

Resident Council Meeting

10/29/2019 @ 1:10pm

Staff Members Leading:

Sarah Pedretti, Life Enrichment Coordinator
Phillip Davies, Environmental Services Coordinator
Tammy Atkinson, Nutritional Services Coordinator
Patty Tourtellott, Resident Health Coordinator
Rob Mlnnes, Assistant Administrator

What is resident council?

An organized, decision-making group of long-term care residents meeting regularly to voice their needs and concerns and to have input into culinary services, activities, policies, and issues affecting their lives in the facility.

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Nutritional Services:

Tammy Atkinson, Nutritional Services Coordinator came to speak to the residents. She asked the residents if they had been getting their food hot enough and drinks chilled. The residents had nothing to complain about. The residents also said that they felt the meals were being served very promptly. Tammy brought up Thanksgiving, and the group talked about their favorite dishes and favorite stuffing recipes. Tammy said that the Thanksgiving Meal has been such a hit with families that they have been asking to have a Christmas Meal too. A small discussion happened about canning and then Sarah, Life Enrichment Coordinator, informed the residents that there was an activity coming up where they would be making lefse! Tammy said, she would love to have enough where they could serve it for the Christmas meal. Tammy said that she would love to serve a large relish tray for New Year's Eve as well with little sliders, pickled herring, and deviled eggs. The residents loved this idea! Tammy ended with reminding the residents of the importance of drinking their water and washing their hands.

Nursing:

Patty Tourtellott, Resident Health Coordinator, came to speak with the residents. Patty informed the residents that Healthdrive Dental will be back November 11th and that the dentist is doing okay after his emergency scare the last time he was here. Patty also let the residents know that they would be reminding families to bring in the residents' winter clothing now that it is getting chilly outside. The residents had no questions or concerns for Patty.

Life Enrichment:

Sarah Pedretti, Life Enrichment Coordinator, came to speak with the residents. Sarah shared all the fun upcoming events happening in November such as Daylight Savings, 4th Grade Class Visit, Veteran's Day, New Volunteers: Comfort Keepers, Deer Hunt, Thanksgiving. Sarah also let the residents know about a few new programs starting in November such as a Learn How to Speak Spanish class. Sarah also reviewed the fun Halloween party happening in two days with the theme of Day of the Dead (Dia de los Muertos). One resident asked when HE got to go trick or treating! Sarah promised him that he would still get some candy even without trick or treating and that she would try again next year to get some little children in to show off their Halloween costumes and get candy. The residents had no ideas, suggestions, or questions for Sarah.

Environmental Services:

Phillip Davies, Environmental Services Coordinator, came to speak with the residents. Phil let the residents know that there was a snake in the building at the moment, but not to be afraid as it was very little. He also let them know that he had that day taken the fountain out of the pond out front due to the coming frost and snow. He said that he would hopefully be introducing a new laundry aid soon, and that Irene, his housekeeper, would be out for a few more weeks due to some health concerns. The residents had no concerns to bring up for Phil.

Other questions/comments/concerns/feedback:

Rob McInnes, Assistant Administrator, came to speak with the residents and ensure that all was well with them. Rob asked the residents if they would be having family come for the Thanksgiving meal; many said that their families would be coming. The residents told Rob that everything was looking good. Rob let them know that his office door is always open if they ever need someone to talk to or to bring up a concern. Rob also let them know that he would be going out to the Holmen Library tomorrow for the safe community children's trick or treat with fun games and candy. He even said, that he might bring the games back here for some fun afterward! The residents had no specific questions for Rob.

Meal of the Month:

Residents have decided on a meal of the month for November (on Thanksgiving Day):

- **Roasted Turkey**
- **Cranberry Relish**
- **Pork Sausage Stuffing**
- **Mashed Potatoes and Gravy**
- **Baked Squash**
- **Pumpkin Pie**

Upcoming Events:

Musical Entertainment with Steve Lankford -- November 2nd @ 1:30pm

Daylight Savings -- Don't Forget to FALL Back! -- November 3rd

Musical Entertainment with Shari Sarazin -- November 4th @ 10:00am

Catholic Communion -- November 7th @ 11:00am

Mr. Davis' 4th Grade Class Visit -- November 8th @ 2:00pm

Music with Gemini Entertainment -- November 9th @ 1:30pm

Veteran's Day -- November 11th

Veteran's Day Celebration with Musical by The Living Stones -- November 11th @ 1:30pm

Music and Memories with Sue Degallier -- November 13th @ 9:30am

Protestant Communion Service -- November 14th @ 1:00pm

Comfort Keepers Social Hour with Games and Treats -- November 15th @ 2:00pm

Living Word Christian Church Service -- November 17th @ 2:00pm

Monthly Happy Hour & Music with Larry Langen -- November 19th @ 2:00pm

Music and Memories with Sue Degallier -- November 20th @ 9:30am

The Good News Sing-a-Long Group -- November 21st @ 1:00pm

Opening Day Deer Hunt!! -- November 22nd @ 1:30pm

Musical Entertainment with Tom Baker -- November 23rd @ 1:30pm

Bingo with the Bluffview Volunteers -- November 24th @ 2:00pm

Birthday Party & Music with Kent Larson -- November 26th @ 2:00pm

Resident Council Meeting -- November 27th @ 1:10pm

Thanksgiving -- November 28th

Musical Entertainment with Bob Bovee -- November 30th @ 1:30pm

******Activities subject to change*****

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 27th at 1:10pm