



CountrySide Lakes

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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTORS

As a community, we have much to be thankful for this month. We weathered a difficult hurricane together with everyone safe and secure throughout. Let's all count our blessings at the upcoming Thanksgiving Dinner along with family and friends. This is the first time in over two and a half years that loved ones are finally welcome to dine with residents outdoors in the courtyard for a traditional holiday meal.

Proudly, over 30 veterans reside at CountrySide Lakes and for that we are thankful. On Veterans Day, we will honor them by recognizing their service to our nation.

As your Directors, we are most thankful that Trudy Simmons has been named Executive Director. Under her leadership and experienced knowledge of the operations, CountrySide Lakes will prosper. She is not only well qualified, but has the respect of the entire staff and residents. This space in the newsletter will belong to Trudy going forward. We look forward to it and are thankful that she accepted the position!

TRUDY SIMMONS - Executive Director
PETER PAKURIS - Marketing Director
BARBARA LOVELACE - Activities Director
KRIS FAVATA - Culinary Director
ANDREW SWEENEY - Maintenance Director
CELIA LAUREANO - Housekeeping Director
CHAD OWENS - Physical Therapy Director
SHERI MARCUM - Business Office Manager



THANKSGIVING DINNER

Thursday, November 17th, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM
Friends and family are welcome to attend.

A Tribute to Veterans

Veterans Day on Nov. 11 is a federal holiday that honors all men and women who have served in the U.S. armed forces. Originally called Armistice Day, the day marks the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 when an armistice between Germany and the Allies went into effect, ending World War I.

Courage Makes a Hero

"Being a hero doesn't mean you're invincible. It just means that you're brave enough to stand up and do what's needed." —Rick Riordan

What are YOU Thankful For?



MARTHA COFFIN

I am so very thankful to all CountrySide Lakes staff who helped us through the hurricane.

KARIN MURPHY & KARIN PRASSE

Surrounded by storm and rain, we were not afraid. God would bring us through. Thank you, Lord!!!

BILL SMITH

I'm thankful for the 67 years I had with my loving wife and thankful for my children and grandchildren.

LORRAINE SHELDON

Freedom in our country is in jeopardy today! I am thankful and praying for wise leaders who can change courses for our homeland.

REV. COY RIGNEY

I am thankful that I can still be independent at age 96. I am fairly healthy and grateful that I live in such a lovely place. I am grateful for all the people who help take care of me. I am also thankful for my loving son and daughter-in-law who come and visit me almost every day.

STEPHANIE RIJ

I am thankful for my children (Karen & Michael) who are very attentive to my well being. I am also grateful for the remaining family and friends that I have. I would like to offer my special blessings to all the armed forces for protecting our country and the people in it!

DOROTHY LEBO

I'm thankful for being in a safe place. Being around nice people. Having good food every day. Many games to play. Having good people in charge of everyone.

PAM BOONE

Thankful for God who loves me.

BOB FORTUNE

I am thankful that God directed me to leave a bad situation in Tennessee and locate to Florida. "Praise God".

ELLIE BARRETT

Good friends. Nice apartment. Reasonably good health. Family.

JEAN DOLEN

I am thankful to live long enough to greet my six adorable great-grandchildren and watch them develop into the little people they are.

JOYCE MCGRAW

I am happy that all my family members are well and happy.

MIDGE SOLOMON

I am thankful for my family and being back at CountrySide.

MARIE GRUETER

My daily prayers of thanks for the blessings I receive are what keep me grateful for the family and friends I cherish.

ANNE MARIE MARTINO

Thankful for amazing loving, hardworking family and friends. Despite adversities - fantastic career & learning and earning. Grateful for the opportunity to live at CountrySide Lakes.

DAVID TANAJES

I'm thankful for being here and for all my good friends. Thankful for Barbara Lovelace for all that she does for us. Thankful for the nursing staff.

ERLINDA ASUNCION

We continuously experience so many blessings in our lives that it becomes easy for us to take them for granted. God's mercies to us are new every morning. Thank you, Jesus. I would like to express my deepest gratitude to all the staff, especially to Peter and Barbara who keep the place running. Thank you, Lord Jesus!

BUCK JIM REID

"Woke up" able to bathe, dress, and go to the dining room for a wonderful breakfast. Said good morning to all the lovely ladies as they came by me.

PAT LOVE

I'm thankful I was born into a family of FAITH, a fantastic adventure. I'm trusting Him.

CLARENCE BLOOM

When I start to count my blessings (and there are many in my life), it is very hard to pick any particular one in all my years. Today is one of those that I'm sure many fellow Americans will agree. I thank God for giving us a chance to take back our country and liberties, and restore our Religious Freedom.

VIRGINIA DRAUGHON

I am thankful for my son and my daughter and for God's provision in my life.

God is Good.

KATE EICHLER

Thankful to God for our freedom and all that He provides for us.

Thankful for family, friends, and new friends here at CountrySide Lakes.

Thankful for Suzanne taking care of my dog, Lucy, so that I can live here.

AILENE ROBERT

We are thankful for the good life we have had for over 72 years together.

JOHN COBURN

Continued conversations with my children and grandchildren even though I don't get to see them very often.

CARRIE BAKER

Thankful for the sun coming out every morning.

The wind in my face.

KATHY HAWK

Thankful for family, new and old friends, the kind staff at CountrySide Lakes and thankful for the beautiful Florida weather.

MIKE HELLAND

I'm thankful for my wife, family, many friends here at CountrySide Lakes; they are loving and caring people.

I'm very thankful for all of God's gifts to me and those I love.

JULIA IACONIS

Thankful for every day winning bingo!

ROSEMARY WOLFE

Thankful for my sons and family.

LORRAINE SEITZBERG

I am thankful for God always watching over me. I am also thankful for my beautiful family especially Donna who is the love of my life.

I'm thankful for the people and friends at CountrySide Lakes, the staff, Peter, Barbara, Gina, the cooks, and the housekeepers.

What can I say, I made a good decision in my life.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

11/9.. Don Campbell
11/10 Irene Rostine
11/13 Sally Engle
11/15 Karen Prasse
11/15 Len Hayes
11/17 Dennis Ross
11/18 Clarence Bloom
11/21 Kathy Hawk
11/27 Phyllis Shepherd
11/28 Carl Thompson



Alice Pelphrey, Kate Eichler, and Mary White know how to celebrate birthdays.

STAFF BIRTHDAYS

11/1.. Jada Cooper
11/5.. Matthew Peters
11/11 Amarilys Martinez
11/19 Brittany Rickman
11/29 Jalisa Neal
11/20 Linda Fenty



Charlotte Carbone celebrated her fabulous birthday last month at the casino.



Thankful residents unite. And we are thankful for their presence and friendship. (from left) Bob Fortune, Mike Helland, David Tanajes, Nancy Moetz, Pat Barnes, Anne Marie Martino, Bev Ross, and Marilyn Sullivan.



Look at these happy residents at the lobster dinner Chef's Table event (seated) Sally Engle, Helen Finley, Janet Thomas, Alberta Rocco, and Joan Daigneault, (standing) Marie Helland, Mike Helland, Stewart Spar, Joyce McGraw, Ron Fogel, Stephanie Rij, Don Daigneault, Rosemary Wolfe, Anne Marie Martino, Marsha Spar, David Tanajes, Sharkey Thomas, and Bette Wilson