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WELCOME TO OUR WINTER EDITION!



We are so pleased to be able to share with you our latest news, activities, events and home information. I would like to offer a very warm welcome to our new residents, relatives and staff who joined us recently. We enjoyed a very busy Christmas period as we held our Advent of Activities. Our festive celebrations were plentiful with trips out, entertainers and even a pop-up pub! Thanks also to the Buxton Community Choir who sang carols from our garden: it was an emotional evening as we all connected, from a distance, at a special time of year.

I would also like to offer my most sincere thanks to John Burnham who retired in December after six years of service. John has been our much loved maintenance man and he will be missed by everyone. I wish him a long and happy retirement.

I am always delighted to see you so if there is anything at all that I can be of assistance with, do not hesitate to let me know. As ever, my door is always open.

Mark Smith
Home Manager, Haddon Hall Care Home

HOME NEWS

It's been a busy few months here at Haddon Hall Care Home! Here is a mere snapshot of what's been going on.



BEAUJOLAIS NOUVEAU NIGHT, A 'OUI' BIT DIFFERENT!

The Beaujolais nouveau est arrivé' is a French tradition celebrated across France on the third Thursday in November. We thought it only right that we should take part too and so we enjoyed an evening of French wine, music and cuisine. John played the accordion in our dining rooms before visiting the rest of our residents in the comfort of their bedrooms. Pictured is Mary, who shared the experience with her family through the magic of Skype! It was a wonderfully sociable evening.

CHRISTMAS sELFie FUNDRAISER

We had a wonderful Christmas, and one of our favourite events was hosting Alzheimer's Elf Day on the 10th of December. Many of our staff members joined in and we had elves from every department! Keith and Angie from Leisure and Wellness visited every resident and took a sELFie with them, which was great fun. Thanks to everyone's generosity, we raised over £100 for the Alzheimer's Society. After Jenni's amazing marathon running, we were able to donate even more towards the fantastic cause!



CHRISTMAS WITH CRAFTY CLARE!

As part of our Advent of Activities, we invited 'Crafty Clare' to host a Christmas crafting session with us. Clare brought everything we needed to create bespoke Christmas cards. We designed a plethora of characters with colour co-ordinated hats, scarves and gloves. Everyone got busy sticking and socialising and we made a lovely range of handmade cards and matching gift tags for our loved ones - something special to be treasured!



WINTER BIRTHDAYS!

We have a number of our residents celebrating their birthdays over the coming months, so on behalf of Mark and all of the Haddon Hall team, we'd like to wish the following residents a very happy birthday indeed: Ann C, Jennifer, Jean M, Helen S, Fred, Freda W (all in January), Patricia, Marguerita, Lysbeth, Eszter, John S (all in February), Frank, Andrew B and Ann H Diana (all in March).

WHAT'S NEW?

Keep up to date and get to know more about people and goings on at Haddon Hall Care Home!

RESIDENT PROFILE...



MEET MARIE



Marie was born in 1921, the daughter of a soldier and a district nurse. After a brief spell working with a Cambridge florist, Marie became a telephonist – a job which she did throughout the war. It was in Cambridge that she met her husband, Cecil, to whom she was married, for almost 70 years. Marie has two daughters, five grandchildren, eight great grandchildren and one great, great grandchild.

How long have you been a resident here?

I have been a resident at Haddon Hall Care Home for almost six months.

What is your favourite dish from the menu?

I like almost everything on the menu, my day always starts with a lovely bowl of warm porridge!

Which leisure and wellness activity do you enjoy most?

I like the chair based exercises in the morning with Keith.

Tell us something about yourself that others may not know.

On retirement, my husband and I established the Lintonnaires – a thriving old time music group, which gave free performances to many local care homes and organisations. I was known for creating many of the sparkling costumes worn by the group and for my entertaining monologues.

NEW ACTIVITIES FOR THIS WINTER A SELECTION FROM OUR PROGRAMME

NAPKIN FOLDING

FRIDAYS FROM JANUARY, 2.30PM

A must for any formal dinner, napkins are an essential addition to a pretty table setting. We will learn how to make fans, lotus flowers and swans and by the end of the month we should have a black belt in origami!

BUDDY CLUB

WEDNESDAYS IN FEBRUARY

Our residents will be invited to spend the afternoon meeting and chatting with friends old and new. Over coffee and biscuits we will come together and connect. What a great way to form new friendships!

HOLY COMMUNION

MONTHLY ON THE THIRD TUESDAY, 11.00AM

We welcome Reverend Liz England and her Curate Catrin from the Buxton Parish Anglican Churches, to deliver a Holy Communion service. Liz has also kindly offered to visit individual rooms for communion, prayers and Bible readings for those unable to attend the group service.

For dates and times for all of the above, speak to a member of the Leisure and Wellness Team or see the weekly programmes.



LOOK OUT FOR OUR UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

25 JAN BURNS NIGHT

Robert Burns, a national poet of Scotland, was born in 1759 and wrote lyrics and songs in Scottish and English. To celebrate the anniversary of his birth, we will be taking an armchair tour of Scotland, dining on haggis, tatties and neeps and raising a toast with a wee dram!

14 FEB VINTAGE VALENTINE SHOW

We welcome Sarah Bright for an afternoon of love songs and musical reminiscence. Sarah will perform a wide variety of music ranging from Broadway hits to old time rock and roll! Join us for a memorable afternoon and immerse yourself in glitz, glamour and melodies.

27 MAR MOTHERS DAY

Today is a special day and we will be making sure that every mum is feeling it too. After a week of 'pampering' activities, we will be delivering a gift to every lady in the building. Afterwards, we will enjoy a delicious Sunday lunch followed by a relaxing, 'put your feet up' kind of afternoon. Thank you to all of our mums, for being so wonderful!

STAFF UPDATE

Get to know us better... who are your team at Haddon Hall Care Home and what have they been up to recently?

STAFF PROFILE...



MEET EIJA CARE ASSISTANT



Eija moved to England from Finland 38 years ago to work as an au pair. She worked in the care sector in the 1980s and then changed career to work in a cheese factory. She is married with two grown up boys who have blessed her with six grandchildren.

How long have you worked here?

I have worked here at Haddon Hall for seven years.

Describe your role here at Haddon Hall Care Home.

I work on the residential floor helping with person-centred care. This includes assisting with personal care, activities with our residents and being there to listen; helping in any way I can to make their lives here at Haddon Hall as comfortable as possible.

What do you enjoy the most about your role?

Our residents and my work colleagues. I have a good rapport with everybody. I like to go home knowing I did a good job. That is what gives me satisfaction.

What are your hobbies and interests outside of work?

I enjoy textile based crafts such as macramé and knitting. I enjoy creating crochet hats for my family and friends. I have family in Finland and love to travel to see them.



WE SAY HELLO TO... PHIL FLETCHER CARE ASSISTANT

We say a very warm welcome to our new staff member Phil, who has joined our team. Phil Fletcher has joined us on our dementia unit, having come from a mental health background, supporting young adults. We all welcome you to the Haddon Hall team, Phil!

STAFF NEWS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING...



PROMOTIONS AND TRAINING

We would like to say a big congratulations to **Emma Light** who has been promoted, from carer to senior carer on the dementia unit and to **Fatoumatta O'Brien** (left) who is about to complete her Boots Medication training to become a team leader on nights. We would also like to say congratulations to **Leanne Walker** (right), our senior carer on the nursing unit, who is expecting a baby in June!

All **team leaders** have been currently completing their up-skills training, as part of their team leader roles. We look forward to some very detailed in-house training next year.



JENNI LIGHT

We would like to say a very big thank you to our runner Jenni Light, who donated £75 to our **Elf Day appeal**. Jenni is an avid runner and likes nothing more than completing a marathon or two.



RESIDENTS MEETING SUMMARY

We are delighted to be able to hold in-person relatives meetings once again. In our first resident and relatives meeting we received lots of valuable feedback. Here is a summary of a few of the main points:

ACTIVITIES SCHEDULES

You said: Can families be informed of the weekly activities so that we can avoid visiting when we know our loved ones will be busy participating?

We said: That's a great point. The Leisure and Wellness Team will now email the activity lists to the families that request them each week.

VISITING HOURS

You said: It's so hard to leave our families after an hour, can we stay longer?

We said: We agree and so visitors are now able to stay longer than an hour if they wish.

DATE OF NEXT RESIDENTS MEETING WEDNESDAY 5TH JANUARY, 2.30PM



HOME MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Once again, I would like to commend all our staff for their recent hard work in making the Christmas season such a great success. Thank you also to everyone for your continued support towards maintaining our excellent high standards by consistently providing the very best care to our wonderful residents.

Congratulations to our Deputy Manager, Phill Seddon who is moving on to pursue a managerial position. I thank him for his hard work, dedication and support since I arrived in January and I welcome Phill's successor, Denise Staley, who I am sure is going to be the perfect addition to our team.



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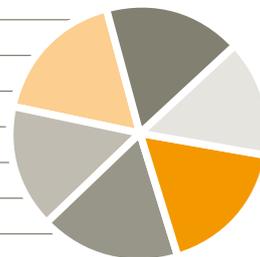
Overall
GOOD

RESIDENT QUESTIONNAIRE FEEDBACK RESULTS

POSITIVE APPROVAL RATINGS

12 months to March 2021

CARE & MORE	100%
FOOD & DRINK	83%
LEISURE & WELLNESS	100%
CUSTOMER CARE	100%
HOME ENVIRONMENT	89%
RECOMMEND TO OTHERS	100%



Carehome.co.uk review score

9.6 OUT OF 10

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR VALUABLE COMMENTS
KEEP THE FEEDBACK COMING!**

FUN TIME!

DID YOU KNOW... THE WINTER OF 1963 IS ONE OF THE...

coldest on record, and the coldest since 1740. Temperatures consistently reached lower than -20°C!



DID YOU HEAR THE ONE... WHAT DID ONE SNOWMAN SAY TO ANOTHER?

Can you smell carrot?



CHEF'S SEASONAL RECIPE GINGERBREAD MEN

Prep time 40 mins

Ingredients

- 225g plain flour, plus extra for dusting
- Half teaspoon salt
- 2 teaspoons bicarbonate of soda
- 1 heaped teaspoon ground ginger
- Half teaspoon cinnamon
- 50g unsalted butter
- 100g soft brown sugar
- 100g golden syrup

Method

1. Heat oven to 190°C / 170°C fan / gas 5 and line a baking tray with baking parchment. Sieve the flour, salt, bicarb, ginger and cinnamon into a large bowl. Heat the butter, sugar and syrup until dissolved. Leave the sugar mixture to cool slightly, then mix into the dry ingredients to form a dough. Chill the dough in the fridge for 30 mins.
2. On a surface lightly dusted with flour, roll out the dough to a quarter-inch thickness. Stamp out the gingerbread men shapes with a cutter, then re-roll any off-cuts and repeat. Place your gingerbread shapes on the lined trays, allowing space for them to spread. Cook for 10-15 mins, then remove from the oven and leave to cool.



WORDSEARCH

Find all the hidden winter words:
COAT - COLD - FROST - ICE
IGLOO - SCARF - SNOW - WINTER

C	S	M	F	S	N	O	W
O	C	B	R	C	S	M	H
A	A	Q	O	O	B	V	K
T	R	E	S	L	F	E	I
W	F	O	T	D	Q	S	Z
L	W	K	Y	Q	I	C	E
V	Q	W	I	G	L	O	O
H	W	I	N	T	E	R	N

Words can be spelled forwards, backwards, diagonally, up or down.



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