

MARCH 2024

Birchmere Retirement Residence GAZETTE

After a long dark winter, March is finally here, and we are all looking forward to the first day of spring on March 19th.

This month we will take time to celebrate the arrival of this new season, and St. Patrick's Day with some great music and sweet treats!

Our Lunch Club trip in March will be to the Lake Country Grill. Please sign up if you would like to attend, since there are limited seats on the bus.

We will be marking our Birchmere Library renovations by kicking off our Spring Book Drive, and by hosting a new Book Chat & Literary Tea. Come out and see the changes we are making to the library, enjoy a cup of tea, and some good conversation.

It's that time of year again when we get to play our favourite contest. ICE OUT CONTEST 2024! Can you predict the day the ice on the lake goes out?

Make a guess for only \$1.00. The person who guesses closest to the date wins the pot! Please see Activity Staff for more information or to place your bet.

Karen Jamieson,
Activity Coordinator

EVENTS

March 1 st	2:00 Music with Ralph Cashen –PL
March 4 th	7:00 ORILLIA CONCERT BAND - Main Dining Room
March 5 th	2:00 Music with Gary Ball – PL
March 7 th	2:00 FOOD FEEDBACK MEETING & 2:30 RESIDENT COUNCIL MEETING- PL
March 8 th	2:00 Book Chat & Literary Tea – DS
March 11 th	10:00 Guardian Angels Church Service – PL
March 13 th	11:30 Lunch Outing – Lake Country Grill
March 14 th	2:00 Music with Don Van Halteren –PL
March 15 th	10:00 St. Patrick's Day Social – Music with Group Therapy –PL
March 18 th	2:00 Book Chat & Literary Tea – DS
March 18 th	2:00 Spring Social – Music with The Paraguinns – PL
March 20 th	2:00 Drifter's Choir – PL
March 21 st	2:00 Worship w/ Pastor Linda – PL
March 22 nd	2:00 March's Birthday Celebrations Music with Karen Whittaker – PL
March 25 th	2:00 Joyful Noise – PL
March 27 th	10:00 SALVATION ARMY SERVICE – PL
March 28 th	2:00 Easter Social –Music with Lee Matthieu – PL



St. Patrick's Day Word Search



P O T O F G O L D B E E T S L
O S F R A C H G C U I V E L U
S O H B O W S C L O V E R E W
T A M A R C H R A D O W S P I
L R U C M U C K Y L O E P R A
U C W I K R A I N B O W K E Y
K A T R S G O N D U R L U C K
T H E T G O S C P L E R P H A
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L E A I S T H P A R A D E T H
T R A D I T I O N R O P C E D
A P A T R I C K M A F C T H A



CLOVER	IRELAND	PARADE
COINS	IRISH	PATRICK
CORNER BEEF	LEPRECHAUN	POT OF GOLD
TRADITION	LUCK	RAINBOW
GREEN	MARCH	SHAMROCK



Birchmere's

LUNCH CLUB



LAKE COUNTRY GRILL

Wednesday, March 13th
11:30 AM – 2:00 PM

Please sign-up in advance with the Activity Department. Seats on the bus are limited – don't miss out!

\$\$ Please bring money for your meal (cash, debit, or credit)! \$\$
Birchmere pays for the bus.



We will have a different Lunch Club destination for next month! 😊



RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS:

Barbara O. – March 2nd
Peter M. – 4th
Lyla M. – 14th
Brian H. – 17th
John A. – 18th
Ruth C. – 25th
Frank D. – 30th

Please help us celebrate everyone's birthday this month by joining us at our Birthday Celebration on March 22nd in the Piano Lounge.

Entertainment provided by Karen Whittaker and cake will be served.

Check out our
Birchmere
FaceBook page



www.facebook.com/BirchmereRetirementResidence



Red Fridays: We wear RED on Fridays to support our troops; Remember Everyone Deployed!

JOIN US FOR A CHURCH SERVICE IN THE PIANO LOUNGE

Monday, March 11th at 10:00am
Guardian Angels Catholic Church Service



Thursday, March 21st at 2:00pm
Worship w/ Rev. Linda

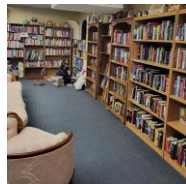


Wednesday, March 27th at 10am
Salvation Army Service

BIRCHMERE LIBRARY RENOVATIONS AND BOOK DRIVE

Did you know that Birchmere Retirement Residence has a library downstairs in the activity room? Many of our residents rely on our library for books, magazines, and DVD's. Currently we are in the process of renovating our library to make it more organized and easier for residents to access.

To keep our library interesting and up to date for residents, we are removing books that are damaged or out of date and are looking for donations of new, or gently used books, magazines, and DVD's. Resident's favourites include fiction (mystery, espionage, romance, and thrillers,), non-fiction (biography) and large print books are also especially in demand for our population. We are also happy to accept any monetary donations towards purchasing new, large print books. Posters with more info will be posted in March.



Book Chat and Literary Tea

If you love books and tea this event is for you! Come for a tour of our newly renovated library. Find a new book to read, and join in some friendly discussion about the books we have read and the authors we love.

**March 8th and 15th
At 2pm
downstairs in the library.**



We're off to the races!



You are cordially invited to join us for:

TABLETOP HORSE RACING

*Tuesday, March 2nd, 16th,
& 30th At 2:00 PM
in the Piano Lounge*

Please Support Resident Council

By shopping at:

Birchmere Tuck shop

Open Every Thursday 10:00-11:30am

In the Piano Lounge

NO TAX!!!

- Cough drops, antacids, ChapStick, Kleenex
- Toiletries (shampoo/conditioner, lotion, toothpaste/toothbrushes, body wash, soap, deodorant, razors, shaving cream, powder, combs, sanitary products, hair spray)
- Chips, popcorn, chocolate bars, trail mix, nuts, pop, mints, candies, gum
- Laundry soap, dryer sheets and air freshener
- Greeting Cards, gift bags, stationary supplies, and gifts
- Clothing (socks, hats, t-shirts, scarves)
- And much more!