

# CITYVIEW

Community Newsletter | February, 2026



## Resident Spotlight

# MEET MARIA MARQUEZ



**Hometown:** Grew up in El Salvador

**Family:** 7 children, and 16 grandchildren

**Former Career:** I worked as a housekeeper for 14 years

**Hobbies:** I enjoy puzzles, embroidery, and word searches

**How I Relax:** Watching TV, especially soap operas

**Movie or Show I Enjoy:** El Mariachi

**Food I Crave:** Fried plantains

**Best Holiday:** Independence Day — it's also my birthday

**My Favorite Place to Visit:** Disneyland

**Fun Fact:** I talk to myself and laugh when I'm alone

**Music I Love:** Cumbias and ballads — "La Suavecita" holds a special place in my heart

**Proud Moment:** My son, Francisco, completing his Business Administration degree

## FEBRUARY HOLIDAYS

Black History Month

Tu B'Shevat — Feb 2, 2026

Super Bowl — Feb 8, 2026

Valentine's Day — Feb 14, 2026

Presidents' Day — Feb 16, 2026

## QUICK CHUCKLES!

Can February march?

*No, but April may*

Do you have a date for Valentine's day? Yes, *February 14th*



## A TOAST TO OUR FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

We're celebrating our residents' birthdays on Tuesday, February 10, 2026. Everyone is invited to join the fun!

- 2.1 – Mattie W.
- 2.4 – Azad H.
- 2.8 – Maria R. (3rd floor)
- 2.12 – Queen Ester R.
- 2.13 – Phillip F.
- 2.13 – Catalina J.
- 2.21 – Maria R. (5th floor)
- 2.26 – Eloise K.

## A SHOUT OUT TO:



## IRENE & MALOU

CONCIERGE

Cityview is lucky to have Irene and Malou at the front desk. They are the kind of people who make you feel welcome the moment you walk in. Always smiling, always calm, and always ready to help. They are truly beloved by residents, staff, and visitors!

# RESIDENTS VOICES

Relationship advice for Valentine's Day from those who've been there!



**Roberto V.**  
Communication is the most important thing.



**Wilma D.**  
If it flies away, let it; if it's meant to be, it will come back.



**Albert E.**  
Be honest.



**Timothy R.**  
Have a safe space to get time away from your significant other — like a man cave.



**Richard S.**  
If you find someone you love, pour all your energy into the relationship.



**Paula O.**  
Stay Single.



**Scott R.**  
Avoid the temptation to own another person.



**Nell W.**  
Always tell the truth. Don't play games.



**Ledy R.**  
Don't trust anyone.



**Edward**  
Stay as quiet as you can — less trouble.



**Sara A.**  
Get to know your partner well before marrying — take it slow.



**Queen Ester R.**  
Share your experiences as they happen.



**Judy B.**  
Learn to really listen.



**Marilyn G.**  
When you both want it to work, you have to make it work.



**Robert P.**  
Respect the other person's perspective.

# SOUL ACTIVITIES SPECIALS

## VALENTINE'S DAY CARDS WITH HEART COOKIES

February 3 at 3:00 PM

Get creative and sweet! Make a Valentine's card while nibbling on heart-shaped cookies. A little sugar, a little love, and a lot of smiles.

## TV COMMERCIAL QUIZ

February 19 at 3:00 PM

Remember that catchy jingle or hilarious slogan? Put your memory to the test and see if you can guess which company it came from. Funny and guaranteed to spark some "aha!" moments.

## TU B'SHEVAT FRUIT PARTY

January 8 at 3:00 PM

Take your taste buds on an adventure! Sample exotic fruits, crunchy nuts, and the Seven Species as we celebrate the "birthday of the trees."



## WEEKLY GUEST LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Every Wednesday, we bring in a special guest for live music and entertainment. Sit back, tap your toes, sing along, or just soak in the good vibes—it's the perfect midweek pick-me-up.



# ALL ACTIVITIES HIGHLIGHTS

## CHESS, ANYONE?

**Wednesdays at 3:00 PM**

Whether you've been playing chess for years or you've always wanted to learn without feeling silly, our weekly chess class is for you. It's led by our very own resident, Richard Montheil, who brings patience, strategy, and a great sense of humor to the table.



## FRIDAY AFTERNOONS

**JUST GOT BETTER!**

**Fridays at 3:00 PM**

Join us each week for live music with Marcos Cohen (Anibal's friend), blending Shabbat melodies with classic favorites you know and love. It's relaxed, uplifting, and the perfect way to ease into the weekend.



## FEBRUARY'S FESTIVITIES

### **Tu B'Shevat Seuda | Sunday, Feb 1 at 5:00 PM**

Join us for a special dinner celebrating fruits, nuts, and the Seven Species. A meaningful and delicious way to honor the birthday of the trees together.

### **Super Bowl Party | Sunday, Feb 8 at 3:00 PM**

Tailgate classics, easygoing fun, and snacks that make the game enjoyable even if football isn't really your thing.

### **Valentine's Day Dinner | Wednesday, Feb 11 at 4:30 PM**

We're celebrating love a little early—and doing it right. Join us for an elegant Valentine's Day dinner complete with live music, beautiful ambiance, and a meal meant to be savored.

### **Mardi Gras Carnival | Tuesday, Feb 17 at 2:30 PM**

Decorate your own masks, enjoy warm beignets, and soak in the sounds of New Orleans music. Fun, lively, and full of personality.

### **Chinese New Year Celebration | Tuesday, Feb 24 at 2:30 PM**

Hands-on traditions, sweet fortune cookies, and delicious Chinese treats. Festive, colorful, and a joyful way to welcome good luck and new beginnings.

## CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Tuesdays  
1:00 PM

We'll spotlight someone inspiring, celebrating their story, achievements, and impact. A chance to learn and be inspired together.



Reach out to our Family Specialist, **Dawna Butala**, to arrange for a tour today!  
**(323)-938-2131**

#### OUR SERVICE PLEDGE

We understand that we are responsible for the delivery of excellent Resident service. We represent our company, our communities, and ourselves. At each "service moment", we will initiate a warm and friendly greeting, treat residents with care and understanding, and communicate clearly. We will do our part to implement the essentials of service excellence.

#### MEET OUR TEAM

**Mendy Ginsburg**  
**Dawna Butala**  
**Amelia Hernandez**  
**Marcia McKay**  
**Vanita Harris**  
**Hannah Mousa**  
**Flor Rodas**  
**Rolando Marin**  
**Priya Perkins**  
**Tanna Leap**  
**Irene & Malou**

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Soul Wellness Coordinator  
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AL Activities Director  
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