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Dundas Manor

May 2026



“
If roses grow in heaven,
Lord please pick a bunch for me,
Place them in my Mother's arms
and tell her they're from me.

Tell her I love her and miss her,
and when she turns to smile
place a kiss upon her cheek
and hold her for awhile

Because remembering her is easy,
I do it every day,
but there's an ache within my heart
that will never go away.

~ Dolores M. Garcia



Mom

Today is the perfect time to
thank you for everything you do.
You "mother's love"
surrounds our family
like a special hug from you.

I may not say it often enough,
but I hope you know it's true.
With every day -
in every way

I love and appreciate you.

compassionate wonderful
hero loyal surprising sarcastic classy
inspiration respected reader powerful
self-motivated strong-minded laughter smart
emotional gregarious resilient curious thoughtful
courageous generous persistent perfect loveable
mama quirky hardworking committed kind heavenly brave spacey logical
selfless fun faithful kind heavenly brave spacey logical
determined laid-back spirited dorky nurturer
bubbly busy influential caring
grandma amazing
funny



From the Administrator's Desk...

May is always a special month to honour and celebrate all the mothers in our lives! We will be doing that here as well 😊 It is also National Nursing Week and PSW Day in May! We celebrate those too!!

We are glad to see the end of cold weather and some spring like conditions. That always gets everyone in the mood to get outside and enjoy the sunshine! We hope you do as well.

Things are full speed ahead on the new Dundas Manor and we are working hard behind the scenes to meet all the requirements for the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care as well as enhancing communications internally and externally for all our residents, families, staff and the community. We cannot wait!

Wishing all moms a blessed day and thank you for all you do for your families.

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT AND EDUCATION ZOOM MEETING

We host **2** virtual sessions: **Monday, May 25th, 2026**
at **2:00pm** and **5:30pm** **Zoom link sent by email**

Sincerely,
Susan Poirier

Updates from the Dietary Department~

As we welcome the month of May, we would like to take a moment to reflect on the meaningful moments and activities shared with our residents throughout April.

One of the highlights of the month was our Easter celebration. We were pleased to host a special **Easter lunch** for our residents, featuring a delicious meal of turkey and ham, followed by a lovely pie for dessert. It was a wonderful opportunity to bring everyone together and celebrate the occasion in a warm and festive atmosphere. We hope that everyone truly enjoyed the meal and the time spent together.

April also gave us the opportunity to recognize and celebrate our incredible staff. We hosted a staff appreciation lunch along with moments of recognition to acknowledge the dedication and hard work each of you brings every day. Staff Appreciation Day is always especially meaningful, as it reminds us that without our team, we would not be able to provide the quality of care and service that makes Dundas Manor a true home for our residents.

In addition, we are currently preparing for the upcoming spring/summer menu. We are excited about the opportunity to introduce fresh, seasonal options and would greatly value your ideas and feedback. Your input is important in helping us create meals that are not only nutritious, but also appealing and enjoyable for everyone.

These moments—whether with residents or staff—continue to strengthen our sense of community. Thank you for your ongoing commitment, teamwork, and compassion.



Sincerely,
Andrea Munoz
Nutritional Manager

Dear residents and staff

Last month we honored some very important people here in our home...OUR TEAM! ♥

We had a wonderful meal prepared by Andrea, Tara and the kitchen crew, followed by a meaningful award ceremony for many staff who met milestone Anniversaries, Commitment awards and Retirements.

A video was played with staff pictures; a few sing a long songs were sung, prizes to be won, and a good time was had by all.

The best part was our residents were a part of this special event, they welcomed staff, showed their appreciation, presented awards and cheered on their caregivers.

The celebration took place in the heart of rainbow week where we celebrate the colors of the rainbow and reinforce the importance of letting your color shine. We want residents and staff alike to feel warmth, love and acceptance. ♥

Check out the calendar for all the special events coming up in May! We have taken some resident and staff ideas and tried to come up with a variety of programs for your enjoyment.

A little laughter, learning, good food, good fun, prayers, music, Bingo, to name a few. ♥

We welcome the Quilters Guild to share their expertise and talents on quilting with us and be sure to check out we put up a new quilt in the Activity Room that our volunteers will be working on. Be sure to wash those hands! There will be an Infection Prevention and Control Fun Day planned! We even make washing your hands fun!

It remains a privilege to be your Activity Director,

Jennifer Hill



Betty K

Joan C

Marie B

Linda J

Verna H

Phyllis W

Joy D

Barbara W

Welcome
NEW RESIDENTS

MAY BIRTHDAYS



Lionel D 81yrs young
Evelyn F 84yrs young
Leonard K 62yrs young
Michael L 71yrs young
Grace M 96yrs young
Myrna M 87yrs young
Marvin R 86yrs young
Aden S 88yrs young
Marilyn S 83yrs young

May Birthstone

·Emerald·



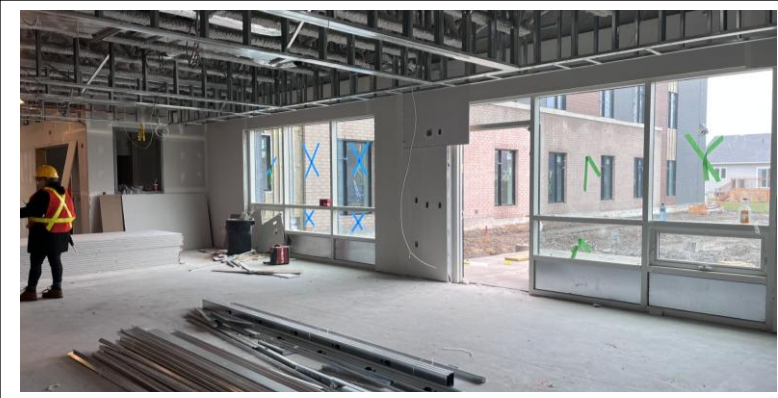
Thought to improve memory, faith, and intuition, **emeralds** are a symbol for constancy and true affection. Some cultures believe them to grant their owner foresight, good fortune and youth. The name emerald is derived from the Greek word 'smaragdus' meaning 'green'.

May

Lily of the Valley

Sweetness
Humility
Motherhood

REDEVELOPMENT UPDATE



- Drywall installation is nearing completion and will all be in place ready for paint well before the end of the month.

- Landscaping is starting this month (last week of April) – installing the irrigation lines below grade.

- The gas main as well as the meter assembly is in place and ready to energize the building equipment once we are ready.

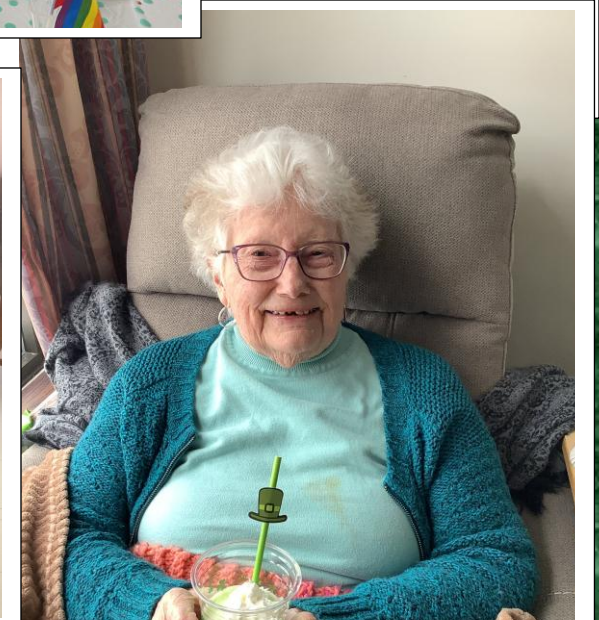
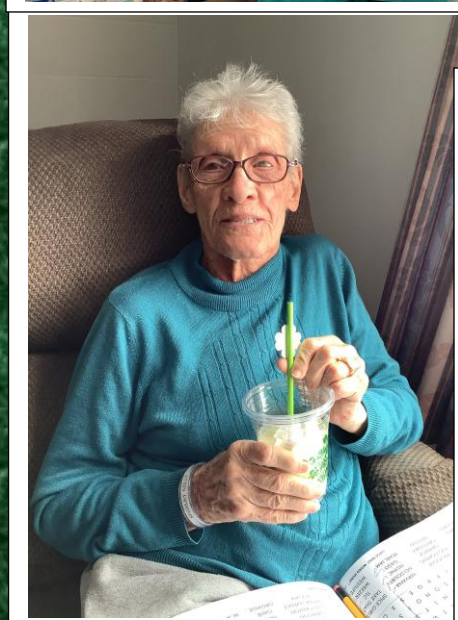
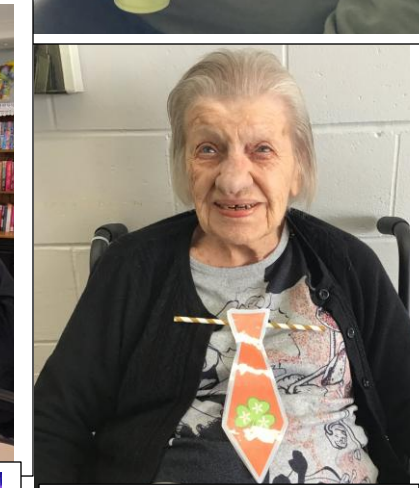
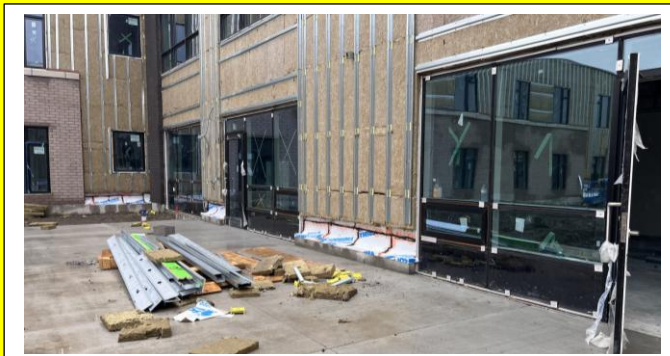
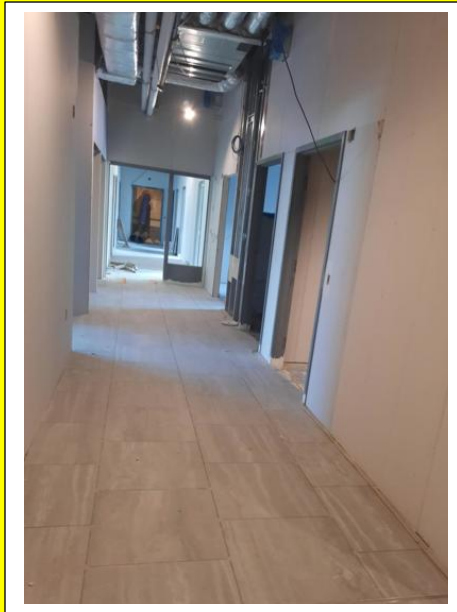
- Siding work is expected to be significantly installed by the end of the month

- Preparations for the remaining curbs and placement of asphalt is underway, paving is expected to be completed mid-May.

- Installation of finishes is well underway with flooring, painting, ceilings.

- We are 75% complete on the elevator installation by the end of this month.

- All our main mechanical equipment connections and tie-ins will be completed in April.



Celebrating our Staff



30 Years	Jennifer Vanbridger	<i>Activity Assistant</i>
20 Years	Jeannie Barkley	<i>PSW</i>
	Susan Poirier	<i>Administrator</i>
15 Years	Karen MacDonald	<i>RN</i>
10 Years	Kate Grimes	<i>EA/HR Lead</i>
	Kim McGinnis	<i>Activity Assistant</i>
	Virginia Tovell	<i>PSW</i>
5 Years	Cindy Claus	<i>Scheduling Coordinator</i>
	Marg Stephenson	<i>Ward Clerk</i>
	Moira Sullivan	<i>PSW</i>
	Rylin Smith	<i>Student Meal Helper</i>

Congratulations to our 5-year to 30-year Service Award Recipients in 2026!

You all ROCK! ★

Dear Residents, Families, and Powers of Attorney,

Thank you to everyone who has already returned the accommodation preference survey! We truly appreciate the time and care you've taken to share your thoughts as we prepare for our exciting move to the new long-term care home.

I am carefully reviewing all responses and will do my very best to match preferences where possible. As always, resident safety, clinical needs, and physician input will guide final decisions to ensure the best outcomes for everyone.

Room assignments won't be finalized or shared until shortly before the move, as things can change right up to moving day. We also appreciate your understanding around space in the new home, particularly when it comes to larger personal items and furniture.

When we get closer to moving day, we will be helping residents get ready for new routines, new spaces, and new surroundings. Change can be an adventure—and sometimes a challenge—so extra supports will be in place for anyone who may need a little more help adjusting. Familiar faces, gentle guidance, and lots of reassurance will be part of each day.

Behind the scenes, we are busy preparing education for all the staff on all the equipment and systems in the new home. Helping them be prepared, and ready to hit the ground running—so residents experience a smooth, safe, and comfortable transition from day one is our collective goal.

More details—including information about television, internet, and entertainment options—will be shared during our upcoming family Zoom meetings. We're looking forward to connecting with you there!

Thank you for your continued partnership, patience, and trust as we prepare for this next chapter together. Even though moving day is still months away, the planning—and excitement—is well underway.

**Ursula Lamoureux, RN, GNC (c)
Senior Advisor, Clinical Operations**



May 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<p>10:30am RC Communion</p> <p>2:00pm Facebook Visits</p> <p>3:45pm Jewellery & Eyeglasses cleaning</p> <p>Calendar Change</p>	<p>10:15am Jokes and Juice with Jennifer</p> <p>2:00pm Bingo</p> <p>3:45pm Montessori</p>
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<p>10:30am Church with Don Zuiderveen</p> <p>2:00pm Bean Bag Tic Tac Toe</p> <p>3:45pm 1 to 1 Visits</p>	<p>10:15am Around the Table Chit Chat : Parkinson's Disease</p> <p>2:00pm Bingo</p> <p>3:45pm Friends Gather</p>	<p>10:15am Presbyterian Ladies Sing-a-Long</p> <p>2:00pm Tuesday Tea</p> <p>3:45pm 1 to 1 Visits</p>	<p>10:00am Residents' Council Meeting</p> <p>2:00pm Doug and Peter Perform</p> 	<p>10:15am Communion with Rev. Jonathan Askwith</p> <p>2:00pm Music with Cholly</p> <p>3:45pm Chair Yoga</p> <p>6:30pm Spencer Scharf Performs</p>	<p>10:15am Home Remedies Reminiscing</p> <p>2:00pm Barber Shop Spa for our Men</p> <p>3:45pm Jewellery & Eyeglasses cleaning</p>	<p>10:15am Bingo</p> <p>2:00pm Pictionary with Songs</p> <p>3:45pm Montessori</p>
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
<p>10:15am "M" is for Mother: All things about Moms</p> <p>2:00pm Mother's Day Tea with Treats from the Lion's Club</p> <p>3:45pm 1 to 1 Visits</p>	<p>10:15am Pet Visits with Louise and Cocoa</p> <p>2:00pm Let's Learn about Florence Nightingale</p> <p>3:45pm Friends Gather</p> <p>Nurse's Week</p>	<p>Hearing Aid Clinic</p> <p>10:15am Mary Ellen Performs</p> <p>10:15am Pet Visits with Beth and Cody</p> <p>2:00pm Library Visit with Joan and Jen</p> <p>3:45pm 1 to 1 Visits</p>	<p>10:15am Strength and Stretch & Cozy Home</p> <p>2:00pm Honouring our Resident Nurses</p> <p>IPAC Fun Day</p>	<p>10:15am Church with Rev. Daniel Wallace</p> <p>2:00pm Music with Cholly</p> <p>3:45pm Chair Yoga</p>	<p>10:15am Bonnie Wallace Performs</p> <p>2:00pm Bingo</p> <p>3:45pm Jewellery & Eyeglasses cleaning</p>	<p>10:15am Bingo</p> 
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
<p>10:30am Church with Calvin Pol</p> 	<p>10:15am Coffee, Cookies and Chit Chat : Royal Update</p> <p>2:00pm Fact or Fiction Headline Game</p> <p>3:45pm Friends Gather</p>	<p>10:15am Party Prep</p> <p>2:00pm Victorian Tea Party</p> <p>3:45pm 1 to 1 Visits</p> <p>PSW Day</p>	<p>10:15am Strength and Stretch & Cozy Home</p> <p>2:00pm Kemptville Quilters Guild</p> 	<p>10:15am Church with Rev. Melody Trolley</p> <p>2:00pm May Birthday Party with Jumpin Jimmy Performing</p> <p>3:45pm Chair Yoga</p> <p>6:30pm Arm Chair Travel to the Rockies</p>	<p>10:15am Tuck Cart</p> <p>2:00pm Ice Cream Cart</p> <p>3:45pm Jewellery & Eyeglasses cleaning</p>	<p>10:15am Bingo</p> 
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<p>2:00pm Baking for Tea</p> 	<p>10:15am Pet Visits with Louise and Cocoa</p> <p>2:00pm Tim Horton's Cart Sponsored by Violet and Family</p> <p>3:45pm Friends Gather</p>	<p>10:15am Centerpiece Creations</p> <p>2:00pm Tribute to Terry Fox</p> <p>3:45pm 1 to 1 Visits</p>	<p>10:15am Strength and Stretch & Cozy Home</p> <p>11:00 Program Planning</p> <p>2:00pm BradLee Bike Rides</p>	<p>10:15am Church with Rev. Blair Paterson</p> <p>2:00pm Music with Cholly</p> <p>3:45pm Chair Yoga</p> <p>6:30pm Bowling and Bean Bags</p>	<p>10:15am Heartbeats</p> <p>2:00pm Finish the Story & Spot the Difference</p> <p>3:45pm Jewellery & Eyeglasses cleaning</p>	<p>10:15am Bingo</p> <p>2:00pm Ice Cream Float Cart</p> <p>3:45pm Montessori</p>
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<p>10:15am Church with Jennifer</p> <p>2:00pm Strolls</p> <p>3:45pm 1 to 1 Visits</p>						