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Almost Christmas Week of December News at

This will be our last Issue of This Week at SCARC for 2019. We will be back in production for 2020 with our first Edition on January 3, 2020 to start our 7th year of publication. Have a Merry, Happy and Safe Holiday and New Year! SCARC has had a most successful and productive 2019, and we look forward to more in 2020.

- SCARC's **Annual Holiday Party for our Family Support Saturday Respite** programs was a success this past weekend at our Sparta Center location. The party was coordinated by Daele Phlegar, senior coordinator of family support, along with staff Nicole Halajian and Sarah Mackey. Over 20 families participated in the party, and the **Pierce-Tompkins family** returned as Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus and their elves. Music was provided by **Nick Cerrato**.



- Speaking of the Christmas holidays, the **ladies of our Frankford group home (I)** thoroughly enjoyed decorating their Christmas tree at their home and dressed up in their best holiday sweaters to celebrate the fun and festivities of the season.

• And, the **James Dykstra Center** held its party last week at which several family members came to celebrate the Center and the season. **Betty Richards and her son Stephen; and Frank McGovern and his daughter Nancy** enjoyed the day!



- Every year, the **three boards of trustees of SCARC, SCARC Foundation, and SCARC Guardianship Services** hold a holiday gathering to rejoice over another great year for the SCARC Family of services. This year, as in the past, **Tom Baffuto, CEO of the Arc of NJ** joined the occasion, and is pictured with **Phil Motyka, Chairman of the SCARC board**. It is always a good time of mutual congratulations when our boards get together.

- A family gathering was held at our **Franklin group home** to celebrate the holidays and all of the men had their families attend. They all sang Christmas carols, and the staff and the men had baked cookies, brownies, and cheesecakes to share.



- Our **Patty Dolan Senior Center** celebrated the holidays with a family party and gathering at which family members came to see the program and their family members. In the photo are Frank, Margaret, and Steven Stem. All had a great time of holiday cheer!

