

August 2022

# **Grand Viewpoints**

## Administrator's Message

Hello Everyone,

There are times when, despite our best efforts, residents may feel that their needs are not being met and may wish to formally address their concerns but are reluctant to do so for varied reasons. This message is to provide support and guidance for residents who wish to bring concerns forward and to reassure residents that they are within their right to do so.

While the staff at Grandview Lodge strive to provide resident centered care; we know there are challenges and gaps that do not always make that possible and as a result resident concerns or complaints may arise.

Respectfully bringing concerns forward should be viewed by all involved as an opportunity to gather suggestions, for change, and to do better.

## **Know your rights!**

## RIGHT TO BE INFORMED, PARTICIPATE, AND MAKE A COMPLAINT

- 27. **Every resident** has the right to be informed in writing of any law, rule or policy affecting services provided to the resident and of the procedures for initiating complaints.
- 28. Every resident has the right to participate in the Residents' Council.
- 29. **Every resident** has the right to raise concerns or recommend changes in policies and services on behalf of themselves or others to the following persons and organizations without interference and without fear of coercion, discrimination or reprisal, whether directed at the resident or anyone else:
  - i. the Residents' Council.
  - ii. the Family Council.
  - iii. the licensee, and, if the licensee is a corporation, the directors and officers of the corporation, and, in the case of a home approved under Part IX, a member of the

committee of management for the home under section 135 or of the board of management for the home under section 128 or 132.

iv. staff members.

v. government officials.

vi. any other person inside or outside the long-term care home.

## How can a resident bring a concern forward?

Often times concerns can be easily corrected in the moment by respectfully communicating the concern to the person directly responsible. This may be as simple as letting a staff member know your concern and sharing what they could do to correct it for you.

Other times a resolution may be more complicated and will require the assistance of a member of the Management Team. Should this be the case, you can request a meeting by calling the extension listed on the last page of this newsletter or stop in the office at any time.

If at any time you feel that your concerns are not addressed or you feel that your concerns are related to a risk of harm or potential harm you may contact the Ministry of Long-Term Care or the Ontario Patient Ombudsman to investigate the concern.

I am confident that together issues can be resolved and I respect your right to involve other supports when you feel it is necessary.

Jennifer Jacob, Administrator

To contact the Ministry of Long-Term Care:

By phone: Toll-free: 1-866-434-0144 (8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m., 7 days a week)

By mail: Director

Long-Term Care Inspections Branch Long-Term Care Operations Division

119 King St. W., 11<sup>th</sup> Floor Hamilton, Ontario L8P 4Y7

## **Contact the Patient Ombudsman**

If the complainant has already contacted the home directly and the Long-Term Care Family Support and Action Line (toll-free at 1-866-434-0144) and was not able to reach a satisfactory resolution, they can contact the Patient Ombudsman:

- <u>online</u> <u>www.patientombudsman.ca/Complaints/Make-a-complaint/Submit-Complaint</u>
- by calling 1-888-321-0339 (toll free) or 416-597-0339 (in Toronto)
- TTY: 416-597-5371

## **Changes to Cable Services**

Please be advised of a change to our Rogers cable services coming soon. The current cable boxes used at GVL will become obsolete and no longer function as Rogers will be transitioning the cable boxes over to Ignite TV.

As with any fee for service at Grandview Lodge, residents are not obligated to sign on with the vendor of the home and may opt to enter into a contract with a vendor of their choice. It is the responsibility of the resident and/or their SDM to source and manage that contract.

#### What does this mean for Residents?

There will be a modest **increase** in your monthly cable bill. I will communicate the exact monthly cost to you as soon as it is confirmed and prior to implementing the increase. We anticipate the rate to be approximately \$25.00/month.

- Monthly subscription costs are reduced for our residents because of the bulk purchase agreement through GVL.
- Additional channels may be added upon individual resident request and will be subject to additional
  costs. It is the responsibility of the resident to make such arrangements.
- Grandview Lodge will continue to process individual payments through the resident's own comfort trust account.

A user friendly remote for residents.

• We are hopeful that this new voice activated remote will be useful for residents who struggle with vision or dexterity in relation to small buttons. Additionally this feature will be more efficient for staff who assist residents with locating their preferred television programs

This new system requires an HDMI connection and will not work with older model televisions.

• If you are unsure if your television is compatible please ask one of the staff for assistance.

#### When will the transition take place?

- The transition to the Ignite TV Equipment will take place in November.
- Residents will be required to contact Rogers to transition to the Ignite system. GVL staff will assist in facilitating this upon request.

#### **Additional Information** Bulk Ignite TV-only Starter Channels ΔRC CHCH OMNI 2 TVA Montreal ABCHD CHCH HD Fox HD OMNI.2 HD TVA Montreal HD ΔMI-télé Cityty Global Ontario Legislature Unis TV ΔMItv Citytv HD GlobalHD Ontario Legislature HD Unis TV HD APTN CPAC English ICI Radio-Canada Télé PBS TV Ontario APTN HD CPAC English HD ICI Radio-Canada Télé HD PRSHD TV Ontario HD Aquarium Channel CPAC French TV5 ICI RDI The Real Estate Channel\* The Weather Network CPAC French HD ICI RDI HD TV5 HD Aquarium Channel HD NBC Today's Shopping Choice CBC CTV Unis TV CBC HD CTV HD NBCHD Today's Shopping Choice HD Unis TV HD CTV Two TV Ontario CBS OMNI East YES TV CBS CTV Two HD OMNI East HD TV Ontario HD YES TV HD Channel 299 Fireplace Channel OMNI.1 TV5 TV5 HD Channel 299 HD Fireplace Channel HD OMNI.1 HD Bulk Ignite TV-only Starter Stingray Digital Audio Channels Stingray Dance Clubbin' Stingray Hip Hop Stingray Remember the 80's Stingray Special French Stingray Adult Alternative Stingray Easy Listening Stingray Hit List Stingray No Fences Stingray Rock Stingray The Blues Stingray Rock Alternative Stingray Hot Country Stingray All Day Party Stingray Flashback 70's Stingray Nostalgie Stingray The Chill Lounge Stingray Jazz Classics Stingray Big Band Stingray Franco Country Stingray Now4K Stingray Silk (Love Songs) Stingray The Spa Stingray Classic Masters Stingray Franco Retro Stingray Jukebox Oldies Stingray Pop Adult Stingray Smooth Jazz Stingray Today's K-Pop Stingray Classic Rock Stingray Greatest Hits Stingray Kids' Stuff Stingray Pop Classics Stingray Soul'n R&B Stingray Top Détente Stingray Country Classics Stingray Urban Beats Stingray Hindi Gold Stingray Reggaeton Stingray Special English Stingray Latin

## Ignite TV Equipment... it's next-generation at your fingertips



- ✓ Record up to 8 shows at once (2 more than the competition)
- ✓ All boxes are HD/4K compatible
- √ 200 Hours of Cloud Storage (the largest 4K recording capacity)
- ✓ 1 Year Cloud Storage (300 days longer than the competition)
- Move your TV wherever you like as all boxes only require a HDMI and power source
- Bluetooth stream the audio of your TV show to your Bluetooth headset for more viewing flexibility
- Activate up to 10 wireless boxes (none are required to be hardwired by ethernet or coax).



- Voice Control to simplify access to content with the Award-Winning Voice Remote.
- Set PVR recordings, find TV shows, and launch movies all by using your voice.
- No need to learn a new channel lineup. Want to watch your favourite show, but don't know which channel it comes on? No problem! Simply say "Law & Order" into the remote to access the channel.
- ✓ Search by actor, athlete, director, or key phrase lines like "I'll be back."
- IR (Infrared)/RF (Radio frequency) so your Ignite TV Box can be hidden from view and the remote will still connect.

## Ignite TV Remote

Access the Volume button at the top of the remote



Example of Voice commands:

- √ "Weather Channel"
- √ "What time is it?"
- ✓ "What's my WiFi password?"
- ✓ "What's the score of the Leafs or Blue Jays game?"
- √ "Turn on the Leafs or Blue Jays game?"
- "CP24"
- √ "Smooth Jazz"

Press and hold the **Mic** button on your Voice Remote.

Find titles with accessibility features by saying:

- √ "Turn on Closed Captioning."
- √ "Show me movies with Video Description.

Explore sports by team, event, school and more:

- "Golf."
- ✓ "Turn on the Leafs game."
- ✓ "What sports games are on now?"

## Folklore for the Season

Observe on what day in August the first heavy fog occurs, and expect a hard frost on the same day in October.

## **Nursing Department**

#### Welcome

I am very happy to inform you that Daniela Grimaldi has been hired into the permanent Administrative Assistant Nursing position. Daniela has been working in the Admin Assistant role in a temporary capacity since March, and she has been a real asset to our team. Daniela comes to us with a wealth of experience in Social Services and Administrative capacities.

I am also very pleased to inform you that Nicole Snow has been hired into the permanent Unit Clerk, Nursing position. Nicole has worked in administrative positions in the past, most recently for a fast-paced private company where she gained very valuable skills that will benefit Grandview Lodge. Nicole has worked in the Unit Clerk position for the past few months, and we are very fortunate to have her join us on a permanent basis.

Please join me in congratulating and welcoming Daniela & Nicole in their new positions. We are very excited that the Nursing Administrative team is now fully staffed and we look forward to very positive developments in the future.

Jelte Schaafsma Director of Nursing

## **Programs and Support**

I'm very excited to announce that our VeloPlus wheelchair bike arrived in late July and we are gearing up to train staff and volunteers on the bike so our residents may enjoy a beautiful bike ride outdoors.

The VeloPlus wheelchair transport bike is designed for transporting people, who can remain seated in their own wheelchair, by cycle. The passenger is not required to be transferred between the wheelchair and the cycle.

The co-rider can be wheeled onto the plateau of the cycle easily without having to be lifted. The tilted ramp makes it easy to roll the wheelchair onto the wheelchair bike and fasten it properly with the wheelchair lock. The optional winch system makes this even easier. Instead of the driver using his or her own



power to push the wheelchair user, including the wheelchair needing to go up or down, the electric winch takes over.

If you or someone you know would like to be trained to take residents for a ride please contact me, <a href="mailto:amoore@haldimandcounty.on.ca">amoore@haldimandcounty.on.ca</a> ext. 2233.

If you would like to watch a quick video on how the bike operates please visit: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IYZhdJFvcoo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IYZhdJFvcoo</a>

On September 11<sup>th</sup> we are planning to bring back our Family Day picnic! This day was always extremely memorable for Residents, families, and staff.

We know we have come a long way from when we started this pandemic however we still want to ensure that everyone feels comfortable and safe attending a larger event. There will be a limit to the number of people who may attend and we will be setting that number a little later on.

Please look out for more information to come in the next couple of weeks. For now, please set aside Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>!

## **Friendly Reminders**

- Residents' Council will meet on August 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Gathering Room
- We are still looking for people to be a part of our Family Council. If interested, please contact Amy Moore, Supervisor, Programs and Support.

## August Home Area BBQs

- Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> Hillview
- Aug 9<sup>th</sup> Bridgeview
- Aug 16<sup>th</sup> Creekview
- Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> Marshview



Amy Appel, Supervisor, Programs and Support

#### **Perseid Meteor Shower**

August is often a wonderful month for star gazing! It's the month of the Perseid meteor shower, which is one of the most prolific showers and reaches its maximum between August 11 and 13. This



year, however, the best of the Perseids occurs at the same time as the full Moon, which means that the Moon's brightness will likely wash out many of the "falling stars!"

Luckily, you can still see the Perseids even if they're not at their peak. The shower lasts from about July 23 to August 22, so for the best chance of catching the Perseids, keep an eye out in early August or around the 20th.

## **Dietary Services**

## **Vitamin D in the Elderly**

Vitamin D is a fat-soluble vitamin that is essential for building and maintaining strong bones and teeth. With advanced age, this vitamin plays an important role in reducing risk of fatal fractures or falls, osteoporosis, and osteomalacia associated with vitamin D deficiency. Research shows that vitamin D also supports heart health, brain health and immune function.

You can get vitamin D through sunlight, food and supplements. Sun exposure helps the body produce vitamin D, which is typically decreased during the cold winter months. The risk of deficiency increases with age because the skin cannot make vitamin D as efficiently as before. Natural food sources of vitamin D include fatty fish, milk, eggs and fortified beverages.



Symptoms of vitamin D deficiency may include muscle weakness, changes in mood and cognitive function, fatigue, and stress fractures. Weakened muscles and bones from low amounts can increase the risk of falls and fractures, which can be fatal for seniors.

The recommended dietary allowance (RDA) for individuals over 70 years of age is 800 IU / 20 mcg with an upper limit of 4000 IU / 100mcg. Most of our residents take 2000 IU daily via supplement to ensure adequacy, however, spending 10-15 minutes outside each day and eating vitamin D rich foods can also help!

Taryn Lynn Supervisor, Dietary Services & Brooklyn Seal, Registered Dietitian



Roy Alton Barb Christie Joseph Cyr Joyce Haslam Ray Hogue Laura Hoover

Theresa Jacob
Hans Niendorf
Lewis Richardson
Jim Worrall
Gloria Young

### Free Ranging

Don't be alarmed if you see Rhoda and her friend (yet to be named) roaming around Centennial Gardens as we are letting them free-range during the day and they are loving it. Be assured they are safely tucked away in their cozy coop for safety at night.





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#### **Mission Statement:**

"With comfort, compassion and care, Grandview Lodge Community supports a meaningful life for residents."

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With heavy hearts we said goodbye to:

Reginald Bentley
Ellenor Black

## **Physicians**

Dr. Kamouna Attending Physician/

Medical Director

Dr. Ezzat Attending Physician

Upon request, the Director of Nursing may attend Physician appointments held at Grandview Lodge. Please see the registered staff in your home area.

# The following services are available at Grandview Lodge:

Khurrum Khan Physiotherapist
Bobbi-Jo Biggley Hairdresser & Barber

Lisa Mederios, RPN Foot Care

Rosanne Turenne, RDH Dental Hygienist

For more information regarding the above services or to book transportation for an off-site medical appointment (we have a van, fees apply), please call 905 774-7547, ext. 2221.

