

## December 2018 Senior Citizen Newsletter

Season's Greetings! Happy Holidays! Merry Christmas! Happy Hanukkah! Happy Kwanzaa! Whatever you celebrate, we wish you good tidings. December is a month full of celebrations!

Starting with the annual Holiday Bazaar at the Recreation Center on Saturday the 1st, the parade begins at 7 followed by the tree lighting. There will be bus service.

The Annual holiday breakfast at the high school followed by a holiday concert in the PAC is on December 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am also on December 4th dinner will be served and prepared by students and chefs of the New High Tech High School at 4:30 pm. Sign-ups required. St. Mathews Ladies Aid Christmas Bazaar is Thursday December 13<sup>th</sup>. Get in the holiday spirit by joining us for an "Ugly Sweater Contest" during Christmas Bingo on Friday, December 21st. Our Saturday trips this month are Woodbridge, Rockaway, Saddle Brook Mall, Mt. Airy Casio and Jackson Outlets. On Thursday the 13th we are

traveling to Smithville. Aldi's, K-mart& Pechter's, Uncle Giuseppe's, Bergen and Willowbrook mall round up our shopping trips. Trattoria II Carfone kicks off our Wednesday lunch trips followed by Justin's, Annabella's and Olive Garden..

**Did you know:** This year the winter solstice known as the first day of winter, is Sunday December 21. It is also the darkest day of the year. Walt Disney was born on December 5, 1901. On December 17, 1903, the Wright Brothers made their first flight. December 7, 1941 the United Sates Naval Base at Pearl Harbor was attacked by Japanese Planes, which killed over 2300 Americans. "Jingle bells" was composed in 1857, and not for Christmas – it was meant to be a Thanksgiving song! In 1949, the tree at Rockefeller Center was strung with 7,500 lights. Now, more than 25,000 bulbs are strung on the tree-that's more than five miles of lights!

Birthdays in December are: Diana Albert, Mary Bildstein, Betty Burke, Rita Cabany, Andy Carranzo, Michael Colangelo, Patricia Cruz. Mukind Desaii, Nidya Diaz, Mike Dolan, Bridgett Drangonelli, Mel Engleke, Lois Ebel, Rose Florio, Ann Gallo, Fred Grafeld, Agnes Griffey, Al Henkel, Carole Jernstedt, Mary Kelly, Tina Kirvin, Joann Koffler, Joseph Livigne, Barbara Mayo, Herbie Melnichok, Juana Molina, Livio Moro, Ada Neubert, Barbara O'Connor, Delly Pina, Janet Reineke, Carmen Rivera, Dorothy Jones-Rock, Carol Sanducci, Joan Santoro, Teresa Santos, Phyliss Simmerman, William Smith, Kathy Steffens, Kathy Uttariello, Joan Witter and Chin Yu.



Senior Center: 201-330-2034 Senior Citizen Bus: 201-865-4422 Mayor's Office: 201-330-2005

Golden Age: 201-865-1345

Social Services: 201-330-2014

Library: 201-330-2083 Medicare: 800-633-4227

Meals on Wheels: 201-330-2094 Housing Authority: 201-867-2957 Recreation Center: 201-330-3299

Police/Fire Dept: 201-867-8000 Social Security: 800-772-1213 Medical Escort: 201-330-2082 Hospital: 201-392-3100 **Town Hall:** 201-330-2000 PAAD/Lifeline 800-792-9745