

Activity Newsletter

The Collingwood Nursing Home Ltd.



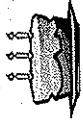
July 2017

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We are so happy that summer is here and we can spend some relaxing time outdoors . There are so many programs to get involved in so please come out and be active. Our monthly Birthday Party will be held on July 18th at 1:30 p.m. Norris Vines of The Platters will be here to help the residents celebrate their special day. Louise Lloyd will be entertaining us with her amazing musical talent on July 10th. She performs popular songs from different musical eras. Helen will be leading a sing-a-long on July 26th so this is a great opportunity for you to come and show off your talent. C.B. Keyz and Jim Kin-ear will also be sharing their valuable time and talent with us this month. We will be hosting an 'Elvis is in the Building Party' on July 28th at 1:30 p.m. The Collingwood Elvis Festival has very kindly scheduled an Elvis impersonator to come and entertain us so dust off your white polyester jumpsuit and join in on the fun. We have 3 outings planned for this month. An outing to Sunset Point for a picnic will be held on July 17th. There will be outing tours for a trip around the community on the 4th and the 18th. Please refer to the calendar for the many programs scheduled. *Have a wonderful and safe summer!*

Bev Cloutier, Activity Director



Happy
Birthday.....

Harry Moerschner

July 7th

Gordon Perry

July 7th

Joyce Allan

July 9th

Ivy Glentworth

July 14th



*We would like to thank
Sheila P., Activity Assistant
for her years of dedication
to our Activity Department.
Sheila is leaving to pursue
other interests and we wish
her the best!*

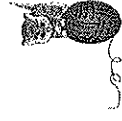
Happy Spring to everyone from the nursing department. It has been slow to get warm (and dry) but sunny days are ahead for sure. The topic I wish to focus on with this newsletter is resident safety; specifically wandering and elopement risk. With the warmer weather starting to arrive, this is a timely discussion as residents look to go outside, unattended, more and more. In the past few months, there have been incidents occur where visitors have opened the front door to let residents outside without knowing the resident's medical conditions. This is well meaning because the resident(s) requested to go outside, but, it has put resident(s) at risk especially if the weather has been cold and stormy and the resident was not dressed appropriately. Staff were able to intervene quickly each time, but these incidents have created needless stress for all concerned. The POA has been notified each time this has occurred and reports filed as necessary. The team at Collingwood Nursing Home has reviewed each incident to identify risk management. There are already signs at the doors alerting visitors of potential elopement and wandering risks, however, this has had minimal effect. A new program has been put in place this spring where once a resident is identified as an elopement risk, a wanderguard bracelet is placed on the resident. If this person goes into the preprogrammed zone at the front entrance or the back entrance, then an alarm goes off to notify staff that this resident is at risk of leaving the building unattended. If the resident does not move out of the zone within a minute, then the alarm changes and the doors lock. Only staff are able to open the doors when this happens. Nobody can go out or come in. At the same time, visitors need to be mindful of residents who are following too close and may follow you outside before any

alarm goes off. Also, there may be resident who have not been identified as elopement risk until that first incident occurs. It is imperative that we all work together to provide a safe environment for those most vulnerable. Please pass this on to relatives and friends who may visit your loved one.

Marsha Jelinski, D.O.R.C.

REQUEST

We are in need of volunteer knitters for our Tuck Shop. We supply the yarn. Please contact Bev Cloutier, Activity Director if you are interested in donating your time & talent.



Volunteer Village

Come & discover all the exciting wonderful ways that you can get involved in your community. A chance to interact and explore a variety of volunteer opportunities. We offer hands on experience, a chance to develop new relationships, to share skills and talents. Retired, Seniors, and students are Welcome!

For more information please contact -

Bev Cloutier, Activity Director or Janice Bristol, Volunteer Village Attache.

**We are in need of volunteers to assist with outings, friendly visiting, and Tuck Shop.

Special Memo

The warm weather will soon be upon us. This is a reminder to please wear your hats, sunglasses and suntan lotion when spending time outdoors. Please make sure to drink enough fluids in the hot weather.

