



St. Joseph's Villa  
Celebrating 130 Years



# Bulletin

## Volunteer Angel

New residents on the north side of St. Joseph's Villa are welcomed to their new home by Kathy Maude, a Residents' Council volunteer who has been helping others for the five years she has lived here. Well known for her big hugs, Kathy's generous and determined spirit shows through her busy and helpful life.



Kathy wears many different hats while she volunteers at the Villa. In addition to her Council work, she is an office assistant, helping to mail out the administrative mail twice a day. She also delivers incoming mail to residents who appreciate help with reading their cards, letters and newspapers.

At Christmas time, Kathy wears two hats: Avon salesperson and seasonal decorator in many areas of the Villa. Halloween finds Kathy wearing any type of hat that fits her costume. Dressing up for this season is a big highlight for Kathy's creative personality.



Kathy's creativity also shows in her enjoyment of crafts and her talent in assembling jigsaw puzzles. Right now she is busy putting together a 3,000 piece puzzle which creates a forest scene. 'I put together the sky first, thinking it would be hardest but now all those green pieces are really challenging,' says Kathy. But there is no doubt that her determined spirit will conquer the puzzle.

Knowing how to put pieces together is a useful skill for her genealogy work. Using the local church as a resource, Kathy has traced her family history back to her great-great-great-great grandfather! She can also use her 93 year old parents as a family history resource when they come to visit her at the Villa.

Kathy's room displays a large collection of angels which she has collected for several decades. Large and small angels of many designs flow through the room amongst family photographs of Kathy's family and her husband Bruce's family. The angels seem at home here perhaps because they recognize one of their own. With her kindness and generosity to others, it appears that one of Kathy's many hats is a halo.



## Thank you, Helen

Helen Powers is a freelance writer and a public relations student at McMaster University. Every month a resident has been highlighted in the Villa Bulletin – a new initiative that began in September last year. Helen has kindly volunteered to interview some residents and (with their permission) write their stories. She's done an exceptional job. She lives in Hamilton with her two teenagers and husband. Thanks Helen!



## Shopping Opportunity

Goldenwear Clothing is coming Wednesday, March 31st from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. in the Auditorium. They have regular as well as adapted clothing for both men and women.



## Happy St. Patrick's Day

There will be a St. Patrick's Day Social with light refreshments and sweets, as well as Joseph Alderman playing the piano on Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm in the Auditorium. All Residents are welcome to come down and celebrate - as long as we are not still in an outbreak of course!

## Easter Basket

The Tuck Shoppe will be selling tickets on an Easter Basket. Tickets will be available from Reception and the Villa Tuck Shoppe.



## Foundation News

**Christmas Mailer** – The Foundation features stories about residents and their families, Villa programs & services twice a year in the Spring and at Christmas. We are pleased to report we raised \$45,000 through our Christmas mailer "My Old Friend". "Thank you to everyone who supported the Foundation.

**Gala Event** - St. Joseph's Villa Foundation "Some Kind of Wonderful" gala event will be held on Friday, April 23, 2010 at Liuna Station Hamilton. Our guests will experience an extraordinary evening of fine dining, unique auction items, and quality entertainment by singer/songwriter John Ellison and his accompaniment band. Tickets \$175.00 each by calling (905) 627-9011 ext. 2293.



**Sisters' Tribute Dinner** – St. Joseph's Healthcare Foundation & St. Joseph's Villa Foundation invite you to join them on Tuesday, June 1, 2010 at Carmen's in Hamilton as we honour the Legacy of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Hamilton. Tickets are \$95.00 each. For more information contact (905) 522-1155 ext. 35981.