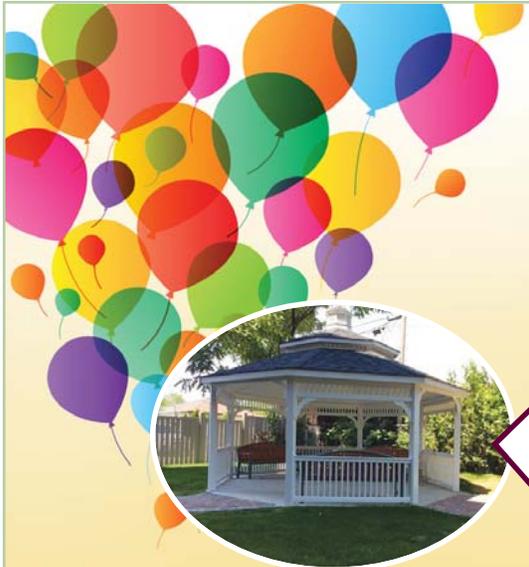


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Gazebo *Official Opening*

THE SUMMER is finally here and although it has not been the warmest or driest summer in recent memory, I do hope that you have been able to enjoy the outdoors! This month we finally completed the long-awaited backyard gazebo and our official opening celebration is **Sunday August 10th from 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm.**

Please plan to join us!

Thank you to everyone who donated to this project. The new gazebo is a welcome addition to our home and will be enjoyed by the residents, tenants and families for years to come!



*Sandy Bassett
Executive Director
& CEO, The Wexford
Residence*

JOIN US for an ice cream mixed flavour bar and entertainment featuring Marty and Mony.

NEW DINING ROOMS AND CONSTRUCTION

We also have a number of other projects on the go. Over the next six weeks you should see activity begin on the 5th and 6th floors as the new unit based dining room renovations are slated to begin. We have received the building permit and will be awarding the contract soon. The work should be completed in about six weeks and I thank you in advance for your patience and understanding as this important enhancement to our resident care program is implemented.

GLASS WALL IN MEZZANINE

There are a couple of other initiatives that we will be working on this year. We will be putting up a 2 foot

glass wall along the railing in the mezzanine. This will allow us to manage the temperature of the room and will also enhance safety for our residents. The stairwell from the mezzanine to the main dining room will be permanently locked and will no longer be used as an emergency exit (as confirmed with the fire department). This is in keeping with the Long-term Care Homes Act 2007 that states that all stairwells accessible to residents be locked at all times.

ELEVATORS AND SAFETY

Another safety initiative is locking out the elevators for those residents who want to exit the building and who have wander guard bracelets in place. At present, these residents at risk of wandering, are prevented by an alarm system on the main door. This same alarm system will be put onto the elevators to prevent these residents from getting to the main floor, unless accompanied by a staff or family member. This is a new level of safety for those residents who are exit seekers.



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EXTRA VIDEO CAMERAS

Finally we will be installing more video cameras both within the building and on the exterior perimeter which will allow us to view any incidents that happen within range of the cameras. We do not have staff to monitor these cameras in real time but we will be able to go back and see what happened and make improvements based on the findings.

We are constantly working to improve the safety and security of our

residents and we welcome your input. If you would like further information on any of these initiatives, or have other suggestions, I would be happy to meet with you to discuss them.

On a separate note, we have a new mission, vision and value statement that we will be posting around the facility over the next few weeks. I believe that the resident safety initiatives discussed above are in keeping with our new vision for The Wexford: "A strong presence in our community and a preferred seniors' residence celebrated for our progressive and quality services".

**PARTICIPATING AT
The Taste Of
Lawrence**



Taking a time-out to rest between manning the Wexford Residence booth and participating in the festivities at The Taste of Lawrence are left to right: Sandy Bassett, CEO and Executive Director of the Wexford Residence along with staff members Clement Lo, Accounts Payable & HR Coordinator and Iryna Zhuk, Evening Nurse Manager. Sandy Bassett is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Wexford Heights BIA, who are the organizers of The Taste of Lawrence.

Family Picnic

On July 21st our annual family picnic was held on our beautiful back patio. Residents and Families were once again treated to a picture-perfect afternoon of sunshine and harmonizing musical performance by Marty and Mony.

This year's event had one of the largest attendance in recent memory with 60 guests. This made the day more special for our residents. I want to take the opportunity to thank everyone who took the time to attend and for the organizing efforts of the Activation Team and Dietary Staff for making this day possible.

I look forward to seeing everyone again to bid summer farewell during our annual fall harvest social which will be held on Friday September 5th, 2014 from 5-8 pm.

Wayne Connelly, Director of Program Support Services



▲ *Mother and daughter Salme Hatamaa & Mrs. Anne Hatamaa-Hirsbrunner.*



▼ *Husband and wife Pei Fong Lee & Harry Hsieh.*



**ANNUAL
BAZAAR**

Saturday, September 20th, 10:00am – 2:00pm is the date for the annual Active Seniors Centre Bazaar at The Wexford Residence. Downstairs in the Activity Room we'll have crafts, Christmas décor, plants, books, jewellery, DVD's, CD's, kitchenware, small appliances, household items, hand bags, scarves, new shoes, gift hampers and more. To donate an item, please call Bijaya at (416) 701-2506 .

**Everyone is invited.
See you there.**



Golf Tournament



ON TUESDAY, June 17th, The Wexford Residence in partnership with Advent Valleyview Residence, Chester Village, Nisbet Lodge and the Mariann Home, held its 9th Annual Joint Charity Golf Tournament in support of seniors at the Remington Parkview Golf & Country Club.

172 golfers participated in what has become a sold out event. The day was very eventful – some sunshine, some rain and a thunderstorm for good measure. However, the weather did not dampen the spirits of those in attendance. There was a real sense of camaraderie as the golfers hung out with friends in the clubhouse, taking in some of the FIFA World Cup as they waited patiently for the rain to stop so they could continue their day of golfing.

Despite the ups and downs with the weather, the golfers enjoyed a tremendous day of golf, a delicious prime roast beef dinner, and got a chance to participate in the silent auction. This year we were able to raise a gross revenue of \$108,225.00 which includes an impressive \$6,167.00 from the silent auction.

Thanks to all our supporters, the participating homes will be able to fund important projects that directly benefit their seniors. Our share of \$20,954 (Net) will go toward the new dining rooms on the 5th and 6th floors of The Wexford.



LEFT TO RIGHT: Glen Moorhouse (Nisbet Lodge), Sandy Bassett (The Wexford Residence), Nancy Solomon Medical Pharmacies (Tournament Lead Sponsor), Cynthia Diotte (Chester Village), Bernard Boreland (Mariann Home) and Mike Savatovich (Advent Valleyview Residence).

To show our appreciation for the commitment and generosity of our supporters, we would like to acknowledge the following Tournament Sponsors, Hole Sponsors and Friends of the Tournament:

LEAD SPONSOR:	Medical Pharmacies
BANQUET SPONSOR:	Achieva Health
LUNCH SPONSOR:	Shoppers Home Health Care
GOLF CART SPONSOR:	Medisystems
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FRIENDS OF THE TOURNAMENT DONORS (\$300 AND OVER): Brimley Medical Centre, Indus Systems Trace Electric, and Sunbright Linen Services Inc.

SILENT AUCTION DONORS: Thanks to all the silent auction contributors for the lovely items donated.

Special thanks to our Golf Committee who work very hard to recruit sponsors and golfers every year.

And finally, thank you volunteers for giving your time and talents to make this event an enjoyable experience for the golfers and all involved.

The 10th Annual Joint Charity Golf Tournament in 2015 will be our first milestone.

Don't miss it! We will keep you posted.

**Once again...
Thank You!**



NEW CATEGORIES AND LEVELS FOR Donor Tree of Life

THERE ARE 4 categories and 4 levels of giving shown on the Wexford's Tree of Life. This reflects the generosity of our donors over the years. But 9 years have passed since the Tree of Life was first erected and it is time to upgrade the categories and levels so that they better represent our donors. As well we want to ensure that everyone gets the recognition they deserve and for which we are very grateful.

Currently our categories are Gold, Silver, Bronze and the entry level, Wood. This fall we will be adding Rosewood as a new category. There will be 4 Rosewood levels and they will be color filled according to level using Diamond, Gold, Silver or Bronze enamel.

Also, the current category for the entry level of \$500 will change its name from "Wood" to "Friend" and the current level of Gold will be increased from \$9,999 to \$14,999.

The new categories and levels herewith will be reflected in this fall's update of the TREE OF LIFE.

CATEGORY	GIVING LEVEL		
Friend	\$ 500	to	\$ 2,499
Bronze	\$ 2,500	to	\$ 4,999
Silver	\$ 5,000	to	\$ 7,499
Gold	\$ 7,500	to	\$ 14,999
Rosewood Bronze	\$ 15,000	to	\$ 29,999
Rosewood Silver	\$ 30,000	to	\$ 49,000
Rosewood Gold	\$ 50,000	to	\$ 99,999
Rosewood Diamond	\$ 100,000	to	\$ 200,000 Plus

For a donation of \$500 or more or when individual cumulative donations add up to \$500, a donor's name goes on the TREE OF LIFE in the lobby of The Wexford Residence.



If you would like to see your name or the name of a Loved One on our DONOR TREE OF LIFE, we would be pleased to speak with you about your choice of Category and Giving Level.

Please call the Wexford Residence Foundation to make the arrangements. The number to call is: (416) 701-2509



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