



# EVERGREEN COMMUNITY

LEADER IN SENIOR LIVING

Winter Adventures - Cheryl Bayliff  
Bird-iful Christmas - Suzanne Franki  
Chiefs Kingdom - David D.  
Feliz Navidad - Becca Deckard  
Door Dashing - David D.  
Children's Book - Julie Cunningham  
Wicked - Stacey Stroh-Bledsoe  
Christmas Stuffies - Ruth J.  
Chicken or Egg - Heidi Soehnel  
JustLive! - Shawna Walberg  
Hello Kitty - Darla Vaccaro  
Warm & Cozy - Suzanne Franki  
Toyland - Belinda Vierthaler  
Mahaffie Farmstead - James Reynolds  
Winter Car Survival - Kathy Gerhardt  
Bright Star - Cindy Stephens  
In My Pink Era - Les Hudson  
Drunken Gnome - Brenda Gulick  
'Tis the Damn Season - Todd Schemm  
Drunken Jayhawk - Janna  
Spoil Yourself - Karen Craig  
Sweet Dreams - Ruth J.  
Grinchmas - Lynn Bourn  
Shop Local - Amy Goldstein  
Grab & Go - Marge Vogt  
12 Days of Xmas - Lynn Bourn  
Self-Care Spa - Suzanne Franki  
Lucky Tree - Teresa Brewer



## These Are the Winners!

**This year's Festival of Trees raised \$6,800 for the Resident Activity Fund, officially doubling last year's record-breaking total of \$3,400.**

Congratulations to all of our Festival of Trees winners. A full list of winners is included in the graphic.

We are so grateful to everyone who helped make this year's Festival of Trees such a success. From the generous individuals and families who donated trees, to the people who live and work at Evergreen, to our community supporters, this event truly reflects what can happen when people come together.

Thanks to your support, these funds will help provide meaningful activities that enrich the quality of life for Evergreen residents. Thank you for being part of something special.



## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 7 - Ron S.
- 10 - Joanna R.
- 18 - James R.
- 24 - Janis C.



## Health Reminder

During cold and flu season, please delay your visit if you feel sick or have any symptoms. Your diligence helps protect Evergreen residents and our staff.

## SAVE THE DATE!

Save the date for Wine Down on Saturday, October 17, 2026, from 4–8 p.m. and join us for an evening of great food, fine wine, and good company in support of Evergreen.

## Holiday Gifts from JCYM



We are excited to share that the Johnson County Young Matrons generously provided a holiday gift for every person who lives at Evergreen this year. This dedicated group of women has supported Evergreen for many years, and their kindness brings joy to our December celebrations. We are deeply grateful for their ongoing partnership and the cheer they help spread throughout our community.

## IN MEMORY

Gelika D.  
Helen M.  
Susan T.



# A Big Thank You

## Supporting the Good Neighbor Fund

We are grateful to share that this year's Annual Fund Drive raised over \$7,500, exceeding our original goal of \$5,000. Thank you to everyone who contributed and helped make this effort a success.

This year, donations support the Good Neighbor Fund, which helps ensure Evergreen can continue providing compassionate, resident-centered care when someone outlives their financial resources and allows us to welcome older adults who rely on Medicaid. Gifts will continue to be accepted through the end of the year, and every contribution makes a meaningful difference.

## December Hero of the Month

- Gina is so caring and engaging with the residents. She is always "present" with them!
- Gina goes above and beyond for the residents and her team. She is an advocate and looks for creative ways to provide the best possible care!
- Gina is always willing to train new nurses. She does it with a smile and never complains.
- Gina is an AMAZING nurse! She is sweet, kind, and always goes the extra mile for her residents and Evergreen!



**Gina F.**  
RN Weekday

# Nonprofit Nugget: Our Mission Comes First



At Evergreen Community, being a nonprofit means our mission guides every decision we make. Our focus is always on the well-being of Evergreen residents and the staff who support them. Because we are not driven by profit, every dollar we receive is reinvested into services, programs, and enhancements that strengthen daily life here. This creates a true sense of home where care, comfort, and connection come before anything else.

**Empowering People. It's what we're here for.**

## Pets at Evergreen

Evergreen is proud to be a pet-friendly community and we love welcoming visiting pets. To help keep everyone safe and

comfortable, pet owners are required to complete a Pet Application and provide current vaccination records before their pet may visit. As a friendly reminder, vaccination records must be updated and submitted annually.



# Hero of the Year



## BAYLEY R. Mt. Chalet - RN Weekday Evenings

This is our highest staff honor and recognizes someone who demonstrates exceptional care, leadership, and dedication. Bayley supports her team, provides compassionate person-centered care, and consistently makes a positive difference for the people who live at Evergreen.

## Evergreen Rock Stars of the Year

PAIGE H.



Cottage Creek

CNA  
Weekday

FELICIA L.



Mt. Chalet

Homemaker  
Weekday

LORI R.



Support Team

RN Quality  
Assurance

MARGARET G.



Millcreek

CNA  
Weekday Nights

# Happy New Year!

Evergreen rang in the new year a little early with an afternoon New Year's Eve celebration on December 31. Party hats, snacks, and drinks were on hand as Evergreen residents gathered to visit, laugh, and celebrate the start of a new year together.

