

Happy 100th!

Millie Koch's 100th birthday in December gave us something major to celebrate.



Happy New Year! I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season. I know we sure did. Check out pages 2 and 3 to see our favorite holiday highlights.

Here at MCH, we're excited for all that's ahead in 2025. February is packed with fun activities, Super Bowl, Valentine's Day and many more exciting events! We also will be hosting a **Family Soup Night** on Wednesday, February 26, from 5 to 6:30



Amy's Updates

p.m. We hope our current families and friends can

What's up next

Family Soup Night
Wednesday, February 26
5 to 6:30 p.m.

join us for an evening of hot soups, yummy desserts and good company. Please RSVP by email at amy@maryculverhome.org, or call

The Home at 314-966-6034 if you plan to attend.

We also will have two BIG fundraising events this year.

On May 8, The Mary Culver Home will participate in **Give STL Day**. This is 24 hours of online giving to raise money and awareness for more than 1,000 local nonprofit organizations. Make sure to like us on Facebook (search for The Mary Culver Home for the Visually Impaired) so you can participate! We are also in full planning mode for our biennial gala, **Arctic Lounge**, on August 9. This is our major fundraising event that is not to be missed. The night will feature delicious food, great cocktails, a silent auction and an exciting live auction

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at Missouri Athletic Club West. See page 4 for our save-the-date info!

We currently are looking for Arctic Lounge sponsors, so if you or anyone you know is interested in sponsoring the event please reach out. Hope to see you there!

Amy



Birthdays!

Happy birthday to our residents and staff celebrating in January and February.

Residents:

- Bernadine Shaw**, January 22
- Josie Jones**, February 11
- Willene Hennemann**, February 12
- Lorraine Reisinger**, February 25

Staff:

- January:** Hafsa Ali, 1st; Amy Lepper, 20th
- February:** Doris Albanese, 1st; Terrence Crump, 15th; Kathy King, 24th; Annette Webb, 29th

Gazebo roof gets new life

Thank you to Kirkwood-based Agape Construction for generously donating the labor and materials to restore the roof of our gazebo! The project was coordinated by Marie Davis, a member of The Home's Board of Directors, and Agape's Jaysa Pfaff.

This spring, we plan to repaint the entire structure and replace the ceiling fan and light, finally completing our 2023 Summer Boost fundraising project.



A worker with Agape Construction lays shingles on the roof.

Wish-List Items

- Cookies for resident parties
- Penny auction items: body wash, toothpaste, scented hand lotion and body spray
- Dollar Store gift cards
- Happy hour beverages: Cabernet Sauvignon, Riesling and Pinot Grigio
- 12-packs of canned soda



Cor Jesu Chamber Choir

JoAnn assists her mom, Lorraine, with opening gifts.

Edith and her sister, Margaret, pause for a photo.

Santa Claus visits with Sue, who is enjoying cookies and eggnog.

Janet gets help from Marissa to open her gifts.

The most wonderful time of our year

Holiday party includes visit by Santa, gifts presented by The Home, Christmas cookies



Seasonal concerts hit high notes



School and church groups, as well as solo musicians, bring pleasure to music-loving residents. Bobby Schuessler, above, and David Love, right, are two of their favorites.



Above, Terry Beals, director of dining services, hands out candy canes to reward correct trivia answers. Right, Millie is joined by her children, Terry and Brenda, Terry's wife, Sue, and Santa.



It's a longstanding tradition for Santa Claus, aka MCH board member John Kovac, to make a creative entrance to the room. This year, he was hidden in a large, gift-wrapped box. When Executive Director Amy Lepper asked residents what could be in a giant box, guesses included a TV and a passenger van. But they seemed delighted to welcome Santa, who told jokes and asked trivia questions before distributing their gifts and posing for photos.



Orchard Farm Choir



Below, employees Matthew, Barbara, Terrence, Doris, Marissa, Marie and Annette are ready to offer assistance to the ladies.



Kirkwood United Methodist Church Youth Choir

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SAVE *the* DATE



- MARY CULVER HOME'S BIENNIAL GALA -

ARCTIC
Lounge

AUGUST 9, 2025
= 6-10 P.M. =

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