

The Ridgway Times

Isabelle Ridgway Care Center ~ 1520 Hawthorne Avenue ~ Columbus, OH 43203 ~ (614) 252-4931

Resident & Family Christmas Party

Thursday, December 18, 2008

6:00pm-8:00pm

*The Evening will Feature Hors D'oeuvres
& Special Entertainment by*



*Jazz Musician
Arnett Howard**

*R.S.V.P. to Kristin Tridico at (614) 252-4931, ext. 128
by Tuesday, December 16, 2008*

★ See page 2 for Arnett Howard's bio.

Celebrating December 2008

Safe Toys and Gifts Month

Read a New Book Month

Cookie Cutter Week

December 1-7

United Nations International

Human Rights Day

December 10

First Day of Winter

December 21, 7:04 a.m. EST

Christmas Day

December 25

Kwanzaa

December 26-January 1

First Night/New Year's Eve

December 31

LABEL & INVENTORY **CHRISTMAS GIFTS**



As Christmas gifts are brought into the Center for our residents, the new items need to be labeled and inventoried through the Program Services Department. Family members may bring in the items to be labeled and inventoried prior to wrapping them, or they can be brought down to the Program Services Department after the resident has opened the gift. Either way, please make sure that the clothing and other items go through this procedure of being labeled and inventoried. See page 4 for inventory procedure details.

Arnett Howard

The following bio is taken from his website: www.creolefunk.com/arnett.htm

Arnett Howard (born September 6, 1950): Musician, broadcaster, journalist, historian, traveler, communications consultant, teacher, pilot, scuba diver, skier, confessed women's basketball addict, married to job, former leader of Arnett Howard's Creole Funk Band.

Claim to fame: Since 1985 has performed over five thousand concerts to a variety of audiences in Central Ohio and throughout the world. Is an active community servant and official ambassador of Columbus, Ohio, enjoys a fresh adventure each day and is musical historian to Columbus (co-authored Listen For the Jazz: Keynotes in Columbus History) and Ohio. Has recorded numerous compact discs and tape recordings; Arnett Howard's Creole Funk Band, 1987; Live at Victory's, 1988; Lancaster Festival Live, 1989; Ten For Ten, 1994; Arnett Howard's Rocket '88s, 1996; Kidding Around, 1997; Joyful Music, Generous Spirit, 2001; Extended Family, 2002; Final Funk, 2003; Fiyah on the Bayou, 2003; I'm a Walkin', Talkin' Pair of Pants; 2003, Elijah's Wooden Book, 2003; Welcome to the Lancaster Festival 2005; Arnett Howard Christmas 2005.

Background: Born in Welch, West Virginia, raised in Plain City, Ohio, educated at Jonathan Alder High School, Capital University (Class of 1999) and Leadership Columbus. Began as a professional musician in 1967, has done every kind of job from acting, nursing services, custodial, lawn care expert, taught developmentally disabled, auto mechanic, brokered printing services, radio and television announcer, producer for ACTV 21, composer (numerous recordings, compact discs and the famed NBC 4 promo "Football Friday Night").

WORDS OF APPRECIATION FROM OUR RESIDENTS...

about Virginia Davis, our Flower Lady

Ms. Virginia Davis has been Isabelle's "Flower Lady" since February of this year. Not only does she do an amazing job providing seasonal flower arrangements throughout the Center, but she also creates holiday displays in the activity room, and she sets up the bingo prize table twice a week. Using her talents and gifts to brighten the residents' days, Ms. Virginia makes "love beads" for all the residents, and she makes jewelry and flower arrangements for the bingo prize table. The residents look forward to bingo even more than before, now that the prize table is first class!

"Ms. Davis has a beautiful taste for flowers. I really appreciate her work." - Gertrude M.

"Virginia is always pleasant and nice. I really like her flower arrangements." - Willa L.

"I think Virginia is very kind hearted and very giving." - Gerald N.

"The flowers are beautiful. I really appreciate looking at them every day." - Margaret S.

Ms. Virginia Davis beautifully displays the bingo prizes.



Happy Birthday Bingo!



December is the month to celebrate the birth of everyone's favorite parlor game (well maybe not everyone's). Although the game has its origins in 16th century Italy and has been popular under different guises for centuries, bingo as we know it today didn't get its start until one evening in December of 1929. A down on his luck toy peddler named Edwin S. Lowe witnessed a game called "beano" being played at a fair outside of Jacksonville, Florida, and knew by the excitement it generated in the crowd that he had hit the jackpot. He scooted back to New York, developed his own version of the game, and began playing it with friends. The game got its name when one of those over-excited players called "Bingo" instead of "Beano."

Winter Clothing

As the temperature drops and the snow begins to fall, we want to make sure that each resident has plenty of warm clothing to wear. Many of our residents enjoy going on outings with the Center or their loved ones, so they need enough clothes to bundle up in as they brave the weather. Please bring in winter coats, hats, gloves, and scarves for your loved one so they will have those items handy if they need them.



December: The "Tenth Month"

Have you ever wondered how the months of the year got their names? Since this is the last month of 2008, and before we get into "Januarius," it's an interesting question to ponder. "December" derives from the Latin words "decem" meaning "ten" and "ber" from the Latin word "imber" meaning inclement weathers. Until around 700 B.C., the Roman calendar had only ten months, beginning with "Martius" (March) and ending with "December." Although the ancient Egyptians had already determined that there were twelve lunar (moon) cycles in one year, historians surmise that the Romans left two "moon"ths or "months" unnamed because nothing happened agriculturally during the long winter.

So, how did December become the twelfth month? In 700 B.C., the second king of Rome, Pompilius, added two months, "Januarius" and "Februarius," to the beginning of the year. Since December remained the last month, add two and it is now the twelfth month.

On the original Roman calendar, December had 30 days, then Pompilius deducted one day to give the month 29 days. Around 46 B.C., Roman emperor Julius Caesar developed the Julian calendar, which gave December 31 days. Today, December retains its 31 days under the Gregorian calendar named for Pope Gregory XIII, who in 1582 reformed the Julian calendar in an attempt to rectify the many complexities in synchronizing the lunar and solar years.

If the 12th month's name actually means 10, what would its name be if the Romans had named it for the Latin number twelve? It would be called "Duodecember" for the Latin word "duodecim," which means twelve. On the other hand, if a Roman baker had named the month, perhaps it would be "Dozen-ber?" Hats off ('til you get too chilly) to the month of December!

Isabelle Ridgway Care Center's Directory
General Number: (614) 252-4931

IRCC's
MISSION

*Isabelle Ridgway
 Care Center's
 mission
 is to provide
 warm,
 compassionate,
 culturally
 appropriate
 and
 family-friendly
 care to the
 aging population
 of
 Central Ohio.*



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<u>Title</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Extension</u>
President/CEO	Patricia Mullins	126
Administrator	Alanna Morgan	130
Executive Assistant	Frankie Otis	112
Receptionist	Anika Burgess	110

Department Directors

(listed alphabetically by department)

Admissions	Arica Brenner	165
Adult Day Care	Kristin Tridico	128
Chaplain/Development	Guy Schley	138
Dining Services	Belinda Mosley	140
Finance	John Atala	118
Housekeeping/Laundry	Wanda Isbell-Hardy	157
Human Resources	Matilda Woods	125
Maintenance	Terry Hill	137
Nurse Practitioner	Tamera Johnson-Roy	281
Nursing	Cheryl King	120
Nursing, Assistant Dir.	Lynette Baker	158
Program Services	Kristin Tridico	128
Program Services Asst. Dir.	Diana King	117
Social Services Director	Loyce Scott	150
Social Services	Michelle Ray	151
Therapy	Steve Hartong	155

Nursing Stations

2nd Floor (All Units)	Charge Nurse	122
3rd Floor (All Units)	Charge Nurse	133

Inventory Procedure

When CLOTHING or other ITEMS OF VALUE are brought in for one of our residents, they must go to the Program Services Department FIRST so the items can be LABELED and INVENTORIED. The Program Services Department will accept items 7 days a week, from 8:30am—5:00pm. Please do not give items to nurses or leave the items in the resident's room. Give the items directly to either an employee in the Program Services Department or to the receptionist. Please allow 24 hours for the items to be returned to the resident. IRCC cannot be responsible for items that have not gone through this inventory procedure.