

THE Difference

BETHANIA APRIL 2023



St Patrick's Day fun, to be sure, to be sure!

FROM THE COSTUMES, to the entertainment, to the delicious food, to the Happy Hour beverages, it was a true celebration of all things Irish - and all things green - for St Patrick's Day this year. It was a truly fun day, to be sure, to be sure!



Service Manager's note

We continue to welcome new residents and families to our Palm Lake Care Bethania community. The feedback lately from families and friends is that there is a buzz of both happy noise and activity around the community. It is lovely to see the residents and visitors enjoying activities, concerts and just saying hello to each other.

Our Lifestyle Team has been busy with St Patrick's Day celebrations and Easter preparations. We have also welcomed a number of new team members over the past three months and its lovely to walk through and see residents and those new team members talking, smiling and sharing conversation with each other.

This month we have commenced the café refurbishment and we look forward to being able to share updates with you regularly. The café space will be another lovely area for family and friends to share when visiting. As always, we are available to assist with any questions.



Vanessa Gawith,
Service Manager

Lifestyle Team notes

ST PATRICK'S DAY

Talk about the luck of the Irish... St Patrick's Day was a big hit with our residents and team members this year. They all came dressed in their best green outfits and green wigs to celebrate the day. In the morning, there was an Irish-themed concert with Craig Shaw who sang Irish songs and told some Irish jokes. In the afternoon, Happy Hour continued the Irish theme with green cupcakes from the kitchen and, to wash them down, there was Guinness and Baileys Irish Cream. The residents also had fun posing with our leprechaun photo board and having their picture taken. Shamrocks and pots of gold for the end of the rainbow had been made earlier in the week so that they could be put up to decorate the different areas.

PET THERAPY

We had a lovely little visitor recently. Her name was Maisey and she spent some time walking around and meeting the residents. Everyone really enjoyed patting her and talking to her. It put a smile on a lot of people's faces. Maisey got on so well with some residents that she hopped up on their laps and sat with them for a while. It was a real treat.

EASTER

Easter will soon be upon us so, in preparation for the big event, we had a lovely day making and decorating Easter bonnets. The residents were very eager to make theirs look the best in readiness for the Easter Bonnet Parade. Judging will be happening the day before Easter and there is a fantastic prize for the winner. There have also been a number of art and craft sessions where our residents have been able to make Easter decorations so that they can be used to even further brighten up the place for Easter.

Sandi, Megan, Karen and Michelle
Palm Lake Care Bethania Lifestyle Team



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