THE VILLAGER

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Our Mission is to provide holistic heath care in a home environment located within an internal neighbourhood design that promotes a caring community, with emphasis on optimal health and life purpose for each resident.



Message from Assistant General Manager

Terence Paul

Dear LTC Family,

Spring has arrived, bringing with it a sense of renewal and growth. The warmth of the sun, the vibrant blossoms, and the fresh greenery remind us that change is a natural and beautiful part of life. Just as nature flourishes in this season, we too are embracing positive changes within our community.

In LTC, we are committed to continuous improvement, ensuring our residents experience the highest quality of care and comfort. This spring, we are excited to share some recent updates and upcoming enhancements that will contribute to a safer, more comfortable, and vibrant living environment.

Recent and Upcoming Improvements in LTC

New Tables and Chairs for Main Street

Fresh, modern furniture has been carefully selected and ordered to enhance our Main Street. Soon, residents will enjoy a more comfortable and inviting space for socializing, and connecting with one another.

New Shower Chairs and Weighing Scales

We are pleased to announce the arrival of 4 new shower chairs and 4 state-of-the-art weighing scales, now in circulation throughout the village. These additions provide enhanced safety and comfort during bathing and ensure accurate health monitoring for our residents.

New High-Low Beds

On January 23, we received 36 new high-low beds, replacing all manual crank beds in our LTC neighborhoods. These adjustable beds offer greater comfort, improved accessibility, and increased safety for residents and our team members.

As we embrace the beauty of spring, these enhancements mark a new chapter of growth and renewal for our LTC community. Our dedicated team is implementing these changes with the utmost care, ensuring minimal disruption to residents' daily routines. We are confident that these upgrades will make a significant positive impact on our residents' quality of life.

Thank you for your continued support and patience as we work together to nurture a community where everyone feels safe, comfortable, and valued. Just as spring brings new beginnings, we are committed to fostering growth and flourishing together.



Spiritual Care

Pricely Francis Spiritual Lead

Miracles and Meals: The Rich Traditions of Passover and the Seder Meal

Once upon a time, in ancient Egypt, the Hebrew people were enslaved, enduring harsh treatment and oppression under Pharaoh's rule. They cried out to God for deliverance, and in response, He chose Moses to lead them to freedom. God performed miraculous signs to demonstrate His power, but Pharaoh's heart remained hardened.

As the final act of deliverance drew near, God instructed Moses to prepare the Israelites for an incredible event known as the Passover. Each family was to choose a perfect lamb, free from blemish, and sacrifice it. They were to take the lamb's blood and paint it on the doorposts of their homes. This would serve as a sign to God to "pass over" their households during the final plague, the death of the firstborn, which would strike Egypt.

On that fateful night, as darkness covered the land, the Israelites followed God's instructions with faith. They feasted on the roasted lamb with unleavened bread and bitter herbs, symbolizing their suffering and the urgency of their escape, for they would soon flee Egypt.

The morning after the "pass over" night, the Israelites rejoiced, for their homes had been spared death. Recognizing the mighty hand of God, Pharaoh finally relented and freed the Hebrew people from bondage.

The Passover became a lasting symbol of liberation and faith. Each year, the Jewish people remember this miraculous event, celebrating their deliverance and the covenant between God and His chosen people. The lamb that was sacrificed now symbolizes not only the deliverance from Egypt but also foreshadows redemption, embodying hope and the promise of a new beginning.

The Seder meal is a central ritual of the Jewish Passover, celebrated on the first two nights of the holiday. It is a rich, ceremonial dinner that recounts the story of the Exodus, when the Israelites were freed from slavery in Egypt. The Seder plate holds symbolic foods, each with its own significance. The bitter herbs represent the bitterness of slavery, while charoset symbolizes the mortar used by the Israelites when they were forced to build in Egypt.

During the meal, participants read from the Haggadah, a text that guides the Seder and narrates the Passover story, encouraging discussions about Jewish history, faith, and tradition. The act of dipping parsley in salt water, reciting blessings, and retelling the story fosters a communal atmosphere of remembrance and gratitude, ensuring that the lessons of freedom and liberation resonate through generations. Through the Seder, families come together not only to remember their past but also to celebrate their identity and heritage.

On Wednesday, April 16 at 2:30 PM, come and experience "The Passover Story" in the Town Hall and relish samples of the Seder meal.

at Schlegel



Athlete of the Month

The PAL team would like to congratulate Robert Varin as Athlete of the Month! Robert is very hardworking and always gives his all when exercising. He is currently active on our ambulation program walking 2 times a week, on top of his weights and ROM programs! Although Robert was more recently added to our ambulation program, we have already seen big improvements, going from walking 60m to at least 90m per walk! We are happy to reward Robert for all his efforts this month. Keep it up!

From.

The PAL Team - Edward, Emily,

Harneet, Chaya, and Muhammad



Hello Erin Meadows!

Stress Awareness Month

April marks National Stress Awareness Month. Take time this month to discover stress management tools, and to reflect on how stress can impact our everyday lives. Stress can affect your body, thoughts, feelings, and behaviour. Stress that is left unchecked can contribute to many health problems, including: high blood pressure, heart disease, obesity, and diabetes. Being able to recognize common symptoms of stress can help you manage them.

Here are some physical, emotional, and mental signs and symptoms that may indicate you are stressed out:

- Aches and pains
- Exhaustion or trouble sleeping
- Headaches, dizziness, or shaking
- Muscle tension or jaw clenching
- Stomach or digestive problems
- Anxiety or irritability
- Sadness

Now, let's look at some ways to manage stress:

- Get active join the group classes the PAL team runs
- Laugh more laughing can help lighten your mental load
- Meditate focus your attention and quiet all the jumbled thoughts that may be crowding your mind
- Connect with others reach out to family and friends
- Keep a journal write down your thoughts and feelings

Emily Vi



NEIGHBOURS HELPING NEIGHBOURS: Erin Meadows and the power of giving back

Posted March 20th, 2025 By Kristian Partington

Community has always been important to John Henderson. For 30 years, he served others as a career, risking his life as a Toronto firefighter. When you speak with him today, he's nonchalant, humble even; others may see heroism when they think of firefighters but for John it was simply his job.

Complications from a serious heart attack led to his retirement, yet he continues to serve others as part of the community within The Village of Erin Meadows. Alongside his fellow residents in long-term care at The Village, the latest contribution was a significant donation to the local Food Bank.

He says that while he and his neighbours may live in long-term care because they require support, they maintain their keen understanding of the needs of others. They realize that times are difficult for some families



Erin Meadows team members Sami Kermani and Terence Paul stand alongside Stacey Kelly with the Village's \$1,000 donation.

struggling to make ends meet in a complex world where the cost of living seems to continually rise, and they wanted to help.

As the president of the resident's council, he was a key part of the discussion within the community, and the Food Bank seemed like the best option.

"We had a bit of money in our account, and everybody seemed to think that a thousand bucks would be a good, half-decent donation and everybody was in agreement with it,"
John says. With the
Village team's support,
the council connected
with Stacey Kelly, the
Community Partnerships
Coordinator with Food
Banks Mississauga.

"I was really happy when the email came across my desk," Stacy says. "The fact that there is a council of residents from each neighbourhood that come together and vote on where the donation goes and how it can support people in their community was humbling." She says her grandmother lived in a long-term care setting and she can recall many an occasion visiting her grandmother's home to attend workshops or fundraising events, and she was touched to see the residents of Erin Meadows choosing to share their heard-earned funds with neighbours in need.

"Just because you are now in a different season of life doesn't mean your commitment to your community . . . should change," Stacy says.

John points out there are common misconceptions about long-term care homes and he highlights the fact that many residents are very capable of contributing to the community, even if they need some support with daily activities.

With the \$1,000 donation to the Food Bank, John and his neighbours at The Village of Erin Meadows illustrate this point beautifully.

To share your story, please contact Kristian at PWRITINGSTUDIOS@GMAIL.COM, or call 705-772-5182.



LONG TERM CARE FAMILY COUNCIL

All family members are welcome to meet other family members each month for connection, mutual support, education, problem-solving to enhance the quality of life for our loved-ones.

SAVE THE DATES

First Saturday of the Month, 10am Council Chamber, Main Street

Saturday, April 5, 2025

Meeting, connection

Tour of Laundry Facility & Process

Presentation: Recreation - To be rescheduled

Saturday, May 3, 2025

Meeting, connection

Presentation: Behaviour & Personal Expression

Saturday, June 7, 2025

Meeting, connection

Presentation: Kinesiology

Speakers are invited by the Family Council*

*Family Council – an organized, self-led, self-determining group of family and friends of LTC residents

RSVP: not necessary, but would love to know that you are coming,

For questions, contact: Chi Awadh, Resident Support Coordinator 905-569-7155 ext. 7129, Chi.awadh@schlegelvillages.com



Wishing you a Happy Birthday!

LTC

Meadowvale

Elizabeth H April 30 Yash B April 30

Dundas

Irma B April 3
Carol Ann C April 7

Derry

Francesco C April 27

Sheridan

Francine L April 5

Trafalgar

Lorrain C April 2
Marcello April 7
Gursharn S April 7
Robert(Scott) P April 13
Hilda L April 28

Howland

Antoinette T April 1

Mubashar S April 1

Birthday Bash Tuesday, April 29 2 PM Main Street

LTC Events @ a Glance

Entertainment with Kelly Davis	Tuesday, April 8 2 PM
Wings over the Rain Forest	Friday, April 11 2 PM, in Meadowvale
Passover Story	Tuesday, April 14 2 PM– Town Hall
Easter Sunday Social	Sunday, Sunday, April 20 2 PM
Trip To Classic Bowl, Bowling Alley	Thursday, April 24 1-4 PM
Pub Night with Filipa	Friday, April 25 6:30 PM
Birthday Bash	Tuesday, April 29 2 PM
Glorious Singers	Saturday, April 26 2 PM

Residents Council Meeting Wednesday, April 9, 2 PM in the Community Centre

Family Council Meeting, Saturday, April 5, 10 AM in the Council Chamber

International Women's Day

LTC



















Village Life

LTC

A gathering for Iftar during Ramadan, where Muslim residents, team members, and family members come together to break their fast and pray.















Sheridan

New Concert Series Starting May 1st

The Village of Erin Meadows LTC is excited to partner with the Schlegel-UW Research Institute for Aging(RIA) and Sheridan College to present a new concert series. Together with <u>Concerts in Care Ontario</u>, <u>Dr. Kate Dupuis</u>, Schlegel Innovation Leader in Arts and Aging, will be offering 4 weeks of concerts to 4 of our long-term care neighbourhoods. This is the final phase of a larger project with Concerts in Care that began in 2023 and has already offered concert series to multiple Villages across the province.

Research Components

The research team intends to observe the concerts to assess the impact of the performances on the residents, visitors, and team members in the Village. The researchers will be paying attention to a few things like the level of engagement of attendees (are they awake/alert/attentive), how they respond to the music (do they sing/hum/move their bodies), whether they engage in conversation with others, etc. Anyone can choose to opt-out of the observations and still attend the concerts. Team members and family/friend care partners who complete a short survey about their experiences of attending the concerts can receive a \$10 gift card. Participants who complete an interview (20-30 minutes) can receive a \$25 gift card. This project has received approval from the Sheridan College ethics board.

Questions about this project?

Please free to reach out to Kate at kate.dupuis@sheridancollege.ca or 905-845-9430 x 4229.

If you **do not want** to be observed/**do not** want the resident in your care to be observed, please let Kate and the Erin Meadows Recreation Team know.

March is Nutrition Month

The Village of Erin Meadows LTC celebrated Nutrition Month on March 20th with a vibrant event organized by the Dietary and Recreation departments, in line with this year's "Nourish to Flourish" theme. Residents were invited to participate in engaging activities, including "Let's Plant Together," "Build Your Own Salad Bowl," and "Build Your Own Yogurt and Granola Parfait." In addition to these hands-on experiences, team members had the opportunity to sample the salads and parfaits, while also receiving valuable healthy eating tips from the Registered Dietitian. The event was a fun and educational way to promote better nutrition and wellness within the community.











1pm-4pm

\$15.00 per resident

Please Sign up in the Recreation Office



Entertainment:

Afternoon Music with Hawks Nest Trio

Friday, April 11th - 2:30 pm Main Street

Music Night with JP

Wednesday, April 30th - 5:30 pm The Ruby

Birthday Celebration with Viviana

Friday, April 25th - 2:30 pm Main Street

Outings:

Oakville Place

Thursday, April 10th, 11:00 am

Centennial Park (Emma's & Egerton Residents)

Tuesday, April 22nd, 11:00 am

Restaurant outing

Thursday, April 23rd, 11:00 am

Posters with the grocery schedules for van drop-off and pick-up will be posted.

Vendors on Main Street:

Flowers, Fair & Gift, April 2nd, Wednesday
The Clothing Chick, April 5th, Saturday
Cathy's Jewelry & Scarves, April 9th, Wednesday
T and B Naturals, April 16th, Wednesday

April Bulletin:

Men's Breakfast

Tuesday, April 1st - 9:15 am The Ruby

Food Forum

Wednesday, April 9th - 10:00 am Town Hall

Residents' Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 8th - 10:30 am Town Hall

Ladies Breakfast

Tuesday, April 15th - 9:15 am The Ruby

New Residents Welcome Committee Meeting

Tuesday, April 15th - 10:00 am School House

Paint Social

Friday, April 18th - 2:30 pm Town Hall

Federal Election

Monday, April 28th - 9:00 am Town Hall

Poker Night with Desi

Monday, April 28th - 7:00 pm Town Hall

Vendors on Main Street:

Fifth Avenue, April 19th, Saturday Nelly's Comfort Shoes, April 23rd, Wednesday Traditions Alive, April 30th, Wednesday



Gerald Gregory	Alexander Morisson
Francis Misquitta	Lila Fowler
Bernice White	Kyung Youn
Gabriel Schuyler	Sau Moi Szeto
Rod Crooks	Margaret Whytock
Vincent Lo	Francisco Ataide
John MacDonald	Margaret Ciric
John Potter	John Harney
Enid Swaby	Yumi Inagaki
Toni Daniels	Emilia Vao
Aline Luker	Rosalie Leswick

Birthday Celebration with Viviana Friday, April 25th, 2:30 pm Main Street



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BENEFITS OF EXERCISE CLASS

Participating in group exercise class offers many different benefits. These classes provide a structured way to maintain muscle strength, improve balance and flexibility, reduce fall risk, promote cardiovascular health, and foster social interaction. Exercise can also enhance mental health and mood. Physical activity boosts the production of endorphins, which are natural mood elevators. These are vital in maintaining good health and quality of life.



FALL PREVENTION

Fall prevention involves taking steps to reduce the risk of falling, such as exercising and making modifications in our homes and daily activities. Overall, fall prevention protects both physical and mental health, promoting a safer, more active lifestyle.

Exercising is important in fall prevention as it helps you to maintain balance and flexibility as well as build muscle and bone strength. Incorporating strength, balance, flexibility, and endurance exercises into a regular routine is key to lowering the risk of falls.



Making modifications to common activities is also important to fall prevention. When walking, consider using an assistive device such as a walker or cane if balance is a concern. Avoid rushing and walk at a steady pace while taking breaks if needed. Wear proper footwear which means wearing shoes with non-slip soles and good support to prevent slipping.

For environmental modifications, clear obstacles from the floor that could cause tripping. Ensure adequate lighting in rooms to avoid tripping over unseen objects. Also, hold on to bars and railings if you need extra support. For example, holding onto the railings when going up or down a set of stairs.

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DAILY FITNESS CLASS

Consider joining us in our fitness classes held in Town Hall. Check the PAL calendar to see what days and times the exercise classes take place. There are a variety of fitness classes that take place targeting many different benefits. These classes focus on increasing safety, mobility, flexibility, and muscle strength. Last month there was even a dance class taught by one of the volunteer students.

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MODIFICATIONS TO THE FITNESS CENTRE

Along with the regular exercise equipment, there have been recent improvements made to the downstairs fitness center. There have been windows added to the doors to ensure better safety for residents wanting to use the fitness center.



St. Patrick's Celebration with Finnigan School of Irish Dance



St. Patrick's Celebration with Frank and Mike











Nursing Corner

RH

Infection Prevention and Control - IPAC

IPAC – Infection Prevention and Control is a program at Schlegel Villages and led by the Wellness team to prevent the spread of infections amongst residents, team members, visitors and others in the village, and transmission from the community into the village. The village utilizes a number of methods to provide training and education for our team members, residents, volunteers and caregivers. These may include huddle topics, training education modules, posters and in-person educations.

As we embrace spring this year, we would like to provide you some updates in the village. Recently, we have had outbreaks related to Respiratory and Gastroenteritis cases. We would like to re-iterate the infection prevention guidelines as per Peel Public Health. During respiratory outbreaks, it is recommended to wear a mask, proper hand hygiene and following isolation guidelines when sick. As well as, when a gastroenteritis outbreak is declared, it is a must to report to the lead nurse as soon as you have symptoms of vomiting or diarrhea and stay in the room to isolate as it is highly contagious to transmit the virus to others. Please see attached information from Public Ontario and Health Canada for review.

In addition, as a reminder if you use your own humidifier in your suite that it is imperative to have them cleaned and change filters to stop spores from growing.

With escalating measles activity in the province in recent weeks and with increases across the globe we would like to share the following information across the village.

- Vaccinations are the most effective way to prevent measles, those not immune are at increased risk or being infected, especially when travelling and
- To be immune you must be fully vaccinated or have proof of immunity (blood test)
- Symptoms include;
- 1. Fever, cough, runny nose, red watery eye;
- 2. Small white spots (Koplik) may appear inside the mouth and throat 2-3 days after symptoms begin
- 3. Rash developing on face, that spreads down the body, arms and legs, the rash is not itchy and appears as small flat red spots.

We encourage residents and team members to be aware of their immunization status and obtain proof of immunization through access to their immunization records.

If residents or team members have symptoms of measles or have been in contact with someone who has measles, they should immediately self-isolate and contact the nurse or contact the Wellness team right away.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact our Nursing team.



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Pharmacy & General Store		8128	
Hair Salon		8130	

the Story of Passover

WEDNESDAY APRIL 16 2:30 PM TOWN HALL



Happy Passover







Welcome to Spring!

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easteregg	hyacinth	chocolate	basket
bonnet	spring	rabbit	chicks
lambs	bunny	iris	eggs



APRIL EVENTS

April 1 (Tuesday)
Men's Breakfast

April 15 (Tuesday)
Ladies Breakfast

April 20 (Sunday) **Easter Brunch**

April 27 (Sunday)
Sunday Brunch

April 30 (Wednesday)

Music Night



Join us on the 12th floor

Call for a reservation:
905-569-7155
x 8127



2930 Erin Centre Blvd., Mississauga (Winston Churchill at Erin Centre)





The Village of Erin Meadows offers a full continuum of care:

AILSA CRAIG – Independent Living

- full kitchen (stove, dishwasher, microwave, full size fridge)
- in suite washer and dryer
- weekly housekeeping with linen laundry wash/change
- meal plans and or care services can be added
- starting at \$5,166/month (2nd occupant add \$500)

BECKER – Retirement Apartments

- kitchenette (with full size fridge and microwave)
- lunch and dinner daily
- weekly housekeeping with linen laundry wash/change
- in suite washer and dryer
- breakfast and or care services can be added
- starting at \$3,991/month (2nd occupant add \$950)

WILLIAMSBURG – Full Service Retirement

- three meals daily
- medication administration
- daily bed making
- · weekly housekeeping with linen laundry wash/change
- weekly assisted bath or shower
- extra care and support can be added
- starting at \$5,165/month (2nd occupant add \$1,250)

EGERTON – Assisted Care

- three meals daily
- medication administration
- support with personal care and activities of daily living
- daily bed making
- weekly housekeeping with linen laundry wash/change
- · weekly assisted bath or shower
- extra care and support can be added
- starting at \$6,325/month (2nd occupant add \$2,035)

EMMA'S - Memory Care

- safe, secure neighbourhood designed to support residents living with dementia
- three meals daily
- medication administration
- support with personal care and activities of daily living
- daily bed making
- weekly housekeeping with linen laundry wash/change
- · weekly assisted bath or shower
- extra care and support can be added
- starting at \$6,580/month (2nd occupant add \$2,172)



JULIANE SHANTZ · DOCTOR OF AUDIOLOGY

It is our pleasure to offer full Audiology services to all Schlegel Village residents.



These services include:

- hearing tests,
- hearing aid cleaning,
- adjustments,
- wax removal,
- assistive listening devices and hearing aid sales.

Our services are located at your Retirement Village, and appointments are required.

For more information or to book an appointment please call

1-888-745-5550

retirement@earandhearingclinic.com

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Across Canada, it's estimated that more than **110,000 people** are living with Parkinson's disease.

Within our Villages, we know and have known many who always inspire us with their tenacity and perseverance in the face of the challenges the disease can present.

A key aspect that rings true is the fact that the experiences of someone living with Parkinson's are as unique as the individual; there is no single path of progression of symptoms and no certainty in predicting the pace. What is common, however, is the fact that people living with the disease and their loved ones deserve every opportunity to make the most of every moment, and we're proud to support in any way we can.

April is marked across the country as Parkinson's Awareness Month, and we urge everyone to take some time to learn more about the many ways people living with the disease and their loved ones are affected

Sharon Hunwick, a resident living at Erin Mills Lodge who was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease at the age of 43, shared her fascinating insights on the Stories from the Green Bench podcast.

This April, we join Canadians across the country in pursuit of more knowledge and research to help slow and hopefully eliminate the progression of this disease.

For more information and resources visit Parkinson Canada at **parkinson.ca**



Advance Care Planning Can Bring Peace to People Who are Dying

For many people, the thought of dying brings up feelings of fear and uncertainty, which may prevent them from finding peace as they face the end of life.

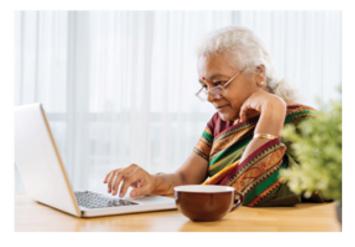
Nearly one in five older Canadians may not experience peace with dying, according to a recent data analysis of the Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging at McMaster University. The analysis, published earlier this year, highlights the importance of end-of-life care and suggests advance care planning may help people feel more at peace before they die.

As people go through their end-of-life journey, their health and symptoms will change, and it is the responsibility of their healthcare team, family, friends, and care partners to ensure their end-of-life wishes are understood and honoured.

Heather Keller, Schlegel Research Chair in Nutrition and Aging, and her colleagues Dr. Allan Garland and Dr. George Heckman share important and helpful advice to empower you to make informed healthcare decisions ensuring your voice is heard and respected.

What is Advance Care Planning?

Advance care planning is about documenting your wishes and instructions for your present and future health should you be unable to speak for yourself. We understand these conversations can be difficult, but with



the right information and support, advance care planning can help you find peace at the end of your life. Below are some tips to help you make informed healthcare decisions.

Choose a substitute decision-maker

A substitute decision maker is a person or persons who will inform the care team about your wishes if you are unable to do so yourself. The substitute decision-maker must understand and represent your wishes for medical care and be able to provide consent for treatments.

Speak to your healthcare team and ask questions

Here are a few questions you may want to ask your healthcare provider:

- What are my current health conditions and concerns?
- What specific medical problems can I anticipate with these conditions?
- What will happen if I decide not to have the treatment and/or procedure?

For additional resources about Advance Care Planning, visit the-ria.ca/resources/babel/.



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