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Dundas Manor

April 2026



From the Administrator's Desk...

March was a COVID-19 Outbreak month that hit our home hard. We appreciate all our residents and families supporting the home during this difficult time. 6 years after COVID started, we are still seeing it and did cause significant illness. We hope by the time this newsletter goes out, the outbreak will be declared over.

We recently had a Ministry inspection focused on food production. It resulted in several areas for improvement which I can assure you, we are working on diligently to improve.

Dara Ferguson, our Infection Control Lead has taken on the management of the housekeeping and laundry department. Her expertise in these areas of infection prevention and control will help improve in these two areas. Thanks to Dara!

In March, our front-line mockup team for PSW's, Registered Staff, Activity Staff, Housekeeping Staff and Physiotherapy Staff joined us for a Stage 3 visit of the resident rooms. There were a lot of "wows" heard during the visit and the staff signed off on the progress to date. Things keep moving along and please see updated pictures and information in our newsletter.

Wishing you a great month of April 😊



Sincerely,
Susan Poirier

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT AND EDUCATION ZOOM MEETING

We host **2** virtual sessions: **Monday, April 27th, 2026**
at 2:00pm and 5:30pm **Zoom link sent by email**

Updates from the Dietary Department~

March has been a *month of growth and improvement* within our Dietary Department. Over the past few weeks, we have been making several internal changes with the goal of providing an even better dining experience for all our residents.

Our team is implementing stricter procedures and measurements to ensure that every meal we serve is rich in nutrients, enjoyable to eat, and prepared according to each resident's individual needs. We are also reinforcing practices that ensure food safety, cleanliness, and accuracy in meal preparation and service.

These changes are part of our ongoing commitment to quality care. We want every meal to be not only nourishing but also tasty, safe, and served with dignity and respect.

Food is more than just nutrition—it is comfort, connection, and an important part of daily life. Our team continues to work hard to create meals that residents look forward to and enjoy every day.

Looking Ahead – April 2026, Spring & Summer Menu Planning

During the month of April, we will begin working on new menu ideas for our upcoming **Spring and Summer Menu Cycle**. We would love to hear from our residents and families about dishes they enjoy or would like to see added to the menu.

If you have any suggestions, please feel free to write them down and leave them at the **Front Office** or share them with one of our Dietary Staff members. Your ideas help us create menus that reflect the preferences and tastes of our home.



Andrea Munoz

Nutritional Manager

Dear Residents and Families!

We sure have some time to make up for in the Activity Department.

When we are in an outbreak, we cannot host our big programs and host our Pastors or Entertainers. We focus on 1:1 and small group interactions to prevent the spread of infection. This can cause a lot of boredom and long dreary days. We look forward to a month filled with fun and gatherings in April. ❤️

We will celebrate Easter early in the month.

We will be letting our color shine in **Rainbow** week mid-month! At the Manor Rainbow Week is about celebrating the colors, encouraging folks to let their color shine, reminding everyone we are a community that cares for each other no matter your gender, race, who you love, where you come from, what kind of car you drive, what you prefer to eat, what music you like, ...**we all make up the colors in the Manor rainbow!**

We welcome Kelly Durant and Helen Kerr who will share with us what teaching students was like back in the day and now. This should be a wonderful collaboration of wisdom to be shared.

We have rebooked our Multicultural Fair that we had to cancel in March. Mark your calendars and plan to come! All are welcome!

The smells of Spring are in the air.... We will be out and about and on the grounds in no time!

I remain grateful to be your Activity Director,

Jennifer Hill

A graphic with the text "Spring is here" in a green, cursive font. The word "Spring" is larger and has pink and purple rays above it. "is here" is smaller and in a pink font. The entire graphic is enclosed in a purple rectangular border.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

LOLA A	91yrs young
WILLIAM S	74yrs young

April Birthstone

·Diamond·



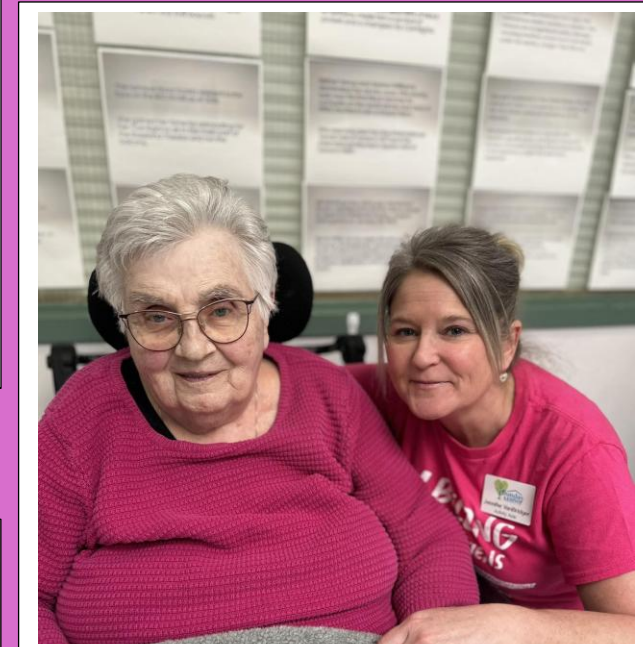
The most coveted gemstone to date, **diamonds** are a symbol of eternal love. They're thought to provide those who wear them with better relationships, balance, clarity, abundance, and an increase in inner strength.



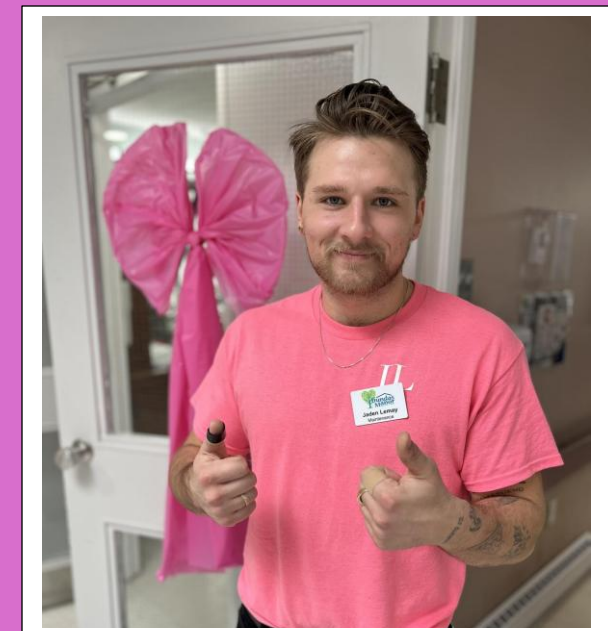
REDEVELOPMENT UPDATE



- Window installations complete. Exterior caulking required to be completed.
- Mech. equipment & electrical rough in work continuing in Center Core area
- Sprinkler piping is installed, final branch piping to drops and sidewall sprinkler heads required to be completed.
- Painting in progress all resident wings
- Roofing complete
- Framing of stud walls in center block on both levels completed. Boarding install commenced in these areas
- Dining area ceiling bulkheads framed.
- Blocking and backing being installed as walls completed.
- Fire & Acoustic Spray being completed in all RHA wings, on-going work
- Firestopping on-going work.
- Painting in basement area
- Finished flooring installation underway in basement.
- Toilet Partitions in basement staff change rooms installed.
- Fire stopping at top of stair enclosure walls underway
- Corridor flooring in southeast wing installed.
- Resident suite mockups completed - reviewed by DM staff and project leadership team.
- Main entrance sliding doors installed.



Some of our *wonderful people* dressed in **PINK**



OUR ANNUAL STAFF APPRECIATION EVENT AND SERVICE AWARDS CELEBRATION

We are Celebrating the best care team around! Thursday, April 16, 2026, we will honour our staff with a special meal and awards.

It warms the heart to think of all they do every day! ❤️

Stay tuned for pictures in the next newsletter!



Special thanks to Reem's Studio who walked in one day and said..."I'd like to sponsor a Tim Hortons cart for the residents and staff!"

Thank you to Reem!

613-223-6930 Morrisburg for all your Spa needs.



FAMILY COUNCILS of ONTARIO

This is an organization that supports families who have a loved one living in a Long-Term Care Home. Our home does not have a Formal Family Council; however, we meet regularly with our families (through our Monthly Family Engagement and Education Meetings).

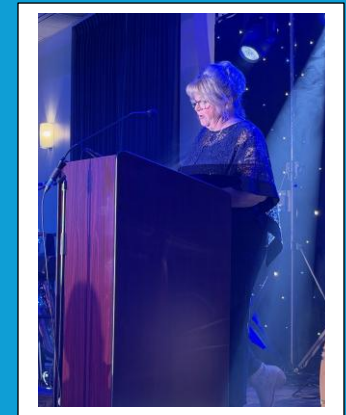
We are always open to our families wishing to start a more formal Family Council. Family Councils are fully run by the families and supported by the home. If there are family members who wish to start and run a Family Council, you are welcome to do so. Our home partners with the Ontario Association of Residents' Council (OARC)

For information and support, email info@fco.ngo or call 647-427-5551/toll-free 877-622-9968 Ext 21

Sapphires & Snowflakes Gala – February 21st, 2026, to support the redevelopment of the new Dundas Manor

Special kudos to the WDMH Foundation for a magical evening at the Matilda Township Hall.

Thank you for the generosity and support from our communities.



April 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Calendar Change 10:00am Residents' Council Meeting 2:00pm Strength and Stretch & Bunny Cake Making	2 10:15am Church with Rev. Ed Charlton 2:00pm Easter Craft 3:45pm Chair Yoga 6:30pm Short Stories & Hot Chocolate	3 10:00am RC Communion 2:00pm What does Easter Mean to You? 3:45pm Jewellery & Eyeglasses cleaning Good Friday	4 10:15am Bingo 2:00pm Easter Tea 3:45pm Montessori 
5 10:30am Church with John Plews 2:00pm Easter Treat Carts 3:45pm 1 to 1 Visits Easter Sunday	6 10:15am Chick Club 2:00pm Virginia Performs 3:45pm Friends Gather Easter Monday	7 Equipment Clinic 2:00pm Tuesday Tea 3:45pm 1 to 1 Visits	8 10:15am Strength and Stretch & Cozy Home 2:00pm Len Goldfarb Performs	9 10:15am Communion with Rev. Jonathan Askwith 2:00pm The 3 B's Perform 3:45pm Chair Yoga 6:30pm Bingo	10 10:15am Let's Get Moving 2:00pm Tuck Cart 3:45pm Jewellery & Eyeglasses cleaning	11 10:15am Heartbeats 2:00pm Bingo 3:45pm Montessori
12 10:30am Church with Kim 2:00pm Spelling Bee 3:45pm 1 to 1 Visits 	13 10:15am Pet Visits with Louise and Coco 2:00pm Tim's Cart Sponsored by "Reem's Studio" 3:45pm Friends Gather Blue Day	14 Hearing Aid Clinic 10:15am Library Visit with Joan and Jen 10:15am Pet Visits with Beth and Cody 2:00pm Tuesday Tea with Farmer John and Carol 3:45pm 1 to 1 Visits Pink Day	15 10:15am Strength and Stretch & Cozy Home 2:00pm Al Visser Performs  Yellow Day	16 10:15am Church with Rev. Daniel Wallace 2:00pm Music with Cholly 3:45pm Chair Yoga 6:30pm Bulb Planting Staff Appreciation 11am - 2pm Multicolour Day	17 8:00am Breakfast Club 10:15am Hometasks 2:00pm Java Music 3:45pm Jewellery & Eyeglasses cleaning Green Day	18 10:15am A Time to Sew 2:00pm Bingo 3:45pm Montessori 
19 10:30am Church with Alexandre Grondin 2:00pm Let's Make Chocolate Chip Cookies 3:45pm 1 to 1 Visits	20 10:15am Let's Scrapbook! 2:00pm Guest Speaker: Kelly Durant & Helen Kerr on Teaching 3:45pm Friends Gather	21 Multicultural Fair 10am-3pm Alguire Room 3:45pm 1 to 1 Visits	22 10:15am Strength and Stretch & Cozy Home 2:00pm April Birthday Party with Marleen Fawcett	23 10:15am Church with Rev. Blair Paterson 2:00pm Podcast Listening 3:45pm Chair Yoga 6:30pm Bingo	24 10:15am Bonnie Wallace Performs 2:00pm Nanaimo Squares Class 3:45pm Jewellery & Eyeglasses cleaning	25 10:15am Bingo 2:00pm Strolls 3:45pm Montessori 
26 10:15am Church with Kim 2:00pm Word Games 3:45pm 1 to 1 Visits	27 10:15am Pet Visits with Louise and Coco 2:00pm Fruit Kabab Cart 3:45pm Friends Gather	28 10:15am Men's Club: Baseball 2:00pm Tuesday Tea 3:45pm 1 to 1 Visits 	29 10:15am Strength and Stretch & Cozy Home 2:00pm April Shower Craft	30 10:15am Church with Rev. Christine Lowson 11:30am Education Session for Activity Staff 3:45pm Chair Yoga 5:00pm Supper Club		