



WHISPERS



**BAYFIELD'S CHRISTMAS
BAKE SALE & ART SHOW
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1st
FROM 1:30-4PM**

Attention to all family members who wish to come in on Christmas Day to have a meal with their loved one. The Activity staff will be selling meal tickets until December 16th. There will be a maximum of three family members per one resident. The purpose of this is to ensure that the staff have the proper number of tables set up to help make the meal run smoothly.

Family members: Please make sure any new clothing for your loved one has been sent to the laundry department to be labelled before it goes in their closet to ensure new clothing does not get misplaced. Thanks!

Happy Birthday To:
Jean Weedmark - Dec.9
Thomas Maddess - Dec.12
Lois Forbes - Dec.19
John Sawatsky- Dec.22
Maureen Clenighan - Dec.24
Ruby Johnstone- Dec.25
Frances Hughes - Dec.28
We look forward to celebrating with you at our Birthday Tea Party on December 28th at 2pm.



DECEMBER 2018



**Santa will arrive
at 10am
Christmas
Morning on
LTC Side**

*The Activity Dept. is selling raffle tickets on a hand made quilt (valued at \$200.00) Tickets are \$5.00 each
3 tickets for \$10.00
5 tickets for \$20.00
Draw will be on December 21st*

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- *December 1st- Bake Sale & Art Show from 1:30-4pm.
 - *December 5th -Wear silver & gold day.
 - *December 5th- Trip to Upper Canada Village to see Alight at Night.
 - *December 8th- Christmas Family Social on LTC side at 2pm.
 - *December 9th- Christmas Family Social on Retirement at 2pm
 - *December 11th- Retirement Side Christmas Concert at 2:30pm
 - *December 12th- Wear your Christmas Hat or Head Band Day.
 - *December 19th- Wear your ugliest Christmas sweater day.
 - *December 19th- Staff "Minute to Win It" games at 2pm.
 - *December 24th - Christmas Eve celebration with Al Visser at 2pm on LTC & at 6:30pm with Ron Donnelly on Retirement Side
 - *December 31- New Years Eve Party with Chris & Ian at 2pm on Retirement Side.
- *Various musical entertainment scheduled throughout the month of December

We are saddened to mention the passing of Betty Lou Heagle, Lois MacNilage, Helen Vogel, and Frances "Scoop" Murray from our LTC side. Our thoughts & prayers are with their family & friends.



A Warm Welcome goes out to Shirley McCordick, & Helen Trimble to our Retirement Home & Martha Seguin & Mary Ahokas to our LTC Home
Welcome!

BRIDGE TO DREAMS

You may recall the Bridge to Dreams project which was implemented by Southbridge this year. The objective is to bring to life unfulfilled wishes of residents. Southbridge set aside funding and made a goal for each of its 33 LTC homes to accomplish 3 wishes in this the first year of the initiative.

I am delighted to be able to report that we exceeded expectations both in the number of events but also, I believe, in the success of them. Rather than trying to identify elaborate ideas of things that residents had never done but were on their bucket lists, we asked residents and their families what activities they had missed doing since their health and independence declined, and then worked to bring them about. The result was 5 very simple, everyday events that we might take for granted, but which had been impossible for the residents of our long term care home. This included an afternoon fishing on a boat on the Rideau, going to a summer matinee at a local theatre, trips to fall fairs with family, and a special dinner with a son.

Feedback from residents and families was so positive we were all delighted.

Many thanks are owed to the staff and committee members who embraced the project with such passion. Ada Gorrie, Kerry Graham, Andy Higgs, Amie McLean, Lori-Ann Morin, Jenn Nasduk, Belinda Ouellette and Merushe Shanks, and Kelly Vander Velde all contributed time, energy, enthusiasm, and a boat!

We look forward to next year and hope to be able to enjoy as much success. If you have any ideas of things your family member would enjoy reliving (or doing for the first time!) please let us know and we will do our best to bring it to life.

HOLIDAY WISHES

I would like to take the opportunity to wish everyone a happy Christmas season and a healthy, prosperous New Year in 2019.

A special thanks also to our dedicated staff. From the program department organizing all the special activities, the dietary staff planning and preparing special meals and snacks, the support folks ensuring that everything is as clean as possible to avoid flus and outbreaks, to all the nursing and PSW staff who work especially hard to ensure that the residents are able to enjoy this special season, we are very grateful. And keep in mind that all our staff are expected to work either Christmas or New Year's Day, and they always do.

Staff commitment is one of the strengths of Bayfield Manor, and the reason we have had such an excellent reputation in the Kemptville community for over 30 years. We are all grateful for the care they provide every day. Please join me in thanking them so much for being here on Christmas. It takes a special kind of dedication. Many thanks!

Gerry Miller
Administrator.



FAMILY COUNCIL

If anyone is interested in participating in our Family Council please let Kelly Vander Velde know. The committee meets every 2 months or so and is a forum for family members to give feedback and suggestions for any aspect of resident care at Bayfield.

Residents and Family members are encouraged to decorate their bedroom doors for the holiday season.

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