

My Choice



Dec/Jan/Feb Newsletter

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This holiday season was filled with lots of joy and friendship. We had carollers from the Parma Senior Center come in and sing christmas carols with us. We enjoyed hot chocolate and christmas movies with each other.

Once again, we had our annual Secret Santa gift exchange. Everyone loves shopping at Five Below to pick out gifts. It's fun watching everyone open their gifts.

One of our friends, Cedric, his brother and friends came to lead us in a Christmas carol sing-a-long. Di James Fruits, from the CLE Music Group, came to DJ and karaoke with us for the morning. Everyone sang their favorite Christmas songs. Deanna sang Joni Mitchell's "River" which is about ice skating, since she used to ice skate with Special Olympics. Lorelyn sang her ultimate favorite song "Jingle Bells".

We also had a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus themselves! They even provided a Photo Booth where we each got to take a photo shoot with them. They also gave us bags filled with winter goodies. We cant thank them enough for coming and celebrating one of our favorite holidays!



BOTANICAL GARDENS

While catching up on the news, we discovered that the Botanical Gardens was hosting a frost event. We deceied to take a trip there to check out the sceneries that they set up. We got to explore all the gingerbread houses that were set up in a competition. They were very creative! There were trees decorated for different themes by different organizations. We even got to go outside and explore their decorated courtyard. Dan and Amber enjoyed the life sized gingerbread houses.









OUTINGS

Coffee Club

For coffee club, We adventured out to Club 27 and Krispy Kreme! Everyone enjoyed the fun drinks at Club 27 and the cool aesthetics of the shop.

<u>Thrifting</u>

We explored the Salvation Army, Savers, and Common Threads. Sandy found some nice new shirts for her to wear, Jimmy and Cedric found some new CDs to listen too.

Medina Square

We planned to go to Common Grounds in Medina but this was a good lesson that google is not always right! Instead we walked Medina Square and got to explore their awesome little stores!

Mall Bingo

Mall bingo at Great Northern Mall has quickly become a fan favorite! We will continue to go and join the community whenver we can to go out and play. We finally had a winner after a long streak. Chrissy won a Bingo!



In February, we started volunteering on Mondays with the Westside Catholic Center. Their misison is Grounded in faith, hope, love and respect for those we serve, the West Side Catholic Center assists all who come in need of food, clothing, shelter, advocacy and a path to self-sufficiency. We are able to help the In assisting in their clothing pantry. We help them sort through clothes and label them and setting them up in their clothing pantry. We have also helped with their food pantry. We look forward to continuing to volunteer with them!

