

Maple View Lodge Newsletter April 2023

RESIDENT SERVICES:

Program/Support Department

Volunteers: The Annual Volunteer Appreciation Event is in planning stages at this time. We look forward to recognizing all of our dedicated Maple View Lodge volunteers in June at our Outdoor Garden Social Event. Stay tuned for invitations and further details.

Program/Support Department: As Spring arrives, there are many Horticultural Programs related with our new Greenhouse Project. As part of our Model of Care work associated with our future 192 bed home, we are planning to transform our gazebo into a greenhouse. To ensure our greenhouse has a variety of veggies, plants and florals, our growing and potting work is well underway as we attempt to grow many plants from seed in our temporary indoor greenhouses, located on each resident home area. We encourage everyone to check out the progress of our plants and look forward to the many programming opportunities associated with our future greenhouse in the gazebo.

Recreation

Welcome April! Spring is in the air and the Recreation Department is excited to kick off the month with a temporary tattoo parlor on Wheels, for April fool's day. Everyone is looking forward to celebrating Easter with an egg hunt, Sing-A-Long and making Easter egg birdfeeders. Residents will be enjoying lots of live entertainment and visits from our in-house therapy dog, Maple. Excited to take our next Armchair travel trip to Holland this month. A spring brunch is in the works, with fresh fruit and residents will be making no bake dog treats, for the SPCA. The patios will be ready soon for summer and plans are in progress to make birdbaths, paint birdhouses and replant our seedlings to celebrate spring.



VOLUNTEERS:

Maple View Lodge Auxiliary

Maple View Lodge Auxiliary wishes the residents, their families and the staff of Maple View Lodge a Happy Easter! The Tuck shop will not be open Monday April 10, 2023 this month.

Save the Dates:

Saturday May 27, 2023 Auxiliary will hold a "Pie Sale/Yard Sale" from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, noon, in the Gazebo area.

September 16, 2023, the Auxiliary will host their "Christmas in September Bazaar", from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, noon.

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

Happy Spring Everyone!

FAMILY SUPPORT/SOCIAL SUPPORT:

MVL Family Council

Interested in joining our Family council? Contact us at the following e-mail: MVLFamilyCouncil@outlook.com. Family council welcomes family members to reach out to other family council members to ask questions, talk in confidence or share ideas that you wish for the council to discuss that would positively benefit Maple View Lodge residents.

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.

SUPPORT SERVICES:

Dietary Department

The new spring/summer menu has rolled out, and will include fresh seasonal fruit and produce such as strawberries, tomatoes, and corn.

Housekeeping

Over the months of April and May, the housekeeping team will be planning some evening shifts to wax the large common space flooring within the Home.

Maintenance

As the snow disappears, maintenance staff will be busy getting the grounds ready and putting out the Resident rest benches for all to enjoy. We encourage visits that include walking and taking in the fresh air while enjoying the outdoors and all it has to offer.

NURSING:

For general inquiries about your loved one, call the Resident Home Area and speak with the RPN: Brookside **ext. 6101** and Meadowview **ext. 6201**. If you must speak to the RN for non-urgent matters, please call the RN office at **613-924-2696 ext. 601**, leave a message if needed. For **URGENT** matters and follow up calls only, the RN cell number is: **613-802-0513**. We appreciate your following this process which allows you to speak with the most appropriate nurse while keeping our emergency cell phone line available.

Nursing Committees

Our Registered staff in the nursing department are leading new and revamped best practice committees to enhance all areas of resident care. The committees are comprised of PSW, registered staff and any support staff that are interested in being a part of the change. The committees currently being reactivated focus on: Pain, Palliative care, Wounds and Skin, Contenance and abuse prevention. Coming soon will be inclusion for our



LGBTQIA community. Please stay tuned for some of the great ideas coming out of these working groups.

Scent Free

A gentle reminder that we are a minimal scent home which encompasses cologne or perfume that visitors/family may be wearing, as well as toiletries, for the residents as we have staff and residents with heightened sensitivities. Thank you so much for your consideration to this issue.

Behaviour Support Ontario (BSO)

BSO Provides intensive support to residents and their families, by working through issues together and providing specific and individualized care strategies to help manage responsive behaviours that can be barriers to providing care and quality of life. We aim for person-centered approaches and interventions supported by the New BSO Best Practice Personhood Summary Assessment and BSO Behavioural Support Assessment, to deliver a comprehensive and evidence-based practice to a better quality of life. We want to inform family members and residents to call the Central Nursing Office phone Ext 6011, for In House BSO Services (Behavioural Support Worker- Suraya), if you have questions regarding your loved ones' responsive behaviours. Please leave your messages with the charge nurse and our Behavioural Support Worker Suraya will respond to the best of her ability in a timely manner.

REDEVELOPMENT:

Construction update! Shovels went in the ground fall of 2022 to redevelop Maple View Lodge, and our contractor, McDonald Brothers Construction, is making impressive progress. This includes:

- Completion of the excavation, soil protection, insulation, form works, rebar works, and concrete pouring for the foundations and walls of the central core building.
- Continuing work on the staircase and elevator wells.
- Started the excavation, soil protection, formworks, and rebar enforcement work for the north wing foundations.

