

## WHAT'S COMING UP

**January 1st**  
Happy New Year!

**January 6th**  
Apple Tree Day

**January 9th**  
National Law Enforcement  
Day

**January 13th**  
Korean American Day

**January 14th**  
Ratification Day

**January 15th**  
Martin Luther King Jr. Day

**January 19th**  
Good Memory Day

**January 20th**  
Take a Walk Outdoors Day

**January 22nd**  
Celebration of Life Day

**January 25th**  
Opposite Day

**January 27th**  
International Holocaust  
Remembrance Day

**January 31st**  
National Hot Chocolate Day



## JANUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER



**Riverwood**  
Senior Living

### ***Friends, Family and Residents,***

As we stand on the threshold of a new year, let us embrace the promise it brings — a fresh beginning filled with hope, renewal, and the grace of our Creator. The transition from one year to the next is a beautiful reminder that God's mercies are new every morning, and with the dawn of each year, we are granted another opportunity for growth and transformation.

In this new year, let us carry forward the lessons learned and the blessings received, seeking God's guidance for the journey ahead. Just as the sunrise paints the sky with vibrant colors, let our hearts be painted with the hues of faith, love, and joy.

In the canvas of the coming year, may the strokes of God's wisdom guide us, and the palette of His grace fill our lives with purpose. As we bid farewell to the old and welcome the new, let us remember that God's plan for us is filled with hope and a future.

May the comforting words of Ecclesiastes 3:1 remind us that there is a time for everything, and this new year is a time for embracing the possibilities that lie ahead.

Wishing you a blessed and joyous New Year!

***Your Riverwood Family***

### ***Friends Make the Best Neighbors***

Would you like a free\* month at Riverwood? 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.



## Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

Our residents had a lovely time enjoying the festivities! We counted down to the excitement of lighting the Riverwood Tree!



## Riverwood Shopping Spree

There was not a stone unturned, for we shopped until we dropped! Then we stopped to enjoy a coffee break!



**Celebrating Shannon**

The residents showed their love and appreciation as we celebrated Shannon.



**Tour of Rome Christmas Lights!**

Riverwood residents enjoyed the Holiday Lights of Rome at the Coosa Valley Fair Ground! We had a ball!





## **Floyd Bowling & Amusement Center**

January 4th at 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Residents will show off their skills on the lane! Come join us and have some fun!



## **Lunch Outing to the Landmark Restaurant**

January 9th  
at 11:00 am to 1:30 pm

Great food and good company! We can't wait! Come join us there!



## **Riverwood Honors Our Law Enforcement Officers!**

January 9th  
at 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Riverwood Residents will show their appreciation to our law enforcement officers by making cookies and delivering them to the agencies for National Law Enforcement Day!



## **Museum of Flight in Paulding County**

January 16th  
at 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm

The Museum of Flight is dedicated to raising awareness of aviation and the important role it has played in shaping our nation's history. They provide a vast collection of historic flight and military memorabilia. They also maintain their own planes.



## **Winter Concert Series with Richard Lane**

January 19th  
at 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm

Come enjoy the sounds of Richard Lane during our Winter Concert Series!



## **Riverwood Family Connection**

January 26th  
at 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Residents and their families will enjoy live entertainment, light hors d'oeuvre and door prizes!  
Come join in the fun!



## **Fraud Prevention Lecture Series**

January 31st  
at 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Come join us for a special presentation from the Floyd County Sheriff's Department on how to protect yourself from fraud!



## Frances Raines

Ms. Frances Raines was born on January 10, 1925. She will be 99 years old this month! Ms. Raines was a school teacher for 33 years at East Rome Junior High. She has a loving and devoted niece she adores, Laura. Ms. Raines holds three different college degrees. She is an alumnus of Shorter College, Georgia State College and Peabody Teacher College, now known as Vanderbilt, in Nashville, Tennessee.

Ms. Raines has traveled the world, visiting places such as Europe, The Holy Land and Canada, as well as many places throughout the United States. She enjoyed teaching Sunday School, gardening, shopping and reading. Ms. Raines is a native Roman.

# Happy Birthday

### Resident

Theda Camp	Jan. 3
William Culpepper	Jan. 6
Sherry Blackwell	Jan. 9
Frances Raines	Jan. 10

James Howard	Jan. 14
David Conner	Jan. 21
Melodie Woods	Jan. 26

### Employee

Tabreath Green	Jan. 20
Tyiesha Green	Jan. 22
Matthew Vaughn	Jan. 22
Brianne Riemens	Jan. 24
Ciana Rouse	Jan. 26

## FUN FACTS

- » Those who head to the famous Times Square party throw 1.5 tons of confetti. The trash generated takes 300 sanitation workers 15 to 16 hours to clean up.
- » On January 1, 1910, the Hydrox “biscuit bonbon,” a chocolate sandwich cookie with creme filling, was introduced. Oreos came out in 1912.
- » In January 1984, Wendy’s “Where’s The Beef” commercials with Clara Peller began.
- » January 6th is Epiphany. According to the New Testament’s Gospels, on this date, the Magi—the three wise men or kings—venerated and brought gifts to the infant Jesus.
- » January 15th is Martin Luther King Jr. Day (observed). This holiday is held on the third Monday in January and honors the principles of this civil rights leader and Nobel Prize Winner dedicated to nonviolence.
- » January 17th is Benjamin Franklin’s birthday. He was not only a world-renowned statesman, inventor, and scientist but was also fascinated by agriculture.
- » According to folklore, the weather of the first 12 days of the year is said to be indicative of the following 12 months.
- » On January 2, 2024, Earth reaches perihelion, which is the point in the planet’s orbit where it is closest to the Sun. At perihelion, Earth will be 91,403,034 miles from our bright star. Don’t forget your sunscreen!
- » January’s Moon is called the Wolf Moon. The Saxon word for the month was Wulf-monath or “wolf month.”
- » On January 1, 1892, Ellis Island in New York Harbor opened. Over 20 million new arrivals to America were processed until its closing in 1954.

## WORD FIND

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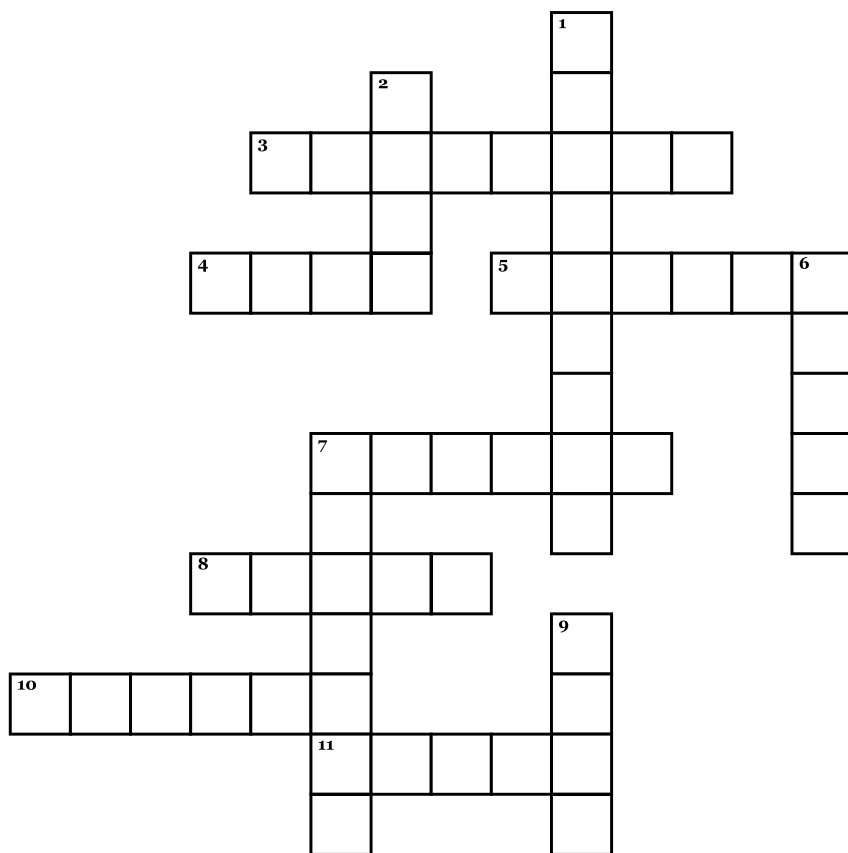
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## CROSSWORD



### Down

1. One of January's birth flowers
2. January's Moon
6. Famous Square
7. Franklin's note
9. Bowl Game in Pasadena

### Across

3. January's other birth flower
4. Famous slogan, "Where's the \_\_\_\_?"
5. January's birthstone
7. The original chocolate sandwich cookie
8. Roman god with two heads
10. He added the 31st day to January
11. Island for Immigrants to America

## EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

### Paul Vitt

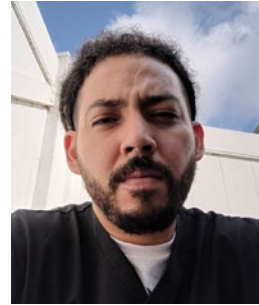


Congratulations to Mr. Paul Vitt for being chosen as our Employee of the Year! In 2020, Mr. Vitt retired from operating a business for 15 years and decided he needed to get back to work and a perfect spot came open at Riverwood. Paul has a kind soul and never meets a

stranger. He loves to give his time to the residents at Riverwood. In October, Paul planted a pumpkin patch for the residents and they were so excited. We harvested two pumpkins from the patch. They were the best pumpkins ever! This is just one of the many reasons that Paul has been chosen for this honor. Whether it is taking residents to and from appointments, or enjoying a Coke and talking about their day, he loves the time he spends with our residents. Paul is one of a kind and is a great asset to our community.

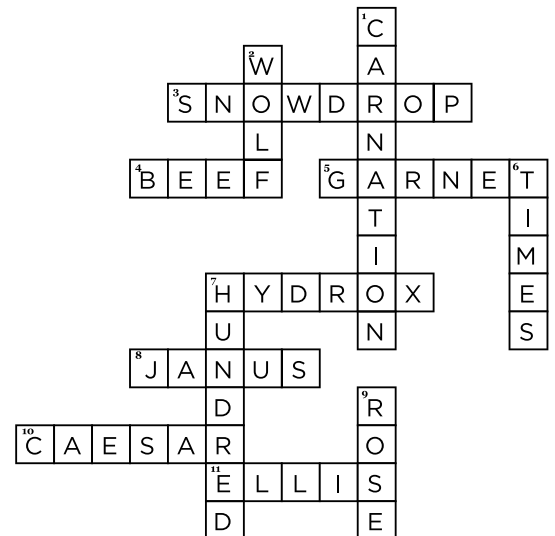
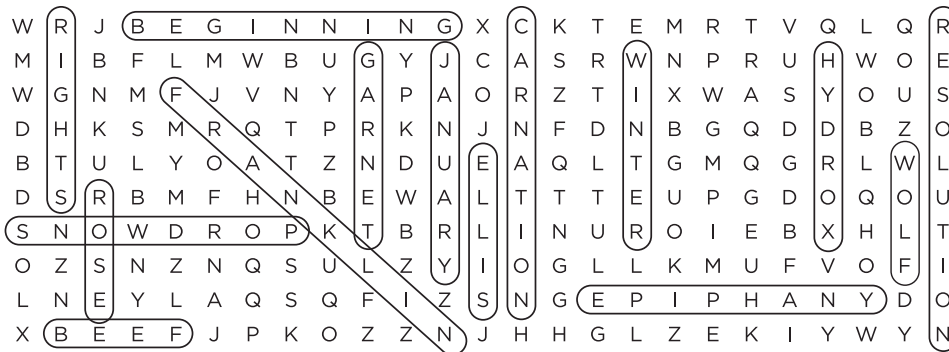
## EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

### Tony Gonzales



Congratulations to Mr. Tony Gonzales for being our Employee of the Month! Mr. Gonzales is a Dietary Aide at Riverwood. Mr. Gonzales enjoys working here because it brings him pride knowing that he is doing meaningful work with the service he provides for the residents. His hobbies are drawing and painting.

## ANSWER KEY



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