

WHAT'S COMING UP

December 1st

National Christmas
Lights Day

Rosa Parks Day

December 6th

St. Nicholas Day

December 7th

Hanukkah Starts

December 15th

Bill of Rights Day
National Ugly Sweater Day
Hanukkah Ends

December 16th

National Wreaths Across
America Day

December 20th

Games Day
Go Caroling Day

December 21st

Winter Solstice

December 23rd

Festivus

December 24th

Christmas Eve

December 25th

Christmas Day

December 26th

Kwanzaa Begins

December 31st

New Year's Eve



DECEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER



Greetings Residents, Staff & Families,

We wish you all a wintry welcome into December! Time sure does fly when you're having fun, and we have been having tons of fun at Riverwood! Entering December, we look forward to the possibilities and opportunities of the New Year. Before we can look forward, I want to pause for a moment to say, "Thank you," to everyone who contributes to the success of our community. Thanks to all of your efforts, we have been awarded Community of the Month! We are incredibly proud to receive this honor and we could not have done it without the help of everyone in our community.

As we close out 2023, the entire team would like to thank you for being a part of the Riverwood family. I pray that God blesses you, your loved ones and our shared community during this holiday season and the New Year. We hope your celebrations are filled with food, family and laughter.

My prayer for you is this: "The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace." (Numbers 6:24-26)

Selina Bradley,
Executive Director

Friends Make the Best Neighbors

Would you like a free* month at Regency? Don't forget about our "Friends Make the Best Neighbors" promotion! Invite your friends to move into our community and receive a free month or a check for \$2,500 for each referral who becomes a resident.

**Referring residents will be paid out 60 days from the move-in date.*



Halloween Party at Riverwood

Residents enjoyed playing candy games and eating treats with Celine from Tapestry Hospice. We were very competitive when it came to getting treats!



Riverwood Honored our Veterans

We are proud of our Veterans! We had a pinning ceremony and enjoyed light hors d'oeuvres. Our flags flew high for our Veterans. Thank you for your service!



Residents Enjoyed a Great Lunch for Oktoberfest

We enjoyed an authentic German lunch and delightful music.



Residents Enjoyed a Halloween Pumpkin Decorating Contest

The residents voted, and Brandy Hawkins won first prize! Congratulations to Brandy!



Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

December 6th from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Residents will enjoy hot chocolate while we sing our favorite Christmas carols on the lawn. Come join us in the spirit of Christmas!



Riverwood Holiday Shopping Trip

December 7th from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Residents, get your shopping bags ready! We are taking a holiday shopping trip to shop for gifts for our loved ones.



Tour of Rome's Christmas Lights and Decorations

December 12th from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

We will take a tour of the city to see the Christmas lights and decorations.





Making Gingerbread Houses

December 14th from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm

We are going to create our own gingerbread houses! Can you build a masterpiece?



Crazy Christmas Socks Contest

December 15th from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Who has the craziest Christmas socks? Join our contest if you think you do!



Family Christmas Party

December 20th from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

We will take pictures with Santa, eat light hors d'oeuvres and decorate Christmas cookies together. Come enjoy the Christmas spirit with Santa!



Christmas Concert with Butch Reeves

December 22nd from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Join us to sing along to all your Christmas favorites!

Joy Littlejohn



Joy Littlejohn was born and raised in Rome, Ga. She was a proud member of the Beta Sigma Phi sorority during her college years and shared nearly 60 years of marriage with her late husband, Carlton “Buddy” Littlejohn, until his passing in 2011. They enjoyed traveling together.

During the 1970s, Joy and Buddy owned a fabric store called Rome Fabric. Joy’s love for sewing manifested in beautifully crafted clothes for her daughters as they grew. Beyond her sewing skills, Joy enjoyed reading, cross-stitching and various crafts. Her professional journey led her to Synovus Bank, where she built lasting

friendships, culminating in her role as an auditor. In her leisure time, Joy liked line dancing with the Dixie Stompers.

Joy has four kids: Mike (married to Teresa), Terri, Cindy (married to Jim), and Todd (married to Andrea). Her family grew with five grandchildren: Jami (married to Scot), B.J. (married to Brittany), Tyler, Mason (married to Arizla), and Brittany (married to Charlie). The joy kept going with four great-grandkids: Anslee, Nicholas, Elizabeth, and Jack. Joy’s family also includes her three brothers: Jack Jones (married to Jean), Buddy Jones (married to Trena), and Danny Jones (married to Bobye). They all make up Joy’s close and loving family. Ms. Littlejohn is loved at Riverwood!

COMMUNITY OF THE MONTH



Myself and the Regency ownership are so proud of Riverwood Senior Living, its Executive Director, Selina Bradley, her whole management, and frontline staff for achieving a very high standard of being selected as the community of the month, for the 5th time this year, out of a total of eight communities we manage.

Selina and her team continue to make Riverwood Senior Living the community of choice in their market by prioritizing resident care, increasing activity options for our residents, building improvements, and an overall amazing transformation. We want to recognize our outstanding employees at Riverwood for a job well done each and every day!



Resident

Jeanette Matthew	Dec. 2
Peggy Hagwood	Dec. 4
Betty Leach	Dec. 6
Annette New	Dec. 7
Joann Spears	Dec. 10
Janice Barton	Dec. 20
Jamie Frady	Dec. 24
Charlotte Moody	Dec. 26
Louise Brooks	Dec. 30
Janice Nelson	Dec. 31

Employee

Dewey Hughes	Dec. 16
Adrienne Johnson	Dec. 16
Kelsey Smith	Dec. 21



WELCOME NEW
RESIDENTS!

Virginia Thompson
Burl McFry

WORD FIND

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JESUS

FRANKINCENSE

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CHRISTMAS

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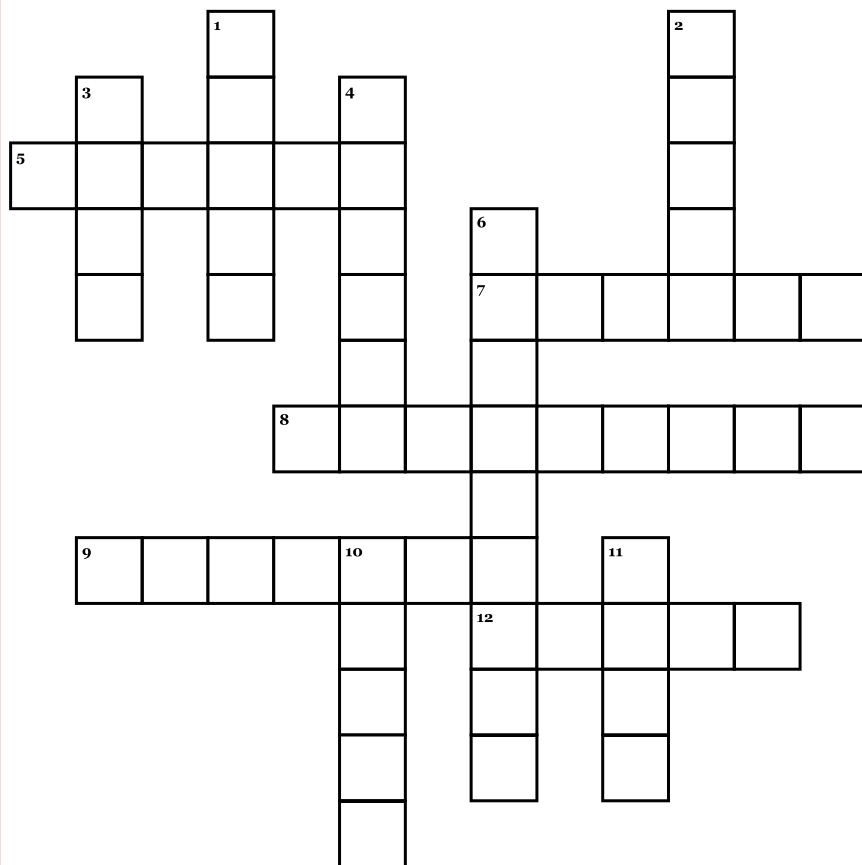
NATIVITY

BETHLEHEM

JOSEPH

MYRRH

CROSSWORD



Down

1. Common Christmas Tree Topper
2. You might dream of this kind of Christmas
3. Striped mint candy shape
4. Brothers who ushered in the era of flight
6. December's flower
10. One of December's birthstones
11. Kind of men who came to visit Jesus with gifts

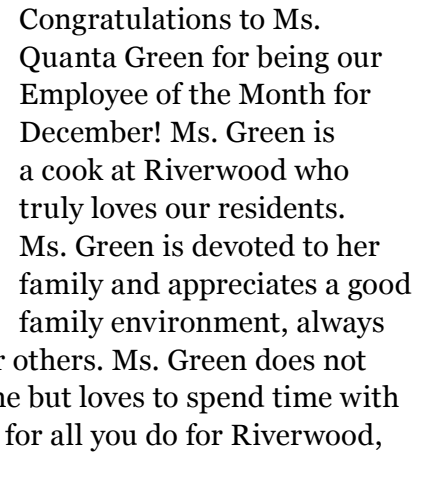
Across

5. Away in a _____, no crib for a bed
7. Four week period leading up to Christmas
8. These are hung by the chimney with care
9. Circular evergreens that represent eternal life
12. Clothing for a Christmas Tree

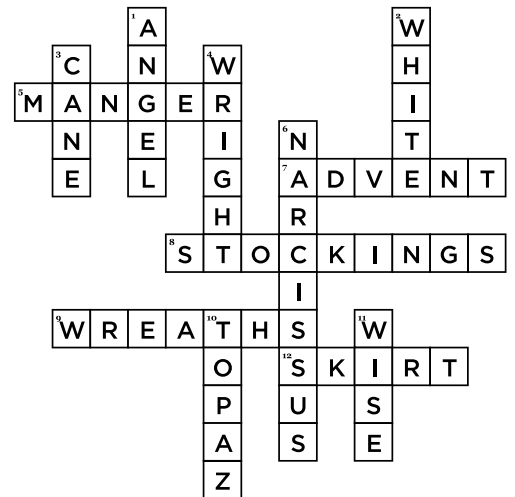
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ANSWER KEY



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