

December 2021

## EATONIA OASIS LIVING

Winter is officially upon us, and one has to sit back and wonder where the year went! We have been spending time decorating the home for the Christmas season, with the helping hands of Marie Smith, Janine Specht, Naomi Green, Gail Morgan, Del Price and Darlene Olson. I hope I didn't miss anyone! The tree in our Activity room features all decorations made with Marie and the residents of EOL past and present. It was touching to go down memory lane, remembering. A special thank you to Candy Ashford and family for decorating the Nursing Station and Dining room! Your fireplace is amazing! The centre pieces are beautiful, and the subject of conversation at every mealtime!

Over the past few weeks, we have been enjoying Christmas parties held by the church ladies. Annette Palmer along with Jan Stusrud and Carol Schaeffer had a Christmas service along with caroling. Marie Smith and Janine Specht with the help of Linda Radies and Naomi Green hosted a Christmas Party with Bryan Swan, Dennis Kanesevich and Heather Bews providing the entertainment!

Anna Jensen's birthday was also celebrated that day, with delicious cheesecake! Anne Davey and Brenda Hoffman hosted an afternoon of good food, good music and good fellowship! They somehow even managed to get Santa Claus to stop by and hand out gifts! A huge thank you to all of you for taking time to spread the Christmas Spirit at EOL!

Artur Zbercha is a new volunteer at our home. He had started his work experience here before Co-Vid put an end to it. He is coming in on weekends to do exercises with the residents! Thank you, Artur!

Trivia is an activity that is thoroughly enjoyed by the residents. Thank you to Lynne Becker and Carol Schaeffer for coming in and leading this while we are searching for a new Activity Director. Also thank you to Linda Radies for calling BINGO. So appreciated!

Several of the residents went on the bus one evening for the Christmas Light Tour! It was so nice to see them all so excited to do this, even though it was pretty cold outside. They warmed up with hot chocolate when they got back

Welcome to Charlene Coventry who is our new hairdresser! So happy that you have joined our team!

So, in closing—on behalf of the residents, staff and Board of Directors we thank everyone who has dropped off goodies for us! We also thank everyone for being kind and cooperative with our Co-Vid rules. It means a lot to us that you care enough to keep us all safe and healthy!

We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!!

Stay safe out there!!