

September 2022

LTC Development Update

We have had the Geotechnical and Topographical Surveys completed on the land that the New Bennett Centre will be build on. We should see the reports shortly.

This week we had our 1st Interdisciplinary Design Team meeting. The 1st of 14. Our consultants from Bessant Pelech and Salter Pilon explained to everyone the expectations and objectives of these meetings. An overview was given of what a Resident Home Area (RHA) would typically include. We had a more in depth discussion with regards to a residents' room and what the Ministry says has to be in there, what configuration we thought would work best and what we would hope to see for our home's rooms. We also discussed the Spa rooms (aka bath and shower rooms), the functionality as well as esthetics. We were shown a lot of examples and discussed pros and cons of each choice. We got a lot of good ideas, some of which we hadn't thought of before as well. They occur every three weeks. These meetings include Residents, Family, Staff, Consultants and as we progress, they will include contracted services that we use on a regular basis.

These meetings are to assist in designing the new home. The goal is to keep the home culture that we have here now and expand on it. No idea is too small, and no wish is too big. These are exciting times. So, if you have any thoughts and ideas, please pass them along to Tracey at twellon@bennettvillage.ca.



Alzheimer's Care-Learn the Warning Signs PRESENTATION

Bennett Centre's Family Council is pleased to introduce Diane Mulholland, the Public Education Coordinator for The Alzheimer's Society. Diane will be giving a presentation focusing on the following Alzheimer's topics:

- The warning signs and importance of early diagnosis
- Making visits meaningful and helping your loved one with their symptoms/diagnosis

Come and join us to learn more at: The Gallery Active Living, 200 Halton Hills Dr, Georgetown, ON L7G 0C4

Oct 6th at 6:30-8:00pm

Please RSVP to Tracey by Oct 3rd - twellon@bennettvillage.ca

Note: Masks must be worn indoors, and no food allowed indoors



Free Event

This free informative and educational event has been organized by the family council; we hope many of you can attend. The session will be offered in person and via Zoom. Please rsvp as soon as possible to twellon@bennettvillage.ca by Oct. 3rd

BENNETT UILLAGE FALL CRUISING FOR CARE CLASSIC CAR SHOW Fundraiser



Bennett Village is excited to announce our **"Fall Cruising for Care" Classic Car Show fundraiser!** After the amazing success of our Father's Day event we have decided to do it all over again even bigger and better! We are partnering again with Georgetown Market Place and Street Classic Cruise.

Come and enjoy this free event (donations welcomed), showcasing over 200 beautiful classic cars, great music, raffles, 50/50, prizes, activities and more! (All donations go to support the wellbeing of our Bennett Centre residents)

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 25TH

10 AM - 2 PM GEORGETOWN MARKETPLACE



For more info contact Alison at acurtis@bennettvillage.ca

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Mark your Calendars!

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Back by popular demand is Bennett Centre's 'Fall Cruising for Care' classic car Fundraiser! Our Father's Day event was so successful that we are doing it again. Come and join the fun, bring your friends and family to this free event, being held again at Georgetown Marketplace. Enjoy great cars, raffles, 50/50, silent auction and more (donations welcomed, all funds raised go to support the wellbeing of our residents).

If you would like to volunteer to help out on the day or you know any companies or stores that would like to sponsor this event or donate prizes, please let Alison know at: acurtis@bennettvillage.ca We look forward to seeing you there!

Visit our website at www.bennettvillage.ca

FLU VACCINE

Flu season is approaching. Our home is expected to receive a shipment of the influenza vaccine the week of Sept 26th. When you are visiting next please pick up a consent form from our screener and complete it for your loved one to receive the flu vaccine. Please let us know if you would prefer us to email you a copy of the consent form for the annual flu vaccine.

COVID-19

Next time you visit you may notice a few changes in our screening questions. Please be advised that if you become positive for COVID-19 you must refrain from visiting any Long term care or Retirement home for 10 days.

If you have been a close contact of a person who is positive COVID you must also postpone your visit for 10 days after your last exposure to the positive person.

FEELING SICK?

Please postpone your visit if you have any other infectious illness. If you have another respiratory illness besides COVID-19, please postpone your visit until you have been 24 hours without fever and other symptoms. Postpone your visit for 48 hours after symptoms resolve if they were gastrointestinal such as vomiting and diarrhea.

New to the Bennett? Naturally you're wondering how the best care is provided to your family members but don't know who to ask or what to ask? Wondering who the Family Council is? We are you. Our parents, brothers and sisters are also residents at the Bennett

Centre. We meet over Zoom for a half hour one evening per month to discuss and share all sorts of news, concerns, the new building, and so on without Bennett Centre staff in attendance. Please join us. Discover the value of being involved! Email us to get added to the circulation list. Also join our Facebook-

search for "The Bennett Family".

The Next Family Council meeting is Thursday September 22nd 7:30pm, Please join us!

Neil & Rick Co-Chairs, Bennett Centre Family Council

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