December 2017





GHA Resident Services Newsletter

Holiday Safety Tips

Keep these safety tips in mind while preparing for the holidays.

When shopping, avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Pay with check or credit card. Deter pickpockets and purse snatchers by not carrying a lot of packages all at once.

Carry your purse close to your body, not dangling by the strap. Put wallets inside coat pockets or front pants pocket.

Shop during daylight hours whenever possible.

Track package deliveries and confirm their delivery. Sign up for email alerts for notification of the initial package shipment to its arrival to its destination.

Stay alert to your surroundings!



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Transportation

Transportation is a courtesy provided by Galveston Housing Authority to assist residents on getting the

things needed to maintain or increase independence and self-reliance.

Schedules for transportation are located inside

each newsletter
within the
monthly calendar.
Days and times are
subject to change.
No eating and/or
drinking in the
van at anytime.





Secret Santa

Gulf Breeze
Resident Council
would like for any
resident interested
in participating in
Secret Santa and/or
the Ugly Sweater
Contest to sign up in
the Resident
Services office.
Those that would
like to participate

will need leave your name and three gift choices. Participants will choose names no later than December 7th.

Gifts will need to be wrapped and turned in at the Resident Services office no later than December 15th. Prizes and light refreshments will be provided. We would like residents to come participate.



All Resident Holiday Celebration

"Give without Remembering and Always Receive without Forgetting."



United Healthcare will sponsor an all resident Holiday Celebration. All residents wanting to attend will need to sign up no later than December 14.

Refreshments will be served. Holiday games will be played and the Wright Cuney Praise Dance Team will end the night with a beautiful performance.

This activity will take place at 4700 Broadway from 2 pm to 6:30 pm.

Transportation will be provided for those who sign up.

Mounting Horizons



Mounting Horizons is an organization that provides transportation using accessible vehicles to medical appointments off the island, Baybrook Mall, Tanger Outlets

and community
events to individuals
with disabilities or
seniors 65 and over.
To become a
member to receive
these services you
must sign up at the
main office located

at 4700 Broadway St. Please call (409) 356-4809 for any questions. Trips Dec. 2nd, 7th & 11th



Texas Volunteer Band

Mr. Lee King and his volunteer
Orchestra will be coming to Holland
House on December
15th at 4:00pm to bring in some
Christmas cheer with the sweet sounds of music.

The Texas Volunteer Band has been bringing the joy of music to the residents for many years and we are so pleased that they will be returning again.

There will be no transportation for this event but all residents are welcome to attend.



Birthday Announcement

GHA makes every effort to acknowledge our residents during their special day.

We understand that some residents don't like the attention but please know our intent is to make sure that you receive a happy birthday greeting, smile or hug. Positive affirmations go a long way for those who are not accustomed to receiving them.

If you prefer not to be included in the birthday announcements, please contact Resident Services and we will accommodate your request.

December Word of the Month

Decorous

dec●o●rous

In keeping with good taste and propriety; polite and restrained

Free Events Around Galveston

44th Annual Dickens on the Strand
Dec. 1-3 Holiday
Street Festival based
on 19th century
Victorian London
features parades, 5
stages of entertainment, strolling

carolers, musicians, bagpipers, jugglers and more.

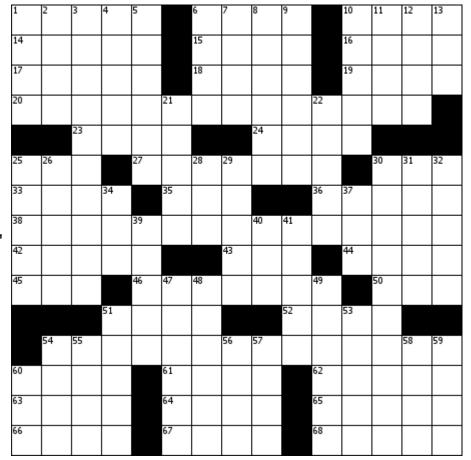


City of Galveston Holiday Parade. Dec. 16 6:30-8pm Begins on 25th proceeds to post office, east 21st, north strand and west to 25th.



Across

- 1. Napping spots
- **6**. Knaves
- **10**. Acronym on some jackets
- **14**. Wane
- **15**. Mine, on the Moselle
- **16**. Worker's list heading
- 17. Opposite of sur
- 18. Graceful aquatic bird
- **19**. Type of curtain
- 20. "Ghost" and "The Juror"
- 23. Scored on serve
- 24. Necessity
- 25. Greek piper
- 27. Goes off track
- **30**. AC stat
- **33**. Dry, as a desert
- **35**. ____ Aviv
- 36. Take by force
- **38**. Gorgonzola and Muenster, e.g.
- 42. Cash cache
- 43. New pedometer reading
- 44. "Zip-___-Doo-Dah"
- **45**. Sargasso squirmer
- 46. Misbehaves
- **50**. They're in front of U
- **51**. Solo at The Met
- **52**. Mongolian desert
- 54. "To Have and Have Not"
- **60**. Orange or cream, for two
- 61. Freudian topics
- **62.** Certain Oldsmobile
- **63**. Brewski barrels
- **64**. Nothing more than
- **65**. Fruit-filled pastries
- **66**. One 13th?
- 67. Lemony drinks
- 68. Blissful couple?



DOWN

- 1. Hourglass fill
- **2**. English horn's kin
- **3**. Old McDonald's charge
- **4**. Room at the top
- **5**. Appeared
- **6.** Ancient Roman censor
- 7. Pt. of OAS
- 8. Bucks, slangily
- Wicked
- **10**. Use it to stand tall
- **11**. Word with inch or tape
- **12**. They might be about nothing
- **13**. Trucking unit

- **21**. "__ a Nightingale"
- **22**. Time piece?
- 25. Unstylish
- **26**. Steep cliff
- **28**. Boxing official **29**. Choir section
- **30**. Professional
- pick-up artists? **31**. Branch head-
- quarters **32.** Wimbledon sur-
- prise
- **34**. Malign, in slang
- **37**. Shade of green **39**. Puppeteer Lew-
- **40**. Pipe-bowl material

- 41. Deli hero
- **47**. Mall attraction
- **48**. Put out on the basepaths
- **49**. Do philanthropic work
- **51**. Collect or accumulate
- **53**. Gauchos' weaponry
- **54**. Prepared some beds?
- **55**. Periphery
- **56**. Became threadbare
- **57**. Grieg's "____ Death"
- **58**. Art deco artist
- **59**. Leader leader
- 60. Take on moguls

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Jerry Franklin	December 1	Aaron Josey	December 19
Martin Jackson	December 2	Pamela Horner	December 21
Gregory Veal	December 3	Robert Marlin	December 21
Roland Perkins	December 6	Paula Ellis	December 22
Herbert Brown	December 6	Demitrio Martinez	December 22
Blessing Garza	December 7	Jena Ray Delarosa	December 26
Glenn Wilson	December 7	Jessie Prear	December 26
Obie Hines	December 7	Steve Smith	December 28
Ingeborg Wolf	December 8	Keith Bethely	December 28
Harry Dagosta	December 8	Barbara Moses	December 28
Carol Hammill	December 9	Emanuel Williams	December 30
Alexander Perry	December 9	Debra Hodges	December 31
Tony Marquise	December 9	Ramesh Patel	December 31
Emma Taylor	December 10		
Brian Anderson	December 10		
Juanita Johnson	December 10		
Billy Lewis	December 10		
Gloria Tolden	December 15		
Andrew Wilson	December 18		



December 7 Holiday Bingo-Gulf Breeze 12 noon-3 pm

December 11
Holland House
Resident Council Meeting
3 pm-4 pm

December 11
Mounting Horizons Trip
Baybrook Mall-Tanger Outlets
Gulf Breeze-9:00 pick up
Holland House-9:30 pick up

December 15
Texas Volunteer Band
Holland House
4pm-5:30pm

December 18 Jesse Tree-Gulf Breeze 1 pm-3 pm December 19
Jesse Tree-Holland House
10 am-12 noon

December 19
United Healthcare
All Resident Holiday Celebration
2pm-6:30pm

December 20 Jesse Tree-The Oaks 10 am-12 noon

December 20
Gulf Breeze
Resident Council Meeting
4pm-5pm

December 25 & 26 GHA-Closed CHRISTMAS

December 31 New Year's Eve

December 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4 All Sites Dollar Tree AM Randalls PM	5 HH Walmart AM Krogers PM	6 GB Walmart AM Krogers PM	7	8	9
10	11 All Sites Dollar Tree AM Randalls PM	12 HH Walmart AM Krogers PM	13 GB Walmart AM Krogers PM	14	15	16
17	18 HH OAKS Walmart AM Randalls PM	19 GB Walmart AM Krogers PM	20 GB Walmart AM Krogers PM	21	22	23
24 31 New Year's Eve	25 CLOSED	26 CLOSED	27 GB Walmart AM Krogers PM	28 HH Walmart AM OAKS Krogers PM	29	30

Store trips are every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Pick up for AM trips start at 8:00 am. The last building pick up is 9 am. All shopping must be completed by 11:15 am.

Pick up for PM trips start at 12:15 pm. The last building pick up time is 1:00 pm. All shopping must be completed by 3:00 pm.

GHA Contact Information

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Central Maintenance/After Hours (409) 765-1921 John Williams,

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(409) 765-1930 Maria Godwin, Director

Director

Gulf Breeze (409) 765-1925 Michelle Holt, Manager Mary Toussant, Assistant Manager

Holland House (409) 765-1922 Caressa Lynch, Manager

Charles McVey, Assistant Manager

Resident Services (409) 765-1920 Odelia Williams, Director

(409) 770-3015 Tyese Sweet, Coordinator Charles Fields, Transportation (409) 370-5698

GHA Email info@ghatx.org

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GHA Tip Line (409) 765-1917

Police Non-Emergency (409) 765-3702



United Healthcare will be hosting our Big Christmas Party this year Food, Games and Entertainment. 2pm-6:30pm Residents that need transportation Please contact Resident Services to

sign-up!

Did You Know? We're On The Web

GHA is on Twitter and Facebook! Stay up to date on GHA's Holiday closings, safety and weather information and updates in times of emergency.



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