jan 26- Philly cheese steak sandwich, chicken tenders, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, fries, creamy cucumber and onion salad, broccoli florets

Jan 27- Shrimp alfredo w/ Fettuccine, meatballs, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, green beans, garlic Texas toast

Jan 28- Lasagna w/ meatsauce, sliced baked ham, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, scalloped potatoes, broccoli florets, key biscayne vegetable blend, garlic breadstick

Jan 29- Baked pork chop, breaded chicken breast, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, buttered corn, peas, dinner roll

Jan 30- Beef soft tacos, pot roast, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, marinated mixed vegetable blend, broccoli florets, dinner roll

Jan 31- Turkey supreme, salisbury steak, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, fries, pickled beet salad, asparagus, dinner roll



Employees: Benard Kirui, Crisanta Schmidtknecht, Justine Helget, Amy Johnson, Liz Edick, Ana Huerta, Alexa Schultz, Denise Doyle, Shirley Hornick

Residents: Yvonne Windschitl, Bernice Sturm, Kathleen Huberty, Sr. Irene Setlow, Kathy Mennenga, Marlene Herschman

DIRECTORY

Facilities Director.....	Sr. Sharon Williams
Administrator.....	Jayna Groebner
Director of Nurses.....	Michelle Augustin, RN
Social Services.....	Shirley Hornick, LPN
Activity Director.....	ShellyRae Zinniel, ADC
Business Manager.....	Sheena Hillesheim
Dietary Manager.....	Donna Sellner, CDM
Environmental Services.....	Randy Renner
Health Information Services/HIPAA.....	
Lake Villa Maria Housing Mgr.....	Gina McKeown

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WISH LIST

We have been blessed to have many generous friends who made it possible to purchase necessary items to enhance the lives of our residents. Thanks to all who have contributed.

Please consider our following needs:

TV for Resident Living Room	\$1,000.00
Dining Room Sound System	\$9,000.00

THANK YOU

- *Rita Pyan staff treats
- *Olsen, Martinez, Braulick, Murphy families for making "snow days" fun for our Grandfriends
- *Schiller family Christmas goodies
- *Special evening programming provided by Pietig, Braulick, and Olsen families
- *Tauer family secret Santa gifts
- *Visiting Concord Singers
- *Mary Carroll's photo contributions to Mall area
- *Grandfriend door crafts from SE 4-H Wide Awakes
- *St. Mary 5th Grade Class visit
- *Faith United Methodist Church carolers spreading cheer down our hallways
- *Thank you to all who contributed to the Poinsettia's for Christmas



Divine Providence Community Home invites you to our presence on Facebook!
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MEMORIALS

Dorothy Nazarenius from Dorothy's children

Delores Haas from Ken & Jeannie Saffert, Don & Deb Widmer, Carita Hoffmann, Marie Guldán, Jay & Ann Behnken, Christine Lawrenz, Alan & Janet Holm and Family & Friends

Meinrad Hillesheim from Cliff & Bernette Schumacher

Rosella Windschitl from Gloria Helget and Family

Shop for Cards at DPCH

Cards for most occasions. Cards for ordination and other religious occasions. We also have general cards so you can personalize to suit the occasion. The display is located in the main lobby. A payment box is affixed to the card rack so you can shop anytime.

Do you like to sew? If so, we are looking for a volunteer to perform minor repairs for house linens or resident clothing. We have a sewing machine for use in house.

Please contact Jayna at 507-794-3011 if interested.

REMINDER: When dropping things off such as clothing, please bring to the Nurse's Station so they can give you a receipt of what was brought in. This will help us to prevent things from getting lost.

Thanks for your cooperation and understanding.



**St. Mary's Kindergarten
Class creating I Spy
Ornaments with our
Grandfriends**





Above: Faith United Methodist carolers spreading Christmas cheer



St. Mary's Second Graders frosted cookies for us!



Below: Arts & Crafts with the Martinez family and Elaine Stueber

