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## This Week's Activities:

Monday, Dec. 5: Check out the holiday offerings at Walmart and the Dollar Tree. Maybe get going on your Christmas shopping? Leave at 11:00.

Tuesday, Dec. 6: Holiday cookie baking at Faith House at 10:00. If you participate, you can sample the goodies before everyone else!

Wednesday, Dec. 7: We're taking folks for flu shots at 10:00.

Thursday, Dec. 8: Chattanooga Zoo Holiday Lights! We'll eat dinner early and then head out to see the festive lights and enjoy the seasonal atmosphere at 5:30.



Not a bad-looking bunch, eh? Residents in their festive finery pose before our annual Hosanna Holiday Party. Thanks to our board chair, Judy Barker, and ALL our wonderful board of directors for putting together such a wonderful evening for us all! Thanks to Carol Green for providing the fantastic entertainment (Michelle Young is a great songstress and had the audience engaged and enjoying themselves!).



"It must be some holiday, again...  
she's getting creative with our food!"

Today's issue involves you, my readers, to help you become more thankful during the Advent season. Rather than getting caught up in all the hustle and bustle of the overly-commercialized Christmas holiday, with the tradition of receiving gifts from ol' St. Nick, let's all try to remember the Bible's theme: It is better to give than receive. Understanding the main reason of the birth of Christ, to offer the chance for eternal life, should help in my request to always keep a true attitude of gratitude. Now, have you ever noticed, and this annoys me, that church professionals, doctors, family members, and friends always have the answer/suggestion to help you to find happiness? If you think seriously about the situation, particularly in the Advent season, we are told to acquire, develop, get and try to always use repeated thanks. Excuse me. But I get frustrated hearing all the quick fix-it ideas when the problem is so easily cured. Rather than having to change your attitude and opinion to meet your best interests, I strongly encourage you to realize life is a series of choices determined and directed by your attitude. So, in following Jesus' advice to love one another as HE loves us, always have and maintain a true attitude of gratitude. Keep it and share it. That will make your life more complete.

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Christmas craft making  
with Brooke from the Hart  
Gallery.

