

Gateway Haven News

Residents First, Every Day, Every Way!

February 2024

Best Advice!

We asked our residents for their best advice this month, and here's what they had to say.







Join Us For:

- January 31 at 3:30 PM for Hot Chocolate Social with Wiarton Willie.
- **February 2** Wiarton Willie Breakfast, Pink & Purple Day, and Groundhog Day Games.
- February 5 at 1:30 PM for Music with Dave Hiscox.
- **February 8** at 10:00 AM for Music with Dave the Piano Man.
- February 14 at 1:30 PM for Valentine's Day Social .
- **February 18** at 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM for our Family Day Celebration

Wiarton Willie Day

In true Wiarton fashion, we will be celebrating Wiarton Willie Day, for more than just a day! On January 31 at 3:30 PM, join us for our Hot Chocolate Social with Wiarton Willie, and make your prediction for whether he sees his shadow or not. If you're visiting the home on Groundhog day, February 2, don't forget to dress up in the customary pink



and purple! We will be celebrating Wiarton Willie's prediction of early spring, or gathering in sadness if he utters the dreaded prediction of 6 more weeks winter.

Fun Fact: Did you know some of our residents were a part of the original crew that got the Wiarton Willie tradition and festival started?

Black History Month

Every February, people across Canada participate in Black History Month events and festivities that honour the legacy of Black people in Canada and their communities. All Canadians are invited to learn more about these communities, and how they continue to help shape Canadian history.

Join Us For A Family Day Celebration!

Come out and join us for a Family Day Celebration. We will have lots of indoor and outdoor games to play and crafts to do, as well as sweet treats and warm drinks. We will



also be having a snowman building competition, with prizes for "best dressed snowman", "silly snowman", and "tallest snowman". Bring the kids, grandkids, and great-grandkids to bring some extra joy to your loved ones and our residents! Join us from 1:30 to 3:30 PM on Sunday, February 18!

Recreation Professionals Week

February 26 to March 1 is Recreation
Professionals Week and we want to take this opportunity to recognize and show appreciation for our Recreation staff at Gateway Haven! Our recreation team does a variety of tasks to bring joy to the every day life of our residents, from big group programs such as bingo, to one-on-one visits to paint nails, and a bunch of fun in between. They also work hard to connect long-distance family members together with virtual video visits. We want to thank the Recreation Team for their dedication to entertaining our residents and hope you will join us in doing so as well.

Renovation Update

With safety as our top priority, the servery renovation project has been postponed until the conclusion of the Influenza A outbreak. We are excited to get this project underway and are looking forward to the better dining experience and IPAC enhancements this change will bring once completed. Further communication will be provided prior to the beginning of the renovations, as this project will impact day to day operations of the home. A comprehensive plan has been developed to reduce the impact to our residents and to ensure a pleasurable dining experience.

Tena Continence Products

We are pleased to announce that the Tena transition has occurred and is fully implemented at Gateway Haven. Essity was on-site for the past two weeks, and our Nursing team worked thoroughly with them to ensure a smooth transition, including education and touchpoints with all shifts. We are looking forward to the level of quality this product will bring to resident care.

Bookmobile Visits

Gateway Haven is thrilled to partner with the Bruce County Public Library, and have the Bookmobile

visit us every other week. The Bookmobile is a mobile library, bringing residents various genres of books, DVDs, and alternative



ways to consume material, such as audio books. The bookmobile tailors its books to the desires and interests of the residents. At our recent Resident's Council Meeting, the residents expressed their gratitude for this service, and look forward to every other Thursday when new material rolls in!



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