



Jewish Association for Community Living

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Community Connections

Happy Holidays!

The JCL family really knows to how celebrate the holidays! Our Judaic Programs hosted a Chanukah party at the JCC. Attendees played Chanukah Bingo, decorated paper dreidels, shared latkes, and sang songs.



JCL friends playing Chanukah bingo.



Lauren & JCL employee Brandy.



JCL employee Daniel with Neil.

Janet who lives in one of our SLAs hosted a Christmas party for JCL residents. Folks who attended enjoyed pizza, cookies, egg nog, and Christmas movies.



Janet, the Christmas Party hostess.

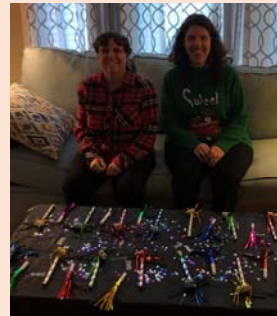
Jay & Jocelyn enjoying pizza and each others' companionship.



Larry is in the Christmas spirit.

Ring in the New Year

Roommates Melissa and Tammy hosted a New Year's day party for their friends. Melissa, Tammy, Mary, Arsenia, Jessica, Josh, The Blums, Marianne, Jaime, Paula, Jocelyn, and David all enjoyed each other's company with a pot luck meal.



Tammy & Melissa preparing for the party.



Waiting for guests to arrive.

Remembering Tracie

On December 11, 2019 we lost a very important and beloved member of the JCL family, Tracie Mitchell.

Tracie worked at our Brookmoor home for 20 years. The Brookmoor ladies were well taken care of by Tracie. They loved her like family.



Tracie Mitchell

Tracie possessed a certain wisdom. She applied that wisdom to her work and her love for her Brookmoor ladies. She was their protector.

Those who worked along side Tracie, always looked forward to seeing her, she was so funny and kind. We all appreciated the way she looked after the Brookmoor women, with such care and respect. She will be sorely missed. Tracie was a wonderful person and JCL was lucky to have had her.

Thank You to our West Hartford Community

“One person can make a difference, and everyone should try.” - John F. Kennedy



Mary enjoying a new puzzle.

This year, we reached out to the community of West Hartford to ask for help purchasing gifts for a few of our residents who live in our SLAs.

Mary is one resident who benefitted from the generosity of our community. Thanks to a few great folks in West Hartford, her Christmas was extra special.

Adapting to New Surroundings

The past few months have brought on a lot of change for some of our residents at JCL. Two of our women moved into new apartments new roommates. Mary, who has been without a roommate for nearly a year now has a new roommate as well. Amongst all of these changes, all of these women handled it with grace and elegance. They (and the rest of us!) couldn't be happier with the moves.



Arsenia and JCL employee, Tanica on move in day.



Old and new roommates: Jessica, Marianne, Arsenia, and Jaime.

Out and About



Arsenia traveled to Florida to visit her family. She enjoyed time at the beach and relaxing.



Mary and Arsenia enjoy an afternoon at Mystic Aquarium with Sonja and Andria

Sonja, Arsenia, Mary, & Andria.

End of Year Housekeeping

We hope you all enjoyed our 2019 Annual Report, if you have not received one and would like one, please contact us at 860-522-5225.

Distribution statements for donations are available upon request. Please contact Sarah at swiniarski@jcl-ct.org or at 860-522-522 ext. 2239 if you need one.

Our Appreciation

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JCL-Providing a Lifetime of Care



One of the unique aspects of our work is that we provide a lifetime of supports to our residents. We are there for their successes and triumphs as well as their struggles and disappointments—every high and low. We are part of their families and they are part of ours. Our working is never-ending and we wouldn't have it any other way. We depend on our generous community to help financially support the organization for many more lifetimes to come. If you are interested in learning more about legacy giving, please contact Denis Geary at dgeary@jcl-ct.org or 860-522-5225.