



# OAK LEAF

December 2022



## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

**Anna Manuppelli: December 1st**

**Joan Grant: December 8th**

**Ted Kuchnicki: December 10th**

**Robert Mehaffey: December 11th**

**Dorothy Kreinbihl: December 16th**

**Margaret Steel-Sontum: December 22nd**

**Mary Franks: December 24th**

**Carl Gentile: December 27th**

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# December Events

- Music and Motion: Every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 10:00
- Bingo: Every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 2:00
- Winter Tea Party: Tuesday December 20th at 2:00
- Happy Hour: Every Tuesday at 3:30
- Sing a Long with Betsy: Thursday December 8th and 15th at 2:00
- Monthly TV Series: Every Friday at 3:30
- Morning News: Every Thursday at 10:00
- Bible Study: Every Wednesday at 3:30



## FAIR OAKS INFORMATION SESSION



Join Mike Vetter to learn more about Open Enrollment for Medicare and other insurance options that are available for your loved ones

Date: Tuesday, December 13th  
Time: 6:00PM

Location: Fair Oaks Activity Room

RSVP to [liz@fair-oaks.com](mailto:liz@fair-oaks.com)

**New Years Eve Party**  
**Friday December 30th @ 2:00**  
**Join Liz in the Activity Room to bring in the New Year with music and treats!**

[CyrilAlmeras.com](http://CyrilAlmeras.com)



# Christmas Day



CANDY, CANE, CAROLING, CHRISTMAS, DECEMBER, HOLLY, LIGHTS, MERRY, MISTLETOE, NORTH, POLE, PEACE, PRESENTS, REINDEER, SANTA CLAUS, SLEIGH, SNOWMAN, STAR, STOCKING, SUGARPLUM, TREE, WREATH.

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## NEW RESIDENTS

Nicholas Atria

John Spencer

Anthony Bednez

John Dezulovich

**A Christmas Musical**  
**Saturday December 10th @2:00**  
 Join Liz to go see a Christmas Story Musical at the Byham Theatre!

**Christmas Party**  
**Friday December 23rd @2:00**  
 Join us in the Activity Room for our resident Christmas party with live music, food, and games!



## Zach's Snacks

Gingerbread has an incredibly long history however it is best recognized as a candy decorated house. Gingerbread has been shaped into Christmas tree ornaments since the Victorian era. As for gingerbread houses, they became popular after the brothers Grimm published Hansel and Gretel. It's still unclear when they became incredible edible edifices.

Gingerbread may be German however egg nog is purely American, known to be enjoyed by captain John Smith at Jamestown in 1607.

Egg nog also known as milk punch or egg milk punch, is a rich, chilled, sweetened, creamy dairy-based beverage traditionally made with milk and/or cream, sugar, whipped eggs, which gives it a frothy texture, and, in some contexts, include spirits such as brandy, rum or bourbon.

Fruitcake is a cake made with chopped candied fruit and/or dried fruit, nuts, and spices, and soaked in spirits. The earliest recipe from ancient Rome lists pomegranate seeds, pine nuts, and raisins that were mixed into barley mash. In the middle ages, honey, spices, and preserved fruits were added. Fruit cakes are typically served in celebration of weddings and Christmas. Fruitcakes became Americanized with the addition of colonial sugar. In the 16th century fruit cakes were baked with excessive preserved fruit. High concentrations of sugar helped preserve the fruit and therefore made fruitcakes more sweet and inexpensive and therefore more popular.

No Christmas food is more recognizable than the candy cane.

According to folklore, in 1670, in Cologne, Germany, the choirmaster at Cologne Cathedral, wishing to remedy the noise caused by children in his church during the living crèche tradition of Christmas Eve, asked a local candy maker for some sweet sticks for them. In order to justify the practice of giving candy to children during worship services, he asked the candy maker to add a crook to the top of each stick, which would help children remember the shepherds who visited the infant Jesus. In addition, he used the white color of the converted sticks to teach children about the Christian belief in the sinless life of Jesus.

## Target Shopping Trip

**Tuesday December 13th at 10:00am**

**Join Liz for a fun shopping trip out to the Dollar Tree and finish some holiday shopping!**

## Rev. Ing's Things

Dear Ones,

This morning I listened to a devotional podcast from New York City's Riverside Church. Church member Irene King shared that her wish for this Advent is that she would feel Jesus being born in her this season. Then, quickly pointing out that this might seem unusual, she explained, "I want to experience Jesus growing in me during Advent. I want to feel Him moving in me and moving me to greater closeness with Him."

I then recalled the words of the beloved carol, O Little Town of Bethlehem, "O holy Child of Bethlehem,

descend to us, we pray, cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today."

What a tremendous hope, a wonderful prayer, that we would feel limitless Love moving with us, being born within us each day.

But suppose it seems too much to hope for. In that case, we need to remind ourselves and one another that each of us is created in the image of God (Genesis 1:26). No matter how broken we feel, no matter the color of our skin, the amount of money in our savings account, no matter whom we love, no matter where we live or how we experience and name the Holy. We ALL are created with Love and possess the divine gift of grace.

As a Christian, I experience the Holy through the One who was born a refugee in poverty to a teenage mom. As He traveled this earth, He healed the sick in body and in spirit, raised up the oppressed, criticized the government, refused to "go along to get along," and was executed by the state for His radical Love. Jesus could not be kept down, though; He forgave His murderers and destroyed death once and for all.

Oh, for us to KNOW, really KNOW, and BELIEVE the truth-- that He IS moving within us, that He IS still with us, and with Him, we are able to carry on His mission of assiduous LOVE.

As the year draws to a close, as many of us prepare to celebrate the birth of Love embodied, may we feel the peace and the power of Jesus moving within us, casting out need and sorrow wherever it is found.

Thank you for allowing me to travel this bumpy but ultimately holy road of life with you. May you and all those whom you love, experience the peace that passes all understanding this season and all the seasons to come.

Love, Pastor Ingrid



## Celebrate Advent and Christmas



**WORSHIP AND MUSIC: ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**JOIN US IN THE CHAPEL**



**Sunday, December 4 - 1:30pm**  
**Second Sunday of Advent: Peace**

Communion will be shared this Sunday, as we celebrate the peace that only our God of Love can bring.

**Sunday, December 11 - 1:30pm**  
**Marzolf Primary 3rd Grade Holiday Carolers**

Celebrate the Sunday of Joy with the Marzolf School singers, under the direction of Ms. Angela Evans! .

**Sunday, December 18 - 1:30pm**  
**Third Sunday of Advent: Love**

Above all, God is Love. Special music will be shared as we rejoice in God's radical Love.



**Saturday, December 24 - 1:30pm**  
**Christmas Eve Day Candle Light Service**

A candle lighting service will be held to symbolize the coming of the Light into our world.

**Sunday, December 25 - 1:30pm**  
**Christmas Day Carol Sing**

We will gather to sing the carols we have treasured since childhood, lauding the Infant Jesus with Hope, Peace, Joy and Love!

**I LOOK FORWARD TO SHARING THIS BLESSED SEASON  
WITH YOU! LOVE, PASTOR INGRID**

## Jay's Journal

Hello everyone!

With the Holidays around the corner I want to wish all of our Fair Oaks Friends and Family a Merry Christmas!

The holidays are a special time to spend with the ones that you love.

I want to wish my Fair Oaks Family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

This upcoming year we are seeing some changes and transitions around Fair Oaks that I am excited for and hope you are as well!

## Liz's Leisure's

Hi everyone!

We are feeling the holiday cheer here around Fair Oaks!

Our Activities Calendar is filled with lots and lots of holiday plans this

December. We have plenty of holiday crafts this season, a winter tea party, holiday movies, a Christmas Eve party, a New Years Eve Party, and more!

With all of our holiday events coming up I want to invite all of our Fair Oaks Friends and Family members to join us at any of the events on the calendar that interest you.

We can't wait to celebrate the holidays with you!



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**SUN MON TUE WED THUR FRI SAT**

**LOCATION KEY**  
 AR - Activity Room  
 CH - Chapel  
 DR - Dining Room  
 LLL - Lazy Lemon Lounge

<p>11:30 Catholic Communion (CH)            1:30 Chapel Service (CH)            2:00 Crazy Bingo (AR)</p> <p><b>4</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            10:00 Music and Motion (AR)            11:00 <b>Holiday Craft: Holiday Cards (LLL)</b>            12:00 <b>Lunchtime Show with John Sarkis (DR)</b>            1:30 Rosary (CH)            2:00 BINGO (AR)</p> <p><b>5</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            11:00 <b>Holiday Craft: Christmas Trees (LLL)</b>            1:30 Polar Express Movie Watch Party (Activity Room)</p> <p><b>6</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            10:00 Music and Motion (AR)            11:00 Wii Games: Bowling (AR)            2:00 BINGO (AR)            3:30 Bible Study (AR)</p> <p><b>7</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            10:00 Thursday Morning News (AR)            11:00 Cornhole (AR)            2:00 Sing a Long with Betsy (AR)            6:00 <b>Thursday Night Live with Music (AR)</b></p> <p><b>1</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            10:00 Music and Motion (AR)            11:00 Poker Game (LLL)            2:00 BINGO (AR)            3:30 Land Girls: TV Series (AR)</p> <p><b>2</b></p>	<p>11:00 <b>Holiday Craft: Wreaths (LLL)</b>            2:00 Jigsaw Puzzle (LLL)            3:00 Matinee (AR)</p> <p><b>3</b></p>
<p>11:30 Catholic Communion (CH)            1:30 Chapel Service (CH)            2:00 <b>Holiday Craft: Snowflakes (LLL)</b></p> <p><b>11</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            10:00 Music and Motion (AR)            11:00 <b>Holiday Craft: Ornaments (LLL)</b>            1:30 Rosary (CH)            2:00 BINGO (AR)            7:00 Ictus Concert (AR)</p> <p><b>12</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            10:00 <b>Target Trip (South Hills Village Target)</b>            2:00 Jigsaw Puzzle (LLL)            3:30 Happy Hour (LLL)            6:00 Family Information Event: Open Enrollment &amp; Other Insurance Options (AR)</p> <p><b>13</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            10:00 Music and Motion (AR)            11:00 Card Games: Spoons (LLL)            2:00 BINGO (AR)            3:30 Bible Study (AR)            6:00 Holiday Sing a Long with Frances (AR)</p> <p><b>14</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            10:00 Thursday Morning News (AR)            11:00 Jewelry (AR)            2:00 Sing a Long with Betsy (AR)            6:00 <b>Thursday Night Live with Music (AR)</b></p> <p><b>15</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            10:00 Music and Motion (AR)            11:00 <b>Holiday Craft: Cookie Decorating (LLL)</b>            1:30 <b>Monthly Food Meeting (LLL)</b>            2:00 BINGO (AR)            3:30 Land Girls: TV Series (AR)</p> <p><b>16</b></p>	<p>10:00 <b>Manicures (AR)</b>            11:00 Trivia (AR)            2:00 A Musical Christmas Carol Outing (Byham Theatre)</p> <p><b>17</b></p>
<p>11:30 Catholic Communion (CH)            1:30 Chapel Service (CH)            2:00 Holiday Concert (AR)</p> <p><b>18</b></p>	<p><b>Hanukkah</b>            9:00 The Country Store            10:00 Music and Motion (AR)            11:00 <b>Holiday Craft: Reindeer (LLL)</b>            12:00 <b>Lunchtime show with Tracy Lee (DR)</b>            1:30 Rosary (CH)            2:00 BINGO (AR)</p> <p><b>19</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            11:00 <b>Holiday Craft: Paper Chains (LLL)</b>            2:00 <b>Winter Tea (AR)</b></p> <p><b>20</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            10:00 Music and Motion (AR)            11:00 Board Games (AR)            2:00 BINGO (AR)            3:30 Bible Study (AR)</p> <p><b>21</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            10:00 Thursday Morning News (AR)            11:00 Duolingo (AR)            2:00 BINGO (AR)            6:00 <b>Thursday Night Live with Music (AR)</b></p> <p><b>22</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            10:00 Music and Motion (AR)            11:00 <b>Holiday Craft: Santas (LLL)</b>            1:30 Mass with Father Bachner (CH)            2:00 <b>Christmas Party with Vanessa &amp; Dave (AR)</b></p> <p><b>23</b></p>	<p><b>Christmas Eve</b>            1:30 Christmas Eve Candelight Service (CH)</p> <p><b>24</b></p>
<p><b>Christmas Day</b>            11:30 Catholic Communion (CH)            1:30 Chapel Service (CH)</p> <p><b>25</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            1:30 Rosary (CH)</p> <p><b>26</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            11:00 Painting (LLL)            2:00 <b>Monthly Birthday Party (AR)</b>            3:30 Happy Hour (LLL)</p> <p><b>27</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            10:00 Music and Motion (AR)            11:00 Volleyball (AR)            2:00 BINGO (AR)            3:30 Bible Study (AR)</p> <p><b>28</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            10:00 Thursday Morning News (AR)            11:00 Chinese Checkers (AR)            2:00 BINGO (AR)            6:00 <b>Thursday Night Live with Music (AR)</b></p> <p><b>29</b></p>	<p>9:00 The Country Store            10:00 Music and Motion (AR)            11:00 <b>Manicures (AR)</b>            2:00 <b>New Years Party (AR)</b></p> <p><b>30</b></p>	<p><b>New Year's Eve</b></p> <p><b>31</b></p>

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