

Movies...Movies...Movies

Every Friday at 7:30pm, Saturday 2:00 & 7:30 p.m. - Stratford Theatre

Friday, December 2 **Written On The Wind**

Self-pitying Texas oil millionaire Kyle Hadley (Robert Stack) tries to cure his alcoholic ills by stealing the virtuous Lucy Moore (Lauren Bacall) from best friend Mitch Wayne (Rock Hudson). When Kyle learns he may be sterile and Lucy becomes pregnant, her green-eyed sister-in-law (Dorothy Malone) stirs up trouble by intimating that Mitch may be the father. The resulting whirlpool of searing emotions leads to disaster in this Oscar-winning drama.

Saturday, December 3 **JANE EYRE** PG-13

Driven from her post at Thornfield House by her love for her brooding employer and his secret past, young governess Jane Eyre reflects on her youth and the events that led her to the misty moors in this artful adaptation of Charlotte Brontë's novel.

Friday, December 9 **Philadelphia** PG-13

Philadelphia attorney Andrew Beckett (Tom Hanks, in an Oscar-winning role) launches a wrongful termination suit against the hand that feeds him when his law firm finds out about his HIV-positive status -- and his homosexuality -- and fires him. Denzel Washington co-stars as a homophobic lawyer who reluctantly agrees to take Andy's case in this Jonathan Demme-directed film, the first major-studio picture to tackle the topic of AIDS.

Saturday, December 10 **Striptease** R

Bounced from her job, Erin Grant (Demi Moore) needs money if she's to have any chance of winning back custody of her child. But, eventually, she must confront the naked truth: to take on the system, she'll have to take it all off. Erin strips to conquer, but she faces unintended circumstances when a hound dog of a Congressman zeroes in on her and sharpens the shady tools at his fingertips, including blackmail and murder.

Friday, December 16 **DAVE** PG-13

Dave Kovic (Kevin Kline) looks so much like President Bill Mitchell that he's asked to stand in for him after the chief executive suffers an unexpected stroke -- and he's stuck in the White House till Mitchell's staff (led by an unctuous Frank Langella) can decide what to do. Dave gets into the part, passing legislation and even developing a crush on Mitchell's estranged First Lady (Sigourney Weaver). Ivan Reitman directed this charming political comedy.

Saturday, December 17 **Working Girl** R

Industrious secretary Tess McGill (Melanie Griffith) dreams of climbing the corporate ladder and may be on her way after landing a job with Katherine Parker (Sigourney Weaver), a top brokerage firm executive. When a skiing mishap puts Katharine out of commission, the secretary discovers her boss has stolen Tess' idea for saving a client. Hooking up with investment broker Jack Trainer (Harrison Ford), Tess takes over the deal and turns the tables.

Friday, December 23 **Holiday Inn** NR

Bing Crosby croons to the tune of the Oscar-winning "White Christmas" in Irving Berlin's love triangle romantic comedy. Tired of the bright lights of showbiz, Jim Hardy (Crosby) retires

to the countryside to become a farmer. He converts the farm into the Holiday Inn, open only on holidays, then competes against his pal (Fred Astaire) for a singer-dancer's (Marjorie Reynolds) affection.

Saturday, December 24 **Christmas Vacation** PG 13

Deck the halls with boughs of laughter -- the Griswolds are back! Hapless Clark (Chevy Chase), exasperated Ellen (Beverly D'Angelo) and their ever-changing kids (Juliette Lewis and Johnny Galecki) gear up for Christmas in this Vacation installment that became a holiday classic. As usual, all the good intentions in the world can't save them from disaster ... or Cousin Eddie (Randy Quaid), whose unannounced visit throws the house into further disarray.

Sunday Movies - 5 pm

Tootsie PG 12/4

Few actors go as far to bag a part as Michael Dorsey (Dustin Hoffman), who transforms himself into a woman to prove he can get hired on a soap opera. But Michael has an enviable problem when his alter ego, Dorothy, becomes daytime television's hottest ticket. His pretty co-star (Jessica Lange) has no idea that her dear friend Dorothy is a man -- and neither does the actress's father (Charles Durning), who falls for Dorothy hook, line and sinker.

All About Eve NR 12/11

Writer-director Joseph L. Mankiewicz's sharp script anchors this story about New York City theater life, with Bette Davis playing an aging Broadway diva who employs a starstruck fan (Anne Baxter) as her assistant, only to learn the woman is a conniving upstart. The now-classic All About Eve won Oscars for Best Picture, Best Director (Mankiewicz), Best Screenplay and Best Supporting Actor (George Sanders).

In The Line Of Fire R 12/18

In this triple-Oscar-nominated thriller, director Wolfgang Peterson sets in motion a deadly mind game: A twisted yet ingenious killer (John Malkovich) torments and teases a veteran Secret Service agent (Clint Eastwood) who's haunted by his failure years ago to save JFK. Unable to make the current president take the psycho's assassination threats seriously, the agent and his partner (Rene Russo) pursue him on their own, walking into a trap.

White Christmas NR 12/25

Bing Crosby and Danny Kaye play war buddies turned entertainers who fall for a pair of sisters (Rosemary Clooney and Vera-Ellen). The boys follow the girls to a resort, which is owned by their former commanding officer, and he's in danger of losing the place. What better reason to stage a show than to keep the resort out of hock?



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A Message From Our Executive Director

From the desk of Julie;

It is hard to believe another year is coming to a close. We hope you enjoy the events we have planned throughout the month to celebrate this special time of year.

As you will begin to see we are refurbishing some of the garden areas. We just finished the dining courtyard and will continue working throughout the property all year doing a little at a time. As with all our contracts, we are putting the landscape contract out to bid so we can be sure we are getting the best service at the most equitable price.

We also gathered with a group of residents and our security staff last month to review the flow of traffic and speeding concerns on the property. It was determined that we are going to add some additional signage in a few critical areas as well as try out a speed "hump" to see if that will slow some of the speeding at the blind curbs where there is the greatest concern. We hope to have the test "hump" in shortly so everyone can weigh in.

For any new resident that wants to have a better understanding of their Lifecare Contract and how that works, Todd and I will be hosting a session on "Understanding Lifecare" on January 17th at 10:30 a.m. in the theater. As always, I encourage all residents who need a refresher or just want a better understanding of our continuum to attend. I think those that have attended in the past will tell you it is beneficial and worth the time.

In closing, on behalf of the entire team at the Buckingham, I wish you all a very Happy Holidays! We look forward to the New Year ahead and hope 2012 brings great things for you and your loved ones.

Regards,

Julie Fenske

December Highlights**Therapy Clinic: Memory Strategies**

Wednesday, December 14, 2:00 p.m., Stratford Theatre

Forgetfulness is common concern among older adults. It can be inconvenient, embarrassing, and worrisome to those experiencing some memory trouble. But, it isn't something that you just have to live with. This health lecture will cover common causes of forgetfulness as well as some strategies to help with this problem. We will also be available to discuss or answer questions about any of the therapy services we provide here at The Buckingham. See you there!

Neighborhood Chat

Sunday, December 18, 4:00 p.m., Mezzanine

Join your neighbors for a time of fellowship at this monthly gathering.

Tournament of Roses Parade

Monday, January 2, 10:00 a.m., Theatre

Pour a second cup of coffee and gather with friends to watch this fabulous parade.

**December Birthdays**

01 Doris Anderson
01 Joan Potter
03 Evelyn Edwards
04 Betty Chan
05 Betty Medlenka
06 Richard Baile
06 Robert Catlin
06 Francis Catlin
08 Byron Truax
10 Will Pennington
12 Jim Riopelle
12 Joan Grieco
14 Harry Dreher
20 Harriet Hammond
22 Wanda DeMunbrun
25 Noel Gibbons
31 Clarice Hawkins
31 Mary Siegele

Getting to Know You, Getting to Know All About You!

Crowne: When was the happiest time of your life?

Scott: I think it was after I retired we started going on cruises all over the world with Seaborne Cruise Lines and had a lot of fun and met some very nice people.

Maye: I think the same, we had a lot of fun.

Crowne: When did you first think of coming to the Buckingham and Why?

Scott: We went to one of the luncheons at Vargos and gave them money. I used to drive by the site frequently but nothing seemed to happen and so one day I said to Maye "They are never going to build this place so we better go and get our money back", which we did. But then Maye had a stroke on December 23rd 2005 and I got serious and looked at nearly all of this type of place and we ended up here. We knew Penny Pennington and John Mawhinney who were already here. Maye was in the Forum in their rehabilitation area. We actually had money down there, they did such an excellent job and I was very impressed with the place, but their apartments were so small and they didn't have as good a continuing care deal that we have here. We first bought another apartment at the Buckingham but Maye didn't like it and then our apartment came on the market and we took it and moved in May 2006.

Crowne: Does the Buckingham come up to your expectations as to what you hoped it would be like?

Scott: Well some what. Everyone drives too fast in the garage area and I wish everybody would ear their name tags.

Maye: I think they promised more than they have given us.

Crowne: What interests do you have and how do you like to spend your time?

Scott: Of course we have a lot of friends outside the Buckingham and we spend a lot of time at the Petroleum Club and other organizations. I read a lot and Maye reads some and watches TV. We walk every day. I don't know how we spend our time but we are sure busy doing it.

Crowne: Well, Scott and Maye thank you for giving us the privilege of getting to know you a little better.

J. Hall

Birthday Celebration
Tuesday, December 13th
3:30 pm - Mezzanine

You are invited to celebrate another year well done as we toast *December Birthdays* with *cake and champagne*. The party starts with *YOU!*

Wishing you a Merry Christmas

Lifestyles
Deborah & Gloria



Ukulele Club

Thursdays, 8:45 a.m.
4th Floor classroom

**IN AND ABOUT THE LIBRARY**

To make room for donations received, a few changes in locations of books have been made. The **Nora Roberts** and **J.D. Robb** books have been placed beneath the Patterson books on the shelves behind the jigsaw puzzle. Large Print books remain in the shelves beside the fireplace.

The "puzzlers" are contemplating a run for the White House. Check it out soon. It may be more challenging than the beautiful puzzle, *Sew Sweet*, just completed in four days.

Recent Additions -

Large Print: Stuart Wood, *Lucid Intervals*
Jeffrey Archer, *And Thereby Hangs a Tale*
Hardback: Daniel Silva, *Portrait of a Spy*
Kathryn Stockett, *The Help*
Paperback: David Baldacci, *Hell's Corner*
Patricia Cornwell, *Port Mortuary*
Elizabeth George, *This Body of Death*
Andy McDermott, *The Sacred Vault*
J. D. Robb + 4 Writers, *The Unquiet*
Karen Robards, *Shattered*
Mariah Stewart, *Hometown Girl*
Stuart Woods, *Grass Roots*

All sections of all newspapers are for the enjoyment of all residents and are not to be taken from the Library. The camera now focused on that area will enable security to assist in the recovery of newspapers so that all residents may enjoy them. If you will drop a note or tell Deborah or Gloria telling what information is helpful to you in the Crowne News regarding use of the library and books available, it will be helpful in writing this column.

It's your library: browse, sit, relax, read, borrow a book, or put pieces in a puzzle. Just enjoy!

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How the Earth Works Great Courses, Lecture Series Fridays, 2:00 p.m., Theatre

Professor Michael E. Wyssession, Ph.D.,
Northwestern University, Washington University
in St. Louis

How the Earth Works takes you on an astonishing journey through time and space. In 48 half-hour lectures, you will look at what went into making our planet—from the big bang, to the formation of the solar system, to the subsequent evolution of Earth. You will travel to the center of our planet and out again, charting the geologic forces that churn beneath our feet to push the continents and seafloor around like so much froth on the surface of a pot of soup.

Professor Michael E. Wyssession is the ideal guide for this expedition. A geophysicist with a specialty in seismology, he has developed techniques for using seismic waves from earthquakes to deduce the three-dimensional structure of the interior of the Earth. Like a scientific Sherlock Holmes, Dr. Wyssession uses this approach to "see" into a realm that was previously more mysterious than galaxies billions of light years away.

Join us Fridays at 2:00p.m. in the Stratford Theatre as we present 2 lectures each week of this interesting journey.

**Mah Jongg Competition**

The Mah Jongg players have completed almost three years of regular Saturday morning play. A recent "no help available" competition was staged with players from all classes competing. If Elsie Huang was still teaching for Cypress Fairbanks ISD or was still a principal in Katy ISD, she would have certainly been awarded a bonus, having successfully brought three classes from zero knowledge of Hong Kong Mah Jongg to the point where those most recently taught could compete with the three year "veterans". First place winner in this year's competition was Nonnie Matthews with Dick Humphrey in second place and Pat Fossler coming in third. The winners were presented with gold trophies and a plaque. The cheerful winners of last place Pumpkin awards were Janet Jensen and Nancy Hill. All the players and guests celebrated the tournament at a luncheon at Yao's Restaurant and eagerly anticipate next year's competition. To date, 21 residents have taken classes with teacher Elsie and her able assistants CC Huang and Betty Chan.



Scott and Maye Ingersoll moved into their apartment # 3402 on May 5th 2006 . They have very kindly agreed to be interviewed by the Crowne News.

Crowne: Are either of you native Houstonian or native Texan?

Maye: Yes, I was born in Houston but when I was 6 years old we moved to Wellsville, New York. My father worked for Sinclair Oil Company and was transferred. I went to the grade schools there but we moved again, this time to East Chicago, Indiana and I attended high school there.

Crowne: Scott, where were you born?

Scott: I was born in Enid, Oklahoma but we moved when I was 5 to East Chicago, Indiana and I grew up there going through grade schools and high school. That is where I met Maye, she was a cheer leader at the high school.

Crowne: Maye, do you have any brothers or sisters?

Maye: I have a twin sister and an older sister and a younger brother.

Crowne: How about you Scott?

Scott: I was an only child

Crowne: Maye, where did you go on to college?

Maye: I went to Saint Mary's at Notre Dame.

Scott: I went to Purdue but my time there was interrupted to go into the service in the air force where I was a fighter pilot in the 9th Air Force in Europe and then I went back to Purdue after the war to continue my studies.

Crowne: Maye, what did you study and what did you want to be?

Maye: I wanted to be an airline stewardess, which I became with Chicago and Southern Airline. This was later bought out by Delta Airline, and I spent about 3 years doing it.

Crowne: Scott, what did you study at Purdue? And what did you want to be?

Scott: I wanted to be an engineer and that is what I studied.

Crowne: What kind of engineer, Mechanical, Electrical or Civil?

Scott: I was a mechanical engineer.

Crowne: Where and when did you get married?

Scott: We got married in East Chicago, Indiana in 1947.

Crowne: Do you have any children?

Scott: Yes, we have one son. He worked for Exxon and has just retired and lives in Houston.

Crowne: Does your son have any children?

Scott: Yes, he has Christopher our grandson who lives in Santa Monica, California. He works on computers and does special effects for movies. We have a granddaughter who lives in Austin and has just had our new little great grandson.

Crowne: Do you get to see them often?

Scott: Our granddaughter in Austin we see often but grandson in California not very often but we hope he will be joining us for Thanksgiving.

Crowne: Where have you lived since you married?

Scott: Oh boy! Lots of places. Do you want me to delineate them?

Crowne: Well who did you work for?

Scott: I worked for Shell.

Crowne: Well that figures, but it would be great to know where you have lived.

Scott: Edwardsville, Illinois just out side Saint Louis, New York, New Jersey, Maine, Long Island, Chicago, Seattle, London, New York, Florida, New York and then to Houston.

Crowne: Where were you living immediately prior to moving to the Buckingham?

Scott: In a condominium at 5050 Woodway Drive Houston.

Crowne: Now we will go back a bit here. What was your fondest childhood memory?

Maye: I used to love it when my father drove us down to Galveston to play on the beach and in the water.

Scott: I think in my senior year at high school when my dad took me pheasant hunting in South Dakota.

Crowne: What was your fondest adult memory?

Maye: Well I liked flying and I got awards for my work. I flew on flights from Chicago to New Orleans, Houston, Detroit mainly up and down the Mississippi valley. The flights took longer in those days so we only went one way in the day, staying over night and returning the next day.

Crowne: What do you think about the quality of life today? Pace of life, food, peoples attitudes, etc? Has it got better or worse?

Maye: Well I have mixed feelings because I was always very busy doing whatever I was doing and now things have quieted down domestically. I don't think it is as safe as it used to be, we had no drug problems and all that goes with that.

Scott: I think we have better choice of foods and we have all the things that make our lives easier. We have satellites giving us better TV, better phones, computers, DVDs, better cars and faster airplanes and all the latest technology. Although it is making the pace of life faster all the time and making things more complicated for some older minds.

Crowne: Would you like to be a 9 year old commencing out on life today?

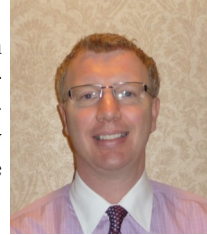
Maye: No.

Scott: Yes, I think I would, perhaps I would be a politician next time round.

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A message from Associate Executive Director, Todd Werthman



I would like to take this time to wish everyone a very safe and Happy Holidays! I wanted to take this time to formally introduce myself. I am the new Associate Executive Director. I will be working very closely with Julie Fenske, Executive Director.

Just so you know a little more about me I was born and raised in a little town in New York called Ilion, NY. It is about 1 hour from Syracuse. I went to school in NY at SUNY Utica/Rome, NY. I graduated and moved to Florida with a job opportunity in Nursing Home Administration. I received my license as a Nursing Home Administrator about 17 years ago. Wow! how time flies. I have worked in Florida, North Carolina and Texas as a Nursing Home Administrator. I also have Assisted Living and Independent living experience as well. Overall, I have worked in the Senior Living Industry for over 19 years.

I am very excited to be part of the team at The Buckingham. Over the past few weeks I am learning my way around and everyone has been so nice and helpful to ensure I settle in.

I look forward to meeting each and everyone of you in the next few weeks.

Again, have a great Holiday season!

Regards,
Todd Werthman, Associate Executive Director



The Buckingham cordially invites you to our 7th Annual Holiday Dinner
Friday, December 9, 2011
5:00-6:00 p.m. Cocktails on the Mezzanine Entertainment by Rodney Rasberry
5:30-7:30 p.m. Dinner Entertainment by Ivory Touch

We gratefully acknowledge the following organizations and schools who will donate their time and talents with a visit in December.

Bunker Hill Elementary December 16 10:45 a.m.
Bayou City Singers December 19 7:00 p.m.



New Years Eve Casino Night
Saturday, December 31, 2011
5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Cocktails
5:30 - 7:30 Dinner WDR

Join us from 7:00 - 11:00 p.m. and try your luck at the tables of Black Jack, Craps, Roulette and Caribbean Stud Poker as we ring in the New Year! Prizes!

Photos with Santa
Saturday, December 17
9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
Windsor Dining Room
Bring the grandkids!



AD Players Presents
Thursday, December 1st
Bus Departs at 5:00 p.m.
Tickets: \$26.00- Dinner Before Play



In this hilarious Christmas tale, a couple struggling to put on a church Christmas pageant is faced with casting the Herdman kids – probably the most inventively awful kids in history. You won't believe the mayhem – and the fun – when the Herdmans collide with the Christmas story head on!



Fort Bend Museum
2011 Candlelight Tours
Friday, December 2nd
9:30 a.m. Departure
Tickets \$ 4.00

Come start the Christmas season by experiencing sites and sounds from our nation's history at the beautifully decorated 1883 John M. Moore Home in Richmond. Then visit "Candlelight Corner" for handmade gifts.

SPEC'S

Wine, Spirits and Finer Foods
Tuesday, December 13th - 11:00 a.m.
Holiday Shopping and lunch at the Deli



Holiday Light Tour
Tuesday 13th &
Wednesday 14th
7:00 p.m. Departure

Join us to see the beautiful holiday lights around the city.

Sunday, December 4, 2011 | 6:15 PM depart
GLORIA



Featuring Francis Poulenc's and John Rutter's settings of Gloria and Poulenc's Organ Concerto
Performed by the MDPC Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra, Organist Kathryn Sparks White and Conductor Charles Hausmann

Experience settings of the Gloria that have inspired composers of all generations. The settings by Francis Poulenc and John Rutter, which are starkly contrasted in style and mood, have become cherished masterworks of the 20th Century. French composers have also contributed significantly to the literature for organ as heard in Poulenc's majestic and rhythmic concerto. Vaughan Williams' joyous Fantasia on Christmas Carols became a model for contemporary arrangements of British carols. It's hauntingly rich harmonies, rhythmic playfulness, and symphonic textures have made this a masterwork in the repertoire.

Crescent City Beignet
Monday, December 12th at 9:00 a.m.

HOUSTON SYMPHONY VERY MERRY POPS
Jones Hall - Sunday, December 11th
Tickets - \$55.00
Bus Departs at 1:30 p.m.

Back again in 2011 is this much loved holiday tradition featuring Michael Krajewski, conductor and the Houston Symphony Orchestra and Chorus. Afterwards dinner will be at the beautifully decorated Houstonian Hotel in the Olivette Restaurant.





Monday, December 12

Exercise Class - 9:00 & 10:00 a.m. - T
Beignets - 9:00 a.m. - Leave
Duplicate Bridge - 12:15 p.m. - CR
Computer Q & A - 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. WSR
Resident Council - 7:15 p.m. - T

Tuesday, December 13

Exercise - 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. - FC
SPEC'S - 11:00 a.m. - Leave
Painting Class - 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - CA
Birthday Bash - 3:30 p.m. - Mezz.
Catholic Mass- 3:30 p.m.- Plz 2AR
Holiday Light Tour - 7:00 p.m. Lobby
Bridge - 7:30 p.m. - CR

Wednesday, December 14

Exercise Class -9:00 & 10:00 a.m.- T
Bunker Hill Elem. - 10:45 a.m. - Mezz.
Chase the Ace -1:30 p.m. - CA
Therapy Clinic - 2:00 p.m. - T
Brush Up Bridge - 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - CR
Classical Music - 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. -#1315
Holiday Light Tour - 7:00 p.m. Lobby
Bingo - 7:30 p.m. - CA

Thursday, December 15

Ukulele Club - 8:45 a.m. - 4CR
Exercise - 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. - FC
Randall's/Kroger - 10:00 a.m. - Leave
Bible Study 10:00 a.m. - 4CR
Men's Hour - 3:00 p.m. - BR
Bridge - 7:30 p.m. - CR

Friday, December 16

Exercise Class - 9:00 a.m. - T
Parkinson's Meeting/Lunch-10:15 a.m. - L
How the Earth Works Lecture, 2:00 p.m.-T
Wii Games - 3:00 p.m. - R
Kitchen Tour 3:30 p.m. WDR
Movie - 7:30 p.m.- T

Saturday, December 17

Photos with Santa - 9:00 - 11:00 am -WDR
Tai Chi - 11:00 a.m. - 4CR
Movie Matinee - 2:00 p.m. - T
Movie - 7:30 p.m. - T

Sunday, December 18

Sunday Worship Depart - 10:30 a.m. - Lobby
Sunday Brunch - 11:00 - 2:00 p.m. - WDR
Chapelwood Worship - 11:10 a.m. - T
Worship Service- 3:15 p.m. - Plaza, 1DR
Neighborhood Chat - 4:00 p.m. - Mezz
Movie Matinee - 5:00 p.m. - T



A special thank you to my Buckingham friends that helped make the Bastrop Fire Relief Clothing Drive a huge success.

Lyn Flynt

DINING SERVICES



December fills our calendar with many occasions for celebration and private parties. Please take note of some of those dates and Dining Services Requests.

December 3rd - **Plaza Holiday Party**
Windsor Dining Room closed at Noon

December 9th - **Holiday Dinner** 5:30 pm
Call dining for reservations 713.979.3095

December 17th - **Photo's with Santa**
9-11 am. Windsor Dining Room
WDR closed for lunch
St. James and Private DR open

December 25th - **Brunch**, open seating
Guest fee is \$25.00

December 31st - **New Years Dinner Party**
Windsor Dining Room at 5:30 p.m.
Call dining for reservations.



Monday, December 19

Exercise Class - 9:00 & 10:00 a.m. - T
Computer Q & A - 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. - WSR
Bayou City Singers - 7:00 pm - T

Tuesday, December 20 Hanukkah

Exercise - 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. - FC
Belton Hearing - 10 - Noon - CA
Painting Class - 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - CA
Catholic Communion- 3:30 p.m., Plz 2AR AL
Bridge - 7:30 p.m. - CR

Wednesday, December 21

Exercise Class -9:00 & 10:00 a.m. T
Advent Study - 10:30 a.m. - 2AR AL
Rev. Scott Endress - Chapelwood UMC
Chase the Ace - 1:30 p.m. - CA
Poet's Corner - 2:00 p.m. 4CR
Brush Up Bridge - 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. -CR
Ladies Tea - 2:45 - 3:45 p.m. - SJC
Classical Music - 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. - #1315
Bingo - 7:30 p.m. - CA

Thursday, December 22

Ukulele Club - 8:45 a.m. - 4CR
Exercise - 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. - FC
Randall's/Kroger - 10:00 a.m. Leave
Bible Study 10:00 a.m. 4CR
Bridge - 7:30 p.m. - CR

Friday, December 23

Exercise Class - 9:00 a.m. - T
How the Earth Works Lecture, 2:00 p.m.-T
Wii Games - 3:00 p.m. - R
Movie - 7:30 p.m. - T

Saturday, December 24

Tai Chi - 11:00 a.m. - 4CR
Christmas Eve Worship 1:15 p.m. -T
Movie Matinee - 2:00 p.m.- Ch. 18/96 only
Movie - 7:30 p.m.- T *White Christmas*

Sunday, December 25 Merry Christmas

Sunday Worship Depart - 10:30 a.m. - Lobby
NO Chapelwood Worship
Sunday Brunch- 11:00 -2:00 p.m. - WDR
Guest Fee \$25.00
Worship Service - 3:15 p.m. - Plaza, 1DR
Movie Matinee - 5:00 p.m.- T



Winter Village Scene

A special thank you to Mildred Wilkes for sharing her Christmas Village with us. Look for the display in the lobby.



Happy Holidays

from the Marketing Team!

Christmas is a wonderful season that gives each of us the opportunity to reflect on our many blessings.

As each of us on the Marketing team look back over this past year, we feel very blessed to be a part of The Buckingham community. It has been a busy year for us. We have met with many families desiring to put a plan in place for their future, while also searching for a lifestyle that will enrich their lives. This year we have had 17 new families move into The Buckingham! I hope you have had an opportunity to meet all of your new neighbors.

Many of our new neighbors have moved to The Buckingham because of you! Gill and I want to thank you for your many referrals. It is wonderful to be a part of this great neighborhood called The Buckingham, where friends and family celebrate life together every day!

May your homes be filled with much love this Christmas Season and may your hearts be filled with joy!

*Merry Christmas,
Cathy, Gill, & Suzanne*

**Monday, December 26****Tuesday, December 27**

Exercise - 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. - FC
 Painting Class - 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - CA
 Catholic Comm. - 3:30 p.m. - Plz 2 ARAL
 Bridge - 7:30 p.m. - CR

Wednesday, December 28

Exercise Class - 9:00 & 10:00 a.m. - T
 Chase the Ace - 1:30 p.m. - CA
 Brush Up Bridge - 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - CR
 Classical Music - 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. - #1315
 Bingo - 7:30 p.m. - CA
 Hanukkah Ends

Thursday, December 29

Ukulele Club - 8:45 a.m. - 4CR
 Exercise - 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. - FC
 Randall's/Kroger - 10:00 a.m. Depart L
 Bible Study 10:00 a.m. - 4 CR
 Bridge - 7:30 p.m. - CR

Friday, December 30

Exercise Class - 9:00 a.m. - T
 How the Earth Works Lecture- 2:00 pm- T
 Wii Games - 3:00 p.m. - R
 Movie -7:30 p.m.-T

Saturday, December 31 Happy New Year

Tai Chi - 11:00 a.m. - 4CR
 Movie Matinee - 2:00 p.m. - T
 Cocktails - 5:00 - 6:00 pm - Mezzanine
 Dinner & Entertainment - 5:30 pm - WDR
 Casino Event - 7:00 - 11:00 pm - Lobby
 Movie - 7:30 p.m. - Channel 18/96 only



**Chapelwood UMC Worship
 at the Buckingham
 Sundays at 11:10 a.m. - ST**

Chapelwood United Methodist Church provides a live transmission for the 11:10 a.m. Worship Service on Sundays in the Stratford Theatre. Lay leaders will be present for the service and worship is "Open to all residents and families".

TRANSPORTATION NOTICE

In courtesy of your neighbors we ask that all residents using assistive devices or needing special assistance in boarding the bus please arrive 15 minutes early so we may accommodate and safely meet your needs. We also ask that those residents using assistive devices please remain seated until the driver or staff member is present to assist you. It is our goal to provide all residents and staff with the safest precautions when in transport or at home. Please help us to help you by being patient as we serve each resident.

Residents needing a personal companion please make your arrangements to have them accompany you to assure a successful outing for all.

We want to remind residents that outings are scheduled to be most proficient of time and ask that you arrive in plenty of time to board as we will leave promptly as scheduled.

Thank you,
 Lifestyles and Transportation Department

Please RSVP to Gloria at 713.979.3066 on all scheduled events outside the Buckingham. Then stop by Lifestyles to sign an ancillary form confirming your ticketed reservation.

REMINDER: You are FINANCIALLY responsible for a TICKET when you sign up to attend a TICKETED EVENT.

**Thursday, December 1**

Ukulele Club - 8:45 a.m.- 4CR
 Exercise - 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. - FC
 Randall's/Kroger - 10:00 a.m. Leave
 First Presbyterian Comm.-10:30 am-2ARAL
 Bible Study 10:00 a.m. - 4th Flr. CR
 A.D. Players & Dinner - 5:00 p.m. Leave
 Bridge - 7:30 p.m. - CR

Friday, December 2

Exercise Class - 9:00 a.m. - T
 Ft. Bend Museum Candlelight Tour - 9:30 - L
 How the Earth Works Series - 2:00 p.m. - T
 Wii Games - 3:00 p.m. - R
 Movie - 7:30 p.m. - T

Saturday, December 3

Mah Jongg - 10:00 a.m. - CR
 Tai Chi - 11:00 a.m. - 4CR
 Windsor Dining Room Closed at Noon
 Movie Matinee - 2:00 p.m. - T
 Movie - 7:30 p.m. - T

Sunday, December 4

Sunday Worship Depart - 10:30 a.m. - Lobby
 Sunday Brunch - 11:00 - 2:00 p.m. - WDR
 Chapelwood Worship - 11:10 a.m. - T
 Worship Service - 3:15 p.m. - Plaza, 1DR
 Movie Matinee - 5:00 p.m. - T
 GLORIA - MDPC - 6:15 p.m. Leave

Monday, December 5

Exercise Class - 9:00 & 10:00 a.m. - T
 Stein Mart - 10:00 a.m. Leave
 Duplicate Bridge - 12:15 p.m. - CR
 Computer Q & A - 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. - WSR
 Johnny's Jewelry - 1:00 p.m. - CA
 Bayou Bend Speaker - 7:30 p.m. - T

Tuesday December 6

Exercise - 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. - FC
 ELDER LAW - 10:30 am - T
 Painting Class - 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - CA
 Catholic Communion- 3:30 p.m.-Plz 2 ARAL

Tuesday December 6

Bridge - 7:30 p.m. - CR

Wednesday, December 7

Exercise Class - 9:00 & 10:00 a.m. - T
 ADVENT Study-10:30 a.m., Plz 2AR AL
 Rev. Scott Endress - Chapelwood
 Chase the Ace -1:30 p.m. - CA
 Brush Up Bridge - 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - CR
 Poet's Corner - 2:00 pm - 4CR
 Classical Music - 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. - #1315
 Bingo - 7:30 p.m. - CA

Thursday, December 8

Ukulele Club - 8:45 a.m. - 4CR
 Exercise - 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. - FC
 Randall's/Kroger - 10:00 a.m. - Leave
 Bible Study - 10:00 a.m. - 4th Flr. CR
 Listen Group - 2:00 p.m. - Maintenance
 HSO -Trio - 3:00 p.m. - WDR
 Bridge - 7:30 p.m. - CR

Friday, December 9

Exercise Class - 9:00 a.m. - T
 How the Earth Works Lecture, 2:00 p.m.-T
 Wii Games - 3:00 p.m. - R
 Cocktails & Entertainment -5:00 p.m.-Mezz
 Holiday Dinner 5:30 p.m. WDR
 Movie - 7:30 p.m.- Channel 18/96 only

Saturday, December 10

Mah Jongg - 10:00 a.m. - CR
 Tai Chi - 11:00 a.m. - 4CR
 Movie Matinee - 2:00 p.m. - T
 Movie - 7:30 p.m. - T

Sunday, December 11

Sunday Worship Depart - 10:30 a.m. - Lobby
 Chapelwood Worship - 11:10 a.m. - T
 Sunday Brunch - 11:00 - 2:00 p.m. - WDR
 Very Merry Pops & Dinner - 1:30 p.m. L
 Worship Service - 3:15 p.m. - Plaza, 1DR
 Movie Matinee - 5:00 p.m. - T