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Radiant REACHOUT Care

To provide with excellence love and dignity a full continuum of affordable housing and services to senior citizens. We serve the Mennonite Constituency and others who wish to live in a community of Christian faith.

Radiant Care Foundation Banquet 2018



Keynote Speaker - Adam Shoalts

Innovative Growth and **Partnerships**

The banquet was an opportunity to honour the valuable partnerships that Radiant Care enjoys with Niagara College and Brock University. Also on hand to bring greetings and express support were Niagara-on-the-Lake Mayor Patrick Darte, and St. Catharines Mayor Walter Sendzik.

Relational Excellence and Cultural Preservation

The room was full, conversation was lively, and there was energy in the air as almost 300 people gathered at White Oaks resort for the first annual Radiant Care Foundation banquet on October 12. Attendees enjoyed an excellent meal, marveled at the stories of Arctic exploration and adventure by keynote speaker Adam Shoalts, and learned a bit more about Radiant Care along the way.

Specialization in Dementia and Palliative Care

Guests at the Radiant Care Foundation banquet had an opportunity to be introduced to two key areas of specialization in our Long Term Care homes. Displays highlighted our Montessori Approach to Dementia Care as well as some of the practical ways we provide dignified and loving palliative care.



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Canada's Minister for Seniors Visits Radiant Care Tabor Manor



The Honorable Filomena Tassi spent time with residents at Radiant Care Tabor Manor on October 12. The visit was a part of her cross-country tour, interacting with seniors and soliciting their opinions and insights. Minister Tassi enjoyed one-on-one conversations with residents, as well as a coffee time. For more photos please visit **radiantcare.ca**.

Connexions

There are many reasons why I love working for Radiant Care, including the emphasis on palliative care and the way the passing of a resident is handled with love and grace. Staff are given the opportunity to say a few words about the resident, a flower is placed at their table, and the chaplain gives a beautiful tribute. It is very touching to watch and be a part of!

Barbara Osborne, Nutrition Manager, Radiant Care Tabor Manor

It sounds like a cliché to say it, but working at Radiant Care Pleasant Manor 'lifts up my spirit'. I feel encouraged by those supporting me; I'm thankful to be here.

Dawn Clyens, Director of Clinical Services, Radiant Care Pleasant Manor



The Spirit Is On The Move

There was a theory of aging developed in the 60's that said it was both normal and inevitable for people to "decrease their activity and seek more passive roles as they age"; that a mutual agreement of sorts was made between the old and young that looked to displace elders from important and contributing roles in society. Even if this theory is accurate, it ought to be challenged because of its inherent devaluing of members in our society. In the church we ought to see that, regardless of age and ability, every member has value and a contributing role simply because of who they are in Christ. This is what we believe at Radiant Care Pleasant Manor. With such events as our Pastor's In-Service, it is how we want to educate our society together with the help of our churches.



The municipal elections are now over, and leaders are in position to serve the people. We tend to place our trust in our leaders' knowledge and ability. We expect a lot from them don't we! Scripture encourages us to place our faith and hope in the Lord Jesus Christ because He alone is 'the power of God and the wisdom of God!' (1Cor. 1:24)

Only He can really deliver divine wisdom to all who trust in Him! Ultimately, our confidence for the future should not rest in political parties or personalities. It must rest in the Lord Jesus Christ, who alone embodies 'The Way, The Truth, and The Life!' (John 14:6) Trust in him! He will never let you down!

Jim Evans, Lead Chaplain, Radiant Care Tabor Manor



Upcoming Events

Happy Birthday! It is not every day that a

member of our community turns 100 years old! Peter Dirks celebrated his 100th birthday on October 15, enjoying a special Coffee Hour with his Tabor Manor family.

Nov. 17 – RC TM Auxiliary Christmas Tea & Bake Sale 10am – 11:30am Nov. 24 – RC PM Auxiliary Christmas Bazaar 10am – 11:30am Dec. 5 – RC TM Tenant Christmas Banquet 5pm Dec. 6 – RC PM Tenant/Life Lease Christmas Banquet 5pm Dec. 11 – RC PM Tenant/Life Lease Christmas Banquet 12pm Dec. 13 – RC PM Resident Christmas Banquet 5pm Dec. 16 – RC PM Resident Family Christmas Party 2:30pm Dec. 19 – RC TM Resident Christmas Lunch 12pm

Vital Statistics: Waiting Lists

Radiant Care Pleasant Manor Long-Term Care	88
Radiant Care Pleasant Manor Apartments	951
Radiant Care Tabor Manor Long-Term Care	351
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