

The Wellington News

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Assisted Living • Respite Care Services

Happy Birthday!

Residents

Dec. 8 Ingeborg B. 89 yrs old

Dec. 12 Inga K. 86 yrs old

Staff

Dec. 29 Beci

Letter from Administrator

New this month is WISH'S SHINING STARS.

This is a nice way residents and family members can recognize our team members who made an extra special difference during your time with us. There are cards on the front desk that you can fill out with team member names and comments and return to our office. Our staff does not accept tips but they will receive a special recognition of your thoughtfulness. There is also a place for you to make a tax-deductible charitable donation if you prefer which will benefit all the residents.

Your opinion matters to us and we'd love to hear your feedback! We'd appreciate you sharing your thoughts and comments about Wellington place at Hartford via the following links:

Google Reviews: bit.ly/goo_hart

Facebook Reviews: bit.ly/fb_hart



The form is titled "WISH's Shining Stars" and is designed for residents and family members to recognize staff members. It includes fields for "Name(s)", "Comments", and "Your information" (Name, Address, City/State/Zip, Phone Number, Email Address). There is also a section for "Enclosed is my tax-deductible gift of \$" and a note about the tax-deductible donation. The card features the Wellington Place at Hartford logo and the Wisconsin Illinois Senior Housing Inc. logo.

Therapy Success Story

One of our residents, Walter, is back from rehab and is doing better than ever. We are all so glad to have him back. He is smiling so much more now and I know he is happy to be back too.

Wellington Place at Hartford

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Monica Rakowski, Administrator

 Like Us On Facebook

As a non-profit 501c3 community, we thank you for supporting our mission of service to seniors through tax-deductible donations of cash or useful items.

Please call our office.



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WE ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS



Holiday Craft: Greeting Card Ornaments

Cut out your favorite Christmas card images and mount them onto wooden craft shapes with glue. For an older finish, varnish them, drill a small hole at the top, and then tie ribbons at the tops. You can also cut out your favorite images from cards, laminate them, punch a hole at the top, and use a piece of ribbon as the hanger. If you don't want to cut anything out, an even simpler approach is to glue the front and back of the card together. Punch a hole at the top of the card, loop a piece of ribbon and it's ready to hang.

Shared from Facebook

We had a great response to being a part of the Chamber of Commerce Trick or Treating event. Here are some of the comments we received:

Sue Nieth Saskowski:

How wonderful! I wish I had kids I could have brought to see the lovely residents during trick or treating.

Stacey Lynne:

I didn't even know that they had this here! Awesome they do this. Definitely going to make this the first stop next year. ♥

Lori Jeche:

When we went to visit, there were so many children there. I hope the Wellington residents enjoyed it.

5-Star ★★★★★ Google Review

"We stopped during trick or treating just to get out of the house with our newborn to say hi! The staff and residents were very welcoming and happy to see us! Everyone was in good spirits and in the holiday mood. Thank you for letting us come by."

Facility News

We added a new family member. We welcome Doris M. who has jumped right into making friends, going on outings and having some evening fun with us.

Wellington Place at Hartford was honored to receive the Top Rookie Team of the Year Award from the Washington County Walk to End Alzheimer's. Of the teams walking for the first time this year, we had the most members with 20 and we raised the most money: \$1801. Our Activities Coordinator/Team Captain was at the ceremony to receive a beautifully framed team photo.

It was a beautiful day for our October outing to a local pumpkin farm. This was our largest group to go on an outing. We had a total of 9 who wanted to go but the taxi bus holds 8 maximum. Yet another reason we are trying to get enough donations to get our own 8+2 bus. 4-H youngsters helped us decorate our pumpkins.

It was also an exciting day when the kids came to trick or treat during Hartford's Chamber of Commerce Business Trick or Treat. We had so many kids, the staff had to run to the store for more candy...TWICE!



Activities Coordinator/Team Captain Goo Gohman-Kramer receives the Rookie Team of the Year award for Wellington Place at Hartford's first year with the Walk to End Alzheimer's.



Our pumpkin farm outing was warmer and more pleasant than they make it look in the photo.



Hartford Helping Hands 4-H came to help decorate our pumpkins.



This year's trick or treat was our best ever.

Facebook Testimonial

"Recently my father was a resident in several area facilities. But our family agrees: Nobody takes care of him better than Wellington Place at Hartford. Thanks for a job well done - to all the caregivers there from our family. God bless you." – Scott O.

Upcoming Events

We will be taking an outing again this year to Falls Patio Players special performance of A Christmas Carol on

Friday December 6th

leaving at 9:30 am.

Saturday December 7th

4-H will be here at **2 pm** to hold the monthly special Saturday Bingo game.

We will be celebrating our annual family Christmas party on **Saturday, December 14th from 4-7 pm.** We will have fun Polka music before dinner and a buffet at 5 pm. Santa will arrive at 6 pm to hand out your gifts to your loved one. Please try and get gifts to Goo by the day before.

If you would like to schedule one of our rooms to have a meal with your family on Christmas day just let Gina know and we will reserve a room for you. Gina will need to know how many to expect and please include \$4 per person to cover the extra food costs.



Three Ways to Make a Holiday Change

1. Start a holiday journal. Every evening write down three things you noticed that day, things that connected you with the meanings of the holidays.
2. Meet or talk with someone new. Do you know your neighbors? Talking to someone new can be daunting, but remember start with a smile. Don't know where to begin? Ask them about their holidays, family, or pets.
3. Take time to breathe and relax. Don't make a list, don't beat yourself up for what's undone. For a five minutes every day of the month just take a moment to recharge and take some deep breaths.

WiCAL

Wisconsin Center for Assisted Living

Your Wellington Staff

Office Hours: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Visiting Hours 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Monica Rakowski	Administrator
Angie Reynolds- Klick	Care Coordinator
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Valeria P.	CNA
Ciarah M.	CNA
Sabrina P.	RA
Jamie M.	RA
Sue R.	RA
Beci E.	RA
Meah F.	RA
Kathy F.	RA
Joshua	RA

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WISH List

Our fundraising goals include first and foremost a wheelchair accessible van of our own. Our goal has changed from \$8000 (a goal we did achieve thanks to you) for a used minivan to a much more substantial goal \$50,000 for an 8+2 Wheelchair Accessible Bus. If you have already donated or are unable to donate perhaps you could help solicit donations from local businesses or your employer, etc. As a non-profit any donations can be used as a charitable donation for tax purposes. This time of year, businesses are often looking for that end of year tax deduction. Please

encourage businesses to donate at www.wellingtonplacehartford.org/donate and note in the memo if it's to be used specifically for the van fund. We would love to do more things in our community if we had transportation of our own. Please consider donating to help us reach our new goal.

We need more **one-pound dumb bell weights** as we have more folks joining in on exercise class.

Goo has some cute ideas for which she needs **pinecones** and there are only tiny ones around our building.



Job Postings

We are hiring for all shifts, full and part time positions. If you are interested in working somewhere with competitive pay, great benefits, and a home-like atmosphere, this

is the place where you belong. No experience is necessary as we are willing to train the right candidates. Feel free to come in and grab an application. Were excited for you to start this journey with us!



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We're non-profit; all donations are tax-deductible.



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