

March **WILLOW LEAF** 2021

Happy Birthday!

RESIDENTS

Don Derry– March 1

Gloria Martin– March 10

Betty Peterson– March 16

Lewis Morrison– March 19

CARE PARTNERS

Tammy Fraser– March 8

Patsy Waugh– March 18

Trish Ross– March 26

Trish Manning– March 27

Welcome New Resident:

Gloria Martin

Remembering

Ann Daisley

August 22, 1933–

February 22, 2021

From The Desk Of Janine...

Family and Friends of Willow Lodge,

As we prepare to receive the COVID 19 vaccine for our residents, care partners, and designated caregivers, I cannot help but be reminded of the proverb coined by the English Theologian Thomas Fuller;
"The Darkest Hour is Just Before the Dawn".

It is the hope that the worst part of this COVID experience is behind us! Hope is on the horizon... Our consent forms have been obtained for our residents. Our Director of Care Lisa Hodder RN and Resident Care Coordinator Audrey Weatherby RN, have received additional formal training in immunology and also federal documentation program, for the administration of this vaccine. We are ready; we are waiting and as soon as the vaccine arrives, our clinic for residents will begin. Staff members will be receiving their vaccine in Truro at the Colchester East Hants Health Centre. Designated Care Providers will be contacted to receive their vaccine here at Willow Lodge, once we obtain the vials.

Many families have made inquiries regarding the time line for the vaccine roll out. I have attached the link that outlines the three phases of distribution.

A reminder to remain vigilant as we are seeing numbers rise here in the province. Wear your mask, wash your hands and remember to remain physically distant while socially close.

Link to the outline of the plan:

<https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/docs/COVID-19-immunization-plan-overview-poster-en.pdf>

Stay Well, Stay Safe!

Janine Jaconelli

Executive Director



Operations Corner

The weather is beginning to show some signs of improvement; the days are getting longer and the snow is slowly disappearing.

Hopefully it will continue into March and warmer weather will prevail.

Speaking of weather, we had quite a snow storm back on February 8th. Some staff were unable to get to work, some worked longer hours, some worked extra shifts and some did different jobs for the day. Thanks to you all for pulling together and making sure our Residents' needs were met that day and every day. We have finally received the table extensions for the dining areas that were ordered in October, and some of them are now in use.

We will be saying goodbye to Carol Tattrie at the end of March. She has decided to retire from Laundry Services and we wish her well.

Lisa Terry has recently joined us and will be working as a Casual in Dietary and Environmental Services. We are happy to have Lisa with us and hope she enjoys her work at Willow Lodge!

Until next time.....

Kent MacDonald
Director of Operations



Nursing Hook

This month marks 1 full year from when a provincial state of emergency was declared due to the world-wide pandemic caused by the coronavirus.

One year ago we were making changes daily depending on what new research emerged about this new virus. Cleaning, masking, distancing.

Now, here we are a year later preparing for vaccine clinics with the Moderna vaccine.

Preparations are well underway and Willow Lodge is ready to accept vaccine any day.

Thank you for being prompt in completing the required consent forms.

These consents are required for each dose so another one will be required before the second dose is administered.

We are hopeful to start vaccine clinics for residents in March, if not before!

Until then...

Keep well and stay safe.

Lisa Hodder
Director of Care



Ingredients

1 cup butter, softened
1 cup packed light brown sugar
½ cup white sugar
2 eggs
1 tsp. vanilla extract
1 ½ cups all-purpose flour
1 tsp. baking soda
1 tsp ground cinnamon
½ tsp. ground cloves
½ tsp salt
3 cups rolled oats
1 cup raisins

Spicy Oatmeal Raisin Cookies



Directions

Step 1

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).

Step 2

In a large bowl, cream together the butter, butter flavored shortening, brown sugar, white sugar, eggs, and vanilla until smooth. Combine the flour, baking soda, cinnamon, cloves, and salt; stir into the sugar mixture. Stir in the oats and raisins. Drop by rounded teaspoons onto ungreased cookie sheets.

Step 3

Bake 10 to 12 minutes until light and golden. Do not overbake. Let them cool for 2 minutes before removing from cookie sheets to cool completely. Store in airtight container. Make sure you get some, because they don't last long!

The residents couldn't help but come back for seconds when they helped make these delicious cookies one afternoon!

Enjoy!!

Amanda Rees

Dietician



Care Partner News

LOVE really was in the air for February. One of our Care Partners here at Willow Lodge got **engaged** over Valentines weekend to her sweetheart Jason Jollimore. Congratulations KAREN MACNEIL for your exciting engagement. Your friends here at Willow Lodge wish you many years filled with love, comfort, laughter, adventure and cherished memories. ♥

Willow Lodge would like to welcome Angela Benjamin to the Care Partner Team. Welcome aboard “Angie”, we are excited to have you join our Willow Lodge family!

Randi Munro & Jennifer Tattrie have been busy again, selling raffle tickets on an Easter Wreath. All the proceeds will go towards the Christmas index program for Christmas 2021! If you or your loved ones are interested in buying a ticket, you can purchase tickets at the front desk with Daphne, or e-transfer your money to Randi Munro or Jennifer Tattrie. **randimunro@live.ca** or **jentattrie@hotmail.com**



Prices for tickets are:

3 for \$5.00 or 1 ticket for \$2.00, the draw date is set for March 12th, 2021.

The picture provided is an Easter Wreath, and it is available to view at Daphne's desk at the main office. Thank you for your contributions, and thank you Randi and Jennifer for your thoughtfulness and hard work.

Willow Lodge News

Hello March, in like a lion, out like a lamb? It's been quite the winter hasn't it... Mother nature is a bit confused these days. But lets hope she is ready for some spring flowers and warm showers! The residents here at Willow Lodge are ready to get outside and enjoy some warm sunshine and fresh air. However, I believe they enjoyed watching the kids play out in the snow last week. Grade pre-primary surprised the Barrachois neighborhood, and played outside in the snow in front of the dining room windows. The residents were thrilled to watch the kids play and laugh in the snow! Looking ahead, to finish off the winter, the residents will be having a **Winter Carnival! March 8-12th**, will be a fun filled week for our residents and staff! Each day has a "theme" along with a themed dessert for lunch! See Below:

MONDAY	PAJAMA DAY	<i>"Roll out of bed"</i> – Jelly Rolls & Rice Crispies
TUESDAY	TOURIST DAY	<i>Nova Scotia</i> Blueberry Grunt & Butter Tarts
WEDNESDAY	BRIGHT & COLORFUL	<i>"Rainbow Layered</i> Jell-O & Sparkle Cookies
THURSDAY	CRAZY HAIR DAY	<i>Whacky</i> Chocolate Cake & Braided sugared cookies
FRIDAY	WESTERN FLANNEL FRIDAY	<i>"Haystacks"</i> —Apple Dumplings with Maple Sugar Sauce



MARCH 8-12

St. Patrick's Day is also on it's way! There will be a party in each neighborhood for the residents & staff, **March 17th at 2:00pm**. We will enjoy, music, green beer, good food, and fun!! See you then!!



Eden Corner

A resident here at Willow Lodge was gifted with exciting news! Mary Beckett is a proud great grandmother to her 1st Great-GRAND-DAUGHTER.

"Vayda Rain Ramsey" was born on January 30th, 2021, at 7:03 am, weighing 7lbs and 3 oz! Mary has been receiving pictures of her great-gran daughter over the last few weeks. Her photo album is starting to fill up with beautiful memories for Mary to look through, and watch her little great-grand daughter grow. Your friends here at Willow Lodge are very happy for your amazing news.

Congratulations Mary Beckett and family. ♥



Hi there it's me popping in again...

Please make sure that the person
responsible for your resident's
financial affairs has filed the tax form
by April 30th – It is of the utmost importance
that the residents income taxes be filed.

Thank You,

Peggy W.

Financial Office