# October 2021

# HOMEgrown



# **Southbridge Pinewood**

2625 E Walsh St. Thunder Bay ON, P7E 2E5

"The Homegrown Newsletter" was designed to inform residents, family, friends and staff of home news, updates, and fun facts.

To submit information or ideas please contact Suzanne Nuorala (Recreation Manager) at 577-1127 Ext. 228 or email at <a href="mailto:snuorala@southbridgecare.ca">snuorala@southbridgecare.ca</a>

# October Birthdays

Mary B October 07

Amelia M. October 09

Dorothy C. October 14

Don P. October 18

Lawrence B. October 27

Tillie C. October 30



# Resident Council & Food Committee Meeting

Next Resident Council meeting will take place on Tuesday October 12<sup>th</sup>. **Food Committee** will take place following Resident Council.

Sandpiper – 9:45 Blue Heron – 10:45 Kingfisher – 1:45 Hummingbird – 2:45

# **Resident Bill of Rights**

#### #27 Bringing people to meetings

"Every resident has the right to bring along people who are important to you when you have meetings with the staff of the home."

## #1 Respect and dignity

"Every resident has the right to be treated with respect. The staff at your long-term care home must be polite to you. They must recognize your dignity and rights as a person."

# Air Conditioner Units

The home is currently working on winterizing the recently installed air conditioner units. At this time all units will remain in resident rooms. Staff and management will be working with residents to ensure all units are stored safely. Thank you for your patience.

### IN REMEMBRANCE

#### Denise Traskowski

June 14, 1939 - August 31, 2021

#### Lore Burkert

October 16, 1932 - September 7, 2021

#### Mabel Martin

August 23, 1934 - September 9, 2021

#### Ray Evans

February 1, 1931 - September 15, 2021

#### Armando Colosimo

April 2, 1930 - September 20, 2021

#### Ruth Chapman

June 28, 1921 - September 22, 2021

#### James Pearce

March 26, 1925 - September 25, 2021

#### Marja-Liisa Saari

July 3, 1939 - September 26, 2021

# **Covid-19/Home Updates:**

Southbridge has joined Canada's leading seniors' care providers in making COVID-19 vaccinations mandatory.

- We have instituted a mandatory vaccination policy as we are committed to take action to protect residents, staff, families and partners. As Ontario faces a fourth COVID wave, effective October 12, 2021, our immunization policy will require staff, students, volunteers and agency/third-party contractors to be fully vaccinated.
- Staff who do not meet the new policy requirements will be placed on an unpaid leave, and students, volunteers and agency/third-party contractors who do not meet the new policy requirements will not be able to continue their placement or contract.
- We will continue to provide our staff with the necessary supports to make getting their vaccine as easy as possible. These include maximizing opportunities for onsite vaccination clinics, assistance with appointment booking and flexibility in work schedule.
- Our home will continue to operate with required public health measures in place, such as active screening, rapid testing and PPE, to prevent spread of infection and protect all who spend time in our homes.
- Vaccination printouts will be made available to residents who wish to have a copy due to newly implemented vaccine passports in Ontario.

#### Home Vaccination Rates:

- On Friday Sept 24th, 2021 the home vaccinated 111 residents with the 3rd booster COVID shot (89% of our residents as of Friday) with 9 outstanding. 3 residents are due in October and 6 due in November. A third dose may be administered at a minimum of five months after the second dose for residents of high-risk congregate settings including long-term care homes.
- <u>Staff Vaccination Rates</u>: 1st Dose- 94%, 2nd Dose 88% and 4% declined





# Next Zoom Family Town Hall Meeting

**Date:** October 14, 2021

**Time:** 130pm - 200pm

https://extendicare.zoom.us/j/4819279467?pwd=RmQrS1RqY1BPbGFGZXluOVY1NStIZz09

Meeting ID: 481 927 9467
Passcode: 903791905
Find your local number:

https://extendicare.zoom.us/u/abdE8x4Jhb



MAY YOUR STUFFING BE TASTY,
MAY YOUR TURKEY BE PLUMP.
MAY YOUR POTATOES'N GRAVY...
HAVE NARY A LUMP,
MAY YOUR YAMS BE DELICIOUS,
MAY YOUR PIES TAKE THE PRIZE,
MAY YOUR THANKSGIVING DINNER
STAY OFF OF YOUR THIGHS.
Happy Thanksgiving

## Welcome Back Volunteers!!

