NIAGARA INA GRAFTON GAGE VILLAGE

NEWSLETTER

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CEO UPDATE



Brace yourselves – I'm going to talk about Christmas! Already!
We have been planning all things Christmas since early September and are excited to announce the date of the Annual Resident Christmas Banquet will be Wednesday, December 9th and will once again take place in the Auditorium.

A Welcome Reception will be held in the Atrium prior to the dinner. Our Foundation will once again support the event to assist with the overall costs and we send them a big thank you for that!

Tickets will be $30/person and once again, we will sell "Tables" of 4, 6 and 8 seats. One person is responsible for your table and can collect all the ticket money from their table friends. Be prepared with your tablemates as tickets will go on sale on **Wednesday, November 18th at 9am** and last year the event was sold out within a few hours. If someone cancels or changes their mind, from your table, it will be your responsibility to resell that ticket. Flying solo? No problem! We'll have spots just for singles – and we promise, you'll be seated with great company and plenty of holiday cheer!

Also, don't forget the 50/50 draw! We will be selling 50/50 tickets during the reception and at dinner so bring cash! Last year two lucky winners split the pot and went home with just over $300 each in their pockets! Nice little bonus at that time of the year!

We will be serving a lovely turkey dinner fixed menu, plated with all the traditional fixings. Start chatting to your friends and get a table together! "Save the Date" flyers will be distributed this week to remind you!

FOUNDATION NEWS



As we head into the holiday season, a reminder that The Niagara Ina Grafton Foundation will begin the Christmas Giving Campaign on November 12, 2026. The Christmas Campaign drive is an important fundraising time for the Foundation where we ask our residents and our vendors to consider a donation. We have a small but mighty foundation that continues to work to enhance the lives of seniors at Linwell Road and of course, Stone Road Village in Niagara on the Lake.

Look for the festive red envelope in your mailbox with details and a donation form. Every donation helps and we hope you consider participating this holiday season!

LONG TERM CARE HOME HIGHLIGHTS



Our Commitment to Excellence Resident Care

Our Long-Term Care Home, is excited to announce that we are preparing our application to be a part of the Best Practice Spotlight Organization (BPSO) through the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario (RNAO). As a BPSO organization, we will be able to create programs surrounding evidence-based practice, creating cultures that promote continuity of care and promote clinical excellence throughout the Home.

Becoming a BPSO designate will provide us with support from other Homes across the globe and allow us to exchange implementation strategies and resource strategies. Joining this practice will be a multi-year commitment to the home, implemented in 2027-2030, pursuing our goal of continuous resident-centred care and excellence.



Our PSW Living Classroom



On November 5, 2026, we proudly celebrated the Second Graduation Convocation of our Personal Support Worker (PSW) Living Classroom partnership with triOS College! We were excited to recognize our newest graduates, bringing the total number of Living Classroom graduates to nearly 40!

The Living Classroom Partnership between Niagara Ina Grafton Gage Village and triOS College provides an opportunity for students to complete their PSW learning within our home instead of the traditional school setting. This provides valuable hands-on learning opportunities that help prepare future Personal Support Workers with the practical skills and confidence needed to provide compassionate care.

This achievement would not have been possible without the dedication of our mentors and staff, or the generosity of our residents, who warmly welcomed our students and played an important role in their hands-on learning experience. Their kindness, patience, and willingness to be part of the students' journey helped make this program so meaningful. Congratulations to all our graduates! We wish them continued success as they take the next steps in their careers as PSWs.

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

This month, we are proud to recognize Margaret Massey who has generously dedicated fifteen years of volunteering in our home! Through her love gardening and dedication to our library,

Margaret has brought beauty, warmth and joy to our village! Thank you, Margaret, for sharing your talents, and your heart with us! You are truly appreciated!



MEAL SERVICES

Nifty Nook Cafe



Stop by our Café, located in B Building, and enjoy delicious bakery treats, freshly made sandwiches and a variety of hot beverages, all served with a smile by our dedicated volunteers. Every visit supports a welcoming community space where great food and friendly faces come together. Monday to Friday from 10 am - Noon and Weekends from Noon - 2 pm

Frozen Meals



Bring the taste of home to your table with Niagara Ina Grafton's Satellite Meal Service. Our frozen, ready-to-heat meals are prepared weekly with quality ingredients and balanced nutrition, making healthy eating easy, convenient, and affordable.

Orders are accepted until 10:00 am on Thursdays

By Phone: 905-935-6080 at Extension 228 (leave message on our dedicated voicemail) OR order in person.)

RECIPE OF THE MONTH - APPLE CINNAMON TEA

Ingredients:

- □ 1 Apple Cinnamon or black tea bag
- □ ½ Cup Apple Juice
- □ ½ Cup of Hot Water
- □ A Pinch of Cinnamon
- □ Honey to taste



A Little Winter Wellness!

As cold and flu season approaches, warm up with a comforting cup of tea! Honey can help soothe a scratchy throat.

MEMORIALS



Jeanne DePass - October 9th

"Forever in our hearts"

Publication of death notices is contingent upon notification and approval.

RESIDENT SERVICES

TIMELESS HAIR SALON:
(905) 935-6080, Ext. 229 (A/B Bldg.) or Ext. 253 (D/E Bldg.)

NIFTY NOOK GIFT SHOP:
Open Monday **11 am to 1 pm**, Tuesday to Friday. 10 am to 2 pm

NIFTY NOOK CAFE:
10am to 12pm Mon. -Fri. & 12pm to 2pm Sat. - Sun.

VON EXERCISE PROGRAM:
Emily Eastman emily.eastman@von.ca (Schedule on bulletin boards)

MOBILITY EQUIPMENT SERVICES:
Mobility equipment repairs (289) 786-0088

SOCIALS AND OUTINGS

SHOPPING
Walmart, Superstore, DollarTree and Goodwill
Monday, November 23rd, 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm
Meeting place at the Front Atrium

BRAIN GAMES
Last Wednesday of every month
1:00 pm to 2:00 pm, 'A' Lounge

LUNCH
Johnny Rocco's
Friday, November 13th, 12:30 to 2:30 pm
Meet at front Atrium at 11:30 am, Cost $5 for bus

THE MATCH GAME
Test your memory – as seen on TV
Thursday, November 26th, 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm (Auditorium)

VILLAGE MUSIC
Social with Mark Corman
Monday, November 30th 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm (Auditorium)

ONGOING ACTIVITIES
Bible Studies, Chapel, Chair Exercises, Digital Wednesday (By appointment only), Harp Player

Check out our web site at www.niagarainagrafton.ca and click the "Resident Quick links" to see highlighted social and wellness activities.