

Hello From Volunteer Resources

Oshawa City Council's Beautiful Garden Tribute to Lakeridge Health Team

The City of Oshawa has planted a colourful new 300-square-foot garden as a tribute to the amazing Lakeridge Health team. The garden in Alexandra Park displays over 1,000 encore red Begonias spelling out the words "Thank you" surrounded by a pink and white Begonia border. Susan deRyk, Lakeridge Health's Interim President and CEO joined Oshawa Mayor Dan Carter and city councilors to celebrate this wonderful display of gratitude today.

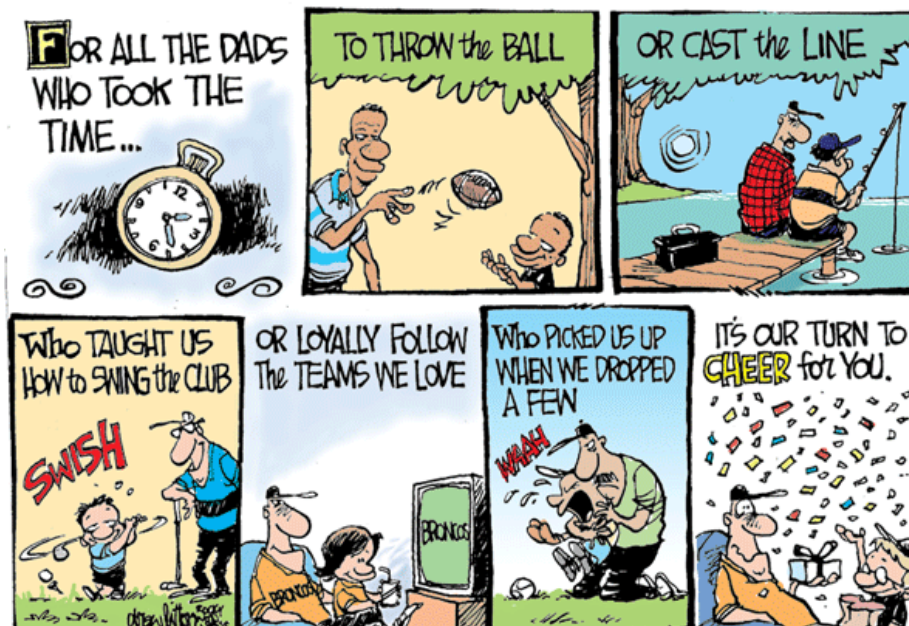


Changes to Visitor Restrictions Effective Immediately

With safety top of mind, and a commitment to a slow and staged approach to increasing family presence in the hospital, click [here](#) to read the **changes effective immediately** to the visitor restrictions. Join the Town Hall next Tuesday for an opportunity to discuss these changes more.

Durham Region Enters Stage 2 of Reopening on Friday

During his daily press briefing, Premier Doug Ford said Durham Region, along with six other areas can enter stage two of the province's reopening strategy as of Friday June 19, 2020 at 12:01 a.m. During Stage 2, more local businesses, services as well as community, recreational and outdoor spaces will open. Check out the full news release [here](#).



COVID-19 Outbreak at Orchard Villa Declared Over

We are pleased to advise that Durham Region Health Department has declared the COVID-19 outbreak at Orchard Villa long-term care home and retirement home now over.

Over the last two weeks, there have been no new positive cases confirmed at Orchard Villa. Currently, there are 155 residents with resolved cases.

“Today marks a meaningful moment for residents at Orchard Villa, their family, friends and loved ones and everyone who has been supporting the efforts to fight the outbreak,” said Susan deRyk, Interim President and CEO. “The effects of the outbreak have been devastating for the entire Orchard Villa community and it will take significant time to heal. We extend our deepest sympathies and condolences to everyone who has lost a family member, a loved one or a friend at the home to this terrible disease.” Click here to view the [news release](#).

Flag Raising Ceremony in Recognition of the End of the Outbreak at Orchard Villa

A small flag raising ceremony took place at Orchard Villa to mark the end of the COVID-19 outbreak at Orchard Villa and hope for the future. Click [here](#) to watch this moving video of the ceremony, a moving moment for all including for the residents who are veterans observing the event.

Kits for *Knitting Families Together* Coming to All Lakeridge Health Inpatient Units

This week, Patient Experience dropped Knitting Families Together kits to inpatient units containing pairs of knitted hearts, an explanatory note for families and [instructions for staff](#). Learn more about the program and how it started [here](#) and see photos from this week’s delivery [here](#).



A little cup of coffee told me that you needed something to make you smile today.



Savannah 911 call

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J7rxbeOTQ30>

Supportive words and advice from a colleague

Now’s the time to help each other

Tell me when I touch my face,
Rub my eyes or scratch my nose.
Cleaning hands is such a bother
tell me when I’ve missed a chance,
to save myself or one another.

Judy Mc Carten, RN CIC

**Safety Tip of the Week:
Fun Fact About Face Masks**

Face masks have now become a new part of our wardrobe, but they are not new. Face masks first appeared at the very end of 19th century, worn by physicians during surgery to protect against airborne bacteria during surgery. Modern surgical masks began to be used in the 1960s. Today, Lakeridge Health team members, patients and visitors wear masks all the time. We don't need fashion trends to help us do what's right. Wear your face mask, it's one of the best ways to flatten the curve. Click [here](#) to see more tips.

**Dare you
not to sing
it!**



**Reminder - Use of PPE from Outside
Lakeridge Health is not Accepted**

In order to keep our workplace safe, a reminder that **unapproved PPE from outside of Lakeridge Health is not to be used at our organization.** Given that PPE from outside may not meet Lakeridge Health's high safety standards, using this equipment may pose a significant risk to team members and patients. Please read [this memo](#) from April for more information on the risks associated with unapproved PPE at work.

