



# The Betel Homefront



## June, July, and August 2021



### Recreation News

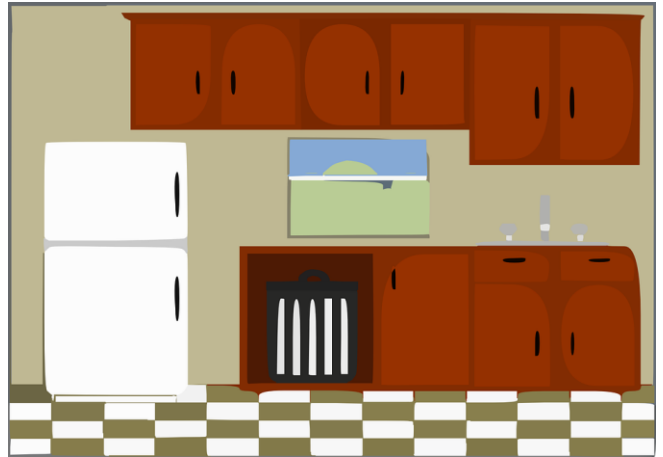
Summer is finally here and we are ready to embrace the fresh air and sunshine every opportunity we get. Recreation staff have been busy prioritizing outdoor walks with Residents as much as possible between our regular programming to give everyone some much needed outside time as often as we can facilitate. Just a reminder that we do our best to plan ahead but sometimes the weather has other plans which forces us to revise our schedule for the day.



### Recreation Kitchen

Our recreation room will be receiving some major upgrades. A full kitchen will be installed, including a sink, fridge, stove, microwave & new cabinets.

Recreation will use this new area for enhancing our baking programs, lunch and supper groups.



### Resident Council News

#### Upcoming Meeting Dates:

➤ July 19, 2021



*All meetings will be held at 2:00pm in the library unless otherwise noted. Changes may be made last minute to accommodate current pandemic response guidelines, public health orders, and related restrictions.*

***All Residents are welcome to attend!***

### Social Work News

Just a reminder to all family members to watch your mail for your initial and annual care conference letter! Within 8 weeks of admission and once per year thereafter we host an interdisciplinary meeting with Residents and their families to talk about all aspects of their care and address any concerns. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all care conferences are currently being held via telephone call between the Social Worker and family. If you are unavailable at your scheduled call time, please let Caroline know in advance to schedule an alternate time to discuss care and concerns.

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### A Note from The Business Office

Just a reminder to all Residents that the Business Office requires a copy of your 2020 Notice of Assessment after filing your income taxes. This is an essential piece of information for the office staff as it is needed to calculate everyone's individual daily rate. If you are unable to make a copy yourself, simply bring it to the office and we can make a copy of it for you.



### Projects in the Works

The crack outside the entrance of wing 1 & 2 has been fixed. The crack outside the main entrance will be repaired in the coming weeks.

The hallway doors to wings 1-4 are being replaced with wider, more wheelchair friendly doors. Everything has been ordered and will be replaced when the new doors arrive.

The courtyard will be seeing some upgrades this summer, in large part to a grant from the Selkirk & District Community Foundation. A new cement pad has been completed in the inner grass area for residents to enjoy. The rock gardens will also be upgraded with new weed stop and shrubs.

### COVID-19 Pandemic Reminder

Increased vaccination rates throughout the province are a positive sight to see amidst the ongoing pandemic.

However, being vaccinated does not prevent the person from acquiring, transmitting, or becoming ill from the virus. That is why it is still extremely important to follow all health and safety protocols currently in place. Please make sure you are wearing a mask when required, sanitizing or washing your hands frequently, and always staying home when you are ill.



### Important Information from Johannes the Safety Bear

Summer is here and with the season comes some very important safety messages for our Residents and visitors. We kindly ask that everyone be extra aware of our wandering Residents who suffer with Alzheimer's Disease or related dementias. It is very important to be careful when entering or exiting the facility that wandering Residents are not leaving the building unsupervised as this can pose a number of threats to their personal safety and well-being. Don't forget to always use a hat and sunscreen when staying outdoors for extended periods of time enjoying all the sunshine and fresh air. Always use extra caution with walkers and wheelchairs on uneven outdoor surfaces. Also make sure to use wheelchair foot pedals whenever possible. Have a great summer, enjoy the season, and always remember to stay safe while having fun!



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