

January 3, 2021

Dear families of our Residents,

As I begin this first letter of the New Year, I hope that this year of 2021 finds well and filled with hope for a new year which brings health and happiness to us all.

We continue our COVID-19 testing bi-weekly and I am so grateful as always to let you know that our Residents and Sisters are doing well, all remain free of the virus. However, I am sorry to say that two of our staff have tested positive and are in quarantine at present.

During the holiday season everyone went out of their way to make it a very special time for the Residents. There were several manger scenes throughout the Home, the most beautiful creche being in the main chapel. Our maintenance crew had this beautifully set up, surrounded by four lighted Christmas trees. Mary and Joseph and the Baby Jesus were front and center! The door to our chapel is usually open all the time, so anyone passing by can peek in and whisper a prayer for all they hold in their hearts. Christmas carols and music could be heard in the halls, young and old voices joining in! Of course there were some elves popping in and out, Christmas packages arriving daily, (not all had the "2 day wait!") Family and loved ones were close in heart and spirit.

We have admitted 3 new Residents to the Home, following the CMS Guidelines and the regulations of the Health and Family Cabinet Services for COVID-19. All have been Covid-19 negative.

As I write this today, we are waiting to be given the date when our Home will receive the vaccination for the COVID-19 virus. We will notify you once we receive this date, with more details as needed.

Please be assured of our prayers, which are offered for you daily. Keep up on the news on our Blog, which will have some new Christmas and New Year photos, and you will certainly see the elves who brought much joy and laughter to the residents!

God bless you, stay safe, and don't forget to pray for us too! We have lots to look forward to in 2021, most of all, we know we have a heavenly Father, who never takes His eyes off of us!

Gratefully,

Mother Paul, lsp