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The Insider

A Monthly Look Inside Aravilla Clearwater

December Festivities!

12/3 Philippe Park
12/5 Christmas Lights
12/10 Safety Harbor Park
12/12 Christmas Lights
12/15 Resident Carol
Performance
12/17 Moccasin Lake Park
12/18 Resident Birthday Party
12/19 Christmas Lights
12/24 Christmas Eve
12/24 Resident Council Meeting
12/25 Christmas Day
12/26 Christmas Lights

Join our Exercise Class with EmpowerME every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning at 10:30

12/31 New Year's Eve

Celebrate December
Birthdays in the
Promenade on the 18th
starting at 2:00pm!

Happy Birthday to:

12/1 Helen J.12/12 Phillip C.

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Annual Holiday Party



Joan H. & her family!

Get ready for a jolly good time as we gather around the Christmas tree at Aravilla's Annual Holiday Party on Saturday, December 7th, from 12:30pm to 4pm. Picture yourself savoring festive foods, indulging in holiday desserts, and enjoying the enchanting

melodies of live music. But that's not all! We have a special surprise in store for you - a visit from none other than Mr. and Mrs. Claus themselves!



Mr. & Mrs. Claus



Holiday Party Dance Floor!

As the music fills the air, we invite you to join us outdoors in our courtyard or find a cozy seat in our dining rooms downstairs. With doors open, the joyful sounds will permeate throughout Aravilla, creating a magical atmosphere. And let's not forget about the delectable buffet that awaits us in the Promenade. It's the perfect opportunity to dine, dance and celebrate the holiday season together. So mark your calendars and get ready for an unforgettable experience at Aravilla's Holiday Party. Ho, Ho, Hope to see you there!

Resident Christmas Carol Performance



Come and join us on Sunday, December 15th at 3pm in the Promenade for a truly magical hour of Christmas Carol singing. Our residents have been eagerly preparing for this special event all year long, and we guarantee it will be a heart-warming experience for everyone. That's right! Your loved ones will be carol singing to you! So don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to witness the talent that resides within our community.

As you settle in and find a seat, prepare to be amazed by the sheer talent and passion that

our residents will be bringing to

the stage. And what's a sing-along without some delicious treats? We invite you to bring your favorite cookies to share with everyone. Let's indulge in the traditional delight of holiday cookies as we come together in celebration. But above all, we encourage you to bring your family and friends along to join our community sing-along. There's nothing quite like the shared experience of singing cherished Christmas Carols with loved ones, creating memories that will last a lifetime.



Christmas Lights Excursions



Doug J. & his good friend during our Christmas Lights Excursion!

Join us for our nightly Christmas lights excursions! It's that special time of the year when we embark on a delightful journey through the city on our Aravilla bus, witnessing the dazzling displays of Christmas lights. It has been made a tradition to visit the "Ultimate Christmas Lights House" every year with our residents. With "oohs" and "ahhs", our residents are left in awe — amazed every year by the number of lights this house contains!
Our next stop is Largo Central Park where the festive atmosphere is truly enchanting! We also enjoy drives around the

city with hot chocolates and marshmallows making the experience even more delightful.

The Ultimate Christmas Lights House!

To ensure that all of our residents have the opportunity to partake in this magical experience, we have scheduled Christmas Lights Excursions every Thursday night at 6pm throughout the entire month of December. We warmly welcome families to join us on this joyous journey by simply signing up with our Activities Department.

Resident Spotlight: John T.



John golfing & at the men's only bar outing!

We would like to take a moment to acknowledge John T. as a part of our Aravilla family. Born in Cleveland, Ohio in 1947, John attended Orange High School before pursuing higher education at Kent State University in Ohio. He successfully obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration. Additionally, John served in the Vietnam War as a member of the Marines, where he displayed bravery and commitment. Despite sustaining a gunshot wound to his lung, he was honorably discharged. Following his military service, John dedicated his professional career to working at a chemical company called "Zep Chemicals". For an impressive span of 40 years, he excelled as one of their top salesmen, contributing significantly to the company's success.

John takes immense pride in being a father to his son, who in turn has blessed him with the joy of being a loving grandfather. John's favorite hobby is golfing as it holds a special place in his heart. He has achieved remarkable accomplishments



John T.



in the sport. Notably, he has scored three holes in one throughout his life, including an outstanding 210-yard hole-in-one using a one iron club. His golfing adventures often took him to Canada for enjoyable golf vacations, and he also cherished traveling to Costa Rica. Moreover, John has an interesting claim to fame, having been featured in Life Magazine during his time in Vietnam.

If you happen to cross paths with John, whether it be during our golfing activities or at the bar with the men enjoying a glass of wine, please take a moment to greet him warmly. His remarkable journey and vibrant personality make him a cherished member of our community.