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Employee of the Month: Dawn Kayia



Dawn is one of our wonderful RPNs. She manages the day to day care of our residents as well as those in crisis or palliative. She takes the time to understand the residents' situation and emotional place and helps guide them through it. We know everyone is in good hands when she is working. Thank you for your dedication throughout the years. You deserve to be our Employee of the month.

Amenities & Services

*Theatre + Chapel Services
Wellness Centre— Physio (M,W,F)
Multi-Purpose Room for Games & Gatherings
Library + Tuck Shop
Outdoor Raised Flower & Veggie Gardens
Duck 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 Clinic*

Testimonial ~ Cheryl Nason Family Member

Having been part of the Orchard View family for many years, I am constantly amazed by the staff. They have supported me, my parents, and my sister through challenging times with great respect, transparency, and laughter. Orchard View's bright indoor and outdoor spaces and hard-working team create an environment where each individual resident feels seen, cared about, and nourished. I highly recommend Orchard View Gardens.





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OUR SERVICES

- ✓ Medical Appointments
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- ✓ Retirement Home Group Outings
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Onsite Services at OVG include:

- ✓ Clean and check of hearing instruments
- ✓ Ear check with otoscope
- ✓ Cerumen management/Earwax removal

In Office Services

- ✓ **Hearing Tests & Assessments:** Comprehensive audiological evaluations to diagnose and understand the extent of hearing loss and other auditory issues.
- ✓ **Hearing Aids:** A wide range of advanced digital hearing aid models from various manufacturers, including selection, fitting, programming, and ongoing follow-up care.
- ✓ **Tinnitus Management:** Therapy, support, and management strategies for individuals experiencing tinnitus (ringing in the ears).
- ✓ **Earwax Removal:** Professional services to safely remove earwax that may be obstructing hearing.
- ✓ **Hearing Protection:** Custom-made earplugs, musician's in-ears, and other devices to protect hearing from loud noises.
- ✓ **Hearing Aid Maintenance:** Batteries, cleaning services, maintenance products, and Bluetooth accessories.
- ✓ **Counseling and Support:** Guidance and support for individuals and families dealing with hearing loss and its impact on their quality of life.



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Open Activities

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

Summer Ce



celebrations



Resident of the Month

Joanna Scissons

Joanna's life has been one of adventure, resilience, deep family bonds, and an unwavering curiosity about the world.

Born in Westernham, Kent, England to a family with strong traditions and remarkable history, Joanna and her 3 siblings, Allister, Fion and Pru grew up hearing stories that connected them to the past. One story she treasured was of her father, who was master gunner of the Tower of London. The family had the privilege of watching the victory parade from the Battlements of the Tower of London following the war.

As a young girl, Joanna attended boarding school from the age of fourteen. She had an amazing childhood, playing tennis, swimming and riding horses. She played tennis as a junior at Wimbledon and for the Air force team when she grew older.

Joanna developed a love of travel and exploration. When the time came to leave home, it was not easy. Her parents and family meant everything to her, and saying goodbye brought tears all around. She moved to Canada in 1961 coming with her eldest daughter, Fran at 15 months old. She became a Nanny for the Taylor family with 3 girls and 1 boy. She remembers that the father really liked her accent so he hired her. To this day, the Taylor family still have a special place in Joanna's heart and her in theirs not living too far from each other.

In 1967 she met Patrick John Scissons (aka Gus), a man who would become the husband. Their family soon grew, Dan in 1968 and Louise following in 1969. Life was busy and joyful, filled with the challenges and rewards of raising young children.

Then came heartbreak. Patrick died in 1970, leaving Joanna widowed with three young children. It was an unimaginable loss. Yet those who knew Joanna remember her strength. As she often proved throughout her life, she met adversity with courage. Friends gathered around her, helping her through the darkest days, and she drew on reserves of determination she may never have known she possessed.

One day, an invitation changed the course of her life. In April 1972 she was invited to go flying. She signed up for lessons and discovered a new passion. Flying brought freedom, confidence, and a renewed sense of possibility. When her parents visited that same year, she proudly took them up in the air. It was a moment of joy they would never forget.



Joanna Scissons...continued

It was also here that she met Ray Wioto. He had a plane that was impressive to her but she wasn't sure if she was attracted to him or the plane. Not only did he keep the plane but Joanna as well. In 1988 Ray moved into her home in Almonte after the children had gone off to school. He had a passion for travel and luckily took Joanna with him. They journeyed around the world, embracing different cultures and experiences. They visited Antarctica, stood in the Arctic, explored Tahiti, travelled through Hong Kong and Singapore, and discovered the beauty of Thailand. They loved wandering through food markets, browsing boutiques, and soaking up the atmosphere of each new place. One favourite memory is bull fighting (baby) in Spain after a bucket of sangria. Ole!!

At home, Joanna remained deeply connected to her community. She drove 18 years for what is now called Carebridge and volunteered with Therapeutic riding for 10 years. She believed in friendship and staying involved. She attended community breakfasts at the Presbyterian church, especially on Thursdays.

Joanna's family expanded over the years with 1 grandson and 4 great grandchildren that live throughout Ontario.

She also knew hardship. Being diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in 1980 required immense courage. There were times when she wondered what the future would hold, can I walk, can I see, what will Ray think of all this? Will he stay? (he did) Yet she faced those challenges with the same strength that had carried her through earlier losses. The support of friends and loved ones remained a constant source of comfort.

Throughout her life, Joanna never lost her adventurous spirit. Whether flying an aircraft, crossing oceans, exploring distant continents, or simply sharing breakfast with friends, she approached life with enthusiasm and gratitude.

Her story is not only about the places she visited or the challenges she overcame. It is about resilience after loss, the courage to begin again, the love of family, the loyalty of friends, and the belief that life remains full of possibilities no matter what obstacles arise.

In 2025 she and Ray moved into townhome 15 at Orchard View Gardens. They embraced the community lifestyle and brought laughter and friendship to the bistro. You will often find them enjoying a black coffee with new friends.

Joanna's life stands as a testament to strength, kindness, adventure, and grace—a life richly lived and deeply loved.



Upcoming Events



Happy **CANADA DAY**
Strawberry social

**JULY 1ST
2:00- 3:00 PM**

ON THIS CANADA DAY,
JOIN US IN CELEBRATING
WITH A STRAWBERRY
SOCIAL.
BERRY PROUD TO BE
CANADIAN!
PLEASE SIGN UP AT
RECEPTION

The poster features a collage of Canadian-themed illustrations including a maple leaf, a hockey stick, a beaver, a strawberry, a squirrel, a trophy, and a hat.



Orchard View
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ALMONTE

ANNUAL YARD SALE

JULY 11TH 8AM - 12PM

FIND YOUR TREASURES HERE.

219 PATERSON ST. ALMONTE
PROCEEDS TO CIVITAN'S ACCESSIBLE
PLAYGROUND

The poster shows a collection of various household items like a teddy bear, a clock, a guitar, a globe, and a chair, all arranged around a central 'YARD SALE' sign.



ORCHARD VIEW Monday Socials

JOIN US EVERY MONDAY!

3:15 PM - 4:15 PM | **In the Bistro**

Enjoy an afternoon of friendship, conversation,
and delicious treats as we alternate between
two wonderful social gatherings!

High Tea SOCIAL

- Tea and refreshments
- Sweet treats
- Relaxing conversation with friends

Popcorn, & Punch SOCIAL

- Fresh popcorn
- Fruit punch
- Fun and casual socializing

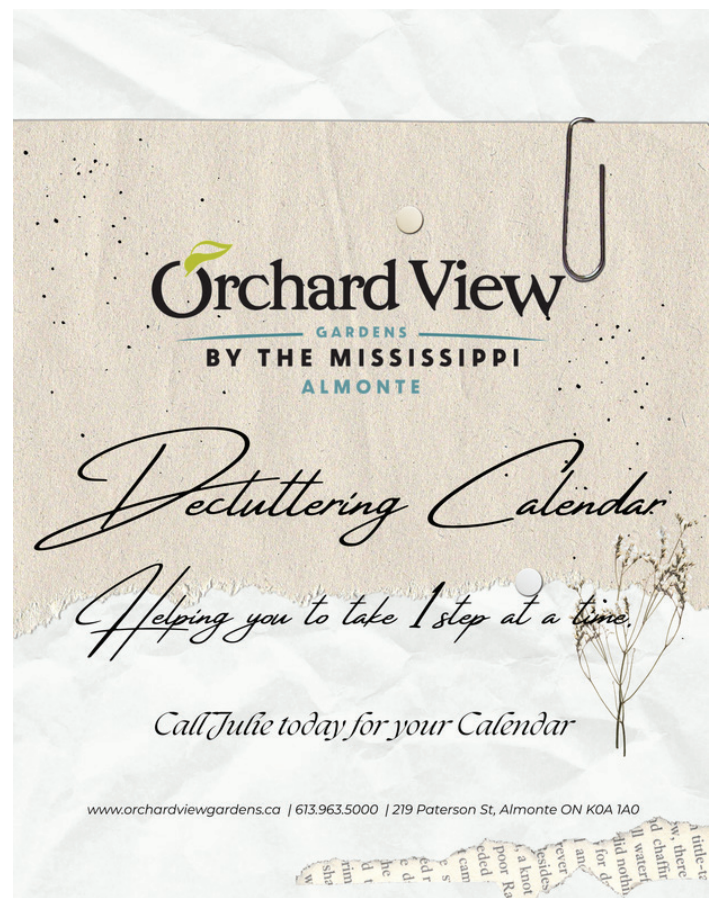
We ALTERNATE EVERY OTHER MONDAY!

Whether you're in the mood for an elegant cup of tea or a tasty snack with friends, there's *something for everyone!*

We look forward to seeing you there!

ORCHARD VIEW GARDENS RECREATION TEAM

The poster is decorated with images of a tiered tray of pastries, a cup of tea, and a bowl of popcorn.



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The poster has a textured, paper-like background with a paperclip and a small plant illustration.