

# The Queens Pioneer

## A Message from Tom ...

*Well if anyone is familiar with the musicals by Rogers and Hammerstein, their Broadway production of "Carousel" said it the best in one of their most famous songs....*

*March went out like a lion  
A whippin' up the water in the bay  
Then April cried and stepped aside  
And along come pretty little May!*

*Here is to May, with the hope of warmer weather, sunnier days and greener grasses.*

*During May we celebrate a couple of special days. The May 20th Victoria Day weekend is the first unofficial weekend of summer. Mother's Day also graces us during the month of May. Mother's Day is a celebration honoring the mother of the family, as well as motherhood, maternal bonds, and the influence of mothers in society. It is celebrated on various days in many parts of the world, and in Canada it is celebrated on May 12th, 2019.*

*Welcome Back to our Hot New Breakfast Service!*

*I am pleased to announce that after a very successful test of our new hot breakfast service, we will be starting again on Tuesday May 7th, 2019. Thank you to all for your comments, suggestions and support. Here we go!*

*1. Our new "Hot Breakfast Service" will be a sit down and full service breakfast. Just like dinner time. When you arrive, just find a table, sit down and be ready to be served.*

*2. Our regular "Continental Breakfast" will continue on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays.*

*3. Also a message to all - for health and safety reasons, we will no longer be able to provide any take out of food or juices from the dining room in any personal supplied containers. If you do have any questions, please do see us about other options.*

*Please check with Spencer and the May Calendar. We have some new activities including a "Mother's Day" photo session, as well as "Mother's Day" tea with Judy. Yours ideas and feedback has been very valuable and constructive and participation will be the key to the ongoing success.*

*So welcome May! Another busy month.*

*Keep active and stay healthy.*

Tom



### Your Management Team

**General Manager**  
*Tom Ahlin*

**Facility Services Manager**  
*Darlene Kerr*

**Administrative Receptionist**  
*Veronica McDowell*

**Nurse Manager**  
*Gretel Wallace-Skuce*

**Executive Chef**  
*Carol Stevenson*

**Housekeeping Supervisor**  
*Tatjana Kajib*

**Activities Coordinator**  
*Spencer Wong*

**Maintenance Coordinator**  
*Andrew Costley*

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## *A Message from Activities...*

*Hello All!*

*The Activities Team has been working hard to make more changes to how things are run in Activities.*

*This month we will be having two happy hours. Ken Hammond on May 10 and Tristian Alexander on May 24.*

*Our outing this month will be to Boston Pizza and will be on Wednesday the 22<sup>nd</sup>. The cost for this outing will be \$32. This will include transportation, a choice of coffee, tea or pop, soup, pizza or pasta, and dessert. PLEASE SEE SPENCER BEFORE MAY 17.*

*Judy will be back for a Mother's Day Tea on Wednesday May 8. As per the suggestion of your fellow residents, I will have a box for collection in the Activities room. Anything collected will be given to Judy for the purpose of ingredients for the cookies she bakes.*

*We are going to be bringing in a photographer to do a photoshoot on Tuesday May 7 and Thursday 9 for Mother's Day. The cost will be \$20 with the times being from 9:30 Am to 4:00 PM. Bring your family in or have photos done for your family. All photos will be digital so you can send them. This will be by appointment, please see Spencer for Available Times.*

*We will also be doing a sing a long on Mother's Day (May 12) at 2:00 PM in the card room with ShantiMaya Kirtan.*

*With the warmer weather coming, it's good to be active and going out in the fresh air. We are planning to start a walking program for when the weather starts to warm up. If you are interested please see Spencer in activates.*

*On behalf of the Queens Avenue Activities team, let's continue to make the changes necessary to make the Activities Department successful.*

*Spencer*



### May Birthdays

*Doris C. May 1*

*Doug G. May 2*

*Joyce P. May 3*

*Eugenia T. May 22*

*Murthy S. May 25*

*Mildred R. May 28*

*Terry W. May 29*

#### Featured Events:

May 5 Suite Melody Care

May 7 Mother's day Photos

May 8 Dancing w/Derek AR

May 8 Mother's Day Tea

May 9 Mother's day Photos

May 10 Happy Hour w/ Ken Hammond LR

May 11 5th Avenue Jewelry

May 12 Sing A Long CR

May 13 EZ Fit Shoes

May 14 Painting w/ Karlene CR

May 21 Community Meeting CR

May 22 Outing to Boston Pizza

May 24 Happy Hour w/ Tristian Alexander

May 26 Hymn Sing