## COVENANT HOUSE CHRONICLES

## B'nai B'rith Covenant House

### October 2022



# Medicare's Open Enrollment period is October 15<sup>th</sup> - December 7<sup>th</sup>

when **ALL** people with Medicare can change their Medicare health plan

and prescription drug coverage for 2023. If you are enrolled in AHCCCS, you can change your Medicare Advantage plan once every quarter during the year.

Information on 2023 plans will be available beginning in October. People with Medicare can call 1-800-633-4227 or visit <a href="www.medicare.gov">www.medicare.gov</a> for plan information. If a person is satisfied that their current plan will meet their needs for next year, they don't need to do anything. Please call Teresa at 321-4496 if you have any questions.



Pasta Dinner
Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup> in
the multipurpose room
at 12noon!
Dine in, carry out or delivery



Por favor, deje saber a Teresa si necesita este boletin traducido verbalmente.

Если Вам нужен перевод какой-либо заметки из Covenant House Chronicles пожалуйста обратитесь к Терезы. Вы можете получить устный перевод интересующей Вас заметки.

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### **Covenant House Staff**

- Reda Anna, Manager
- Debbie Gonzalez, Assistant Manager
- Teresa Wachala, Service Coordinator
- Troy Pearson, Wellness Center
- Sam Rodriguez, Maintenance Tech
- Vijay Singh, Caretaker
- Lourdes Verduzco, Housekeeping
- Sunny Singh, Housekeeping

## Important Phone Numbers

- Office, 520-327-2200
- Service Coordinator, 520-321-4496
- Wellness Center, 520-327-0922
- Emergency, 911
- After Hours Maintenance Emergency, **520-389-0268**

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## \*\*\*Service Coordinator News --- Teresa Wachala\*\*\*



Although we have removed our indoor masking requirement restrictions, we are an older adult community and the population we serve is considered the most vulnerable, so please be mindful of others. While everyone's situation is different and thus their comfort levels, should you still wish to wear a mask, please feel free to do so. Masks will still be available at the front entrance for anyone wanting one while in the building.

Social distancing/spacing is still a good practice for the prevention and spread of COVID/flu. As always, if you are experiencing any sickness or flu-like symptoms,

please stay home until you are feeling better.

We will continue to add more activities, programs and events for everyone to enjoy. Please take a look at our calendar for activities you may wish to attend and please call me to RSVP if the event requires it. We are planning to bring more special events/activities your way, but are also **open to your creative ideas**. We continue to be blessed with new residents, and look forward to seeing new friendships blossom within our community.

It's so great to see everyone's smiling faces again! It's hard to believe that the Holidays are almost upon us and I look forward to having more in-person events.

-Teresa Wachala-Service Coordinator

If anyone runs low on food or other items during the month, I have an <a href="mailto:emergency food pantry">emergency food pantry</a> with various items, such as tuna, sardines, soups, milk, ground coffee as well as instant coffee, etc. I also provide such things as, hearing aide batteries, denture cleaner, dish soap, clothes soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, paper towels, Kleenex, toilet paper, etc., so please call 321-4496 and let me know if you need anything.

I have incontinent supplies—pull-ups, Poise pads and bed pads. If you need any of the above items please see me during my office hours. All distributions are kept confidential.

I sell stamps and quarters, so call me if you need them. Freedom Liberty roomsea

I still have various GREETING CARDS and some 2023 Calendars.



Jan will be teaching a
Fall Craft Class
on Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 2pm
in the multi-purpose room
Please sign up at the desk in the lobby





## \*\*\*Manager's Memo—Reda Anna\*\*\*



#### **ATTENTION!**

We realize that some of you are helping other residents by walking their dogs. Please be advised that if you walk someone else's dog, you must clean up after them and you are responsible for the dog's behavior while they are in your care. Please make sure you know how the dog reacts to other people and other dogs/animals before agreeing to help.

Gulnar Akhmedova was our Assistant Manager for over 12 years. She spoke three languages and was a great help translating for our Russian speaking residents. Gulnar left her position at Covenant House and went back to school to pursue a new career. We will miss her and wish her well in all her new adventures!





### **JOYFUL MOVEMENT CLASS**

Please join us in the **multi-purpose room** on:



Tuesday, October 11th & 25th at 2pm

Joyful Movement classes are designed to (1) get people moving and (2) get people moving together in community. Classes are organized to allow for a balanced combination of structure and creative explorations; providing a safe space for participants to increase movement vocabulary, and by extension to improve physical strength and flexibility. It is also a creative space to explore all the different ways we can move, and more importantly, all the ways we can move together. Participants discover fun ways to engage with each other through movement expressions that feel natural and organic. There is no "right" or "wrong" way to move and previous dance experience is never needed.

Our first class was so much fun, so please join us for more!!!



### Grand Mistress Storyteller

will regale you with folk tales and contemporary stories on

Thursday, October 20, 2022

Join her in the Multipurpose Room **promptly at 3 pm.**Celebrate with Eegee's Flavor of the Month at approximately 3:45 pm.

She respectfully asks that everyone in attendance <u>wear a mask</u> and will provide them at the door.

RSVP required by Oct 15<sup>th</sup> – 520-332-1472.

It's <u>Flu Season</u> and many of the same CDC Guidelines should be followed for flu and cold prevention and transmission as those we are currently following for the COVID-19 pandemic.

### FLU & COVID-19 PREVENTION

The **single best way to prevent** <u>seasonal flu</u> is to get <u>vaccinated</u> each year, but good health habits like covering your cough and washing your hands often can help stop the spread of germs and prevent respiratory illnesses like the flu and COVID-19. Also, wearing a mask to prevent spreading your germs or getting others' germs is recommended especially if you have a compromised immune system. There also are <u>flu antiviral drugs</u> by prescription that can be used to treat and prevent the flu.

- Avoid close contact. Stay 6 feet apart.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your mouth and nose.
- Wash your hands for 20 seconds.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.
- **Practice other good health habits.** Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids, and eat nutritious food.







### **WALGREENS VACCINE CLINIC!!**

Wednesday, October 19th from 9am-12 in the MP Room!

These are the vaccines they will be providing: Flu \* Pneumonia \* Shingles \* and the Covid-19 Booster

Open to all residents, caregivers and family If you have any questions regarding any of the vaccines, please consult your physician.

Teresa will send out a flyer with more details to sign up, ask questions and get your paperwork.

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## Fall Word Search





























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## \*\*\*Wellness Center—Troy Pearson\*\*\*

### **OFFICE HOURS:**

TUESDAY: 6:00AM—11:00AM

THURSDAY: 6:00AM—11:00AM

FRIDAY: 6:00AM— 4:00PM

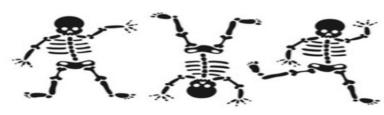




TROY J PEARSON—WELLNESS DIRECTOR

### Move Your Bones





2022





### **WHAT? 2022 MOVE YOUR BONES SENIOR OLYMPICS**



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FUN GAMES WITH MEDALS AWARDED!!!

- COSTUME CONTEST WITH TROPHIES AWARDED!!!
  - Raffle prizes, FREE T-SHIRTS, FOOD AND FUN!!!

WHERE? MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM

WHEN? FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup> AT 1:00PM

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# Covenant House Calendar October 2022



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| Sun      | Mon  | Tue   | Wed  | Thu                          | Fri  | Sat           |  |
| 1        | BREAST<br>CANCER<br>WARENESS<br>Month<br>OCTOBER                 | despair OC DECS  """ Indicate the part of | trouble advice by the day of the state of th | isability<br>areness Month   |  | 1             |  |
| 2        | PCOA Meals at 11:45am!   | 4   | BINGO at 1pm!  | PCOA Meals at 11:45am!       |  |               |  |
| 9        | Offices will be closed for Columbus Day/Indigenous People's Day! | PCOA Meals at 11:45am! Joyful Movement Class at 2pm!  | Food Boxes at 9am!   | PCOA Meals at 11:45am!       | Pasta Luncheon starting at 12:00!                          | 15            |  |
| 16       | 17   | Fall Craft Class at 2pm!  Fall Craft Ideas  | 19 Vaccine Clinic from 9am-12!  BINGO at 1pm!  | 20<br>Storyteller at<br>3pm! | 21   | 22            |  |
| 23       | 24 United Nations Day  31  | Joyful Movement Class at 2pm!   | 26   | 27                           | Move Your Bones Sen- ior Olympics/ Halloween Party at 1pm! | 29            |  |



### B'nai B'rith Covenant House

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Our Mission Statement:
B'nai B'rith Covenant
House provides
affordable independent
housing for seniors. We
develop programs and
projects to enrich the
resident's lives while
fostering independence
and dignity.

### Around Covenant House

### **WELLNESS CENTER**

#### **NEW CLASS SCHEDULE:**

**Tuesday: 7:00-7:30am** 

Early Riser Class \*

9:30-10:00am

Low-Impact Upper Body

Thursday: 7:00-7:30am

Early Riser Class \*

9:30-10:00am

Low-Impact Lower Body

Friday: 9:30-10:15am

Head-To-Toe Stretch

1:30-2:00pm \*

\*These classes vary. Please see full schedule in the bulletin board.

Please call Troy at 327-0922 if you have any questions.

### \*\*IMPORTANT!!\*\*

Please let the office know if your phone number has changed. It is difficult for staff to contact you without the correct information.

We would like to thank

Evergreen Mortuary &

Cemetery for printing our
newsletter every month.

Their assistance is invaluable
to us. So a BIG THANKS
to them for helping
make our

newsletter possible!



## CSFP (Food Plus)

Income Guidelines: \$1473/mo (ind) \$1984/mo (cple)

Please see Teresa if you want to sign up for CSFP.

BOTH food boxes are delivered on the SAME DAY (2<sup>nd</sup> Weds. of mo.)

Pick-up time is <u>9am!</u>

October 12<sup>th</sup> November 9<sup>th</sup>