

TABOR MANOR



Tabor Times

April 2015

It is so wonderful to see the bright sunshine. The day light hours are longer and we can anticipate warmer weather, soon I hope. Although we have had a cold winter with more than enough snow we can know that spring is here.

On February 28th I had the privilege of attending the resident art show. What a wonderful event. To see the faces of our residents as they displayed their work was incredibly touching. It was a great opportunity for staff to learn more about the residents we serve. A big thank you to Sherri Davis and her team for honouring our residents by show casing their talents.

We continue to train all staff in the Montessori philosophy of care. We currently have 70 staff trained and look forward to offering this wonderful training opportunity to all staff. The interdisciplinary team continues to hold monthly Montessori meetings where new ideas are shared and in some cases these ideas/kits are demonstrated before implementing them on the floors. We discuss the challenges and victories of this implementation. It is exciting to feel the energy of the group when we meet and talk about our Montessori successes.

I am delighted to report that our Tabor Manor family has grown; we have all 25 wellness suites filled. Some of the tenants are new to our community and some of the wellness suite tenants have moved from Mapleview and Evergreen apartments. Please join me in welcoming our new friends.

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish you and your loved ones a blessed Easter.

Christine Leonard, Director, Tabor Manor

WE REMEMBER...

God's Grace

WE WELCOME...

Doris Thompson

David Penner

Johanne Jensen

James Cowan

WE CELEBRATE THE APRIL BIRTHDAYS OF...

Margaret Schultz—1st

Margaret Gerlach-2nd

Helene Fast— 2nd

Shirley Fediuk-3rd

George Hazley—5th

Anganeta Wiebe-15th

Ruth Rose—15th

Mona Bartleet —15th

Richard Snyder— 16th

Mary Penner—18th

Richard Beckman— 22nd

Susanna Lammert-23rd

Peter Falk— 24th

Eva Jason—25th

Abram Thiessen - 27th

Bertha Mundle— 30th

Tabor as a Community



As you may know, when it is a resident's birthday, the Supervisory Team and all those available come to sing and celebrate with that resident. It is a wonderful time to acknowledge someone's special day. As a community of faith, we also wish to formally recognize another day of great significance, the day someone is called home by their Heavenly Father. The day after a resident passes away, we as a Supervisory Team

will come to stand in the space that the deceased resident sat we will acknowledge their death. There will be a reading, prayer and a time for co-residents and staff to share memories and their thoughts. Our intention is that this program will allow for improved communication, and more importantly allow our residents and staff for whom most are not able to attend a funeral a moment to reflect.

We have also taken a few more initiatives. In Tabor Times, there is a section entitled, WE REMEMBER listing the residents who have passed away in the month past. Wall mounted frames have been hung on each Home Area to display the picture and information of a deceased resident. An Honour Guard will be called to stand silent, acknowledge and show respect as the body makes the final exit from Tabor Manor. A Dignity Quilt was lovingly made by Lolly Challice, a dedicated Tabor Manor volunteer. The embroidery reads, "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want" and "I shall dwell in the House of the Lord forever. Psalm 23". The dignity quilt will be used when the body of the deceased makes the final exit from Tabor. If the resident had served as a veteran, the Canadian flag may be used instead. I wish to extend a sincere **thank you** to Lolly for the hours of work she served in designing and creating our Dignity Quilt and to the Ladies Auxiliary of Tabor Manor who generously funded this initiative. ~Sherri

April Special Events

Cubbies Kids Program—Apr 1st on
each floor starting at 6:30pm

EASTER BANQUET—Apr 2nd at noon

Travelogue—Apr 10th at 3pm

Ukesters—Apr 15th at 3pm

Scott Lea Ladies Choral
Group—Apr 20th at 10:30am

Grantham Kids Choir—Apr 22nd at
6:30pm

