

COOPERATIVE NEWS

Cooperative Home Care News

December 2015

It's Time to Celebrate YOU

Please make time to stop by your local office when we host our **annual Caregiver Holiday Parties!** The parties are held open house style, so you can stop by and/or stay, as your schedule allows. Our office staff loves this opportunity to serve and celebrate your dedication to our clients. Come hungry, as there is always plenty of food to enjoy, and be ready for some fun surprises, too! We thank you for your hard work!

St. Charles:

Friday 12-11-15 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

St. Clair:

Wednesday 12-16-15 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Fairview Heights, IL

Thursday 12-17-15 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

St. Louis

Friday 12-18-15 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

What's Happening This Holiday Season?

Check out these events happening near some of our local offices. Enjoy visiting some traditional holiday events, or choose one you haven't visited to start your new tradition.

Happy Holidays from our family to you~

Our Lady of the Snows Way of Lights in Bellevue, IL from 11-20-15 to 1-1-16

Winter Wonderland at Tilles Park in St. Louis County from 11-25-15 to 1-2-16

Garden Glow at Missouri Botanical Garden 11-21-15 to 1-2-16

U.S. Bank Wild Lights at the Saint Louis Zoo 11-27-15 to 1-3-16

O'Fallon, MO's Celebration of Lights from 11-27-15 to 12-30-15

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DECEMBER TRAINING CLASSES

Please call the office hosting the class you want to attend, to confirm times and to reserve your seat.

Franklin County

415 S. Main Street
St. Clair, MO 63077
636-629-5313

Orientation:
12/10—12/11

Jefferson County

1320 Commercial Blvd
Herculaneum, MO 63048

636-937-9449

**No Training
Scheduled**

St. Charles

4101 Mexico Road
Suite A
St. Peters, MO 63376
636-441-7753

Orientation:
12/7—12/8
and
12/21—12/22

Fairview Heights. IL

618-394-5681
**No Training
Scheduled**

St. Louis

1924 Marconi Ave
St. Louis, MO 63110
314-772-8585

Orientation:
11/30—12/1
and
12/14—12/15

In-service:
12/3

Med Level 1:
12/16—12/17

CPI:
12/18

Caregiver's Corner

Do You Know Your Holidays?

Beginning December 26th and lasting for 7 days, **Kwanzaa** is a celebration of community, family, heritage and culture that was established by Dr. Maulana Karenga in 1966. 2015 marks the 49th anniversary of Kwanzaa, which is modeled after the first harvest celebrations in Africa.

Hanukkah is an 8-day Jewish holiday that begins this year at sundown on December 6th. Hanukkah celebrates the miracle that occurred as the Maccabees liberated their Temple in Jerusalem. As part of the re-dedication, the Temple was meant to be lit every night, but there was only enough oil to last one night. Miraculously, it lasted for eight, until they were able to replenish it. Candles are lit each night of Hanukkah to commemorate this.

Christmas is a Christian holiday celebrating Jesus' birth. It is celebrated every year on December 25th. Christmas and Christmas Eve traditions vary throughout the world. In the U.S., many children leave goodies for Santa and his reindeer to enjoy on Christmas Eve night, in exchange for filled stockings and presents if they're on his annual "Good List" (if not, they can expect a sack of coal).



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