



**PLEASANT MANOR** RETIREMENT VILLAGE

### Preacher's Ponderings

1 Cor.13:13 - *"Three things will last forever—faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love.....Trust steadily in God, hope unswervingly, love extravagantly. And the best of the three is love."*

In our celebration of Valentine's Day, we often focus on expressing our love to others. As we read the Bible, this expression of love is definitely a focus

for our daily experience. We are encouraged, indeed – commanded, to express our love for God and to express our love for others. We can share that love in writing. We can share it by our words. We can share it by our actions. The important thing is that we do, indeed, share the love God has given us. What a privilege to act as God's partners as we daily share His love with others!

### Dietary's Dish

Wow it is already February. I would like to take this moment to thank all the Housekeeping and kitchen staff for the wonderful job that they are doing. As I walk around I get many compliments on the food and cleanliness of the place but it is all the wonderful people in these departments that deserve the praise! We are very excited in the kitchen to hear all the compliments on the new menu. It took a bit to get it to where it is but most people seem happy with it now. I would love to hear from residents for ideas for the "Resident's Choice" meals. This is a chance to have something that you may not have had in a while.

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### Debi's Desk – Supportive Housing

Happy February from the Supportive Housing department.

- The first of our Speaker's Series Topic: Incontinence Supplies & Products was presented January 31, 2012 by Amy from MedPro Direct.
- The Supportive Housing Staff are in the process of completing their RAI CHA Assessments on tenants.
- We are happy to see the end of the Norovirus within our buildings.

### Maintenance Muse

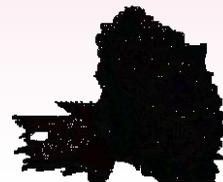
Its mid winter and we have been blessed this far with a mild one. We try hard to keep the sidewalks and parking lots clean and free from ice. Having said this there can still be times when it can be very slippery. Please take extra care when going out at this time of the year.

### Calendar Highlights

- Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Groundhog Day
- Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Games night with Bethany Youth
- Feb 7<sup>th</sup>** – Thorold Senior's Choir
- Feb 14<sup>th</sup>** – Auxiliary Valentines social in HP
- Feb 15<sup>th</sup>** – Sweetheart Lunch for HP
- Feb 20<sup>th</sup>** – Family Day – no activities
- Feb 21<sup>st</sup>** – The Drowsy Chaperone Bus trip
- Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Tea at the Prince of Wales for HP residents
- Feb 28<sup>th</sup>** – Sunshine Singers in HP

**Let us always meet each other with smile, for the smile is the beginning of love.**

Mother Teresa



# Pleasant Manor Post

February 2012

### From the Director's Desk

Thank you for your patience and understanding during our recent virus outbreak. In order to prevent the spread of the virus, we cancelled a number of activities, kept the office open for emergencies only, and took other steps to help us all get well and stay well. These efforts seem to be working! However, the winter months are always a time to be extra vigilant about our health, and as staff, we will continue to do everything we can to maintain a safe, clean and healthy environment.

In February we celebrate Valentine's Day, and Family Day. Isn't it nice to know that even in this quite bleak month, we take the time to be thankful for our loved ones!



Residents at Work

### Bonita's Bit

The registered nursing staff have been very busy attending education sessions pertaining to the computerized documentation. The computers replace the use of paper documentation and are the new way of nursing in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. What a learning curve, they should all be proud of their accomplishments! They have been supported by Medical Pharmacy technicians and have been quoted to be pros and superstars. A job well done! We continue with education as we expand our knowledge and begin to educate the PSW's to their new way of computerized documentation as well. Change is difficult but good for all of us. We, as a nursing department, have the privilege of mentoring a 4<sup>th</sup> year RN student. Her name is Krista and she is with us for 6 weeks. She has an infectious smile that is sure to please you when you see here. She feels welcome here as she described the staff as very friendly. I know the residents are also enjoying time spent with her as she is able to attend to some of their daily needs, even some spa moments.