

# Westford Word



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*"Cause a little bit of summer is what the whole year  
is all about."*

*-John Mayer*

"I am more myself in a garden than anywhere else on earth." -Doug Green



### Nursing news

I am pleased to announce that the second round of boosters have been completed and that the tub room reno is complete and back up and running. True Doors have started being put up and the hallways have been renamed "Garden Way" and "Silver Fox Lane". I look forward to seeing you as you visit this summer. Ryan MacDonald, Director of Nursing

### Garden Time



### Treats and Events



### It takes a Village!

I want to thank everyone who has supported the Westford whether by donating, volunteering or participating in our fundraising. We are blessed. Karen Coffin

### Administrative Awareness

At Westford two (2) additional events take part in the spring, our Annual General Meeting (AGM) and an acknowledgement of the provincial declaration of Nursing Home Week.

We have spent a good deal of time showing staff that they are valued and appreciated, and it is important we all continue to do this, always. The work that is done and the services we provide is not easy and it takes special people to commit to accomplish this important work.

Nursing Home Week is a time to pay tribute to the residents who are living in these special homes and acknowledge we are a part of a larger system that works together to provide the best service possible for those who need our care. People who work in nursing homes have dedicated their lives to providing care and support, even throughout the pandemic. It has been an exceptionally challenging time because our care and compassion has extended to our personal time, and we have done what we can to protect our residents at the height of risk of COVID-19.

It is not only COVID we need to protect our residents from either. We need ensure they are not exposed to influenza, abuse, neglect, and injuries for example.

At our AGM we report back on the accomplishments and challenges to our governance body, our Board of Directors. The information that ultimately is approved by our Board is then provided to our licensing and funding bodies. It is important that we recognize that every person who completes their work in a nursing is an important part of the large chain that holds everything together to achieve our purpose; the care of the people living in Westford Nursing Home.

Never doubt the importance of every single person who is a part of living, working, volunteering, and visiting in a nursing home. We are a part of a very important, specialized care.

Thank you for being part of our home,

### ESS

I would like to remind you that all electrical items must be tagged prior to use and that when purchasing new items for your loved one please place in a bag and clearly mark with Resident's name so that it can be properly labelled to avoid any mix-ups.

The staff have been working hard to clean out closets and are asking family to assist with increasing storage space by taking home any unused or seasonal items.

Cheers, Gordie Butcher

ESS Manager