

# Radiant Care Tabor Manor

## Tabor Times

*April 2025*

### Spring Blessings and Easter Reflections

As the days grow longer and the sun shines brighter, we're excited to welcome the **Easter Season** and all the fresh energy that Spring brings.

Our residents are looking forward to enjoying more time outdoors, soaking up the sunshine, and watching the flowers begin to bloom.

March closed with some wonderful moments — we had a fun bus trip, where smiles and scenic views were in full supply. We also hosted a cheerful Spring Social, filled with laughter, milk-shakes and fun.

Looking ahead, our **Easter celebrations** will begin with a **Good Friday Service in the Great Room** led by Don Middlemiss. All residents are encouraged to attend. We wish everyone a peaceful and joyful Easter Season.

#### ***WE REMEMBER...***

Gerry Misener  
Brenda Buckmaster  
Harry Fediuk  
Raymond Wood

#### ***WE WELCOME...***

Joseph Ouellet  
Genevieve Barszcz  
Angelo Perfli  
Winifred "Win" Farmaner  
Heinrich "Hein" Prinzen  
Helmut Harder  
Ranee Loucks  
Janna VanStarckenburg

#### ***WE CELEBRATE THE BIRTHDAYS OF...***

Mollie Morris  
Adina Braul  
Raymond Wood  
Alice Bilkszto  
Helen Dubiel  
Heinrich "Hein" Prinzen  
Nettie Vanleeuwen  
Doug Erickson  
Murielle Yunblut  
Cornelis Van DerMaas  
Josie Cecchetti  
Brigitte Chiasson  
Evelyn Street  
Jim Burt  
Brenda O'Brien



**You're Invited: TENA  
Contenance Products Family  
Information Session**



We are pleased to invite **family members and caregivers** to attend an upcoming **TENA Contenance Products Information Session**, where we will share helpful insights on continence care and the TENA products we use at Tabor Manor. **Paula Burns** from TENA will be our **guest speaker**.

This session is a great opportunity to:

- ⇒ Learn more about how continence products support the comfort and dignity of your loved one
- ⇒ Ask questions and receive expert guidance from TENA representatives
- ⇒ Better understand how we tailor care to individual needs

Tuesday April 8th, 2pm-3pm in Great Room

**RSVP:** Norma Restivo  
normar@radiantcare.net  
(905) 934-3414 ext. 1063

Come join us for **"The Journey of Aging"** - 4 informative sessions on the topics of **Aging and Companionship Others at End of Life**.  
Session themes will include :

- Physical Needs
- Psychological considerations
- Spiritual Needs
- Social Experiences
- Palliative Care
- Self Care Considerations

Instructors will include: Dr. Rob Patterson, Mary Chapman, and Stephen Mason

Every Tuesday starting April 8th to April 29th

**Time:** 2:30pm to 3:15pm

**Location:** Olive Branch Café

**RSVP:** Stephen Mason  
(905) 934-3414 ext. 1009



**"Sharing Dance for Older Adults"  
Program**

As the semester comes to an end for the Brock University students so does the *Sharing Dance for Older Adults* program. Residents and students had a fun time participating in this program and having an opportunity to spend time together.

Feedback for the program has been positive, prompting us to look at offering the program again soon. We will keep you posted with our planning details.



**Next meeting Tuesday,  
April 22nd 10:00am,  
Great Room.**  
All Residents are  
welcome and  
encouraged to attend.

## A Plea For Mercy!

A mother once approached Napoleon seeking a pardon for her son. The emperor replied that the young man had committed a certain offense twice, and justice demanded death. "But I don't ask for justice," the mother explained. "I plead for *mercy*." "But your son does not deserve *mercy*," Napoleon replied. "Sir," the woman cried, "it would not be *mercy* if he deserved it, and *mercy* is all I ask for." "Well, then," the emperor said, "I will have *mercy*," and he spared the woman's son!

Thank goodness that mother knew the difference between justice and mercy! And equally important was Napoleon's willingness to be merciful!

The Bible makes the difference clear as well...

*Justice is getting what you deserve, Mercy is not getting what you deserve!*

Scripture says, 'all have sinned and fall short of God's glory...and the wages of sin is death. (Rom. 3:23; 6:23) those who do not believe in Jesus Christ are 'condemned already' (John 3:18) That is the justice we all deserve.

Yet, those who believe in Jesus Christ and His loving grace and mercy are no longer condemned! (John 3:18) Jesus' death on the Cross paid for our just punishment and delivered us from our just condemnation! Romans 8:1 confidently states; 'There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus!'

And it's all because of God's great love & rich mercy! Eph. 4:4-5 states it plainly; 'But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—'

In a greater way than Napoleon, God has chosen to show us His mercy rather than His justice through Jesus Christ's saving death and atonement for our sin!

*This is The Message of Good Friday and Easter!*

If need be, call out to The Lord today and say... 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' Ask for His mercy to save you from your just condemnation and receive His loving grace and mercy through Jesus Christ! (Luke 18:13; Rom.10:13)

And for those of us who have, His mercies continue to be poured out on us, undeserving sinners every day! Lam. 3:22-24 says;

'The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; <sup>23</sup> they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness. "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."

This passage forms the foundation of the hymn, 'Great is Thy Faithfulness' which reminds us of God's enduring mercy, it says;

Great is Thy faithfulness, Great is Thy faithfulness  
Morning by morning new mercies I see,  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

*PRAISE THE LORD FOR HIS GREAT LOVE & RICH MERCY*

*AS YOU CELEBRATE GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER!*



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# Spruce Lane Star

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## April Birthdays

Walter Isaac – April 8<sup>th</sup>

## Upcoming Events

### **April 2<sup>nd</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> – Perishky Baking:**

Join us in Long-term Care at 9:30am to bake Perishky!

### **April 3<sup>rd</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> – Coffee Hour:**

Join Scott Street Church in the Café at 2:30pm to enjoy some coffee and conversation!

### **April 14<sup>th</sup> – Hymn Sing:**

Join us in the Chapel at 2:00pm for hymns with Stephen!

### **April 15<sup>th</sup> – Easter Egg Decorating:**

Join us in the Café at 9:30 to dye some eggs for Easter!

### **April 18<sup>th</sup> – Church Service:**

Join us in the Great Room at 10:00am for our Easter Chapel Service!

### **April 22<sup>nd</sup> – Seed Planting:**

Join us in the Fireside Lounge at 2:30pm to plant some seeds for the summer!

### **April 24<sup>th</sup> – Pizza and Movie Night:**

Join us in the Café at 6:00pm for a fun movie night!

## In the Garden

***Mary Magdalene went and said to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord...” (John 20:18)***

On a gently winding path shaded by olive branches, a woman in white, with head bowed and hand clasping her throat as if to choke back her sobs, walked slowly into the shadows. It was Mary. As she came to the tomb, upon which she placed her hand, she bent over to look in and then hurried away. John, in flowing robe, appeared. Then came Peter, who entered the tomb, followed slowly by John. As they departed, Mary reappeared, leaning her head upon the tomb as she wept. Turning, she saw the Jesus standing in front of her. She knelt before him, with arms outstretched and looking into His face, she cried “Rabboni!” (This means Teacher).

It was this garden scene that inspired Austin Miles, in 1912, to write “In the Garden,” one of the most beloved hymns ever written. The words of the song tell the story: *“I come to the garden alone, while the dew is still on the roses. And the voice I hear, falling on my ear, the Son of God discloses. And He walks with me, and He talks with me, and He tells me I am His own. And the joy we share, as we tarry there, none other has ever known.”* May these words, “He tells me I am His own,” echo in your heart as you draw close to the Lord this Lenten season.



- Stephen Mason  
Volunteer Coordinator

## A Tradition Takes Root

The last Friday in April is celebrated as Arbor Day in the United States, but the tradition of planting trees first evolved in Spain. In the village Villanueva de la Sierra, a priest named Ramón Vacas Roxo was convinced that trees were not only beautiful and important to the environment but also improved health and hygiene. In 1805, he began a tradition of planting trees during a three-day festival. He even wrote a manifesto explaining the importance of trees and delivered it to neighboring villages, encouraging residents to plant their own. It wasn't until April 10, 1872, that J. Sterling Morton—a newspaper editor turned politician—founded Arbor Day as an official holiday in Nebraska. In 1883, educator Birdsey Northrop of Connecticut traveled to Japan, where he spread the idea of an Arbor Day holiday. That message, and the countless millions of trees planted since, lives on this April 25, 2025.



## March Recap!

March was a Month of forgiveness, humbly confessing to the Lord knowing the mercy of Christ. Throughout March we had many different events including our monthly movie night, as well as our pancake and shamrock socials. We also celebrated St. Patrick's Day and the beginning of Spring!

As we move away from March and into April, the month of Rejoice, for the Lord has risen from death and saved us from sin! I hope everyone is able to find joy in the new spring weather, and enjoys some well-deserved time with their friends and family for Easter.

## Common Endings

*Find the word that can end all three words. The first answer is given.*

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|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------|
| 1. hydro, sea, air        | <u>Plane</u> | 10. wish, collar, herring | _____ |
| 2. foot, toad, step       | _____        | 11. horse, gum, snow      | _____ |
| 3. shatter, child, water  | _____        | 12. counter, desk, black  | _____ |
| 4. tail, stove, bag       | _____        | 13. down, screen, word    | _____ |
| 5. brain, grand, god      | _____        | 14. waist, side, guide    | _____ |
| 6. paint, sage, tooth     | _____        | 15. hover, witch, space   | _____ |
| 7. trade, hall, birth     | _____        | 16. lady, potato, jitter  | _____ |
| 8. crow, task, handle     | _____        | 17. hub, knee, night      | _____ |
| 9. turtle, bottle, rubber | _____        | 18. out, mini, hoop       | _____ |