

ELLIOTT EXPRESS

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Mission Statement

Quality choices in a caring and inclusive, home-like community.

A tradition of promoting dignity and independence for those we serve and their families.

EASTER EGG HUNT SUCCESS!!

A huge thank you to everyone who donated chocolate, plastic eggs, and all the amazing goodies for this year's Easter Egg Hunt! We had a record-breaking 140 participants plus parents join in the fun. The face painting, bunny and chick visits, and photos with the Easter Bunny were a big hit – it was wonderful to see so many smiles!

Thanks to your generosity, we raised an incredible \$700 (gross amount before expenses) !

We can't wait to do it all again next year!



JOKE JUNCTION





April at a GLANCE



May Community Centre/Chapel Programs & Events

Saturday May 3rd at 10:15am

Guelph Chamber Choir Performance

Monday May 12th at 2:00pm

**New Horizons Guelph Jazz Group
Performance**

Wednesday May 14th - 1:00-3:00pm

Canadian Vendor Food Show

Thursday May 15th at 2:00pm

Birthday Party with Lyns Duet (Piano)

Tuesday May 20th 2:00pm

Happy Hour with Rob Edlefsen (Guitar)

Wednesday May 21st at 10:00am

Roman Catholic Mass

Wednesday May 28th at 10:00am

St. Andrew's Service

Wednesday May 28th at 2:00pm

Accordion Music with Gary

MAY OUTINGS

Thursday May 8th-Leaving at 1:00pm
Sentimental Journey Musical at WMB Church
Cost is \$50 which includes transportation
& cost of ticket

**Value
Village**

Friday May 16th-
Leaving at 9:30am
Shopping Outing to Value Village
Cost is \$10 transportation plus
spending money



Wednesday May 21st- Leaving at 1:30pm
Elora Casino Outing
Cost is \$10 transportation plus spending money



Tuesday May 27th- Leaving at 10:15am
Tour of Guelph Humane Society
Cost is \$15 which includes Transportation
& Cost of Tour

All outings require sign-up through Recreation. Please note that spots are limited, so while we strive to accommodate all requests, availability is not guaranteed.

WORKING ON OUR WINGS



The Elliott Community is working to become the first long-term care home in Guelph accredited in The Butterfly Approach, an innovative, person-centered and emotion-focused model of care. The Butterfly Approach is being introduced on the Wellington, Fountain and Edinburgh home areas on the third floor in Long-term care.

Environmental Updates

We are excited to share that the Edinburgh home area murals and door wraps have been completed. Sensory-scapes was on-site for two days at the end of April to install a mural that has transformed the Edinburgh elevator lobby into a charming front porch and garden. While they were here they also installed unique door wraps on each resident room door. We invite you to visit the Edinburgh home area to see what has been done.

With this work complete, every person who lives at The Elliott Community has the opportunity to have their own front door which we hope makes it feel more like home! Next we will be working with Sensory-Scapes to develop a concept for the Eramosa and Paisley elevator lobby on the second floor or long-term care. We look forward to seeing their ideas!

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**Welcome Sally and Tiana from Meaningful Care Matters
on May 6th and May 7th**

Wellington, Fountain and Edinburgh will receive their Butterfly Accreditation Audit on Tuesday, May 6 and Wednesday, May 7. The Elliott Community team is excited to welcome Sally Knocker from London, England and Tiana Gabbidon from Ontario.

Sally and Tiana will spend these two days observing life in the Butterfly home areas as well as reviewing the environment and other supporting documentation. Part of the audit will involve speaking with residents, families and team members at The Elliott Community. If you see Sally and Tiana on-site, please introduce yourself. They may want to ask you a few questions and we invite you to share your experience at The Elliott Community with them if you feel comfortable.

If you have questions or ideas regarding The Butterfly Approach, please contact Lindsay Marinovic, Resident Experience Lead at 519-822-0491 ext. 2110.



INFECTION CONTROL & PREVENTION UPDATE

Visiting Reminder: Help Us Keep Measles Out!

What is Measles?

Measles is a highly contagious, airborne virus that spreads through respiratory droplets. It can linger in the air or on surfaces for up to two hours. The illness usually starts with cold-like symptoms, followed by a rash, and can cause serious complications, especially in vulnerable populations such as our residents.

Measles cases are on the rise globally and here in Ontario, as you may have seen in the news and on social media. In light of that we're taking extra steps to protect our residents.

What We Ask of Visitors:

- ✓ If you've been exposed to measles and are not vaccinated or unsure of immunity, please wait 21 days before visiting.
- ✓ Feeling sick? (fever, cough, rash) – Stay home and rest.
- ✓ Exposed to someone who was exposed? You're likely fine – just watch for symptoms.

Measles Myth-Buster!

- ✗ Myth: “Adults don't need to worry about measles.”
- ✓ Fact: Adults born after 1970 may not be fully immune unless they've had two doses of the MMR vaccine. Immunity can fade, and measles can cause serious illness in adults, too—especially in healthcare or long-term care settings. Adults born after 1970 may need two doses of MMR to be fully protected. Talk to your healthcare provider if you're unsure.

Questions? Contact the IPAC Lead anytime.

Thanks for helping keep The Elliott safe!