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RESICARE NEWS

Welcome to our Spring Newsletter!

Have a look and see what we have coming up.

If you have anything you want to share in our newsletter, please let me know!

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Client Birthdays with Resicare!

- April 4 - Ross Mair
- April 12 - Lynndsay Smeltzer
- April 18 - Matt Malone
- April 19 - David Stewart
- May 23 - Dave Barras
- June 16 - Rosemarie Smeltzer
- June 18 - Terri-Lynn Smeltzer



We would like to welcome 9 new employees to Resicare!

- Vera O
- Baba O
- Janet G
- Dian B
- Kelvin N
- Humaira B
- Rose A
- Roopali S
- Lilian P



It is with a heavy heart we acknowledge the passing of Nina Madeline Colpoys. She was a member of our Resicare family for 19 years. She was a quirky, gentle soul who enjoyed life to the fullest. Her friends became family and she cherished them all. She was always up for a jig, a song (especially happy birthday), and a cup of tea. Whenever offered a treat her response was "I would love that" as she rubbed her hands excitedly together against her cheek. She greeted you with a huge smile and a hug multiple times a day, as if she was seeing you for the first time. She will be greatly missed by all that knew her.

Resident and Family Council Act

Resicare Society of Calgary, in compliance with the Resident and Family Council Act, invites all residents and their families to form a council should they so desire. This council is welcome to meet on a regular basis to discuss concerns, suggestions, or ideas for the homes. Resicare supports all opportunities for individuals and their families to voice concerns and create a better way to solve problems and come up with ideas for improvement .

Canada Alberta Job Grant

Throughout the past year, Resicare Society of Calgary, has continued to access the Canada Alberta Job Grant to fund employee training. This is an employer-driven program open to all those working in the private and not-for-profit sector. Through this program employees are able to access training from a number of providers for one-third the normal price. The other two-thirds are covered through the Grant, which is funded by the government of Canada.

Please contact Dianne Jackson if you are interested in any training.

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A SPECIAL
THANK YOU
FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS



Resicare is extremely thankful to Wendy Handel for her very generous donation of \$83,229.89. Before working at Resicare with Simeon, Wendy worked at Cool Springs Daycare for 24 years. Cool Springs has since closed their doors. Being a Non-Profit, the money accrued by this agency must be dispersed amongst other Non-Profit Agencies. Wendy graciously allocated her portion of these funds to Resicare. Her direction for these funds is to complete some much needed maintenance items and an event for all Outreach Clients. Resicare, therefore, will be doing the floor and windows at house #1, planning a trip to West Edmonton Mall for Outreach and throwing a large Summer Barbeque for all of Resicare. Stay tuned for Updates. And please, if you see Wendy extend your appreciations as well.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS 2023



Congratulations to Rosemarie and her floor hockey team for winning the gold in the Special Olympics tournament. Rose has been playing Floor hockey for the last 27 years. Rose truly embraced the meaning of teamwork and deserved this recognition. Great job Rosemarie!



We would like to Congratulate Andreas for receiving 2 Gold Medals in Alpine skiing, one for Advanced Giant Sololum and the other Giant Sololum at the Special Olympics Alberta Winter games. Great job Andreas!



Thank you to the Calgary Foundations Grant as we were able to replace the cedar siding with hardie board, replaced a number of windows and made a larger wheel chair accessible door at house 3.



Before

After



POLAR PLUNGE

Andreas took part in the Polar Plunge in February for Special Olympics Alberta. Great job Andreas!



Training

Medication Administration - The employees who have not started the Med Admin, please do so as soon as possible as vouchers do expire and you will need to be re-registered.

HR Downloads Training - Activate HR Downloads and please complete training

Emergency First Aid/CPR - Will be the responsibility of the employee to re-certify. Reminders will be sent before certificate expires.

Alberta Food Safety Basics - Instructions will be emailed to the employees who require this training.

Update Contact Information

A friendly reminder to please inform Resicare about any changes to your contact information.

Telephone numbers, email address and mailing address. You can send your changes to Nadia Kunz at nkunz@resicare.org

Thank you!

Resicare's Insurance

Resicare's Insurance covers all House contents owned by Resicare.

Clients room contents are the responsibility of their Families / Guardians.

This insurance can be purchased as an add on to your home insurance plan.

Health and Safety Act

The Alberta *Occupational Health and Safety* (OHS) Act establishes minimum standards for healthy and safe practices in Alberta workplaces. Changes to the OHS Act improve the OHS system to better protect workers and ensure they have the same rights and protections as other Canadian workers. These rights include:

Right to Know – This right guarantees that employees can ask questions about health and safety at work and be informed about hazards – and protections from hazards – that concern them.

Right to Participate – To participate in workplace health and safety allows employees to get involved in maintaining and improving health and safety in their own workplace.

Right to Refuse – To refuse unsafe work ensures that employees are protected from punishment or threat of punishment if they refuse to do work because of a sincere belief that work threatens their own or anyone else's health or safety.

The *Right to Participate* ensures all workers have a voice by expressing their concerns with a **Joint Work Site Health and Safety Representative**. At Resicare Society of Calgary each Group Living Home has a Health and Safety Representative working in conjunction with the management team.

Your Joint Worksite

Health and Safety Representatives are:

Sheetal Guleria – House #1 TL

Paulina Ferdyn – House #2 TL

Anthony Reyes – House #3 TL

Additional Unbiased / Neutral Representatives are:

Melissa Curran - Group Living Coordinator

Jagdeep Dhindsa - Outreach Coordinator

Annamaria Jozsa - Outreach Coordinator

This list can be found posted at all Resicare Society Worksites' Bulletin Boards

More information can be found at <https://www.alberta.ca/occupational-health-safety.aspx> or by calling the **OHS Contact Centre toll free throughout Alberta 1-866-415-8690**

Resicare is a registered charity and can issue tax receipts for any donations made to the society. Any support that you are able to give is always greatly appreciated!

Current Positions Available

Please contact Nadia Kunz in HR to check current positions available within Resicare.

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