

Views from the Terrace

DEAR RESIDENTS of the TERRACE:

We have just celebrated an important week in the Christian calendar, which in most churches is referred to as the *Holy week*. This includes Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday. In many churches, the custom is for members to greet each other on Easter Sunday with the words “*The Lord is risen*” and the reply “*He is risen indeed!*”.

The “Living Truth” devotional of last Friday featured a report on the question “*Who died on Good Friday?*”. The answer obviously is “Jesus Christ”. But who else died on that day? The answer: *two thieves* - one on either side of our Lord. Then the preacher explained that we *all* died on Good Friday. We died *in Christ*. As **Romans 6:4** (NKJV) states:

*4*Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

Every Sunday is a day of celebration of our Lord’s victory over death. Jesus himself never deserved death because He never sinned. None of us deserves life because we are sinners. Yet Jesus took our place, took our sins upon Himself, and died in our stead. He purchased our salvation.

There is beautiful old hymn which says:

He paid a debt He did not owe
I owned a debt I could not pay
I needed someone to wash my sins away
And now I sing a brand new song
Amazing Grace
Christ Jesus paid a debt that I could never pay

Let us remind each other how significant it is that every week starts on Sunday, which is the Lord’s day, to give thanksgiving and praise for each day that we receive from the Giver of life. Every heartbeat and every breath are His gifts to us. We certainly have so many reasons to count our blessings, and name them one by one.

Every resident at Evergreen has their own story to tell, but I am sure that there is a common theme in each story.

When we commit our ways to the Lord and seek His will for our lives, He will direct our paths, protect our lives, and keep us in the hollow of His hands.

- B.L.

VICTORIA DAY

Monday May 23rd, 2022



RESIDENTS’ COUNCIL:

Attention please: We are looking for a volunteer (man or woman) to deliver the Hamilton Spectator and a few Toronto Star newspapers on **Wednesday** and **Thursday** mornings in our building. Each newspaper is already labelled with the unit number of the subscriber. At this time there are about 30 newspapers to be delivered before 8:00 am. If you are willing, call **John Amama** at xxx-xxx-xxxx, and he will show you how it is done.



TRANSPORTATION committee:

Need a Ride?

Our volunteer drivers provide rides for our residents at the following rates: (a) \$6 in town, (b) 35 cents per km out of town, (c) parking charges extra.

To make arrangements for a ride, contact Henk Heersink at xxx-xxx-xxxx *as much in advance as possible*.

EVERGREEN PHOTO DIRECTORY

(correction)

In your Evergreen photo directory, the phone number for Unit 307 – Jake Hoek is incorrect.

Please note that his phone number is: xxx-xxx-xxxx

Notes from the desk of the PROPERTY MANAGER:

It's hard to believe that another month has come and gone!

Last month, we discussed the fire inspection and what we needed to do to comply with some of the recommendations that were made by the fire inspector.

It was suggested to me that we highlight some items in the Life Lease Agreement and the Resident Handbook. At this time, I would like to draw your attention to the Resident Handbook, Section 7, which is titled "**Rules and Regulations from Life Lease Occupancy Agreement**". In that section, numbers 22 and 23 say:

22. Alterations or repairs (other than of an emergency nature) to your Unit by professional workmen will be allowed between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday only.

23. Any type of work performed by you of a nature which could disturb other Residents must be done between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday only.

The short translation: Work that causes a disturbance can only be done between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and no work on Sundays or other than hours listed, except in an emergency situation (e.g. burst water line).

Welcome to Vera Woronchanka, who moved into Suite 501 on April 20th. May you soon feel at home in Evergreen Terrace. - J.V.

VISUAL ARTS committee:

During this past season, we have experienced some things which we hope will not have to happen again. From sign-up sheets to the cancellation of a movie showing, we have had it all!

By September, we should have another series of splendid movies ready for you to enjoy. If you have seen a good movie lately or own one which would be suitable for us all, please contact one of the committee members.

- B.VH.

IN REMEMBRANCE

Irene Helena Van Hoffen (née Gruter)

May 3rd, 1938 - March 24th, 2022

Gone from sight, but not forgotten.



NEW NEIGHBOUR!

In April:

Vera Woronchanka – Unit 501

(H) xxx-xxx-xxxx

(Husband Mike resides at Albright Manor)

We welcome you into our midst!



MAY BIRTHDAYS

12	Geraldine DeBoer	Dunnville, ON, CA	302
13	Henry Dekker	Andijk, NH, NL	304
13	John Vandermeulen	Grootebroek, NH, NL	316
13	Henk Heersink	Aalten, GE, NL	404
13	Joan Smith	Middlesex, UK	515
15	Annie Boekestyn	's-Gravenzande, ZL, NL	103
15	Atie Zijlstra	Ameide, UT, NL	418
16	John Koster	Axel, ZE, NL	516
20	Ev Page	York, UK	318
22	Jim Antonides	Amsterdam, NH, NL	521
29	Adrian Dieleman	Axel, ZE, NL	317
31	Susan Smid	Sneek, FR, NL	420

Happy Birthday!!

LADIES GUILD:

We recently donated the following (knitted and crocheted) items to the mission at **Iqaluit** and other charities:

(**Iqaluit** is the capital city of the Canadian territory of **Nunavit**. Located on Baffin Island, in Frobisher Bay.)

- 17 afghans
- 8 baby pads (36" x 36")
- 6 baby blankets
- 5 baby hats with matching booties
- 2 baby blankets with hats and booties
- 1 baby blanket with sweater, hat, and booties



- L.T.

ABOUT EVERGREEN

History of Evergreen Terrace:

The concept of building retirement apartment housing for Christian seniors in Grimsby originated in the mid 1980's with the deacons of Mountainview Christian Reformed Church. At that time, the church was located on the site where Evergreen Terrace now stands. Their original plan was to build a 60-unit apartment building attached to the church. That plan was presented to the Mountainview CRC congregation, but was voted down by a narrow margin. The committee went back to the drawing board and investigated other locations before disbanding.

In 1995, the board of Shalom Manor was pursuing the idea of a continuum of care, including assisted living and independent senior living, but needed space to expand. Expansion for retirement apartments was only possible by purchasing the adjacent Mountainview CRC property.

A new board (which became the first board of Evergreen) was formed in 1996, and eventually became independent of the Shalom Manor board.

At that time, Mountainview CRC was making plans for a major upgrade of their aging facilities. The newly formed Evergreen board corresponded with the Mountainview CRC council, and proposed to purchase the church property. An agreement was reached, and the property was purchased for 1 million dollars in 1996.

The first plans and layout of the proposed 98-unit building (Evergreen Terrace) were drawn by MMMC Architects (of Brantford). The contract for construction went to Brouwer Construction. The finishing architect, Panici Architects (of St. Catharines), made minor changes to the original plan.

On June 18th, 2001, an official ground-breaking ceremony was held, and Brouwer Construction started its work.

The first residents were able to move in, starting on November 1st, 2002. Some of those original residents are still residing here!

- L.T.

Editor's note: With thanks to Dick Vermeer (505) and John Bergshoeff (509) for providing detailed information about the founding and history of Evergreen. Much appreciated!

LAUGHTER

"A merry heart doeth good like a medicine."

Q: Which days are the strongest?

A: Saturdays and Sundays. All the rest are weekdays.

ABOUT EVERGREEN (cont'd)

Construction of Evergreen Terrace



Excavation began on June 18th, 2001.



View of the east side of Evergreen during construction.

WORDS OF WISDOM

Not all storms come to disrupt your life.
Some come to clear your path.

To everything there is a season.



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