

# Village View January 2026

Many happy returns to our December birthday people:

Joanne M. Marlene T. Pauline G.

Enid H. Beryl K. Mae L.

Jim B. Heather J. Dora B.



Welcome to our new tenants:

Apartment 145 Jane R.

# December generous donations:

In Memory of Jean Harris by Joanne M.; Wilf and Helen S.; and Paul H.

Activities donations made by Pauline G., Trudy H. and Dorland W.

Donations in Memory of someone, or for Resident Activity Fund can be made at anytime in the office. Please leave donations in an envelope, with your name and unit# so we can issue a tax receipt (for a minimum donation of \$20). Tax receipts are issued by the end of the month, each month.

### **New Tenant Orientation**

We will be holding another New Tenant meeting, to welcome all the tenants that are new to Legion Village, once we have a few new residents come to join us. If any tenants have questions, they can call Chyvone Samis at 905-372-8705 x101, or Michael at 905-372-8705 x103. At these meetings, we discuss safety issues, including fire safety and evacuation, and some of our activities we have in the Rec Hall and lounges. This is a great opportunity to meet your Board Member Tenant Representatives.

### **Christmas Celebrations**

We were very proud and happy to open the holiday season on December 1<sup>st</sup> 2025 in our Rec Hall. Thanks to all that came out to sing along and tap your feet to the wonderful music. I hope everyone had a great Christmas and I wish everyone a wonderful Happy and Safe New Year. I heard that the Christmas night dinner in the dining hall was a wonderful celebration and full of Christmas spirit. Thanks to all the staff and volunteers for their help putting together a great meal for our residents.

A very warm thank you to all the residents that donated for staff appreciation and Christmas. Your kindness went a long way to show appreciation of our wonderful staff.

# **Christmas for Seniors**

A very special thank you for all the donations and gifts from the residents and staff for the Gifts for Seniors. The program was a great success and made Christmas that much brighter for the Seniors.

# **Donations of Jammies**

Carolyn and Tammy collected over 100 sets of PJ's that were donated by the residents for families at Cornerstone Family Shelter. Once again, it never ceases to amaze me, the giving spirit of our residents/staff and volunteers for those in need in our community. Thank you to the residents and staff that donated and to Carolyn and Tammy for arranging such a worthwhile campaign.

### **Salvation Army Food and Toy Drive**

Again, this year we allowed the Salvation Army to bring back the donation bins for the less fortunate in Cobourg and surrounding areas. Brenda H. delivered a great haul of food boxes and toys to the Salvation Army to help those less fortunate in the community. Thank you to all residents and staff that donated to this worthy cause.

#### **DECEMBER BOARD HIGHLIGHTS:**

- The Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held on Friday, November 22nd at 9:30 a.m. We had a good turnout this year. Thanks to all those that attended. The Foundation AGM was held on December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
- The Board approved the finances for November 2024 and retained the services of Wilkinson as Auditors for year end March 31, 2025, for the Corporation and Foundation.
- New members to the Board of Directors were acclaimed at the Foundation AGM. The new Board Members are Ellie Tureck and Robert Taylor.
- The Board and the Members approved the new changes to the by-laws. These changes went into effect at the November Board Meeting/December Foundation Meeting.

### **Activity Update**

January 1st – New Year's Day – Office and Store Closed

January 9<sup>th</sup> – Food Committee Meeting in the Rec Hall 2:00 pm

January 14<sup>th</sup> – Potluck in the Rec Hall at 12:00 noon

January 20<sup>th</sup> – Hot Chocolate and Treats in the Rec Hall at 2:00pm

January 22<sup>nd</sup> – Birthday Party in the Rec Hall at 2:00pm

January 24<sup>th</sup> - at 2:00 pm in the Rec Hall we will be celebrating Robbie Burns Day. Please come out to celebrate with fellow residents and sample some Celtic music.

January 30<sup>th</sup> – Lunch In the Rec Hall at noon – Swiss Chalet. The cost is \$20 and you must sign up by Friday January 24<sup>th</sup>. Price includes lunch, dessert and non-alcoholic drink.

### **Kitchen/Dining Room Update**

Please be aware that Legion Village policy is that anyone that is on our dining room plan or wishes to have a meal, must eat in the dining room unless a previous arrangement has been made with the Food Services Manager. This means that if you wish to have a meal, but you can not eat in the dining room, without previous arrangement with the Food Services Manager, and you wish to order a tray, you will receive a clear fluids tray only, otherwise you are expected to eat in the dining room. Full meal tray service will only be provided if you have made prior arrangements with Cathy, or you are required to remain isolated.

On behalf of the kitchen crew, we hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and have a Happy New Year.

### **Maintenance Minute**

Every resident has been issued an orange Evacuation hangtag to be kept in their apartment. This is a requirement from the Fire Inspector and provided by Legion Village. In the event of a fire, we would place the hangtag on the outside of the apartment door to indicate that the resident has been safely evacuated. We will be issuing a poly envelope to hold all required items on the back of the door. These include your fire safety plan, the evacuation tag and any Emergency Response forms.

The maintenance staff would like to extend their wishes for all staff and residents to have had a very Merry Christmas and have a Happy New Year.

### **Supportive Housing Comment**

# Resident's receiving Supportive Housing - Important Reminder about your Help Buttons

We want to remind all tenants receiving Supportive Housing about the proper use of your Help Buttons. These buttons are a vital tool for ensuring your safety and well-being. They are intended for emergencies and urgent issues that require immediate assistance from a Personal Support Worker (PSW). This includes situations such as:

- Medical emergencies (e.g., chest pain, severe shortness of breath).
- Falls or injuries that require immediate attention.
- Other critical needs that cannot wait

Please be aware that using the Help Button for non-urgent needs is considered an abuse of the system. Examples of non-urgent needs include:

- Requesting food or beverages.
- Wanting to chat.
- Reporting minor household issues

Our team provides timely and efficient care, and misuse of the Help Button can delay assistance for those who need it most urgently. Staff members are very busy attending to everyone's needs, so please be patient and speak to them with kindness.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in using the Help Buttons responsibly. By doing so, you help us ensure that everyone receives the care they need when it matters most.

Thank you,		
David		
And finally		

Please celebrate safely this New Years Eve. We need everyone healthy for 2026! We wish everyone a Happy and Safe New Year to you and your family from all of us at Legion Village.

Sincerely,

Michael Eden

Executive Director