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Memories THROUGHOUT the Years

We have thoughts and memories from a resident that moved in each year.

Lorna MacNabb 2016: Gord and I arrived at Orchard View in August of 2016 accompanied by our dog Georgia. Settling in was no problem with the support of the staff and my neighbours. Gord became ill and soon I was alone. I have great admiration for the staff and without their help I would have been lost and frightened.



Jim Scrimgeour 2017: When Anne and I needed a retirement residence for medical reasons, we found Orchard View by the Mississippi—the smartest move we ever made. The entry is awe-inspiring: huge open space, fish pond, and a welcoming feeling. Residents and staff are friends; we never felt lost. The care, entertainment, and attention to our health and happiness couldn't be better. I've seen awesome places—the Bank of Singapore, a cathedral, and Orchard View is the third!



Terry & Donna Hodgson 2018: We've been here 8 years this November in our Townhome. We were among the first to move in, and got involved from day one—painting rooms, watering gardens, calling bingo, Sunday presentations with Joanna, and serving at Happy Hour. We loved VenDemia and seeing Joe P dancing with his Mom. Staff always have time for us, which is what makes it feel like home.



Jane von Boetticher 2019: We were delighted when Julie called about a one-bedroom apartment for Walter and me. We quickly settled in, enjoying new acquaintances and the wonderful staff. A key factor was Lisa, head nurse, who supported Walter through dementia and palliative care until he passed. I am now clinically blind and cannot say enough about how all levels of staff and management treat me. Over 10 years—through medical challenges, pandemics, losing my husband and friends—I would not want to be anywhere else but Orchard View.



Bill Simpson 2020: I call Orchard View my HOME. I've made new friendships, and truly enjoy the entertainment and activities. The nurses and staff go above and beyond—all my health needs are looked after right here. It's been great!!!



Charlotte Stephen 2021: OVG has been my home for the past 5 years and I couldn't have chosen a better place to call home. I spend my days in our library either with my nose in a book or organizing the books. I have also joined the quilting group, and we take much pride in our projects. We have raised money for numerous charities and had a lot of fun doing it. OVG has comfortable suites, no worries about maintenance, no cooking, no dishes to wash, activities to do if you want to, and the friendliest staff in the Valley. What's not to like!



Aline King 2022: *I feel safe, secure, and always have people around. I like that I have access to programs I enjoy, inside and outside of the building. I am part of the creative writing group, helping with church, with the library and the sewing club. The choices are always there for me. The staff are all amazing in every department. The care here is excellent.*



Dave Scott 2023: *The friendliness of the staff and residents makes this atmosphere feel like home. Sitting in the bistro, I have so many opportunities to enjoy the company of others. Even the visitors who come in to see other residents will stop and have a friendly chat. From our variety of events to fitness programs, there are always the opportunities to participate in and enjoy my time spent at OVG. I have made many new friends over the years at OVG and couldn't be happier.*



Doreen Wood 2024: *I've had such a positive experience living here. The soup is always excellent! I love being able to come to activities and being social. It is nice to have the choice, choose an activity and not feel pressured. We can sit in the Bistro and watch soccer and feel comfortable and safe. I can take a walk outside and know there is always someone around in case anything happens. I have one beer a week at Happy Hour with my son. It is a good place to live, and I'll still be here when I am 100. The experience is to be remembered.*



Bob Smithson 2025: *Throughout my years I have had many interest in life, but music is one I hope never to lose. From learning to play music on the piano from my grandma to playing in several local classic rock and blues bands in the Ottawa Valley. I currently play my guitar for residents who live on our memory floor with my friend John Wickenden. Just being able to play music sure puts a smile on my face. Seeing others tap their toes and sing along is a rewarding way to spend my afternoon. My daughters initially discovered OVG, for which I am totally grateful.*



Annie Dickson 2026: *Moving to Orchard View Gardens was one of the most difficult moves I have ever made, but after six months it has become a true blessing.*

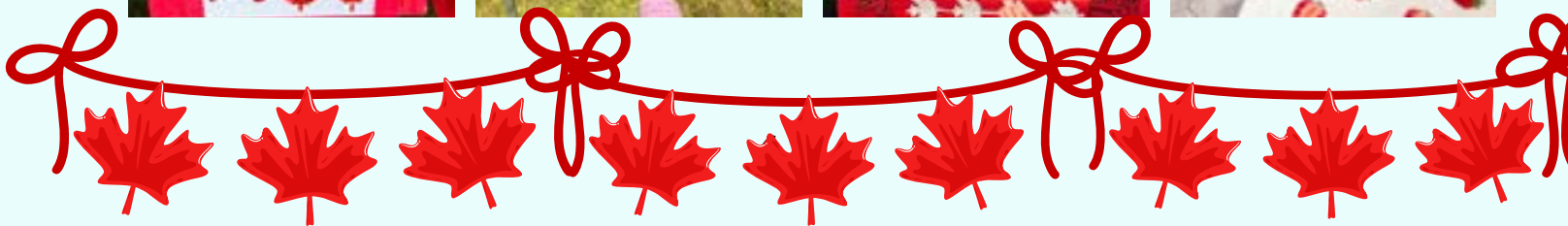
Selling my house, moving to a new town, and adjusting to new accommodations and neighbours felt overwhelming. From the moment I arrived, I was welcomed warmly. The staff were kind, helpful, and gave me all the time I needed to settle in.

I can now honestly say I feel part of this new family. The meals are generous and varied, with substitutions always available. There is a wide range of activities, including exercise programs, crafts, shopping and bus trips, as well as celebrations for birthdays and special occasions.

The grounds are beautifully maintained, with resident gardens, inviting seating areas, and a pond that is home to three geese and two ducks.

Living here has given me friendship, comfort, and the opportunity to continue enjoying a full and active life.







This August marks a very special milestone as Orchard View Gardens proudly celebrates its 10th Anniversary.

Over the past decade, Orchard View Gardens has become so much more than a retirement residence, it has become a home. A place where friendships are formed, families find peace of mind, staff dedicate themselves to compassionate care, and residents continue to create new memories every day.

Celebrating 10 YEARS

Today, as we celebrate ten incredible years, our greatest achievement is not our beautiful building or our growing community, it is the people who fill these halls every day.

To our residents: thank you for allowing us to be part of your lives. Your stories, wisdom, humour, resilience, and kindness inspire us every single day. Whether we're sharing a conversation over coffee, celebrating birthdays, enjoying activities together, or simply exchanging smiles during a walk through the dining room or atrium, you remind us why we do what we do.

To our families: thank you for trusting us with the care of those you love most. Your confidence in our team means everything to us, and we are honoured to be partners in providing exceptional care and support.

To our staff, thank you for your unwavering dedication, compassion, and professionalism. Caring for others is not simply a job, it is a calling. Every meal served, every helping hand offered, every comforting conversation, and every smile shared contribute to making Orchard View Gardens the exceptional community it is today. Your commitment, often behind the scenes, makes a lasting difference in the lives of our residents and their families.

We also extend our heartfelt appreciation to our volunteers, community partners, physicians, therapists, and everyone who has contributed to Orchard View Gardens over the past ten years. Together, you have helped create a warm, vibrant, and welcoming community where residents truly feel at home.

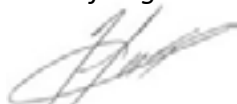
As we reflect on the past decade, we celebrate countless milestones, friendships, laughter, celebrations, and moments of compassion. While much has changed over the years, one thing has remained constant, our commitment to treating every resident with dignity, respect, and the highest quality of care.

The future of Orchard View Gardens is bright! Together, we will continue to build upon the strong foundation established over the past ten years, embracing new opportunities while never losing sight of what matters most: the people who call Orchard View Gardens home.

On behalf of everyone at Orchard View Gardens, thank you for being part of our journey. We plan to Celebrate on July 31st, with a wine and cheese event to celebrate this milestone.

Here's to celebrating 10 wonderful years, and to many more years of caring, laughter, friendship, and creating memories together.

With heartfelt gratitude,



Executive Director

Employee of the Month

Heather Yankoo

You meet Heather as soon as you walk through the doors. She is the smiling, compassionate, caring soul that starts your visit on the right foot. She brings her attention to detail, creativity, efficiency, love for creepy crawling animals, art, patience, technology wizardry, and a passion for helping people. You will see Heather's art on the windows of our home during themed events. Thank you Heather for giving us your all!



Amenities & Services

- 24-Hour Nursing Staff
- Theatre + Chapel Services
- Wellness Centre— Physio (M,W,F)
- Multi-Purpose Room for Games & Gatherings
- Library + Tuck Shop
- Outdoor Raised Flower & Veggie Gardens
- Duck/Goose Pond & Indoor Atrium Pond
- Gazebo and Outdoor Activities
- Emergency Response System
- Full-Service Dining Room
- Snack and Beverage Bistro
- House Physician + Foot Care Nurse
- Hearing Aid Clinic, Hair Salon, Esthetician, Dental Hygienist
- Wheelchair Accessible Bus
- Weekly Bus Shopping/Lunch Trips
- Weekly Live Entertainment
- Full Recreation Programming
- Weight & Blood Pressure Clinics

Open Activities

Outdoor Putting Green • Puzzle Tables • Library • Residents playing the Piano • "Axe" Throwing • Wellness Centre: Bike and Walking Bars • Arts n' Crafts • Pool & Shuffleboard Table • Heated Massage Chairs



HOLY NAME BAKE SALE



Orchard View

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BY THE MISSISSIPPI
ALMONTE

You are officially invited to
Orchard View's
10th
Anniversary

Friday July 31st 2026

2:30 - 3:30pm

We will be gathering in the bistro
to remember memories we have
shared together in our home.

RSVP: At Reception
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