

Announcement of the new Director of Finance

Arnold Dendamera, CPA, CGA, MBA., is a professional accountant with over 10 years of experience in financial accounting and management. He is currently a Corporate Controller for an online healthcare company; previously Arnold was the Finance Manager with the Canadian Mental Health Association; Financial Supervisor with Addiction Services for York Region. Besides being a professional accountant, Arnold is also a certified Project Manager. Arnold will start his position on November 16, 2021.

Please join me in welcoming Arnold Dendamera to his new position at the Bennett Village!

Announcement from Chair of Bennett Village

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I am pleased to announce that Mike Bakewell has accepted the position of Executive Director of Bennett Village effective November 22, 2021. Mike has spent over 20 years in the Long-Term Care industry, the last 5 years as Executive Director at Markhavan Home for Seniors. He also has experience with life lease buildings.

We look forward to working with Mike.

Brian Clark



In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

Please note, family satisfaction surveys for 2021 will be emailed out shortly. Paper copies will also be available at the screeners desk. Please have the survey completed by Friday, November 19, 2021.

Halloween at the Bennett Centre!



Genny and Gerri!



Rose and her Pumpkin!



Our Devil Lil and her Pumpkin!

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Bennett Centre Family Newsletter

November 2021

Executive Director Message
By: Soo Wong

Happy Fall!

A reminder to ALL families of the following new Policies at the Bennett:

- (1) Effective Nov. 15th, the Bennett Centre requires all visitors over 12yrs to be double vaccinated and their vaccination information needs to be sent to Alison Agnew (IPAC- Lead); and
- (2) Scent-free Policy – effective Nov. 15th, the Bennett Centre will be scent-free. Please ensure that you bring in scent-free products to the Home. Bennett will require all staff, students, contractors, and visitors not to wear any scented products (perfume, cologne, body spray etc.).

As we prepare for the upcoming fall season, I want to provide an update on the following improvements at the Bennett: painting of the lines in the parking lot; purchasing eight new beds; and installation of the white communication board in each resident's room.

With the recent announcement by the Ministry of Long-Term Care, the Home will be hiring new nursing staff (both full-time and part-time) shortly, to meet the Ministry requirement of 3hrs of nursing care per resident per day.

I want to thank the Co-chairs of Family Council for their presentation to Halton Hills Council on October 25th. Thank you, Neil Hageman and Rick Stomphorst for taking the time to share your story and experiences at the Bennett. I believe your presentation greatly influenced how the Mayor and Councillors responded to Bennett Centre's request.

There are a couple of updates regarding the development project. Professor Chantal Trudel (Carlton University) will be sending her report on the LTC Design Study to me shortly. Once I have received it, I will forward this report to the Co-chairs of Family Council.

I recently met with the Development Team (Architect (MMMC – Craig Newsome), Financial Advisor (CMLS – Steve Bryant), Project Manager (Colliers – Tara Crawford), Operational Consultant (Bessant Pelech Associates – Julie Bessant-Pelech, and Fundraising Consultant (Dennis Group – Sarah McMahon). They will be meeting with Family Council to discuss the new LTC Home shortly. I will be coordinating this meeting with the Co-chairs of Family Council.

Please join us for our monthly family conference call on Thursday November 18th, 2021 @ 5:30 pm!

Call-in 1-855-331-8822 or 416-933-3851
Conference ID: 7933152#

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