

July 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 [snuorala@southbridgecare.ca](mailto:snuorala@southbridgecare.ca)



**Eleanor, Norma, Shirley, Ada, Luba, Reg,  
Anna, Fran and Anita**

Help us celebrate these amazing residents throughout the month and during the RHA Birthday celebrations. Wishing you all a wonderful Birthday!!

### Valuables - Photos

A friendly reminder that residents are discouraged from wearing and keeping valuables including jewelry in the home as the home is not responsible for lost/stolen items. Understandably, there is sentimental value and it is very upsetting to have a cherished item go missing. It is not unusual for some of these valuables to appear within the home (ie jewelry found in laundry or found on the floor in a common space). To assist us in returning found items to their rightful owner, we ask residents and families to submit pictures of the valuables which will be filed in a “catalogue” style in a secure location accessible only to the home’s leadership team. You can submit inventory photos by email:

- 1) Programs Manager Suzanne Nuorala at [SNuorala@southbridgecare.ca](mailto:SNuorala@southbridgecare.ca) or
- 2) Resident Services Coordinator Jessica Gilbertson at [JGilbertson@southbridgecare.ca](mailto:JGilbertson@southbridgecare.ca)(ext 225).

### Resident Council & Food Committee Meetings

Next Resident Council Meeting will take place on Friday July 9<sup>th</sup> in resident specific home areas. **Food Committee** will take place following Resident Council. Please see activity calendar for meeting times

### IN MEMORIAM

**Margaret Graham**

September 16, 1930 – April 24, 2021

**Harold Coffey**

September 19, 1934 – May 2, 2021

**Mary McKie**

December 20, 1927 – May 9, 2021

**Theresa Lombardo**

December 24, 1937 – May 20, 2021

### Upcoming Family Town Hall Meeting

**Date:** July 8, 2021

**Time:** 130pm - 200pm

<https://extendicare.zoom.us/j/4819279467?pwd=RmQrS1RqY1BPbGFGZXluOVY1NStlZz09>

**Meeting ID: 481 927 9467**

**Passcode: 903791905**

## Covid-19/Home Updates:

**AC units – Update:** Installation of our portable air conditioning units is expected to commence the week of June 28, 2021 and be completed within two weeks.

**Temperature/humidex monitoring – New!** The MOLTC has revised the Ontario Regulations 79/10 specifically that every licensee of a long-term care home shall ensure that the temperature is measured and documented in writing at a minimum in the following areas of the home:

\*\*At least two resident bedrooms in different parts of the home.  
\*\*One resident common area on every floor of the home, which may include a lounge, dining area or corridor.

\*\*Every designated cooling area, if there are any in the home  
The temperature required to be measured shall be documented at least once every morning, once every afternoon between 12pm and 5pm and once every evening or night.

**Parking lot repairs** – Asphalt repairs are coming soon to the front and rear parking lots! Specifically the manholes will be repaired and the parking lots cleaned. In addition, in the front lot four accessible parking spaces have been repainted and are available for use with permit.

**Bed Replacement Program** – as part of our preventative maintenance program we are maintaining a bed inventory to identify beds for replacement. Purchasing replacement beds will continue.

**Nursing staffing update** – 94% of permanent PSW rotations and 100% permanent registered staff rotations are filled. We are excited to welcome PSW students for placements through July and August! We are also continuing to connect with staff on leaves of absence related to COVID-19 for opportunities where employees can safely return to work.

### **Total Immunization Coverage Rate:**

Residents with 1<sup>st</sup> dose = 98%

Residents with 2<sup>nd</sup> dose = 97%

Residents declined = 2%

Staff with 1<sup>st</sup> dose = 80%

Staff with 2<sup>nd</sup> dose = 71%

Staff declined = 10%

By exceeding the threshold of residents immunized (>85%) and employee fully immunized (>70%) we are pleased to plan for the introduction of additional flexibility such as suspending physical distancing in cohorted groups for the duration of the dining period. For example, discontinuing the use of plexiglass or white dividers from the dining tables currently utilized to promote a more social dining experience. More to come!

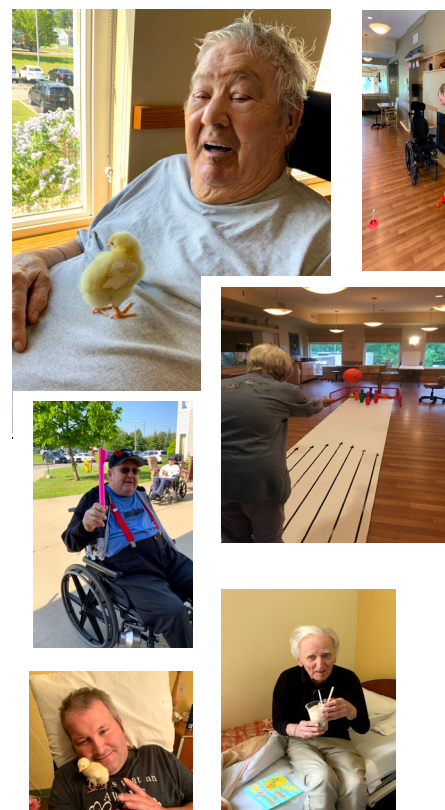
## **Resident Bill of Rights**

### **#21 Intimacy**

“Every resident has the right to meet privately with his or her spouse or another person in a room that assures privacy.”

### **#22 Sharing a room**

“Every resident has the right to share a room with another resident according to their mutual wishes, if appropriate accommodation is available.”



Warm wishes on Canada Day to you. Time has come to send greetings, to wish your neighbours, to wish your family and friends, to wish your co-workers. The best time of the year is here and we all are ready to party and celebrate..... Happy Canada Day!!!