



A.C.T.I.V.E at the Villa Winter 2016 newsletter

As we close the year 2016, let us cherish all the memories that were made, all the fun we enjoyed and the friendships that we nurtured. Let 2017 be a year where we can continue these and create more fond memories and enjoyment.

We have many exciting things happening in 2017 and we cannot wait to start the New Year with all of you.

As always, there are some housekeeping notes that we need to pass along to you before this new season starts:

Our **Annual Membership Fee** 3% Increase will be effective January 1st, 2017. The program fee will now be \$20.60 for groups A, B, C and Special Needs per day, per client including the meal. If you are unable to attend the program due to illness, hospitalizations, vacation, appointment, etc., we will now be charging \$15.60 to hold your spot in the program.

As winter (and of course the snow) is approaching us quickly, we ask that your loved one's personal belongings such as their jackets, hats, gloves, etc. are **labelled** with their name. This will assist the staff during this busy season to ensure personal belongings are sent with the correct person.

Christmas Closure Dates: We will be closed on December 24th and reopening on Tuesday, January 3rd, 2017.



As we enter the holiday season, we enter the cold and flu season as well. If someone is feeling unwell, we ask that they refrain from attending the program as we want to encourage a healthy environment for everyone. Please call your Therapeutic Recreationist to report any absences.

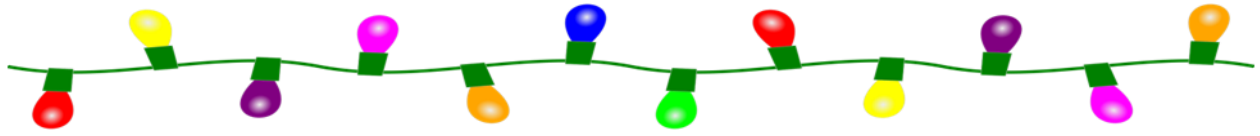
Program Group	Therapeutic Recreationist	Extension
A	Meghan	2397
B	Melissa	2219
C	Stephanie	2234
D	Karen	2397
Special Needs	Kathleen	2221

On behalf of all of us at the Day Program, we would like to wish you and yours a very Blessed Christmas and may the New Year bring you comfort, love and cheer.

With warmest wishes,

Deborah Fernandes

Manager, Adult Day Program/Volunteers



It is Christmas in the heart that puts Christmas in the air

- W.T. Ellis



Hello everyone!! A big shout out to everyone who donated baked goods or money to our United Way Bake Sale!!! Thank you for all of your support!!

We are about halfway through November which means it's almost my favourite time of year... Christmas!!! We have a wonderful December planned, complete with lots of exciting Christmas programs, awesome entertainment, and of course, our Annual Christmas Party!! **The Thursday Afternoon Singers** are with us on **Thursday, December 8th** to kick start our month off with some fabulous singing!! The following day, our good friend **Fran** is back for some **sing-a-longs by the piano** on **Friday, December 9th**. The following week, **Patrick Murray** is with us on **Monday, December 12th** and the one and only **Aiden Purnell** will be with us on **Wednesday, December 14th**. So warm up that singing voice and get on those dancing shoes, the first two weeks are sure to be a party!!

Now for what you have all been waiting for!! We will be having our **Annual Christmas Party** on **Friday, December 16th**. It will be held at the Michelangelo Events & Conference Centre in Hamilton (1555 Upper Ottawa Street) from 10:30am-3pm. The party will start with **David McKee** who has some special Christmas songs he would like to share with us!! Afterwards we have a treat for you!! We get to enjoy a turkey dinner complete with all the fixings. Deeeeeeelicious!! After lunch, we have **The Smile Theatre** back again to perform a holiday musical for us!! They did an amazing job last year so we can't wait to see what they have in store for us on the 16th!! And if that wasn't enough excitement, there will be door prizes, a raffle, and a 50/50 draw happening that day as well!! If you wish to take part in the 50/50 draw, remember to bring your money in! **We kindly ask that all money for the Christmas Party be handed in by December 2nd.** It is sure to be a wonderful and memorable night for all!!

To get into the festive spirit, you may see Susan around the day program helping us make Christmas cards or our potter Keith, helping us make some beautiful pottery for the holiday season! The last week of Christmas, we have **Peter Shaw** coming on **Monday, December 20th**, **Christmas sing-a-longs** on the **21st and 22nd**, and **Joan Ballentyne** will be here on our **Friday, December 23rd**!! Take a look at your calendars to see what your group has planned for the month!! I can promise you, it will be a month filled with joy, fun, and of course, Christmas cheer!!

Our last day before holiday shutdown will be Friday, December 23rd and we will be returning on Tuesday, January 3rd, 2017.

May every day of the New Year glow with good cheer and happiness for you and your family! Have a wonderful holiday and we will see you in the New Year everyone!!

Love, Stephanie (and everybody at the day program)

