



DECEMBER

*Birthdays:*

1 Denise Higgins	10 John Mueller	19 John M. Ferguson
1 Danette Swanson	11 Connie Bogardus	22 Mary Comerford
2 Gail Hertzig	11 Thomas Larsen	22 Christine Daws
3 George Stronghilos	12 Al Davenport	22 Christine Smith
5 John Reges	13 Geri Laemers	27 Joann Curtin
5 Peter Roth	14 Eleanor Rehe	27 Jack Sheridan
6 Marie Torster	16 John Campbell	29 Peggy Herring
7 Richard Fish	17 Lucille Gigantelli	29 Sue Pederson
9 James Hertzig	17 Thomas Giusti	
9 Mary Ann Janosko	17 Michael O'Shea	

Anniversaries

3 John & Jo-Ann Shaw	7 John & Marlene Maine
5 Kenneth & Mary Butt	23 Ken & Jamie Windt
6 Joseph & Victoria Accardo	26 Don & Connie Bogardis

JANUARY

*Birthdays:*

1 Angela Bates	7 Karen Alonge	18 Louise Ratel
2 Janet Levine	7 Shirley Mitchell	26 Robert McCullough
3 Carol Chadwick	11 Norman Caulfield	27 Sharon Kepler
4 Robert Caulfield	11 Marilyn Davenport	27 Stephanie VanWickel
4 Rene Hoer	12 Tom Brown	28 Sue Shaw
4 Edward Comperchio	13 Lynn Owens	29 Pat Hoffman
5 Diane Pecarific	14 Pat Hoferkamp	30 Kathleen Mitchell
5 Betty Lunn	17 Nicholas Stein	

Anniversaries

8 Paul & Miriam Procassi	21 Theo & Barbara Purdy
9 Donald & Shirley Mitchell	28 Vincent & Silvia Mannuzz
14 Kenneth & Carol Dispoto	29 Robert & Diana Pecarific
21 Irving & Mary Eliner	31 Richard & Irene Breiten
21 Jack & Jean Sheridan	

IN THE NEWS:

To find us online, click on <https://hopatcong.org/community/seniors>. Then click on [Senior Activities](#) to find: [Hopatcong Seniors Inc. History](#) (history & contact information), [Senior Trips](#), and [Newsletters & Minutes](#).

Upcoming meeting dates for 2026: NO MEETING in January. Then February 5, March 5, April 2 and May 7.

TRIPS

Trip Committee: Gail DeCrocce -973 417-8036, Denise Higgins - 832 244-8185 ALL TRANSACTIONS at the trip table ARE TO BE CONDUCTED BEFORE the meeting and AFTER the meeting is adjourned.

12/11 Thurs. Holiday Party, St. Jude Hall, 12-3 pm - PLEASE SIGN UP TO FACILITATE FOOD ORDERS, \$10 pp

2026

2/14 Sat. - Valentine Dance/Party, DJ, \$10pp, St. Jude Hall 12-3 pm \$10 due at Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting

3/26 Thurs. -Tropicana Casino, Sinatra review, pvt. Buffet, incl. \$25 slot, \$125 due at Dec.4th meeting, Depart DPW 7:30 SHARP

4/1 Wed. - LiGreci's - Oldies but Goodies, Depart DPW 9-5; \$110pp

5/19-22 Tues.-Fri. -Ocean City, Maryland, 4 days 3 nights; \$650 double; \$848 single; Inc. driver tip; White Star Tours; more details to follow.

CORRECTION: 6/13 Saturday changed to Sunday.6/14 - Hunterdon Playhouse, Neil Diamond Review

- SUNSHINE** If you are aware of any illness or deaths, please alert Karen at 973-459-2518 so cards can be sent and condolences made. Get Well Wishes was sent to Father Peter and Kathleen Mitchell. Thinking of you sent to Joann Curtin and Bill Slater.
- TAXES** .John Maine will address the group regarding taxes.
- BOWLING** Every Wed.-Sparta Lanes 12pm "Bowling for Fun" \$3 a game includes shoes if necessary. NOT a league. We cheer you on! Call Joan Samson 973 398-0778.
- NUTRITION CENTER** Hopatcong Nutrition Center provides a lunch program for Seniors over 60 - \$2.00 donation. Lunch is offered from Monday through Friday at the Senior Center. You must arrive by 11:30 am. Reserve your meal the day before by 9:30 am. Call: 862-206-5373.
- EXERCISE** Tuesday & Thursday at 10 am at the Senior Center. \$2.00 fee.
- BOROUGH CLINICS** Foot Clinic is scheduled once a month at the Hopatcong Senior Center from 9:00 *am* -12:00 noon by appointment only. Call: 862-206-5373
- FOOD PANTRY** Municipal Bldg. is an ongoing project. Donations of nonperishable goods are always needed. Thank you in advance for your support.
- DUES** 2026 Dues of \$10.00 are due at the February Meeting. Please make check (Preferred) to: Hopatcong Seniors, Inc, PO Box 246) Hopatcong, NJ 07843.

# Christmas

## Word Search

Can you find the words hidden in the puzzle?



### INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE

"Christmas is joy, religious joy, an inner joy of light and peace."  
*Pope Francis*

### JOKE OF THE MONTH

How much did Santa pay for his Sleigh?

Nothing. It was on the house.

Thank you men and women in uniform and God Bless America!



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CANDY CANE  
CHRISTMAS  
STOCKINGS

JINGLE  
SANTA  
MERRY

CAROLS  
REINDEER  
PRESENTS

JOY  
ELF  
TREE