

THE VILLAGE

— at Germantown

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December 2025



The holiday season is upon us—Thanksgiving, Hanukkah, Christmas, and other celebrations that bring warmth and meaning to this time of year. The season invites us to pause, reflect, and gather with those we hold dear.

It began with Thanksgiving, a time to slow down and express gratitude for the many blessings in our lives. Whether it's family, friends, good health, or the simple joys of each day, there is always something to be thankful for. Sharing a meal and conversation around the table reminds us that gratitude grows when it is shared.

As one celebration flows into the next, the lights of Hanukkah and Christmas brighten the darker days of winter. Though distinct in tradition, these holidays share a beautiful spirit—celebrating hope, faith, and the joy of giving. Both encourage us to cherish our connections and the sense of community that makes this season truly special.

As the year draws to a close, may your days be filled with laughter, meaningful moments, and the comfort of companionship. Whether you find joy in long-held traditions, festive gatherings or quiet reflection, may this holiday season bring you peace and happiness.

Thank you for being part of our wonderful community here at The Village at Germantown. Wishing you warmth, joy, and blessings throughout the holiday season and into the new year.

Mike

A Jewish Perspective

Chanukah is the Jewish eight day Festival of lights. The Hebrew word Chanukah means dedication and is thus named because it celebrates the rededication of the Holy Temple in the second century BCE. The Holy Land was ruled then by the Syrian-Greeks, who tried to force the people of Israel to accept Greek culture and beliefs instead of Judaism. Against all odds, a small band of faithful but poorly armed Jews led by Judah the Maccabee defeated one of the mightiest armies on earth, drove the Greeks from the land. reclaimed the Temple in Jerusalem and rededicated it to the service of God.

In the Temple oil was needed for the menorah (candelabrum), which was supposed to burn throughout the night every night, but there was very little oil left that had not been defiled by the Greeks. There was only enough oil to burn for one day, yet miraculously it burned for eight days, the time needed to prepare a fresh supply of oil under conditions of ritual purity. An eight day festival was declared to commemorate this miracle. Note that the holiday commemorates the miracle of the oil, not the military victory: Jews do not glorify war.

Marcia Levy

Margie Snetman Celebrates 100!!





Honoring Margie Snetman's 100 years of wisdom, joy, and the beautiful legacy she created. A century of memories, and still shining bright!



Walk to End Alzheimer's



Sue Williams, Gloria Folk, Rachel Shankman, Ian Frankfort, Kaye Lewis, Gail Lewis and Jim Briske crossing the finish line



Pat Paul, Rachel Shankman, Margie Steinberg, and Ian Frankfort waiting for the walk to begin



Maria Wyatt with her annual walking buddy, Sue Williams

December Birthdays

- Dec 3 Macie Houston
- Dec 4 Rachel Shankman
- Dec 5 Nancy Willingham
- Dec 6 Beverly Buchalter
- Dec 6 Kathy Day
- Dec 9 Ann Weller
- Dec 10 Maxine Gold
- Dec 11 Marian Sharpe
- Dec 12 Shelly Pierce
- Dec 17 Cynthia Jordan
- Dec 18 Dr. Jerry Francisco
- Dec 18 Brenda Lupo
- Dec 18 Patsy Rowland
- Dec 21 Carol Geller
- Dec 24 Peggy Grant
- Dec 24 Bob Kelly
- Dec 27 Natalie Jalenak
- Dec 31 Brannan Galyean



Join us every 3rd Thursday for "Crafternoon."



December Highlights

- 1 Village Choir Christmas Concert
- 2 December Birthday Party
- 4 Al Mahan Christmas Concert
- 5 Holiday Carousel of Shoppes
- 5 RSVP Men's Chorus Concert
- 7 "Our Little Choir" Concert
- 8 Memphis Union Mission Shoebox Stuffing
- 10 Employee Thank You Program
- 11 Opera Memphis Carolers
- 12 Jim Cornfoot & Bethann Easterly
- 14 Grace Community Carolers

- 18 First Horizon Holiday Party
- 19 The Side Street Steppers
- 21 "Sanctifica" Wind Ensemble Concert
- 23 Candlelight Service
- 24 Christmas Eve Concert with Angela Wong, piano
- 31 New Year's Eve Party with live jazz band



The Shared Meaning of Hanukkah & Christmas

Here are some thoughts about our upcoming holiday season.

Both holidays celebrate light overcoming darkness, offering hope during the darkest time of the year.

Each invites families to gather, honoring traditions passed down through generations.

They emphasize acts of kindness, encouraging generosity toward others.

Both commemorate stories of faith, resilience, and miracles.

They highlight the importance of community and togetherness.

Each season inspires people to reflect on gratitude and renewal.

Both remind us of the power of love, compassion, and peace.

Ultimately, they call us to share light with the world, each in their own way.

May each of us discover a new season of hope and mercy in our lives during this time of celebration. May each of us share that joy with a world in desperate need of both.

Mark Brown





December 2025

TH Theatre

CR Card Room

PL Polo Lounge

AU Auditorium

CA Cafe

BR Billiards Room

AR Activity Room

WC Wellness Clinic

GL Grand Lobby

MP Multipurpose Room

MD Monarch

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
HELLO * **December **	9:30 AE Tai Chi Video 10:30 AU The Village Choir 11:00 AE Light Aerobics 12:00 AE Gentle Yoga 1:00 MP Open Painting Session 1:00 CR Rummikub 1:00 VP Water Aerobics 2:00 AE Balance Class 3:00 AR Brain Joggers 4:00 PL Margarita Monday! 7:00 AU The Village Choir Concert (sacred & secular music)	8:30 Wo Podiatry Services 9:00 GR Man2Man Coffee & Devotional with Chaplain Spink 9:30 VF Water Aerobics 10:00 AE Zumba Gold 11:00 GR Heart2Heart Women's Devotional 1:00 GR Poker 1:00 GR Rummikub 2:00 AE Balance Class 2:00 PL Samba Card Game 3:00 AU Golden Oldies 4:00 Village Putt-Putt 5:00 AU Monthly Birthday Party	9:30 AE Tai Chi Video 10:45 AE Line Dancing 12:00 PL Dominoes 1:00 CR Rummikub 2:00 LI Loops of Love 2:00 AE Strength Class 3:00 CR BUNCO 7:00 TH Movie "The Astronaut" (New!)	9:30 GL Bus Departs to Tour of Stax Museum 9:30 VP Water Aerobics 10:00 AE Zumba Gold 11:00 AU Bible Study with Chaplain Spink 12:00 AE Gentle Yoga 1:00 PL Hand & Foot Canasta 2:00 AE Mobility Class 4:15 PL Trivia with Bud Demetriou 7:00 AU Christmas Music with Al Mahan	9:30 AE Tai Chi Video 10:00 CR Holy Catholic Communion led by Holy Spirit Church 10:30 AU Holiday Carousel of Shoppes 1:00 CR Rummikub 2:00 AE Mobility Plus 3:00 BR Pool & Billiards 4:00 PL TGIF 7:00 AU Friday Night Entertainment "RSVP Men's Chorus"	1:00 PL Rummikub 2:00 AU Open Dance Class 7:00 AU Community Worship Service led by Rebecca Luter 7:00 TH Movie "The Big Country"
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day 7	8	9	10	11	12	13
11:30 MD Sunday Brunch 1:30 TH Movie "South Pacific" 7:00 AU "Our Little Choir" Concert	9:30 AE Tai Chi Video 11:00 AE Light Aerobics 12:00 AE Gentle Yoga 1:00 MP Open Painting Session 1:00 CR Rummikub 1:00 VP Water Aerobics 2:00 AE Balance Class 3:00 AU Memphis Union Mission Shoebox Stuffing	9:00 GR Man2Man Coffee & Devotional with Chaplain Spink 9:30 VP Water Aerobics 10:00 AE Zumba Gold 11:00 GR Heart2Heart Women's Devotional 1:00 GR Poker 1:00 GR Poker 1:00 AE Balance Class 2:00 PE Samba Card Game 3:00 AU Golden Oldies 4:00 Village Putt-Putt 5:30 GE Bus Departs for Starry Nights 7:00 III Movie "A Beautiful Mind"	9:30 AE Tai Chi Video 10:45 AE Line Dancing 12:00 PL Dominoes 1:00 GR Rummikub 2:00 LI Loops of Love 2:00 AE Strength Class 3:00 AU Employee Thank You Program 7:00 TH Movie "Freakier Friday" (New!)	9:30 VP Water Aerobics 10:00 AE Zumba Gold 11:00 AU Bible Study with Chaplain Spink 12:00 AE Gentle Yoga 1:00 PL Hand & Foot Canasta 2:00 AE Mobility Class 4:15 PL Trivia with Bud Demetriou 7:00 AU Opera Memphis Carolers	8:30 CA The Village Breakfast 9:30 AE Tai Chi Video 10:00 GR Holy Catholic Communion led by Holy Spirit Church 11:00 TH Curiosity University 1:00 GR Rummikub 2:00 AE Mobility Plus 3:00 BR Pool & Billiards 4:00 PL TGIF 7:00 AU Friday Night Entertainment "Jim Cornfoot & Bethann Easterly"	1:00 PL Rummikub 2:00 AU Open Dance Class 7:00 TH Movie "The Company You Keep"
Hanukkah, Begins at Sunset 14	15	16	17	18	19	20
11:30 MD Sunday Brunch 1:30 TH Movie "Always" 6:00 CR Vespers Service led by Dan Johnson 7:00 AU Germantown Community Church Carolers	9:30 AE Tai Chi Video 11:00 AE Light Aerobics 12:00 AE Gentle Yoga 1:00 MP Open Painting Session 1:00 CR Rummikub 1:00 VP Water Aerobics 2:00 AE Balance Class 3:00 AR Brain Joggers 7:00 AU BINGO!	9:00 GR Man2Man Coffee & Devotional with Chaplain Spink 9:30 VP Water Aerobics 10:00 AE Zumba Gold 11:00 GR Heart2Heart Women's Devotional 1:00 GR Poker 1:00 GR Rummikub 2:00 AE Balance Class 2:00 PL Samba Card Game 3:00 AU Golden Oldies 4:00 Village Putt-Putt 7:00 III Movie "Sleepless In Seattle"	9:30 AE Tai Chi Video 10:45 AE Line Dancing 12:00 PL Dominoes 1:00 CR Rummikub 2:00 LI Loops of Love 2:00 AE Strength Class 3:00 CR BUNCO 7:00 TH Movie "A Big Bold Beautiful Journey"	9:30 VP Water Aerobics 10:00 AE Zumba Gold 10:30 GL Bus Departs for Peabody Hotel Christmas Decorations 11:00 AU Bible Study with Chaplain Spink 12:00 AE Gentle Yoga 1:00 AR "Crafternoon" 1:00 PL Hand & Foot Canasta 2:00 AE Mobility Class 4:15 PL Trivia with Bud Demetriou 5:00 AU First Horizon Holiday Party	9:30 AE Tai Chi Video 10:00 LI Book Club 10:00 GR Holy Catholic Communion led by Holy Spirit Church 11:00 TH Curiosity University 1:00 GR Rummikub 2:00 AE Mobility Plus 3:00 BR Pool & Billiards 4:00 PL TGIF 7:00 AU Friday Night Entertainment "The Side Street Steppers"	1:00 PL Rummikub 2:00 AU Open Dance Class 7:00 AU Community Worship Service led by Mark Brown 7:00 TH Movie "Water World"
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Veterans Day



Tom Baranski proudly representing his branch



Larry Palmer sharing a letter he wrote throughout his time in service!



We asked the residents to stand for their branch during the Armed Forces Melody!

The Village Annual Halloween Party



Linda Parker, Jack Henton, and Bob Parker embraced the magic of our Harry Potter theme with their Halloween costumes this year!



With the tables arranged to mimic the Great Hall in *Harry Potter*, the residents truly enjoyed the magical atmosphere and the break from our typical layout.



Barbara Ruth Chase & Hilda Mullen dressed as spider webs.



Master of Disguise, who could it be? There was no question about who would win that award. It was the wonderful Marilyn McDaniel.



Our incredible dining department also had fun with the night, including chef, Alejandro Gonzalez.



Walter and Polly Schrimper stepped into Hogwarts World!



Walter Krug, Carole Bond, and Dave Stooksbury rushing through the doors into a world of imagination

Healthcare Happenings



Assisted Living hosts a Welcome to Your Neighborhood Party. This is an opportunity for the residents to meet and welcome their new neighbors. In this photo, the ladies, Carolyn Jennings, Marlene Griffin, Barbara Wennemark, Jeanne Shields, Wanda Webb, Jill Buckmaster and Norma Perry were having a good time catching up while enjoying some refreshments.



Bill Thomas, Bruce Lindow, AL Activities Assistant Michelle Blalock, and Betty Pelts are working on a project during our Fall Arts & Craft activity as a part of our annual Fall Fest Week.



Rochelle Pierce working on a Fall-themed necklace

Healthcare Happenings



Miriam Stovall had a good time working on her project.



Hudson and Jean Stuart with Garfield on Halloween Day! They were busy flying around trick or treating.

New Neighbors!



Meet Peggy Jo Grant! Peggy Jo was born and raised right here in Memphis. Though she spent some time living in Indianapolis and Jackson, MS, she returned home to Memphis in 1982 and has been here ever since.

She is a widow and a proud mother of two sons. In her free time, she enjoys gardening, bird watching, and attending Bible study. A devoted member of Bellevue Baptist Church, Peggy Jo not only participates in Bible study but also leads a Life Group. Say hello to her when you see her around!





What fun a 20s Murder Mystery Party can bring! Left to right include Carolyn Tyler, Alice Funderburk, Marian Marion, Sally Thomason, Betsy Enoch, Jayne Berube, Catherine Feldman, and Bette Tilly.

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