



Family Connections **August** Village Newsletter **2026**

Message from CEO, Candace Lyon



It continues to be an exciting and busy time at Windsor Elms Village, with many ongoing projects and improvements happening throughout the Village. From upgrades to our spaces and systems to new initiatives that enhance the experience of those who live and work here, there is lots happening behind the scenes. Thank you to our residents, families, volunteers, and care partners for your continued support, patience, and enthusiasm as we work to make WEV an even better place to call home. Please don't hesitate to ask anytime if you have questions about what's happening around the Village!

Upcoming Special Events

Music Therapy Showcase – Wednesday, August 19 at 2:00

Join us for our Resident Music Showcase and enjoy an afternoon of wonderful music and talent as our residents take the stage!

Cookbook Planning - Monday August 24 at 3:00pm

Join us as we begin planning our WEV Cookbook! Share your favourite recipes, ideas, and stories as we work together to create a special collection celebrating the people and food that make our home unique

Share the Wind Motorcycle Rides – Monday, August 31 at 2:00

Continuing a cherished tradition of many years, Share the Wind is back for the **second time this year** to offer residents the unforgettable experience of riding in a motorcycle sidecar.



Check the full activity schedule on the last page!

Gratitude for our Summer Youth Positions

This summer, we were fortunate to receive four Federal summer youth grants, bringing some wonderful extra support to Windsor Elms Village! Our youth are helping throughout our home in a variety of ways, with two joining our Life Enrichment team, one supporting Maintenance, and one working with our People Team. They've been lending a hand, supporting our teams, connecting with residents, and getting a chance to learn the ropes of the working world along the way. We are incredibly grateful for the energy, enthusiasm, and hard work each of them bring to WEV. They have already made a wonderful contribution to our home, and we hope you've had a chance to meet some of them!

Heating & Dehumidification Project Update

WEV is making a significant investment in upgrading our heating and dehumidification infrastructure to ensure the comfort and safety of our residents and staff year-round. We have completed the replacement of failed dehumidification equipment, which is now fully operational. The next phase will include installing propane boilers to provide greater redundancy for our in-floor heating system, followed by the replacement of the remaining heat pumps in our mechanical rooms later this year. Contractors have been onsite for a number of months and will continue to be onsite as this work progresses. You will also notice some work taking place outside to replace propane tanks as we increase our capacity to operate the new equipment reliably.



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Alzheimer Society of Nova Scotia's Annual Community Week!

Join the Alzheimer Society of Nova Scotia in
Hantsport on September 24 9:30am-12:00pm
for a free community event as part of Community
Week, a province-wide series of events taking
place September 20-26.

Come learn about dementia-related topics, connect with local service providers, learn more about Alzheimer Society programs and services, and enjoy refreshments while connecting with others in our community.

Alzheimer Society
NOVA SCOTIA



Doors open at 9:30 a.m. to explore tables featuring local community resources. Presentations begin at 10:15 a.m.

This event is free to attend, and pre-registration is encouraged

Register Here! ---->



<https://alzheimer.ca/ns/en/whats-happening/events/hantsport-community-week-2026>

Fundyview Garden - Serenity Garden

We're pleased to share the creation of The Serenity Garden in the Fundyview Garden 1/2 area. This beautiful new space was made possible through the generous donation of many rare plants, shrubs, and trees from Resident Anita Sulley's personal garden in Bedford. These special plants have been given a new home at WEV, creating a peaceful and welcoming space for residents, families, care partners, and visitors to enjoy. A plaque has been placed on the wall beside the garden entrance, sharing the intention behind the Serenity Garden, a biography of Anita Sulley, and recognition of the wonderful volunteers who helped bring this space to life. We invite everyone to take a moment to visit the garden when you have a chance and enjoy this special addition to our home.





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Circle of Support - Family & Friends of WEV Residents

We invite you to join our Circle of Support for Family and Friends of WEV Residents.

Having a loved one in long-term care can bring many emotions, questions, and experiences. This group offers a supportive space to connect with others who share the journey of supporting someone at Windsor Elms.



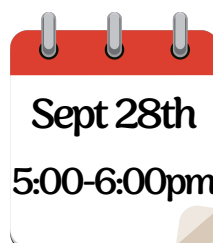
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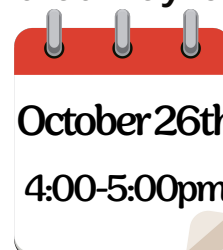
- Connect with others who understand your experience
- Share concerns, ideas, and reflections
- Learn about topics and resources that may be helpful



August 31st
6:00-7:00pm



Sept 28th
5:00-6:00pm



October 26th
4:00-5:00pm



Location: WEV Boardroom (next to reception desk)

Malorie Beckett, Windsor Elms Social Worker

Call/Text: 902-790-0311 **Email:** socialwork@winelms.ca

Resource Spotlight

Property Tax Rebate for Seniors

Did you know that eligible low-income seniors in Nova Scotia may qualify for a rebate to help with the cost of municipal property taxes? The Property Tax Rebate for Seniors provides a rebate of 50% of the previous year's eligible residential property taxes, up to a maximum of \$800.

To qualify, applicants must meet certain criteria, including owning and living in their home, having paid their residential property taxes, and being eligible for the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) or GIS Allowance. If you are not currently receiving GIS or the Allowance, you can contact Service Canada to find out if you may be eligible.

For more information or to apply, visit the Government of Nova Scotia website at novascotia.ca. Select "Programs and Services" from the navigation menu at the top, then search "Property Tax Rebate for Seniors." Or scan the QR code ----->





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If you have any questions, comments, or concerns about our recreation programs or activity calendar, please don't hesitate to reach out. We always welcome your feedback and are happy to help!

You can contact the Recreation & Life Enrichment Manager, Michaela, by email at LEM@winelms.ca

August 2026 - Windsor Elms Activity Calendar

**Calendar is subject to change*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Black – What's going on in Village Hall Purple – What's going on in FundyView Blue- What's going Osprey Red – What's going on in Meadowview						1 10:00 - Baking with Kathy 10:30 - Bucket Drop Game 1:30 - MV Music & Bike Rides - Baking with Kathy
2 1:30 - Baking with Kathy	3 Happy Natal Day	4 11:00 - Shuffleboard 2:00 - Bingo - Active Games 3:00 - Visits with Anne and Jan 6:30 - Musical Road Trip	5 10:30 - Happy Harmonizers 11:00 - Pirate Trivia 2:00 - Bowling - Bingo - Shuffleboard	6 11:00 - Bible Study - Outside Visits 2:00 - Ice Cream Floats - Balloon Games - Bingo with Brad	7 10:30 - Lexicon / Lexicon 1:30 - Chime Choir 2:00 - Baking 2:30 - Lets Google 3:00 - Colouring with Morgan	8
9	10 10:30 - Virtual Reality 11:00 - Target Toss - Paul's Corner 2:00 - Church with Jason 3:00 - One on One Visits	11 10:30 - Happy Harmonizers 2:00 - Shuffleboard - Name that tune - Balloon Games 3:00 - Visits with Anne and Jan 6:30 - Live music with Steve	12 1:30 - Windsor Elms Carnival! All Welcome!	13 11:00 - Bible Study - 1:1 Visits / 1:1 Visits 2:00 - BBQ Desserts - Tim Hortons Day 2:30 - BINGO	14 10:30 - Lexicon, Lexicon, Lexicon 12:45 - Meadowview Bus trip 1:30 - Chime Choir 2:30 - Craft - Seated Exercises	15 10:00 - Baking with Kathy 1:30 - Baking with Kathy
16 1:30 - Baking with Kathy	17 10:30 - General Store - Short Stories 11:00 - Resident Council 11:45 - BBQ Lunch OS ½ 2:00 - Craft - Ice cream Social - Parachute Games	18 10:30 - Dice Fitness 2:00 - Bingo 2:30 - Tim Horton's day 6:30 - Live music with Behn Weir	19 10:30 - Happy Harmonizers 11:00 - Morning Social 2:00 - Music Therapy Showcase	20 11:00 - Bible Study 11:45 - BBQ Lunch MV ¾ 2:00 - Horse Racing Game - Osprey Music 2:30 - BINGO	21 10:30 - Lexicon - Lexicon 1:30 - Chime Choir 2:00 - Bingo with Brad 2:30 - Craft	22 10:30 - Fact or Fiction 2:00 - Documentary
23	24 10:30 - Resident Council - Morning Bicycle rides 12:45 - Osprey Bus Trip 1:30 - Craft 2:30 - Shuffleboard 3:00 - Cookbook Planning	25 10:30 - Shuffleboard 1:30 - BINGO! 3:00 - Visits with Anne and Jan 6:30 - Live music with Rodney & Tess	26 10:45 - Reach into the Past 11:45 - BBQ Lunch OS ¾ 2:00 - Live Music with Rule62	27 11:45 - BBQ Lunch MV ¾ 2:00 - Traveling Beverage Cart 2:30 - Shuffleboard	28 10:45 - Lexicon 2:00 - BINGO	29 10:00 - Resident Council 1:30 - Osprey Music
30	31 2:00 - Share the Wind Motorcycle Rides					

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FACT**

Our incredible team has a combined **2,449 years of service** at Windsor Elms Village! That's more than two thousand years of experience, dedication, and commitment to the residents we care for every day.

From those who have been part of the Village for many years to those who are just beginning their WEV journey, every year of service adds to the knowledge, compassion, and community that make Windsor Elms such a special place to live and work.

“Life is meant to be lived, shared, and filled with meaningful moments — every day is an opportunity to connect.”