

HOLY FAMILY

LIFELONG LEGACY



BUDS & SPUDS



Ukrainian "Buds & Spuds" Family Night was a success! A huge thank you to the HFH Auxiliary for organizing such a wonderful evening. The delicious food and fantastic performance by The Group Five, had everyone dancing the night away!











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A HALLOWEEN TO REMEMBER

Our residents enjoyed a fun-filled Halloween! The day began with a costume parade, where our staff and volunteers dressed up to spread joy throughout the home. Later, a party with live music by Andre V. & the Maze filled the atrium with song. To wrap up, residents were treated to an oldies TV show night, rekindling cherished memories.

We would also like to recognize our HCA, Janelle (Scooby Doo!), who came in on her day off to participate in the costume parade! Her dedication to our residents perfectly embodies: "to serve is to love".









STORY OF A RESIDENT: "A SOUL OF WARMTH AND FIRE"



Maria is a beautiful soul, shaped by the balance of her joys and sorrows. Her eyes, both sparkling and soft, seem to hold an entire world of feeling, as if each tear has only deepened their warmth. When you offer her a smile, she returns it with a genuine light that feels like an embrace, welcoming you with a kindness.

The Italian fire within her comes alive whenever there's music in the air, turning even the smallest space into a stage for joy. Dance is her language, a way of sharing her love and passion with the world around her.

BLESSING OF HANDS RITUAL

Over 100 staff members gathered in the chapel to receive a special Blessing of the Hands ritual. This event, part of Spiritual Care Awareness Week, was a touching tribute to the countless hours of care provided by Holy Family Home staff.





Our hands are the instruments of our care, the tools we use to soothe, comfort, heal and uplift. The ritual was a powerful and moving reminder of the healing power of human touch. It was a moment to pause, reflect, and renew our commitment to providing compassionate care to our residents...

We extend our gratitude to the Spiritual Care Team for organizing this beautiful afternoon.

HEALTHCARE SUPPORT WORKERS DAY

On October 18, 2024, we celebrated Provincial Healthcare Support Workers Day to honour our dedicated staff. The event featured a pizza lunch, photo booth, and a "Did You Know" information area highlighting the important work of each support worker position. We appreciate the hard work and dedication of our support workers and are grateful for their contributions to Holy Family!





















KFC LUNCH

Residents were recently delighted to be treated to a KFC lunch, hosted by the Recreation department.

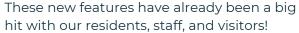
Who doesn't love an opportunity to socialize while enjoying fried chicken?!





NEW INTERACTIVE FEATURES AT TOWN CENTRE

We're excited to announce the addition of two new interactive features at Town Centre! Designed to promote physical, cognitive, and social engagement, these tools are easily accessible to residents 24/7. They're particularly beneficial for residents living with dementia, as they incorporate familiar themes and provide purposeful activities.







PINK DAY: A SHOW OF SOLIDARITY AGAINST BREAST CANCER

October was Breast Cancer Awareness Month and HFH showed its support in a big way! "Pink Day" was a huge success, with many wearing pink and generously donating over \$280 and 65 bras.



The donations will support Cancer de Mama, an organization that repurposes bras into prosthetic devices, while the monetary donations will benefit the Canadian Cancer Society. Thank you to everyone who participated!



UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Remembrance Day Service will take place on November 8, 2024 at 10:00 AM in the Auditorium. All residents and families are welcome.



- The Resident Council Meeting will be held on November 28, 2024 at 3:00 PM in the Link Dining Room. All residents are welcome to attend.
- Join us for the annual HFH Staff Christmas Party, a "Snowflake Soiree" on December 13, 2024! Tickets are available at reception. All staff are encouraged to attend.



Reminder: Please use the stairs or service elevators during resident transport times (Chapel, Recreation)

Our Maintenance department completes an average of roughly 2,481 work orders monthly!





ANGELA PEELER Holy Family Home Chief Executive Officer

As the crisp autumn air settles in, we are reminded of the importance of the warmth of home. Inspired by the words of Saint Mother Teresa, "Home is where love resides, memories are created, friends always belong, and laughter never ends," this month we've been fortunate to create just such a home. From family nights to quiet moments of reflection, we've cherished every moment together.

As the holiday season approaches, let's keep that warmth and comfort, ensuring our residents truly feel at home.

