

January 2021



RIDGE REPORTER

thank you!

The last several weeks have been a difficult time for everyone. The staff would like to send our appreciation to our residents for their generosity during the Christmas season with their delicious treats and kind words.

Thank you for making this time of year extra special for us. Our residents do such a wonderful job decorating their homes to help make the community “shine” during the season.

Thanks again and have a wonderful 2021!



Holiday Closing

A reminder that the Offices will be closed on:
New Years – Friday, January 1



HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Who else celebrated as you turned the calendar over from 2020 to a NEW beginning in 2021? Never in my life have I heard or used the word “unprecedented” as many times as I did last year. I’m sure there will be many lists of firsts documented for 2020.

NOW, we are starting FRESH with a new year and I am excited to be here as the Interim Executive Director for SRC & BRC!

Let’s talk about: 1) Who am I? 2) What’s your “word”? 3) What to expect during this first quarter of the year.

First, I am a husband and a father! I feel extremely blessed. This picture was taken in early December along the Gunnison River near our home in Western Colorado. My wife Melissa is a Registered Nurse Director at St. Mary’s Hospital in Grand Junction, CO. Our dog’s name is Oreo! He is a 3-year-old harlequin Great Dane and the mascot of The Great Dane Group. We have two daughters who also work in health care. Our oldest is a Paramedic with Grand Junction Fire and Rescue. Our youngest is a Doctor of Pharmacy finishing up her first year of residency at Cleveland Clinic in Ohio. Professionally, I’ve been consulting, leading and managing teams across multiple industries for 25+ years. I also have the privilege of singing all over the country and around the world with Legacy Quartet (<https://www.facebook.com/legacyquartet>).

*Second, a practice I was introduced to many years ago is choosing a “word” that becomes your focus for the new year. The idea is to find a word (<https://myintent.org/pages/word-finder>) that speaks to a passion, a character trait you want to focus on, or something you’re trying to overcome. In years past I’ve chosen words like gratitude, patience, and action. THIS year, I am considering the word **resilience**.*

re·sil·ience /rəˈzilyəns/ noun 1.the capacity to recover quickly from difficulties; toughness.

Over the past year I’ve been inspired by so many amazing stories of people from across the country who have overcome many adverse circumstances and CHOSE to keep smiling and plugging away! They are a living example of resilience!

I’d love to hear what word you choose for 2021!

Lastly, I am working very closely with the board and Acuity Advisors, LLP to continue the strong momentum John McMenamin started in moving SRC and BRC toward full occupancy and solid financials. We will discuss more of the details in our upcoming resident meetings later in January.

Snow Event Reminders

One of the most challenging tasks for the staff is the snow removal process. While the snow clearing process is physically challenging, the most difficult task lies in the decision of when to start the removal process. If money were no object, we could start the process upon seeing the first snow flake and continue until the final snowflake has been removed. But we believe it is our responsibility to our communities to ensure finances be a consideration in the decision-making process.

Because finances are an issue, the staff must consider such things as:

- When to start moving resident vehicles;
- When to start laying ice melt;
- Whether to retain staff beyond the normal working shifts or call staff in early both of which could require payment of overtime wages;
- If and when to call in a contractor for snow removal support;
- If temperatures change is expected which may help or hinder the removal process;

We ask for your understanding of this challenge when we receive snow. However, always keep in mind that you should call the office at least the day before the snow event if you have an appointment which requires access to your vehicle. In this case, the snow crew is appreciative of advance notice so they may properly plan. Also, if you notice your car being relocated in preparation for plowing but you need your vehicle prior to the storm commencing, please also contact the office to have your car returned to its normal space.

In addition, if the office is closed and you have a doctor's appointment which you have not reported to the office or if you have a true emergency which requires you to leave, please push your emergency button to notify the staff.

Trash on Snow Days

When there are snowy trash pick up days, and the staff is clearing snow, please leave trash and recyclables on your front porch VISIBLY. Also, please know that trash/recycle pick-up may be delayed or even canceled depending on the demand of the snow removal crew.



Recycle Update

Plastic bags are not accepted as part of recycling. If you want to use a bag for your recycling, paper bags are acceptable. Please see your "Everything You Need to Know" book or stop by the office for a complete list of approved items. All trash must be bagged and tied. Loose trash will not be collected.

If you are ordering something online or handing out your address, please make sure your unit number is included in your address. There have been several instances where the office received items due to an incomplete address.

COVID-19

Our residents have exhibited great care and support for one another as well as for the staff as we have all had to face the challenge of adapting to the Coronavirus pandemic together. As we approach the cold weather months and witness a significant rise in positive cases in our area, the increased risk of exposure to our community also rises. The health and safety of our residents remains our priority.

In the event a resident is experiencing symptoms of illness, tested positive for COVID-19, or has been exposed to someone with COVID-19, we ask that residents please:

- Follow CDC guidelines for self-quarantine
- **Contact the office** – NOTE: *Any information shared with the Office will be maintained in strict confidence and used only for the purpose of ensuring the safety of our staff and residents*

Monthly Maintenance Fees

Please remember that your monthly maintenance fee is due the 1st of the month. Any payment received after the 15th of the month is subject to a \$25 late fee.

Mechanical Room Storage

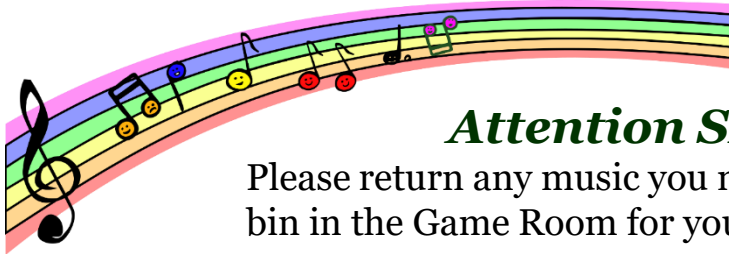
With the exception of a few small items, mechanical rooms are not to be used for storage. Immediate access is required to all mechanical equipment by staff or other emergency personnel. Thank you for your cooperation.

Comcast – Tech To You Program

The Comcast Tech To You Program is in our Community on Tuesdays only. If you would like the technician to stop by your house, please make sure you call the Office to be placed in the book by Monday before 3 PM. If you cannot wait until a Tuesday, you can call Comcast directly. (There may be a charge if you call Comcast directly.)

Christmas Child Project

THANK YOU to all the residents who generously gave to the “Christmas Child Project” for the Cluster of Churches, Genesis Pregnancy Care Center and Salvation Army. We received many adorable outfits, diapers, various other children’s items, and monetary donations. This surely has brightened the holiday for many families.



Attention SRC Singers!

Please return any music you may have at home. There is a bin in the Game Room for you to drop off the folder/music.

Words on Wheels Bookmobile

The Bookmobile is here the 2nd & 4th Monday at 10 AM in the Community Center parking lot.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Happy Birthday!

- 6 - Barbara
Judith
- 8 - Donna
- 9 - Loretta
- 11 - Carole
- 12 - Nancy
- 14 - Millie
- 15 - Bill
- 17 - Sandy
- 22 - Joe
- 23 - Charles
- 24 - Mary Ann
- 27 - Bobbi
Florence
- 28 - Arlene



Welcome To The Neighborhood!

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to our newest residents! Please stop by and introduce yourself.

Rich & Cindy
from Pottstown, PA.

Ed & Anita
from Sun City West, AZ.