



## *December Newsletter*

### **FAMILY CHRISTMAS/CANDLE LIGHT SUPPER**

**Wednesday, December 19th**

We are going to try something new this year! It has been tradition for the Haaland Estates residents to share is a special Christmas meal prior to Christmas Day. This is a time for us to come together and share in the Christmas story, sing Christmas carols together and ring in the holiday spirit. It is a meaningful time for all.

This year, we would like to extend the initiation to our family members. This gives you all an opportunity to share in a meaningful Christmas experience with your loved one.

**On the Menu:**

Brisket & butterfly shrimp, baked potato, creamed peas, lefsa, kuchen, and peppermint ice cream.

There will be a charge of \$8 per plate for guests.

\$4 children 7 and under

Please start arriving at 5:30 so we can seat you along with your family member.

Meal will be served at 6:00

**Important!** Please RSVP along with the number of guests so we can order the correct amount of food and make seating arrangements accordingly.

**Please call by Monday, December 17th to reserve.**

We look forward to sharing in the holiday cheer with you and your family members.



### *Holiday Notice*

With the upcoming holidays, we realize family enjoys spending time together. Unfortunately, due to limited space, we are not able to accommodate larger groups. We ask that if you are planning to share a meal here with your loved one for the Christmas Day

Dinner that you limit your guests to two people.

Please let us know by **Friday, December 21st** so we can make arrangements.

If you are planning to take your family member out for Christmas Eve or Christmas Day please notifies us at least a day ahead of time so we can have any needed medications ready to go. Please remember to check your family member out before you leave.

Holiday Meal Cost: \$8.00

Children under 7 \$4.00

**From all us at Haaland Estates:**

**Merry Christmas!**

*A few ladies getting into the holiday spirit with some decorating.*

*Merry Christmas*

### *December Special Events*

3<sup>rd</sup>- Making Kuchen

4<sup>th</sup>- Decorating the Chapel Christmas Tree  
1:45

6<sup>th</sup>- Resident Council 11:00  
Christmas Carol Sing-Along 1:45

10<sup>th</sup> Christmas Memorial Program 11:00  
Little Flower Christmas Program 1:30  
Peeling Potatoes for Lefsa 2:00

11<sup>th</sup>- Making Lefsa 1:30

13<sup>th</sup>- December Birthday Party 1:45  
(Sponsored by the Haaland Estates Staff)

14<sup>th</sup>- Fried Egg Friday

15<sup>th</sup>- Christmas Jingo 1:45

17<sup>th</sup>- Making Spritz Cookies 1:30  
Christmas Carols with Ron & Diane 7:00

18<sup>th</sup>- Christmas Craft 1:30

**19<sup>th</sup> FAMILY  
CHRISTMAS/CANDLE LIGHT  
SUPPER 6:00  
PLEASE ARRIVE AT 5:30 TO BE  
SEATED**

20<sup>th</sup>- Christmas Carol Sing-Along 1:45

22<sup>nd</sup>- Decorating Christmas Cookies 1:45

24<sup>th</sup>- Angel Visits 10:30  
Christmas Party/Jingo 1:45  
Christmas Goodies 2:45

31<sup>st</sup>- New Year's Eve Party & Dance (Music  
with Ed Selensky) 1:45

*Look for the Elf on the Shelf and  
what he is up to all month!*





# Angel Tree



The holidays can be a challenging time as some people may deal with loss of family or struggling with the loss of the way things used to be during the holiday season. This is the reason we set up the Angel Tree each year. The purpose is to bring a little Christmas cheer to those who may be having difficult time during the holiday season.

Instead of hanging the tags on the tree, we have found that having everyone stop by the front office to pick up the gift tags works the best. (Tags will be kept at the nurses' station after hours.) We are asking volunteers, staff members, family & friends to go to the front office and pick out the tag you want. We keep track of who has what tag number to help alleviate any confusion. Please wrap and return the gift to the front office by **Friday, December 21st.**

Little angels will then deliver the gifts along with a message of cheer on Monday, December 24th. As it was angels who brought the Sheppard's the good news of Jesus' birth, our hope is that this will bring a message of love and caring to our residents.

Thank you for helping make this holiday brighter by sharing in the true meaning of Christmas, the gift of giving!

### ***Four Easy Steps to bringing holiday cheer to the life of our seniors.***

**Step 1. Stop by the office or nurses station to pick out a tag.**

**Step 2. Purchase one of the items listed on the tag.**

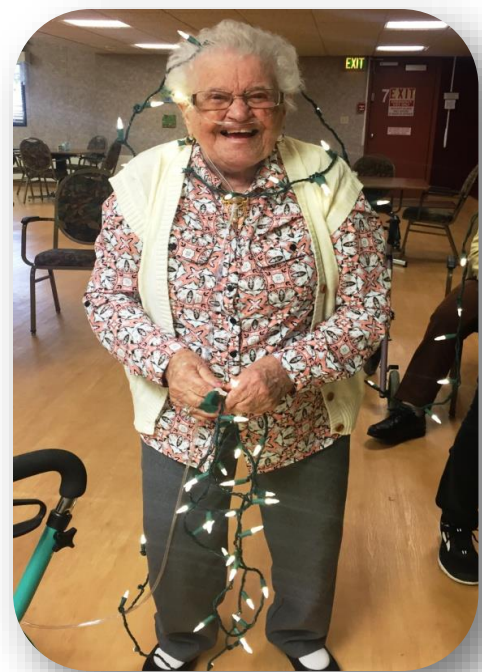
**Step 3. Wrap gift and deliver back to the front office along with the tag.**

**Step 4. Feel good about bringing a little cheer into someone's life this Christmas.**

**Little Angels will deliver the gifts on Christmas Eve.**

### **Holiday Reminder:**

Due to fire codes, any kind of live evergreen such as wreaths or trees along with the use of any kind of extension cord is not allowed in nursing facilities. Thank you for helping us keep our building safe for all who live and work here.



Eva got all tangled up while decorating the Christmas Tree.

On Veterans Day we honored our vets here at Haaland Estates with a special program.



Rickie Schempp, Don Diepolder, Victor Lybeck, Mike Schlowski, Hal Clementich

We regularly post pictures of events taking place here at Haaland Estates. If you would like to see these pictures, search for Haaland Estates and "LIKE" our page.



### **Please pass the word!**

If you have a family member who would enjoy getting this newsletter by e-mail, please contact us with their e-mail address. Newsletter is also on Facebook.

## **DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

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| <b>Ida Syvertson</b>      | <b>Dec. 10<sup>th</sup></b> |
| <b>Julianne Halvorson</b> | <b>Dec. 15<sup>th</sup></b> |
| <b>Loretta Lovcik</b>     | <b>Dec. 17<sup>th</sup></b> |
| <b>Gary Lueck</b>         | <b>Dec. 29<sup>th</sup></b> |
| <b>Doris Semler</b>       | <b>Dec. 30<sup>th</sup></b> |

Each month we schedule a special day to celebrate those who are having a birthday. This month party is sponsored by Haaland Estates staff. They will be bringing cakes and donating bingo prizes. We will honor those who are celebrating their birthday this month.

Please join your family member or friend in celebrating their birthday on December 13th @ 1:45 in the dining room. Your presence makes this day special for your family member.