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A Trip Down Memory Lane...

We had quite a year here at Waunakee Manor. And now that we have begun 2021, we'd like to take one last look back at some of the more important things we did in 2020.

First of all, we have to acknowledge that while we have many great memories from last year, there were many struggles as well. The COVID-19 pandemic shook our world and challenged us to come together as a community to fight it. And while we unified in this fight, our community still experienced loss and hardship. We'd like to again extend our hearts to everyone who struggled with us and thank you all so much for your patience, compassion, and strength. Especially those who respected our guidelines and procedures to help keep our loved ones safe.

Each day we learned to go with the flow more and more. And in the end, we did manage to do a few things that really brought us closer to each other. With that said, we'd like to focus on some of the shining moments from the last year that truly revealed who we are and how much strength we have together.

Cars On Parade!

I don't think there was a more significant symbol of our perseverance than our Friends and Family Car Parades. We were so honored, touched, and impressed to see all the goodwill in the passing cars as you drove your "floats" down Manor Drive.

With our first parade having over 30 cars in the line-up, we were delighted to have multiple parades and even one while commemorating National Nursing Home Week. You all battled rain and weather to show up and demonstrate your love and support. It meant so much to everyone here at Waunakee Manor, and we thank you for being a part of it.

Butterflies On Main

Every year, the Village of Waunakee invites artists to create work around a chosen theme on a steel cutout. This steel cutout is then displayed for three months and auctioned off at Wauktoberfest, with proceeds going to support future projects that benefit the community through the Waunakee Creative Economic Initiative and the Endres Foundation.

Last year we had the honor of being selected to design and decorate our very own cutout! The theme was Butterflies on Main and highlighted Waunakee's passion for protecting our friends, the butterflies. Our Activity staff, Kurt in Maintenance, and many others banded together to create something truly wonderful. We all loved the chance to stretch our artistic muscle and do something positive for Waunakee.

Our Green Thumbs Got A Little Greener

While we were stuck inside a lot of the time and had to adjust many of our daily activities, we still had a chance to get out and work some magic in Loretta's Garden. Our own Green Thumb Gardeners and many others worked very hard to keep Loretta's Garden watered, weeded, and well attended!

We were lucky enough to enjoy the many tomatoes, cucumbers, squash, and flowers from the garden. It also created a fantastic sense of unity and purpose, which was essential in the long months dealing with our COVID-19 restrictions. It even helped bring back our Fresh Air Club and was a featured part of our Annual Gnome Hunt! How about that!

Who'd've Guessed It - The Gathering Place!

Inside Waunakee Manor, we also took care of some important business - our coffee shop. After getting a makeover, it was in dire need of a new name. So we gathered together and had a little contest to name our newly renovated hang out spot. Community members, families, friends, and staff all submitted possible names; then we all voted on which ones we liked the best.

The runners up were Happy Tap, Mind Your Manor, The Meet & Greet, The Hideout, Pack-R-In Place, and last but not least, The Coffee Shop. However, The Gathering Place was the one that won out. Our Happy Hour crowd has a hip new joint to hang out in now, with a great new name. A special thanks to everyone for taking part in making our community a little bit more welcoming! And fun!

For Our Veterans

This Veteran's Day, we were proud to honor those who served our country in the Armed Forces. We found a nice spot of wall space to create a special tribute to these heroes we all know and love - our Veteran's Wall. Our community members and families submitted names and photos to be honored on the wall and we had a small dedication to celebrate.

A special thank you to Chris Kruchten and the Veteran's Wall Committee: Marty Keller, Bud Zander, Mary Euclide, Clem Baker, Art Fazio, Chuck Cremer, and Nancy Bushnell for their help creating this fantastic commemoration and making it happen, as well as all who shared their photos and items for the dedication.

Getting To Know You

Finally, we couldn't complete a list of the year's highlights without including this newsletter and our Waunakee Manor Writing Series. We've loved talking and reconnecting with you through this medium over the past year.

This is a great way to stay in touch with our community and get a sense of what is happening. We have cherished building our relationship with you and would appreciate your feedback. Let us know what you like about the Manorism, and maybe something you'd like to see that we don't have yet.

You can find both this newsletter and writing series on our website. If you would like a mailed copy of the Manorism, please contact the front desk receptionist to be added to the mailing list.

I hope this little trip down memory lane reminded you of some of the good things that happened this year. They can be easy to forget among such stress, but it is essential to remember all the good that comes from being a part of our community!

Highlights this Month!

Check the calendar for Thursday's Themed dress up days!

WEAR YOUR FLANNEL DAY

Thursday February 4th

PRE-VALENTINE'S DRESS UP

Thursday February 11th

Wear Your Red, Pink, White & Hearts for upcoming Valentine's Day!

WEAR YOUR RED DAY

Thursday February 18th

National Drink Wine Day!

WEAR YOUR FAVORITE T-SHIRT HAT & JEANS DAY

Thursday February 25th

Waunakee Manor Bulletin Board



BEST WISHES TO OUR FRIENDS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

*Ralph B. - February 7th
Elmer F. - February 8th
Donald H. - February 9th
Betty B. - February 15th
Karen S. - February 18th*

*Clement B. - February 20th
Elizabeth G. - February 20th
Gordon P. - February 25th
Elinor L. - February 26th*










FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- *WEAR YOUR MASK if coming out of your room at any time!*
- *Meals will continue to be delivered to your room.*



LIKE US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Waunakee Manor has a FACEBOOK PAGE! Like us on Facebook to receive updates on events and goings-on here at the Manor!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p>1</p> <p>Wellness Raffle Packets will be delivered to your door!</p>	<p>2</p>  <p>Groundhog Day</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Wear Your Flannel Day!</p>	<p>5</p> <p>12:00 Birthday Treat with Lunch! Happy Birthday to our friends celebrating February Birthdays!</p>	<p>6</p> <p>5:00 Lawrence Welk Channel 11</p>
<p>7</p> <p>7:00 TV Mass Ch.14 10:00 TV Lutheran Church Ch 7</p> <p>Super Bowl Sunday</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Wellness Packet Raffle Drawing</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Wear Your Red, Pink, White & Hearts For upcoming Valentine's Day!</p> 	<p>12</p> <p>Chinese New Year Year of the Ox</p>	<p>13</p> <p>5:00 Lawrence Welk Channel 11</p>
<p>14</p> <p>7:00 TV Mass Ch.14 10:00 TV Lutheran Church Ch 7</p> <p>Valentine's Day</p> 	<p>15</p> <p>Wellness Raffle Packets will be delivered to your door!</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Mardi Gras!</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Ash Wednesday</p> <p>Lent Begins</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Wear your Red Day</p> <p>National Drink Wine Day!</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>5:00 Lawrence Welk Channel 11</p>
<p>21</p> <p>7:00 TV Mass Ch14 10:00 TV Lutheran Church Ch 7</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Wellness Packet Raffle Drawing</p>	<p>23</p> <p>National Banana Bread Day!</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Wear Your Favorite T-shirt Hat & Jeans Day</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p>5:00 Lawrence Welk Channel 11</p> <p>Full Snow Moon</p>
<p>28</p> <p>7:00 TV Mass Ch.14 10:00 TV Lutheran Church Ch. 7</p>	<p>Activities on this calendar are subject to change!</p>	<p>Please see daily Activity boards for updates</p>				

Activities are subject to change. "Please check the daily Activity boards for the most updated information."