

Thank you for all your support over the past year! 2020 has been quite a year for all of us—Covid 19 has put a new spin on how we visit and when we visit. But it has also given us an opportunity to “get back to the basics” in life, getting caught up on chores around the house, testing our creativity and techy skills, reflecting upon years gone by. But most of all it has given us the opportunity to realize what matters most in life—family and friends. It is my wish to all of you that you have a chance to safely connect with those important to you over Christmas as well as I wish for a brighter and “more normal” 2021.

Seasons' Greetings,
Barbara Wakeford
Restorative / Activation Director

What is Christmas? It is the tenderness for the past, courage for the present and hope for the future. It is a fervent wish that every cup overflow with blessings rich and eternal, and that every path may lead to PEACE! Christmas Joy to You and Yours!

Sue Jaunzemis
Administrator / Director of Care

Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for a Healthy and Happy New Year! Take Care!
From Judy and all the Dietary Staff

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Chris and all the Housekeeping and Laundry Staff!

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December Birthdays

The birth of Jesus will be the only birthday we will be celebrating this holiday season.

In Loving Memory

Our deepest sympathy to the families of Max Held, Maria Henderson, and Neil Greer. They will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by all. Due to COVID-19 restrictions on visitors and group programs, we will be hosting our Celebration of Life for Max and Maria on December 9th at 2 p.m. A Celebration of Life for Neil will be held in January 2021.

These programs will be held via virtual technology with Rev. Jeff Hawkins delivering comforting words and guidance from his home via Skype. Please contact Barb Wakeford at 519-335-3168 or Barbara.w@fordwichevillage.ca by December 7th for more information.

Resident & Family Christmas Party

This event will be held on Dec.16th at 2 p.m. but with a techy twist. Due to group programs restrictions we will be holding the music portion via Skype with The Haywards. Also, I will be setting up another computer to offer our families an opportunity to join us from the comfort and safety of their homes. For more information, please contact Barb Wakeford by December 14th. At 3 p.m. Santa will be getting his Elves to hand out gifts. We appreciate it if there could be a gift brought in by December 14th so that it can sit separately for 24 hours prior to program day and to ensure that all Residents have a little something to open. For more information contact Barb.

Programs continue to be modified—in fact, we have been embracing more technology based programs such as using an Ipad and projector to skype/zoom some of our volunteers and musically talented friends to help provide a variety of programs. Some choirs have provided comforting music for us by singing on the front lawn and Residents enjoying these visits safely from the Activity Room. Please note that there are some programs listed on the calendar that are marked “tentatively booked”. This is largely based upon what the Ministry dictates what we will be allowed to do as time goes on. We continue to try new programs which has helped to keep us emotionally, intellectually, physically, socially, and spiritually stimulated and engaged. All have been well received and the residents wish to keep trying new ideas and keep the recent ones going! I am so proud of how resilient our Residents have become and how they support and encourage each other even more so—we truly have become a strong “family” unit! But as in every family there are changes. In our Fordwich “Family” we have a change on the horizon. Sue Jaunzemis, Administrator/DOC will be retiring after 12 years at Fordwich and over 44 years as an RN. We thank her for her skilled guidance and nurturing ways. And we wish her all the best as she enters the next exciting chapter of her life—Retirement!! We welcome Anu as our DOC and Jordan as our Administrator. Take care everyone!
Barb Wakeford