# SUMMITAT MILLHILL

**Monthly Newsletter** 

December 2025



# Meet Our Residents

Judy and Stu Madnick moved to Summit at Mill Hill in late October 2020 and quickly came to appreciate the strong sense of community and opportunities to socialize that define life here. Whether enjoying special events, participating in exercise classes, or simply appreciating quiet moments, residents know there's always someone to chat with, be it while participating in a "hallway conference" or relaxing in one of the common rooms. It brings back fond memories of raising children, taking neighborhood strolls, and running into friendly faces along the way.

Stu, originally from Gloversville, NY, retired in 2003 from the Capital District Transportation Authority. His retirement years have included daily multi-mile walks (rain or shine!), spirited games of pickleball (until he had to hang up his paddle), bocce, and cheering on his favorite teams—especially the New York Giants. He's a devoted UAlbany basketball fan, attending games in person or following them on ESPN+. Until more recently, he and Judy shared a love of travel, whether cruising the highways in their motorhome, flying to destinations across the U.S. and abroad, or even setting sail on the occasional cruise.

Judy was born and raised in Albany. A former middle-school math teacher, she spent most of her career running home-based businesses in transcription, word processing, and résumé writing. She's passionate about genealogy, volunteering (having served on the boards of several local organizations), Mah Jongg, and travel, though her adventures have slowed in recent years. Her biggest volunteer commitment is fostering connection among alumni of her high school, which closed in 1977: She created a comprehensive website, maintains a database, sends a monthly newsletter, and manages a Facebook Group, two Google Groups, and more.

The Madnicks spent most of their married life in Albany, with a six-year retirement chapter in Jacksonville, FL. They returned to the Capital Region in 2013 to be closer to their two children (one just seven minutes from Summit at Mill Hill), three grandchildren, and three step-grandchildren. They're now looking forward to celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary in June 2026, a milestone that reflects a lifetime of love, partnership, resilience, and shared joy.

Happy Holidays!





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# **Community Activities**





# **Christmas Tree Decorating!**

Join us on <u>Tuesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00pm</u> in the Great Room to help decorate our tree & enjoy some holiday cheer! All are welcome! Please sign up in the Great Room by 11/25 if you plan on participating in this activity.

















**Friday** 



# Sunday December 10:00am Faith Based Discussion - LIB

# **Monday**

2:00pm Mah Jongg - TAV 3:00pm Knitting & Crocheting - GR

**Start of Holiday Door Decorating** Contest

Works Museum outing

2:00pm Mah Jongg - TAV

3:00pm Knitting & Crocheting - GR

6:30pm Eight Ball - GMR

1:00pm Song & Stories of

Broadway with Jill P Smith - GR

2:00pm Mah Jongg - TAV

3:00pm Knitting & Crocheting - GR

6:30pm Eight Ball - GMR

11:00am Market 32 Grocery Shopping

2:00pm Presentation

with CDChoices - GR

2:00pm Mah Jongg - TAV

3:00pm Knitting & Crocheting - GR

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**Tuesday** 

2:00pm Christmas Tree Decorating - GR 5:00pm Supper Club w/ Andolina's - TAV

> 7:00pm Tuesday Night Movie: Belle - MOV

7:00pm Card Game Night - GR

2:00pm Tavern Trivia - TAV

### Wednesday

9:00am Communion Service - CH 11:00am Market 32 Grocery Shopping 11:00am - 1:00pm Seniors Connect at the Guilderland Library 1:00pm Craft Class with Karen - CR

4:00pm Happy Hour - GR 4:30pm Performance with Songs by Heart - GR

9:00am Communion Service - CH

11:00am Market 32 Grocery Shopping

11:00am - 1:00pm Seniors Connect at

the Guilderland Library

4:00pm Happy Hour - GR

**Thursday** 

12:00pm AGS Webinar: Nutritional Strategies with Seasonal Foods - MOV 3:00pm Resident Meeting - GR

3:15pm Men's Shuffleboard - GMR 6:30pm Performance by AGMC - GR

**National Cookie Day** 

10:00am Walmart Grocery Shopping

10:30am Cribbage/Games - TAV 1:30pm Special Movie Pop-

up: Downtown Abbey - MOV

10:30am Cribbage/Games - TAV

2:00pm Cookie Exchange - GR

\*Pool is closed for maintenance

after last scheduled class\*

7:00pm Bingo - GR

12:00pm Movie:

Saturday

2:00pm Mexican Train - GR

Christmas with the Kranks

7:00pm Game Night - GR

12:00pm Movie: Christmas

Inheritance

2:00pm Mexican Train - GR

7:00pm Game Night - GR

12:00pm Movie: The Knight

Before Christmas

2:00pm Mexican Train - GR

9:00am Local News Chat - TAV 12:00pm Movie: (Residents Choice)

1:00pm Qwirkle - LIB

9:00am Local News Chat - TAV

12:00pm Movie: (Residents Choice)

Hanukkah begins at sundown

9:00am Local News Chat - TAV

12:00pm Movie: (Residents Choice)

1:00pm Qwirkle - LIB

**Every Monday** 

8:30am Aqua Fitness (P) 9:30am Strength & Balance (FS) 10:30am Total Body Combo (FS) 7:00pm Relaxation Yoga (YS)

10:30am Departure to the Burden Iron 5:00pm Supper Club w/ Andolina's - TAV

> 7:00pm Tuesday Night Movie: Love Actually - MOV

7:00pm Card Game Night - GR

12:00pm-2:00pm Health Fair - GR 5:00pm Supper Club w/ Andolina's - TAV

> 7:00pm Tuesday Night Movie: Elf - MOV

7:00pm Card Game Night - GR

5:00pm Supper Club w/ Andolina's - TAV

7:00pm Tuesday Night Movie:

A Christmas Carol - MOV

7:00pm Card Game Night - GR

5:00pm Supper Club w/ Andolina's - TAV

7:00pm Card Game Night - GR

7:00pm Tuesday Night

Movie: The Holiday - MOV

5:00pm Performance by Applewood Duo - GR

11:00am - 1:00pm Seniors Connect at the Guilderland Library

**Holiday Door Decorating Contest** winner to be announced at Happy Hour

9:00am Communion Service - CH 11:00am Market 32 Grocery Shopping

4:00pm Holiday Happy Hour - GR

9:00am Communion Service - CH

**Christmas Eve** 

9:00am Communion Service - CH 11:00am Market 32 Grocery Shopping

11:00am - 1:00pm Seniors Connect

at the Guilderland Library

3:00pm Book Club - LIB

4:00pm New Years Party/ Happy Hour - GR

\*December Supper Club Order Forms

Due by 11:00am\*

12:30pm Opera: La Boheme with Luciano Pavarotti and Renata Scotto (1977) - MOV

3:15pm Men's Shuffleboard - GMR 5:00pm Supper Club with Chef Mickey - TAV

00pm PRN's Staying Active During the Winter Months Presentation - GR

2:00pm Opera: Aida with Leontyne Price (1985)- MOV

3:15pm Men's Shuffleboard - GMR 5:45pm Chanukah Party with Clara - GR

10:00am Departure to Crossgates Mall for any last-minute Holiday shopping

10:30am Cribbage/Games - TAV 12:00pm Shuffleboard's

Subs & Suds - TAV 7:00pm Bingo - GR

7:00pm Game Night - GR

MERRY CHRISTMAS

**No Fitness** Kwanzaa Begins

Black: Games and Organized Groups

Red: Happy Hour, Celebrations

**Purple: Presentations and Classes** 

and Entertainment

Blue: Opera or Movies

**Green: Outings** 

10:30am Cribbage/Games - TAV

12:00pm Movie: The Snow Sister

2:00pm Mexican Train - GR

7:00pm Game Night - GR

Continental Breakfast

Monday-Friday

8:30-10:30

Saturday-Sunday

9:00-11:00

9:00am Local News Chat - TAV

12:00pm Movie: (Residents Choice)

**Every Tuesday** 

9:00am Stretch & Flex (FS) 10:00am Stretch & Flex (FS) 11:00am Hydro Riders (P)

**New Years Eve Every Wednesday** 

10:45am Sit to be Fit (FS) 11:45am Aqua Fitness (P) **Every Thursday** 

9:00am Chair Pilates (FS) 10:00am Water Balance (P) 11:00am Chair Pilates (FS)

**Every Friday** 

8:45am Aqua Fitness (P) 11:00am Line Dancing - (GR)





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# **Community Activities**

### Musical Entertainment with Songs by Heart!

Enjoy a special performance with Songs by Heart, featuring vocalist Angelina Valente & Pianist JP Hubbs.

This duo will perform a blend of jazz melodies, with some festive Christmas classics as well!

Don't miss out on this special evening of music!

<u>Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:30pm</u> in the Great Room, following our 4:00pm Happy Hour.

Join for a webinar with Albany
Guardian Society! Nutritional
Strategies with Seasonal Foods.

Join certified Health Coach Maria
Patrick for an informative and
empowering class focused on using
food as your winter "medicine."

Thursday, December 4th
at 12:00pm
in the Movie Theater

# Thursday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Great Room! "We like to sing classical choral pieces, popular songs of today and yesterday, musical theater tunes and fun novelty numbers. We are here to spread harmony, joy, understanding, respect, diversity, equity, inclusion and compassion through music."

Join together for a wonderful performance by





Join us to tour the Burden Iron Works Museum!

### Monday, December 8th with 10:30am departure from Mill Hill.

The Burden Iron Works was an iron works and industrial complex on the Hudson River & Wynantskill Creek in Troy, New York. It once housed the Burden Water Wheel, the most powerful vertical water wheel in history. It is believed that George Washington Gale Ferris Jr., inventor of the Ferris wheel, would observe the wheel on occasion while a student at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. The iron works site was listed on the National Register of Historic Places as an archaeological site in 1977.

<u>Please sign up & pay in the office for this outing by Monday 12/1.</u>
<u>Admission is \$10 per person. \*12 residents max\*</u>

### TEAM TAVERN TRIVIA WITH MARK HERSHI

JOIN A TEAM & WORK TOGETHER TO WIN PRIZES!







TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup> AT 2:00PM IN THE TAVERNI PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE GREAT ROOM.

# Performance by Applewood Duol

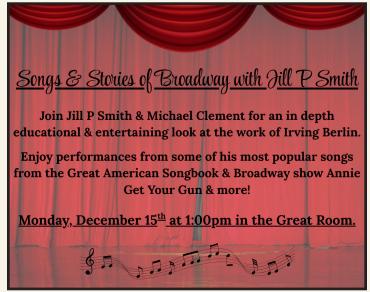




<u>Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm</u> in the Great Room, following our 4:00pm Happy Hour.

# Community Activities





# Staying Active During the Winter Months Presentation, Presented by PRN's Physical Therapist, Denise Bilka!

The winter can be an isolating time for many. Come & hear strategies to help keep the rust off during the winter months in this interactive presentation by PRN.

Refreshments will be provided!

Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm in the Great Room!

Please sign up in the Great Room for this presentation.



# Health & Wellness Fair!

Your health can't wait - Come get the tools you need to thrive!

Stop by our Health & Wellness Fair to explore a variety of health & wellness resources from our community.

Take advantage of this opportunity to connect with local experts who can help support your health journey!

<u>Invest in your well-being by joining us on Tuesday,</u> <u>December 16<sup>th</sup> from 12 pm to 2 pm in the Great Room.</u>

> Health & Wellness Fair brought to you by Summit at Mill Hill & Daughter for Hire!





### **Concierge Services**

### **CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**

In the Great Room, weekdays 8:30—10:30, 9:00—11:00 Saturdays & Sundays.

We are happy to offer a continental breakfast to our residents (with the exception of holidays when the office is closed). Start your morning off right with a healthy breakfast while enjoying each other's company.



# On-Site Podiatrist Dr. Michael Masias, DPM

Visits the second Wednesday of every month

To make your appointment, sign up in the Great Room!

He will visit your apartment for your scheduled

appointment. For any questions, please call

Dr. Masias at (518)-320-8659.

### Wednesday Grocery Shopping

Join Mill Hill on our grocery shuttle!

On Wednesdays, we depart from Mill Hill at 11:00am to go to our local Market 32. On the first Friday of every month, we depart to Walmart at 10:00am. Residents must gather in the Lobby 5 minutes before departure. Thank you!



### **Medical Appointment Shuttle**

Every Tuesday & Thursday we provide transportation to routine medical appointments within a 10 mile radius

This service is available between the hours of 9:00 and 2:00

Please call the office one week in advance to reserve your appointment time.



Please use Supper Club order form for full description of meals. Due to office box by 11/28.

Tuesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>

Andolina's

Chicken Lo Mein Meal \$20

Tuesday, December 9th

Andolina's

Traditional Italian Greens & Beans Meal \$20

Thursday, December 11th

Chef Mickey

Baked Haddock Meal \$15

Tuesday, December 16th

Andolina's

Chicken Corn Chowder Meal \$20

Tuesday, December 23rd

Andolina's

Classic Meat & Cheese Lasagna Meal **\$25** 

Tuesday, December 30th

Andolina's

Hearty Beef & Bean Chili Meal \$20



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Gift Certificates Available



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