



Fall Edition 2013

Parkview's Senior Scene

Serving Residents, Families, Staff and Friends of Parkview Home & Village Oct 2013

Greetings from the Executive Director



As August draws to a close and we anticipate moving into the cooler autumn evenings and beautiful colours of a Canadian fall, we look back at our busy summer months and reflect on all the happenings at the Home and Village over the past couple of months. We have enjoyed various outings in the beautiful sunshine and warmth, special times with family and friends, and the more peaceful pace of long summer days. In these months we have lost special friends but at the same time made new acquaintances as more people have joined our Parkview family. Looking forward to the fall and, in particular, the Thanksgiving season, we are thankful for the blessings we enjoy within our Parkview community. We are thankful for good neighbours, involved families, and caring, dedicated staff who all work together to make Parkview a special place where we can all enjoy life to the fullest.

Solange Taylor



A Message from Your Parkview Family Council



Family Council will be hosting a Fundraiser concert "Juke Box Friday Night" featuring "The Voices of Showtime" to raise funds that will enhance Parkview's Programs.

The concert will be held Friday, October 25th, 2013 at the Stouffville United Church. Tickets can be purchased at Parkview Home Reception.

Thank you,
Your Family Council Chairperson
Dennis Ricketts

Parkview Home Christmas Fundraiser



Again this year, during the months of November and December, Parkview Home will be selling poinsettias. We hope to raise funds to purchase specific items to enhance Parkview Home. For more details and enquiries please see or contact the Home's reception at (905) 640-1911 ext 221

Staff Pacings

Welcome to the nursing team: Emyleen de Vera RN, Susan Huang RPN, Maria Csiki RPN, Rodeline Genetiano PSW, Jessica Abraham PSW, Olivia Roman Nurse Aide and Madison Chefero Nurse Aide

Dietary: Jasbir Rangar, Muhammad Syed, and Jaya Patel, Dietary Aides

Environmental: Mikaela Brooks, Housekeeping Aide

Café: Angela Field and Allison Hadden, Café Wait Staff

Welcome back to Esther Cressall, Home Office Coordinator

Farewell to Jennifer McTaggart and Darcy Heyd, Summer students working in Activities at the Home and Village; Carolyn Balfour, Claudia van Vliet, and Meghan Purcell

Sympathies are extended to Jasmine Carlton in the loss of her aunt and Gerry Wheaton whose nephew passed away.

Congratulations to: Mary Fernando Pongalon on the birth of her baby boy, Sanjay, born on July 6th and to Lisa Card on the birth of her baby girl, Kendyl, born on August 7th; and to Stephanie Bales who has graduated with her RN Degree and Kris Arumaithural who completed his first year of the Food Service Management Course.



Did you know....

Charles E. Minches of St. Louis, Missouri is credited with inventing the ice cream cone. On July 23, 1904 at the World's Fair in St. Louis, he filled a pastry cone with two scoops of ice cream to make the first ice cream cone. There is some controversy over this claim. Italo Marchiony of New York City filed a patent for the ice cream cone months before the fair opened. And, he was selling lemon ice in cones as early as 1896.

America is the ice cream capital of the world, producing more than 1.5 gallons of ice cream per year.

Premium ice cream is the most popular with consumers, but it has a higher fat content than regular ice cream.

Pecans are the most popular nut and strawberries are the most popular fruit added to ice cream.

The Italians may not have been the first to discover ice cream as people were also eating it in England in the 16th century.

Ice cream was only eaten by the rich until ice houses were invented around 1800.

You need to lick a one-scoop cone about 50 times to finish all the ice cream!



Village Residents
enjoying ice cream
Thursdays on the patio.





Meet your neighbors



Marie Mahoney

Marie Mahoney née Martin grew up in the east end of Toronto. Marie is one of 5 siblings.

When Marie finished high school she worked in an office doing clerical duties, until she started a family with her husband.

Marie married Carl Mahoney, the brother of a good friend. Together, Marie and Carl raised the Mahoney's baker's dozen, 8 boys and 5 girls. Needless to say, Marie's time was spent keeping up with the cooking, baking, preserving, cleaning, laundry, and doing head counts. When her daily household chores were finished she enjoyed knitting.

Marie is very thankful that all her kids were good which made her job easier raising them. As her kids got older it was a team effort to keep up with the household chores.

Marie has fond memories of going to the EX with her kids and very busy family holidays. Her roast beef was everyone's favorite.

Marie lives on Settler's Terrace in Parkview Home.

I was born in a Survey Camp near South Elbow in Saskatchewan, where my father, Wm. Chandler, was a surveyor on the CNR. Later we moved to Calgary and then Edmonton. The winters were long and cold, but we often skated at the local outdoor rink, and went tobogganing on a nearby hill.

After I completed high school, a huge change occurred when I was accepted at an Edmonton hospital x-ray lab to become an x-ray technician. Mostly I taught myself with the help of the Roentgen Text Book. It's a wonder I didn't electrocute anyone!!!

A momentous change in my life occurred when I met Len Johnson. One day as we got off the street car together, he opened the conversation, and thus in 1950 we married and began 47 years together, and life was on the move! First we moved to Toronto, then Port Credit, and Sault St. Marie – a wonderful place for our two children, Laura and Doug, to grow up. Then Len changed jobs to work with Ottawa Gas, then to Toronto where he worked with Consumers Gas–Marketing Department and found a home for us on Glengall Lane in Stouffville where we were welcomed by none other than Mayor Ken Laushway! Later I took a job at Parkview Nursing Home, helping with crafts and activities.

Len's work assignments took him to Brazil, Denmark, Norway, and Sweden. Unfortunately, three years after we left Sweden, Len was diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease. I was able to have him with me at home in Stouffville for four years and the last three years of his life were spent in Sunnybrook Veterans Hospital.

After living in the Parkview Village clusters for a few years, I moved to my cosy Village apartment, with a patio and a view of the gardens. I feel so fortunate to have had an amazing, interesting, and often exciting life, and thankful to have "come to roost" in this happy place!

(From Audrey Johnson's memoirs)



Audrey Johnson



¶ word from our Chaplain

Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars,
which you have set in place, what is humankind that you are mindful of them,
human beings that you care for them?

Psalm 8, verses 1, 3, 4

What part of this universe we live in do you think is majestic? One of the breathtaking nebulae? The night sky crowded with stars? The fiery sun which warms and powers our earth? The amazing, diverse and stunning planets?

Have you ever been filled with wonder just by looking at the night sky? Or just sitting quietly and viewing the beauty of a colorful field of summer wildflowers?

Seeing sights like the sky filled with points of light, or the rugged Rocky Mountains, or pictures captured by NASA of our universe - these things can make us feel small and insignificant. Seeing the beauty of a summer field, or experiencing the shady comfort of a forest path can remind us of the intricacy of God's work in creating the world and universe we live in. We see these things and appreciate the care God takes in creating the things around us. We even stop and appreciate the diversity and beauty of the people around us - also God's glorious creations.

But we often leave our observations at an impersonal level. We accept that God made all these things and all these people, but we have a harder time embracing the idea that God has taken great care in creating each of us as individuals. And yet we are special to God. Psalm 139 reminds us that God formed us as we developed in the womb. God knows each of us well - better than we know ourselves.

Why are we hesitant to believe that God knows us inside and out, that God is concerned for each of us individually? I suppose it is just too hard to see ourselves as being as significant as the Milky Way, or the planet Earth! And yet, we are so complex - in our bodies, in our minds, and in our emotional being. And the same God who flung the stars into space put you and I together with great care!

So as you consider the beauty of nature and the awesomeness of the night sky and beyond, remember, you are significant to God. You have been designed with great care and there is no-one like you. You are awesome!

Chaplain Liz



Parkview Village Bazaar

Saturday November 9th 9:30 am to 1 pm

It's a good time to start your Christmas shopping. You will find lots of crafts and homemade goodies!

Alzheimer Society Support Group



In partnership with Parkview Home the Alzheimer Society of York Region is pleased to offer a family support group to provide information on coping with and caring for people with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders. **Location: Parkview Home, Meeting Room from 7—8:30 pm**
September 24th, October 22nd, November 26th, December 17th
For further information please contact: Andrea Ubell at 905- 731-6611 Ext 22

Village Residents, Jean O'Neill & Bill Stedman, having a Luncheon cruise on Lake Scugog

Stouffville's Fire Hall Annual Tea. Mary Wylie with one of our Stouffville Firefighters.

