

WINTER HOLIDAYS PROTOCOL

Hanukkah is sundown December 10th-sundown December 18th, 2020. Yule is December 21st, 2020. Christmas is December 25, 2020. Kwanzaa is December 26, 2020 – January 1, 2021. New Year's Eve is December 31st 2020 and New Year's Day is January 1st 2021.
Follow these directions to safely celebrate the winter holidays.

What is different this year for the winter holidays?

- The CDC has recommended that traditional large group gatherings be **avoided** completely this year.
- The CDC recommends **avoiding celebrating with anyone outside your household.**

Who should take part in your celebrations?

- Only the people living in the home and staff supporting residents may celebrate *in person*.
- No family members or friends of the residents or staff are permitted to attend *in person*.
- Anyone can gather and celebrate virtually through Skype, Zoom, Go To Meeting, FaceTime, Google Duo, or Facebook Messenger! There are more virtual options for fun family and friend gatherings.

What safe and creative winter holiday celebration activities can we do?

- KenCrest Winter Wonderland Decorations 2020
 - All parts of KenCrest are welcome to join in the fun.
 - Decorate the inside and/or outside of your homes or programs with any winter theme that you adore.
 - Whether your home is holly jolly; made out of clay; covered in green, black, and red; or brings Yuletide greetings...we want to see them all!
 - Send us pictures of your beautiful hard work to Kencrest.Communications@kencrest.org or text them to Dr. Autumn Dae Miller at 610-772-1207 and she will forward them along.
 - Please include the name of your home, individual, family, etc. who were involved in the process.
 - After the New Year, we will post the images and vote for a winner of a mystery prize for all involved!
- Virtual Caroling with Courtney **December 18th and 21st 2pm-3pm**
 - Do you love to sing holiday tunes? Then THIS is the event for YOU!
 - If you are interested in joining this group, please email Courtney Hemingway at Courtney.hemingway@kencrest.org or call 215-816-5993 with questions.
- Winter Holiday Activity Ideas:
 - Feeling crafty or want to take a virtual class with others? Sign up for one of the amazing opportunities brought to you by Gina Cincotta at <https://ginacincotta.wixsite.com/kencrest/remote-activities>
 - Color something festive! Gina Cincotta has included a Stained Glass Wreath, Standard Wreath, Holly Bells, Menorah, and Dreidel.
 - Get kitchen crafty.
 - Make cinnamon honey butter
 - Open and enjoy a pomegranate
 - Make pumpkin whipped cream
 - Bake a Yule log (try www.bettycrocker.com/recipes/yule-log-cake/e28d9b7f-1fe1-46b9-94f2-b1045cbfa1a5).
 - Make a Kwanzaa meal
 - Make a dish together; don't just do for...do with!

- Do you have traditional African dishes that your family used to make? Tell stories about the foods you remember and the memories associated with that dish.
- Have some winter sensory fun.
 - Make Gingerbread Cloud Dough (not for eating, for playing)
 - Make Gingerbread Slime
 - Make the house smell like winter
 - Make some sensory snow
 - Listen to some vintage holiday music
 - Take a Solstice walk through the woods (try to walk quietly to see the animals and keep your eyes open for a fallen log to bring home and keep in the yard as YOUR Yule log).
- Break out the arts and crafts!
 - Make Button Cards
 - Learn How to Draw a Cute Tree
 - Make some pinecone décor
 - Make pinecone ornaments
 - Make a snow globe
 - Make handmade gifts for Kwanzaa presents rather than buy them from the store
- Prefer holiday games and puzzles?
 - Do a Christmas Word Search
 - Find your way through a Triangular Maze
 - Do a Winter Word Search
 - Pull out the board games in the home and play until everyone is too tired to continue
- Check out some holiday lights!
 - **VIRTUAL OPTION**
 - **Wanamaker Show, Philly** Iconic Macy's Christmas Light Show [moved online](#)
 - **Drive-thru Events**
 - **Herr's Annual Light Display; Where: [Herr's Snack Factory, 271 Old Baltimore Pike, Nottingham](#)**
 - **Shady Brook Farm; Where: 931 Stony Hill Rd, Yardley, PA 19067; 3 million lights, whimsical displays, farmland, and Santa. Drive through in your car. \$25-\$35 per car, purchase tickets on website**
 - **Delaware WinterFest; <https://wonderfestde.org/>; Where: Eagle Crest Rd, Milton, DE. Admission fee**
 - **The Smith Family display; Where: 1900 Prior Road in Wilmington, DE. 6-9pm every evening; Private house that displays lights and Santa on weekends. Open to the public**
 - **Holiday Cheer; Where: 1102 Nobb Hill Drive in East Bradford, West Chester; Private house that displays lights and Santa on weekends. Open to the public**
 - **[Colonial Drive Family Lights](#); At 155 Colonial Drive in Langhorne, tune your car radio to 92.1 FM and watch as the music and lights dance in unison. The show runs nightly, starting at 5:30 PM; Private house that displays lights and Santa on weekends. Open to the public**
 - **Christmas Spirit Light Show; Where: Clipper Magazine Stadium, Lancaster; Select dates from November 28- December 31, 2020, Admission fees apply**
 - **Chester County Light Display—Drive Thru the Neighborhoods below:**
 - Nowak Holiday Lights Display, 1590 Wineberry Lane in West Chester
 - Meadowbrook Manor, 512 Brookview Road in Exton
 - Marchwood Lights, 423 Fairfax Drive in Exton
 - December 1st - December 31st
Monday-Thursday 6PM - 9PM, Friday-Sunday 6PM - 10PM, Weather permitting
 - Lefler Family Display, 3314 Humpton Road in Thorndale
 - West Chester Griswolds, 304 Dutton Mill Road in West Chester

- Woodview and Fahnestock Roads in Malvern
- Hopewell and Corner Ketch Roads in Downingtown
- Brookview Road in Exton
- [212 Stags Leap Circle in Doylestown](#)
- [61 Cherokee Road in Doylestown](#)
- [37 East Ridge Avenue in Sellersville](#)
- **Walk-thru Events**
 - **Philadelphia Holiday Tree, Dilworth Park; Where:** City Hall, 1400 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, Dilworth Park, Phila; Other activities near city hall—ice rink, light show, wonderland of lights, Kwanzaa celebration, topiaries for photo ops, handmade gift items
 - **Peddler’s Village Holiday Events; Where:** Peddler's Village, 2400 Street Road, New Hope; Lights, Santa, and gingerbread competition. 60 specialty shops perfect for holiday shopping,
 - **Norristown Zoo Lights; Where:** Elmwood Park Zoo, 1661 Harding Boulevard, Norristown; 16 acres of lights, tree display, live entertainment, animal encounters, holiday music and a chance to see Santa
 - **Comcast Light Show; Where:** 1701 John F. Kennedy Blvd, Philadelphia, PA 19103
Top of the hour from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. (no 5 p.m. show on weekdays)
 - **Longwood Gardens Christmas; Where:** Longwood Gardens, 1001 Longwood Road, Kennett Square; Thousands of poinsettias, Christmas trees and flowers; Outdoors, 500,000 lights glitter in trees; a whimsical train races around its railway; a shimmering tunnel emits light; and spectacular fountains and fire pit flames dance to seasonal music. Timed tickets are required
 - **European Christmas Village at LOVE Park; To keep visitors safe, the village has adopted a new socially distanced layout as well as a new separated food area. Where:** LOVE Park, 15th & Arch streets
 - **Morris Arboretum Lights; November 27 - December 31, 2020; Where:** Morris Arboretum, 100 E. Northwestern Avenue; Advanced tickets are required.
 - **Festival of Lights at Rose Tree Park; December 4-January 3, 2021; Where:** Rose Tree Park, Media; Stroll through Rose Tree Park to see Media's beautiful display of lights, wooden cutouts of a nativity scene, a Victorian Christmas village, gingerbread men, and toy soldiers. Who knows—there might even be a chance to see Santa walking through the park.