

# THE North Lambton LODGE in Forest, Ontario

## NORTH LAMBTON LODGE | QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

39 Morris Street, Forest, Ontario



### A Note From the Administrator

It's been an active summer here at The Lodge, with lots of fun activities for everyone to participate in. Autumn is here and the cooler weather brings with it the vibrant beauty of fall colours. Thanks to everyone who helped bring that beauty to our Home by decorating the front entrance of the Home. Elders enjoyed their trip to the Forest Fall Fair, which always kicks off the season in our community. The Recreation staff have organized some fall colour bus tours for October as well as one to Twin Pines Orchards.

Thanksgiving is just around the corner and the Elders will enjoy their turkey dinner with all the fixings on Sunday, Oct. 12. Before long we'll be carving pumpkins and preparing treat bags for all the little ghosts and goblins that come knocking on Halloween Night.

The fall season also leads to a rise of respiratory illness in our communities. Our Infection, Prevention and Control Lead, Rebecca, is working hard to ensure vaccines are available to Elders and staff. Good hand hygiene remains the #1 intervention to break the chain of infection. As always, The Lodge is following all Ministry and Lambton Public Health guidance in our Infection, Prevention and Control practices.

Before we know it, the Christmas Season will be here. The Elder & Family Christmas Dinner is scheduled for Wed. December 10 at 5:00pm. Tickets will be available soon at the front reception desk.



We honour and nurture the dignity of each person

"We believe aging well starts with living well. Excellence in care, respect for individuality, and accountability drive us. We provide the highest quality of care while staying deeply connected to our community. Compassion and dignity are our lived reality."

- Michael Gorgey, General Manager

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 4 Fall Colour Bus Trip  
Oct 6 Twin Pines Bus Trip  
Oct 11 Pub with Bob Barnett  
Oct 14 Casino Bus Trip  
Oct 16 Entertainment with The Newtimers  
Oct 18 Fall Colour Bus Trip  
Oct 21 Entertainment with James Skarnikat  
Oct 26 Entertainment with Brent Meidinger  
Oct 31 Halloween Party & Trick or Treaters

Nov 6 Entertainment with Joan Spalding  
Nov 8 Pub with Bob Barnett  
Nov 18 Library Craft  
Nov 19 Entertainment with Leaving Tracks  
Nov 27 Entertainment with The Newtimers  
Dec 9 Entertainment with Brent Meidinger  
Dec 13 Pub with Bob Barnett  
Dec 18 Entertainment with The Newtimers  
Dec 24 Entertainment with Randy Grey  
Dec 31 New Years Eve Party with Joan Spalding

## Special Thanks to The Lodge Auxiliary

The Lodge Auxiliary was pleased to fund several events over the summer including:

- Trip to Huron Country Playhouse
- Duc D'Orleans Cruise
- Foam Party
- A special showing of the documentary "We Lend a Hand", a story about Ontario Farmerettes, brought back memories for many and was made possible by the Kiwanis Kineto Theatre

Plans are already underway for our Christmas activities including gift basket raffles and a Christmas party with a special visitor in a red and white suit.

We are always looking for new members. Please contact an Auxiliary member or Amanda Giorgini, Volunteer Coordinator at ext. 5518 if you are interested in joining.



## Infection Prevention and Control

As we enter the fall season, we see an increase in respiratory illness. Immunizations, including Influenza, RSV and COVID-19 will be offered to all Elders in the Home once available. It is anticipated that community clinics will be available for the public starting the end of October. We want to do what we can to limit the spread of illness and help keep everyone who lives, works and visits The Lodge safe.

- Hand hygiene continues to be the most effective way to break the chain of transmission. Every visitor is required to clean their hands at entry to the Home, prior to exiting and frequently throughout their visit.
- If you are required to wear PPE for your visit, signage will be posted and PPE provided – staff can assist you upon request.
- If you have new/worsening signs/symptoms of infection, please do not visit the Home – take the required time to recover. The Lodge remains a mask friendly space, and you are encouraged to wear a supplied mask if you choose.
- Signing in and out of Accushield at each visit is required as this identifies you to Elders and staff. Please contact a staff member if you are unsure of how to use the device.

**Questions? Comments? Suggestions? Contact Laura Smits, Confidential Secretary**

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