

Jewish Senior Life Holiday Festivities

The winter holiday season was fun-filled and jam-packed with joyful events at Jewish Senior Life of Metropolitan Detroit.

At Hechtman Apartments in West Bloomfield, residents took part in dozens of festive activities including group menorah lightings; Chanukah and New Year's Eve parties with live musical entertainment; creative craft projects like build-a-bag of Chanukah joy; holiday card, cookie and dreidel decorating; a Chanukah parade with Chabad of West Bloomfield; Dor L'Dor Chanukah with Hillel students, classic holiday-themed movies and musicals watch parties; as well as holiday memory-sharing discussions, volunteer projects, shopping trips, a Jewish holiday artifacts presentation and a dreidel tournament.

The holiday celebrations were also in full swing at Meer Apartments. Volunteers from Jewish Federation of Detroit's Mitzvah Day led Chanukah trivia, which included different customs and foods eaten around the world and served dinner to residents. Cantor Fred Margolis led a Chanukah sing-along and each night at dinner, residents took turns lighting the menorah and reciting the blessings. A

combined New Year's Day and Chanukah party was held to ring in 2025 with the 17-piece Big Band Express Orchestra.

Residents of Fletschman Residence and their families came together to take part in the joy, warmth, traditions and magic of the season at a special Chanukah celebration. Rabbi David Polter delivered a beautiful speech and offered heartfelt blessings, and Avy Schreiber and Michael Krieger delighted guests with traditional Chanukah songs and beloved musical pieces. Everyone played dreidel games, participated in a dreidel number guessing contest with prizes from Marvin's Bistro and Sharon's Boutique, and a delicious holiday spread was served.

In Oak Park, Prentis Apartments hosted a well-attended Chanukah Dunkin Coffee and Donut Social. Residents enjoyed lots of sweets and laughter as they got into the holiday spirit. Teltel Apartments residents were treated to a pre-Chanukah celebration with the Detroit Chor Boys as well as a resident appreciation breakfast and a holiday party. A Latkes and New Year's Eve party took place at Coville Assisted Living and Memory Care Apartments on Dec. 31. ☀



ABOVE: Teltel Apartments Holiday Party



LEFT: Fletschman Residence resident Elaine Silverman and family member Alexander Silverman. ABOVE: Meer Apartments residents Margaret Pathak and Henrietta Hermelin. BOTTOM LEFT: Hechtman Apartments residents enjoying a Chanukah Party. BOTTOM RIGHT: Prentis Apartments residents Seda Harutyunyan, Tamara Nazaryan, Paya Ritvin and Olga Gersenyuk.

