



# ST. LAWRENCE LODGE

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## ***New Ontario Long Term Care Home Compliance***

### ***Inspection Process***

Under the Long Term Care Homes Act and Regulations, the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care will conduct inspections of Long Term Care Homes across the Province. The Act mandates resident-centered care and affirms a commitment to the health and well-being of Ontarians residing in Long Term Care Homes.

#### **What will a Resident Quality Inspection be like?**

- ◆ Homes will not be notified in advance of the inspection. Posters will be put up in the lobby to notify residents, families, and employees that the MOHLTC Inspectors are on-site and process has begun. There will be more than one inspector and they will be at the Home for at least a week, maybe longer.
- ◆ The President of the Resident Council will be interviewed in private by an Inspector.
- ◆ Forty (40) residents will be selected at random and will be interviewed in private by an Inspector to get the resident's perspective about the Home. All interviews are confidential.
- ◆ The President of the Family Council will be interviewed by an Inspector.
- ◆ Employees will be interviewed by an Inspector.
- ◆ Inspectors will be gathering information from many sources including resident, family, and employee interviews, plus the Home's records will be reviewed.
- ◆ The new Compliance Inspection process engages residents and families directly and encourages Homes to focus on resident quality of care and services.

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## **St. Lawrence Lodge Foundation**

***With your financial help, St. Lawrence Lodge will continue to deliver important programs and services to enhance the quality of life of residents living in the Home. This is your opportunity to make a difference in the life of unique and important people that helped to build and shape our society that we enjoy today. Your gift will help us to carry on the long tradition of caring and service to others.***

***If you would like to help St. Lawrence Lodge enhance the quality of life for our residents, then please contact the Business Office for more information on how to make a donation to the St. Lawrence Lodge Foundation.***

## ***Your Gift Counts! How Can You Help?***

Health care delivery is changing! The Long Term Care sector, in particular, is expected to provide increasingly more complex care for more people.

St. Lawrence Lodge has a 40+ year tradition of recognizing changes and challenges and responding with solutions to ensure that those persons requiring long term care live in dignity and comfort.

Most of St. Lawrence Lodge's provincial and municipal funding is used to support day-to-day operations, leaving very little to invest in necessary furnishings and equipment to enhance the quality of life of residents. For many years, our friends in the community have been helping the Lodge provide a level of care not covered by Government Funding alone. Greater financial support is needed, now more than ever.

Your financial support is key to helping St. Lawrence Lodge continue its dedication to providing quality services to those persons entrusted to its care.

The **St. Lawrence Lodge Foundation** is a registered charity that assists in raising funds exclusively in support of St. Lawrence Lodge residents.

Donations are gratefully accepted and used solely to enhance the quality of life of residents of the Lodge by helping to fund the purchase of new furnishings and equipment, and programs that enrich the comfort and care of residents.

Donations are much appreciated and will be receipted for tax purposes. Supporters will also be appropriately acknowledged.

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## **Our Family Caring for Your Family**

With a rapidly aging population, the future demands that we provide the kind of care and support that our seniors, in particular, need and deserve. You can make a difference in the lives of our residents through your charitable giving. You can make a contribution to the St. Lawrence Lodge Foundation in several ways that will be highlighted in upcoming newsletters. This month will focus on:

### **In Memoriam Gifts**

In Memoriam Gifts are donations made in memory of a loved one or friend and is a wonderful way to recognize and remember someone, while at the same time supporting the residents of St. Lawrence Lodge. These gifts create a lasting tribute. In Memoriam cards are available at St. Lawrence Lodge and local funeral homes.



## Family Council Update

The St. Lawrence Lodge Family Council members are as follows: Shirley Ellis, Carolyn Webster, Lee Campbell, Jessie Rowntree, Margo Stone, Laurie Henry.

Recent Family Council activities include:

- ◆ Review of the revised Resident and Family Satisfaction Survey for the Home.
- ◆ Organizing a meeting with MPP Steve Clark to advocate for Government attention to important matters affecting Long Term Care Homes.

Don't forget to stop by the Information Bulletin Board near the elevator lobby to view the most recent Family Council meeting minutes



### Attendant Services Through Bayshore Home Health

**For those residents who are using Bayshore Home Health attendant services, please be advised that a copy of a Bayshore Home Health Service Agreement is being sent to your attention with the February 2012 monthly billing. Please complete the highlighted sections on the agreement and return to the Business Office.**

### Long Term Care Association Submits 2012 Funding Priorities to Ministry of Health

The Ontario Association of Non-Profit Homes and Services for Seniors (OANHSS) recently submitted its LTC home funding report and recommendations to the Ministry as input into their budget planning process (BPA).

The theme of the submission includes recommendations related to three areas of LTC: resident care, infrastructure, and non-government revenue.

Under resident care OANHSS identifies funding pressure resulting from inadequate or the absence of funding support over time for: caring for residents with behaviour issues, convalescent care program per diems, incontinence supplies, and laboratory services. With respect to infrastructure requirements OANHSS focused on reminding the Ministry of the need for a minor capital fund. The recommendation for such a fund asks that capital requirements stemming from the new Long Term Care Homes Act and Regulations be included as well as ongoing capital funding needs. Finally, OANHSS reiterates the need to review preferred accommodation rates with the objective of finding a reasonable level of increase, since these rates have not changed since the early 1990's..



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## **SPECIAL EVENTS – FEBRUARY 2012**

<b>Wed., Feb. 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Egon</b>	<b>Elm – 10:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Wed., Feb. 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Vangie</b>	<b>Cedar – 10:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Wed., Feb. 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Bob &amp; Bonnie (Birthday Musical)</b>	<b>Town Square – 1:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Sat., Feb. 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tom Wilson</b>	<b>Town Square – 1:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Tues., Feb. 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>St. Lawrence Entertainment</b>	<b>Town Square – 1:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Tues., Feb. 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Movie Night</b>	<b>Town Square – 6:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Wed., Feb. 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Parabus Shopping – 1000 Island Mall</b>	<b>Front Door – 1:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Fri., Feb. 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Jacque</b>	<b>Spruce – 10:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Sat., Feb. 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Kathy &amp; Friends</b>	<b>Town Square – 1:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Tues., Feb. 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Valentine's Day Tea</b>	<b>Town Square – 1:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Tues., Feb. 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>The Troubadours</b>	<b>Town Square – 6:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Wed., Feb. 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Egon</b>	<b>Birch – 10:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Wed., Feb. 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Brockville Museum</b>	<b>Chapel – 1:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Wed., Feb. 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>D.J. Danny</b>	<b>Town Square – 6:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Fri., Feb. 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Jacque</b>	<b>Pine – 10:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Sat., Feb. 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Fiddler's Plus</b>	<b>Town Square – 1:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Tues., Feb. 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Beth</b>	<b>Cedar – 11:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Tues., Feb. 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Just Us</b>	<b>Town Square – 6:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Wed., Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Egon</b>	<b>Pine – 10:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Wed., Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Parabus Shopping – Wal Mart</b>	<b>Front Door – 1:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Fri., Feb. 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Jacque</b>	<b>Birch – 10:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Sat., Feb. 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Matt Hayes – Pub</b>	<b>Town Square – 1:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Tues., Feb. 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Beth</b>	<b>Birch – 11:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Tues., Feb. 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Memories of Yesterday</b>	<b>Town Square – 6:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Wed., Feb. 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Hudson Majoury</b>	<b>Town Square – 1:45 p.m.</b>

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### **MOHLTC Announces One-Time Capital Funding**

St. Lawrence Lodge will receive one-time funding in the amount of \$40,000 from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care to help offset the costs of compliance with the Long Term Care Homes Act (e.g. doors, generators, elevators). St. Lawrence Lodge will apply this funding to upgrade exterior doors requirements under the regulations. The capital funding was distributed to Homes across the Province based on the number of beds, with a Home receiving a minimum of \$20,000.

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I hope you enjoyed reading our newsletter. Have a great month!

Yours truly,

**Administrator**

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