

Maple View Lodge Newsletter November 2022

RESIDENT SERVICES:

Program/Support Department

After on-going recruitment efforts, we are pleased to advise the renewal of regular Family Council meetings. New members are welcome!

At the first meeting, the council voted on a shared leadership model additionally the Terms of Reference and Agenda template were developed.

We would like to introduce you to our MVL Family Council members:

Penny: "I am happy to be part of the Family Council to have a voice for our loved ones."

Johanne: "I am joining the Maple View Family Council as I want to be a positive voice for families of all generations. Everyone deserves the best quality of care and I am looking forward to listening and assisting in any way possible in providing families and residents with every opportunity to be/feel happy, inclusive and listened too. Happy to be part of this growing team."

Lisa: "The reason I would like to join the council is to learn more about long term care and provide assistance in opening up communication to make life easier for families and residents."

See our MVL Family Council's Friendly Faces.



where **lifestyle**
grows good **business**

synonyme de **qualité de vie**
et de **réussite** en affaires



Recreation

With the cool weather setting in, residents will be staying warm through active group exercises such as morning movement and the ever-popular balloon badminton. The beauty of nature will be brought indoors through horticultural programming such as gardening, planting, repotting and learning about new species. Residents will be getting creative during our placemat making program enjoying the results at their individual place settings in the dining room. Programs are getting back to many fun discussion groups and games of trivia to exercise our minds. Friday afternoons will now include music with Maple, reminiscing through musical memories. Miss. Maple, our in-house therapy dog, is now four (4) years old. There will be a celebration for our furry friend that includes games and treats. Wellness and relaxation on Wednesdays with Montessori programs in the evenings will be enjoyed by all. The Auxiliary team will have the Tuck shop open for shopping during the afternoon on November 21st.

An important update, starting in November, the Recreation Department will be closed on Sundays. Arrangements will be made for volunteer-based programming to ensure residents remain engaged in activities of choice.

VOLUNTEERS:

Maple View Lodge Auxiliary

On November the 11th The Maple View Lodge Auxiliary sends a Thank You to all Veterans present and past for their service for their country of Canada and its people and services provided around the World.

The Next Auxiliary meeting will be held on November 21st at 1:30 pm in The Joshua Bates Centre in the Athens Municipal Building.

New members welcome. For Auxiliary information contact: Freda Schaafsma at 613-924-9036 or Susan Blancher at 613-924-9626.



FAMILY SUPPORT/SOCIAL SUPPORT:

MVL Family Council

Please contact Brittany Knowles, Resident Services Supervisor, if you are interested in joining at: 613-924-2696 ext. 6004 or send an e-mail at Brittany.Knowles@uclg.on.ca.

Caregivers Support Group – Alzheimer’s Society

Join us for one of our on-line or support groups. Groups are confidential environments for Caregivers to share and learn.

We also offer in person groups in the Leeds Grenville area, education sessions, and we can meet one-to-one with an appointment.

Alzheimer Society meetings are virtual the first Friday of each month from 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm on Zoom. In person groups are held in Brockville the second Thursday of each month 10:30 am – noon at the Alzheimer Society Offices. For more information, please contact Catherine Maskell, Education and Support Coordinator at 1-866-576-8556 ext. 104.

Family/Caregiver Information

OUTBREAK:

In October, MVL went into outbreak on Meadowview Resident Home Area. During this time, only Essential Caregivers (ECG) can visit in the rooms with residents. Residents on isolation are only permitted one (1) ECG at a time. ECG will be asked to wear Full PPE while in the Home.

We moved to tray service in resident rooms for meals, to help make meals timelier for the residents. Any ECG help during meal times for residents in rooms is much appreciated during this time.

If you are visiting a resident who is not on isolation, you may take them out for a walk, out on the patio or sit in a TV room if no other residents are around. Please ensure that you have a mask for the resident while they are out of room.

During the outbreak we are also having all our ECG revisit the education for Donning and Doffing PPE and Hand Hygiene.



Maple View Lodge appreciates families and friends of loved ones continuing to call and make appointments to visit indoors or outdoors. This has assisted in a smooth process to control the number of people coming all at once for screening and helping to ensure you and your loved one is kept free of illness. To book appointments call 613-924-2696 ext: 6006. Visiting hours are from 9:00 am to 11:45 am and 2:15 pm to 8:00 pm.

SUPPORT SERVICES:

Closet and Bedside Tables:

It is that time of year to go through your loved ones closet and rotate out the seasonal clothing. When adding any new clothing ensure you leave new items in a bag with the resident name to have the items labeled by housekeeping. Items may be left with at the nursing station of the resident's home area. Please also check your loved one's bedside table for removal of unnecessary items.

Porch Visits:

Heated front porch visits are available for unvaccinated general visitors to be booked with Screeners at ext. 6006. Visitors will need to call screener upon arrival so you can be let in on the porch. However, if resident is isolating or on a resident home area in outbreak, front porch visits will not be authorized.

NURSING:

If you or anyone you have been in contact with develops symptoms and you have visited a resident with the previous 48 hours please contact the RN. Please continue to self screen before coming to the Home.

The RN cell number is: **613-802-0513**. Please keep in mind the RN cell contact is for **URGENT** matters, and follow up calls. For non-urgent matters, please call the RN office at **613-924-2696 ext. 6011**. To speak with the RPN: Brookside **ext. 6101** and Meadowview **ext. 6201**.

REDEVELOPMENT:

Long-Term Care Minister Paul Calandra, joined local officials including Athens Mayor Herb Scott and Warden Roger Haley at our sod-turning ceremony on Friday, October 7th.

As reported by the Brockville Recorder and Times "When you get up here, you understand how important it is to the community," the minister said at the ceremony. "It's very nice to see what's happening here." Calandra told the gathering that it's easy for government officials to cut ribbons and say great things. It is "because of the extraordinary work that you all have done that allows us to make this investment in the community," the minister commented.



1. **Site Works**

- Septic sand continues to be trucked and placed
- Forcemain piping laid from balancing tanks up to Newterra (septic) container area, backfill of trench continues
- Excavation of blasted rock has been completed within underground tank area's
- Storm line running parallel with forcemain excavation continues
- Structures and piping continue to be delivered and stored
- Pull pits arrived for power/communication run



2. ***Upcoming Activities***

- Continue septic field sand works
- Underground civil Storm/sanitary piping in conjunction with underground storage tanks
- Continue to excavate rock material from blasted areas
- Electrical Conduit for balancing tank to be run