
The Tie that Binds

Internal Newsletter



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May We Never Forget

Songs and stories have shaped societies for centuries. On November 10, 1975, the Edmond Fitzgerald sank 24km west of Pancake Bay on Lake Superior. Gordon Lightfoot wrote his famous ballad a little more than a month after the ship sank. This beloved song helps us to remember the past.

Folk singers have a way of helping us to see and remember. Psalm 105 is a folk song that reminds Israel of God's gift of help from the time of Abraham until they reached the Promised Land. God gave them this land so that they could bless and care for their families and for all nations.

Written in May 1915, the poem "In Flanders Fields" was used to recruit young men to become soldiers and fight for freedom. A war that ended on November 11, 1918. The poem continues to remind us of the horror and the obligation of fighting for freedom.

Words and pictures, songs and poems help remind us of our obligations as people, as Canadians, as Christians. The raw and ugly pictures of war should remind us why young men and women fought for freedom so long ago. It should cause us to cry out to help stop oppressive dictators and egocentric leaders from continuing the violence of war. The pictures we see of Ukraine and Gaza and Syria and Afghanistan make us numb as we re-live the experiences of WWII.

Stories invite us to work for positive change. To build new and beautiful places and relationships so that all people will be blessed.

The Edmond Fitzgerald was hauling iron ore to help make steel. Steel that would be used for building ships, cars, trucks, buildings, tanks, rifles, medical tools,

refrigerators, ovens, cutlery... and who knows what else. Even though she was a solid and sound ship, a huge gale forced wind blew across “the big lake [the Chippewa] called Gitche Gumee” and rouge wave slammed into the Edmond Fitzgerald.

Until 2006, the Maritime Sailors’ Cathedral in downtown Detroit (I’ve walked by it), rang the bell 29 times and recite the names of those who perished on Edmond Fitzgerald each November 10. On May 2, 2023, the day after Lightfoot died, they rang the bell 30 times.

At 12:10pm on November 10, 2025, the bells of the Maritime Cathedral will once again ring 29 times to remember those who perished. Less than 24 hours later, we too will pause for 2 minutes of silence to remember all those who perished in service to their country and world.

Songs, stories, poems, bells, silence are a gift to guide and remind us in remembering our calling, our obligations, our past. May we never forget.

Pastor Richard Bodini



From the desk of the (interim) CEO

As we welcome the month of November, I want to take a moment to express my sincere gratitude to you, our Tenants, for placing your trust in me as the Interim Chief Executive Officer in Tracy Kamino's absence. I want to share a brief update regarding Tracy's recent surgery. Tracy's surgery went smoothly and she is now at home focusing on rest and full recovery. Tracy would like to thank the entire HCH community for their prayers and support and well wishes as she focuses on a speedy recovery. Tracy quotes "Your well wishes have truly strengthened and uplifted me".



This time of the year naturally invites reflection and gratitude. With the holiday season approaching and the year drawing to a close, reflection is not just about dwelling on the past—it is about learning from it to build a stronger, more resilient future. As we look ahead in shaping the future of Holland Christian Homes, I would like to encourage your valuable feedback as we launch our Strategic Plan to define our goals and priorities for the next 5 years. We will be asking for your feedback through an anonymous survey which will be available electronically as well as hard copies. Your input is crucial as seniors' care is changing and expectations are evolving while new models of care are emerging. With your feedback we would like to continue to deliver the highest quality of care to you with compassion. We value your voice in shaping Holland Christian Homes future.

I want to take a moment to address the recent migration of our new Rogers boxes in King and Peace Tower. I know that for many of you, this transition has been frustrating. This is a new process for Holland Christian Homes as we have never done a migration of this scale before. Many of you who attended the question and answer session expressed that you didn't want a new Rogers box. But I wanted to remind you that this migration was necessary as your current Rogers boxes will no longer be working without this migration. Another frustration stems from not being able to access your internal channels such as Channel 990, the Dutch channel and the lobby camera. If you do not have a smart TV with Android Operating System, then you will need to purchase a fire stick. We ask you to please be patient as IT will come into your unit to set up the fire stick. Please call Front Reception to request an appointment with the HCH IT team.

I look forward to continuing to work with all of you, and our great team at HCH, in the coming months.

Jemmie

TENANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE (TAC)

The Tenant Advisory Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, October 14th at 8:30am. Jemmie Ramprashad, Interim CEO attended the meeting. The following is a summary / highlights of our discussion(s):

Minutes of the September 9th, 2025 meeting

- Trinity Tower elevator is being worked on with HCH electricians and Quality Allied. The lights have been changed and the announcement will be addressed next.
- Maintenance are conducting emergency pull cord audits and unit inspections in every units in the towers.
- October's issue of the Tie that Binds contained page numbers, tenants are appreciative.
- Providence Tower garbage room hose is still leaking, Omer will have one of the Maintenance men to follow up.

General Discussion / CEO Message

- The Towers Application has been updated. One key update is the pet policy, going forward we will try to restrict the weight of dogs moving into HCH to 30lbs and under.
- Questions were raised regarding the eligibility criteria process of tenants moving into our Independent towers. Jemmie informed TAC that an Admission Committee has now been implemented.
- Rogers is now in the process of upgrading the Rogers boxes in Peace and King Towers. Rogers informed HCH the delay was an equipment issue, the boxes themselves have been on backorder. They are now in stock and work in the Towers has started again.
- Rogers has requested that tenants provide identification in order to set up an account during the Xfinity installation. There has been some miscommunication regarding acceptable forms of ID. Rogers has indicated that SIN cards are accepted as valid identification; however, this has caused confusion among tenants, as staff have advised them never to share their SIN. Tenants will be required to provide an acceptable form of ID to Rogers prior to the cable upgrade. Clarification is needed to ensure tenants understand which forms of identification are both acceptable and secure to use.

- Concerns were raised that a Firestick is needed to access channel 990, the lobby channels and the Dutch Channel. IT is working on the best way to address these concerns. Updates will follow as they come.
- Reminder to tenants there are to be NO BBQ's or clothes lines on their balconies.
- Marijuana use is included under the existing non-smoking policy, and all smoking by-laws must be followed by both staff and tenants. It was noted that addressing smoking-related complaints can be challenging unless the exact source of the odor can be identified. Tenants and committee members recognize that this remains a difficult issue to manage effectively.
- Jemmie asked TAC members if the speed camera petition is worth submitting at the moment. With the new legislation pending by the Ontario Government our petition may not go anywhere. TAC members are still positive and would like to still have it submitted.
- A recommendation was made to call 311 for anyone parking in the bike zone along Kingknoll Dr. This causes safety issues for staff and tenants parking in the FM underground garage.
- Tyndall update – Tyndall first 14 residents will be moving in on October 15th.
- The number for the Condor Property Management was provided by a member to call with concerns regarding the ongoing noise complaints with the College Plaza. They can be reached at 905-907-1600. The non-emergency Peel Police number was also provided - 905-453-3311.

Providence Tower

- Tenants expressed concerns about the untidy condition of the basement lobby. The ledge area has become cluttered with decorative items, and some individuals become upset when these items are removed. Those wishing to donate items are encouraged to leave them at the “Give a Little, take a Little” area located in the Peace Tower basement. Maintenance will also like to have a memo be put out for tenants in PT that items will be removed by a certain date and if they wish to keep their items to please remove it. He would also like to have a process put into place for PT TAC members to be consulted by the tenant wishing to leave an item on the ledge.
- Additionally, scooters, walkers, and wheelchairs are being left in the lobby, creating further clutter — an issue that tenants have raised in the past. Tenants would like to see scooters removed entirely from the lobby area to help maintain a cleaner and safer space. It was suggested that a sign be posted reminding tenants

not to leave personal items in the lobby. Tenants would like the one older exercise bike to be removed as it can be unsafe for tenants.

- There are holes on floors 4, 3 & 2. Maintenance is aware of this issue and is working with PC Renovations on a solution.
- A work order was submitted for the pillars in the front of PT.

Trinity Tower

- Tenants would like to have the moving blankets cleaned as they have a foul smell to them.
- A tenant asked TAC member if they were allowed to have a dishwasher and or a washing machine in their apartments. It was mentioned that the infrastructure cannot handle items of that nature.

Hope Tower

- TAC member commented that tenants loved the Thanksgiving Dinner held in Horizon Hall by Lydia Booth on Sunday. They are very grateful for all the hard work Lydia and her volunteers put in and would like to thank them.
- The bird's nest outside Hope Tower's front door is still there, Omer acknowledged it and will have it removed once safe to do so.
- At the October 7th coffee social, a TAC member was asked by tenants if positive points can be addressed in the Tie that Binds, some tenants feel there is too much negativity shared.
- There is a concern surrounding the smell of marijuana at night. A tenant mentioned they purchased an air purifier to clean the smell from the air which is helpful. He also mentioned the possibility of adding a door sweeper to the bottom of the front door to keep any unwanted smells out. Please inform TNO when you are smelling any marijuana smells so that they can try and locate where the smell is coming from.

Covenant Tower

- Smoking on the balconies is still a concern with some tenants.

Peace Tower

- Concerns were raised regarding **buses parking along McLaughlin and Kingknoll**. TAC members were reminded that the increased bus presence is **temporary** and related to the **ongoing College strike**. Once the strike concludes,

the **excessive bus traffic and parking** in that area are expected to **return to normal levels**.

King Tower

- Tenants have requested that two additional shopping carts be placed in the King Tower basement lobby for shared use. Maintenance suggested that funds raised from Coffee Socials could potentially be used to purchase a new cart. It was also noted that tenants may borrow carts or other shared items from neighboring towers if one is unavailable, but they are reminded to return the items to their original location after use. Jemmie suggested that signs be posted to remind tenants to return the shopping carts once they are finished with them.

Business Arising

- The access panel door in the PT elevator does not lock
- Trinity Tower Elevator moving blankets have a foul smell
- The bird nest by the Hope Tower front door needs to be cleaned
- The lights bulbs for King tower elevator for floors: G, 6, 7 & 9 needs replacing.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 10th at 8:30am, instead of on Tuesday, November 11th due to our Remembrance Day service.

**Respectfully submitted on behalf of TAC,
Leah Lenstra and Len Joosse, Co-Chairs**

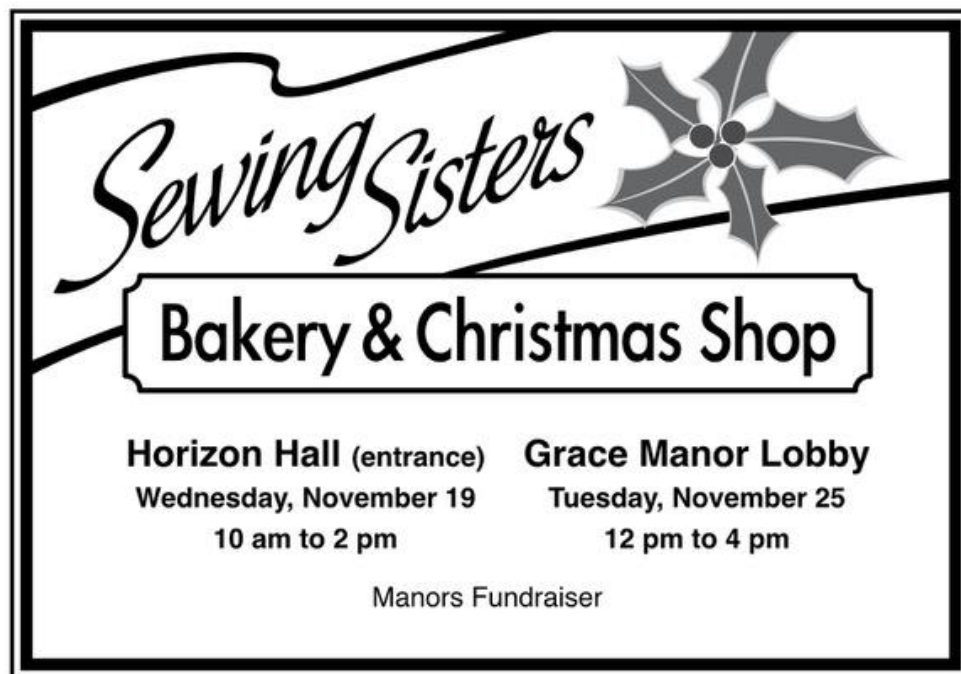
Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

I wish to pass on my deepest thanks to you, the 'Holland Christian Homes community,' for the many encouraging farewell-retirement greetings, cards and gifts that I received as I closed out my time of serving HCH and Heritage Fellowship Church. Although the last two weeks turned out to be challenging, coinciding with the decline and passing of my mother, I was comforted by your thoughtfulness, cards and words of condolence.

As I reflect on my time at HCH, I am especially grateful for all the treasured relationships which have developed with residents, tenants and staff. When I began four years ago, I had only an inkling of the kind of wonderful sense of community that I was stepping into at HCH. I found serving as an HCH chaplain/pastor deeply meaningful and privileged. So many of you shared your life stories, your joys and laughter as well as your struggles and sorrows. I know I will greatly miss serving at HCH, but I also know as many of you have reminded me, 'God goes with us; do not be afraid.'

Grace and peace to you all,

Pastor Eric Groot-Nibbelink





STRATEGIC PLAN 2026-2030

Your Input Matters

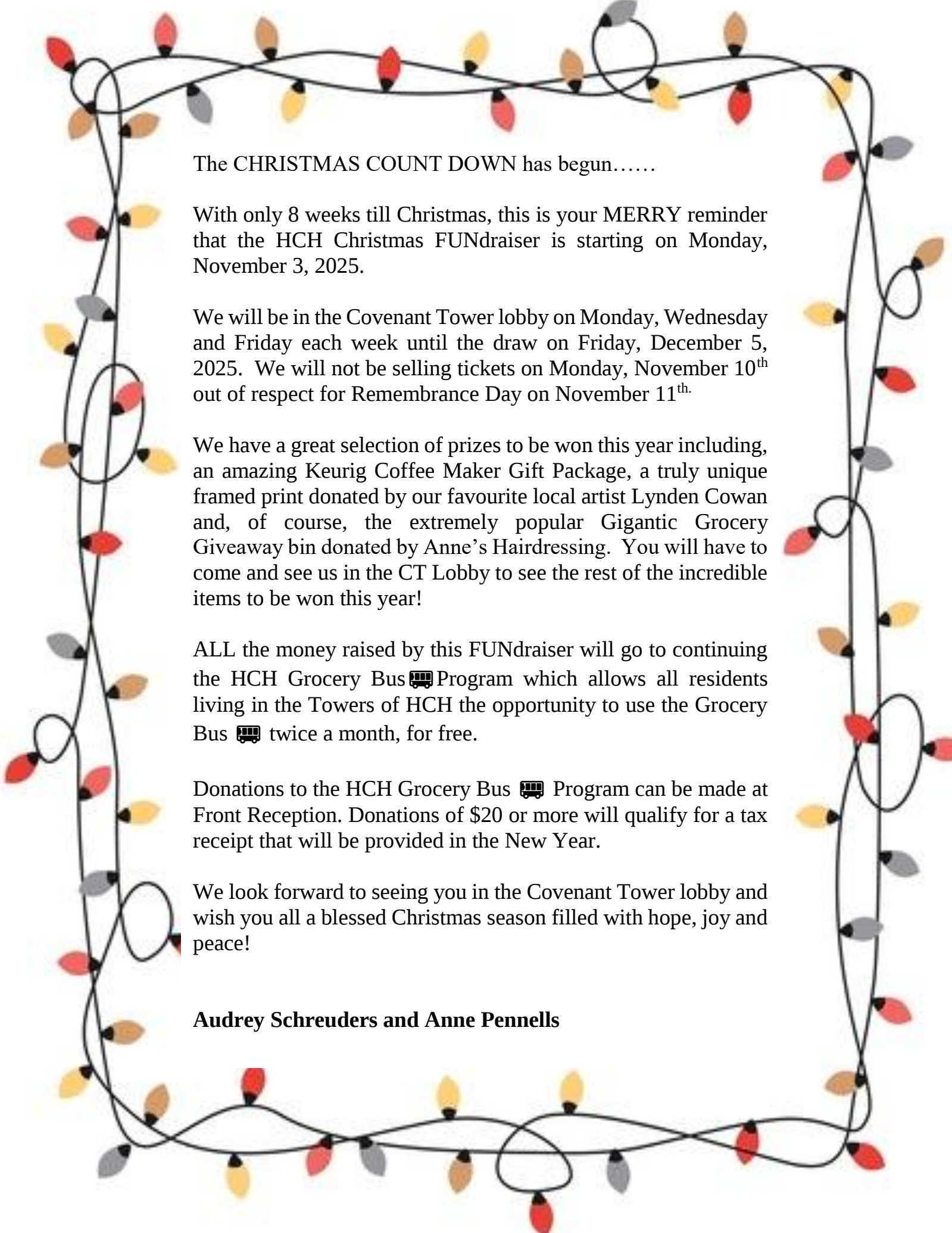
At Holland Christian Homes we are dedicated to providing exceptional healthcare and seniors services that meet the diverse needs of our community. As we look to the future, we are launching a new strategic planning process for 2026-2030, and we need your input to guide our path forward.

How You Can Participate

On November 24th, we will be launching a confidential and anonymous survey. Please be on the lookout for an email or posters around HCH for the link to the survey. If you have not received an email with the survey and would like one, please see Amanda in the CEO office to provide your email address. If you prefer a hard copy of the survey, please see Front Reception, after November 24th.

Your responses will provide valuable insight that will directly influence our strategic planning process.

The survey will be open until December 15th



The CHRISTMAS COUNT DOWN has begun.....

With only 8 weeks till Christmas, this is your MERRY reminder that the HCH Christmas FUNdraiser is starting on Monday, November 3, 2025.

We will be in the Covenant Tower lobby on Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week until the draw on Friday, December 5, 2025. We will not be selling tickets on Monday, November 10th out of respect for Remembrance Day on November 11th.

We have a great selection of prizes to be won this year including, an amazing Keurig Coffee Maker Gift Package, a truly unique framed print donated by our favourite local artist Lynden Cowan and, of course, the extremely popular Gigantic Grocery Giveaway bin donated by Anne's Hairdressing. You will have to come and see us in the CT Lobby to see the rest of the incredible items to be won this year!

ALL the money raised by this FUNdraiser will go to continuing the HCH Grocery Bus  Program which allows all residents living in the Towers of HCH the opportunity to use the Grocery Bus  twice a month, for free.

Donations to the HCH Grocery Bus  Program can be made at Front Reception. Donations of \$20 or more will qualify for a tax receipt that will be provided in the New Year.

We look forward to seeing you in the Covenant Tower lobby and wish you all a blessed Christmas season filled with hope, joy and peace!

Audrey Schreuders and Anne Pennells

How Do We Spend The First Few Moments As We Get Up Daily

Have we noticed how the first few minutes of every morning set the mood for the entire day? Very often we reach for our phones to check messages or we think of our to do list for the day and start worrying.

Take a few moments each morning as soon as you open your eyes. Jesus has said this in many places in His Word.

1. Take a few deep breaths and imagine that it is the breath of God that you are breathing. Let it flow through your whole body, cleansing you, strengthening you and healing you.
2. Fill your heart with gratitude for a new day, for life, and be thankful to God with all your heart. Let's not complain as it is from the evil one. We all have countless blessings each day.
3. Let go of the past or yesterday, all those painful memories, your mistakes. These will take away your peace and joy. Attachment to the past is the root cause to all suffering. Begin fresh today. Choose peace. It is now the present that matters and that is why it is called present, a gift.
4. Take control of your mind and remain calm. Rule your mind or it will rule you. It can be your greatest friend or enemy. The choice is yours. Choose peace.
5. Be determined to be kind to all. Show kindness to all you meet in your words, actions and even to those who hurt you. Visualize and pray for a chance to do at least one act of kindness to a stranger.
6. Everything is temporary. I will cherish this moment. Life is always changing, good times bad times. Everything is passing. Embrace the now, this moment. Be grateful. Be another Christ to someone everyday.

May God bless and keep you all in His love blessing you with peace and joy.

Winnie (Hope Tower)



THANKSGIVING SPECIAL PROGRAM



SHUFFLEBOARD



ZAMAR MUSIC



Tenant Dinners

Community Christmas Dinner

There will be a Christmas Dinner on December 25th at 3pm in Horizon Hall.

The cost will be \$15.00 and tickets will be available as of December 1st.

Further details will follow in the December Tie that Binds.

The Punchline



Why was the skeleton unable to go to the high school dance?

- He didn't have anybody to go with

Try never to lie to an x-ray technician.

- They can see right through you



Please Join the Holland Christian Homes community for...

A Time of Remembrance

In Horizon Hall

(located on South side of Kingknoll Drive, main floor between King and Peace Tower)

Tuesday, November 25th, 2025 at 2:00 pm

It was an honour and privilege to participate in your loved ones' care while they lived at Holland Christian Homes. Even though time passes, we continue to fondly remember them. Our team wishes to reflect on the impact these residents have had on our lives, and to honour them. We hope you can join us to celebrate the lives of those residents who passed away at Faith and Grace Manors between November 1, 2024 - present, for an honorary service followed by light refreshments.

Please RSVP by November 18th, 2025

Contact: Basia Leja-Plaza (Resident Advocate Faith Manor) @ 905-463-7002 ext. 5277 / Barbara.Leja-Plaza@hch.ca or Kristine Nielsen (Resident Advocate/Programs Manager Grace Manor) @ 905-463-7002 ext. 5331 / Kristine.Nielsen@hch.ca



*"Those we love don't go away,
they walk beside us every day,
unseen, unheard, but always near,
still loved, still missed and very dear"*



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21 - 5-9 PM
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22 - 8AM-12 PM

Come & Kick off the Christmas season!

Get in some early shopping, support local
Craft & Food vendors, and enjoy a bit of
Christmas Spirit; a little something for everyone!

ADMISSION: A CANNED FOOD ITEM WOULD BE APPRECIATED

82 McLaughlin Road South, Brampton, L6Y 2C7

Sweet November

**In the rhythm of kindness, a sweet tune plays,
thoughtfulness reveals itself in countless ways.
A soft word, a warm hug, builds a realm of comfort
and love. In every action, whether grand or slight,
thoughtfulness casts a spell so bright.**

**A gentle touch, a considerate look, illuminates the
shadows like an open book.**

**Let kindness lead the path we tread, with
thoughtfulness, let empathy spread. For in the little
deeds we perform, thoughtfulness colors the world,
keeping it warm.**

BEST WISHES,

Jacquie

Community Builder and Mentor

Attitude of Gratitude

There is a difference between complaining and concern.

Complaining usually has a negative connotation where it can come out as grumbling, which our Lord hates.

For example – “The flowers look terrible”, as opposed to saying, “Thank you to the many volunteers who are doing a wonderful job on our flower beds”.

Philippians 2:14:

‘Do all things without complaining and disputing’.

Concern is a constructive comment – one that could improve the safety of our tenants or help alleviate a potential financial burden.

For example – “There is water build up around cards that is from an unknown source and it might develop into a sink hole or it could freeze and become a slipping hazard.”

As Lesley said at our Hope and Trinity Tower coffee social, let’s have an attitude of gratitude and give thanks to God for all He has provided.

And Terry concluded with 1 Thessalonians 5:18:

‘in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.’

We all have good intentions to follow God and His will.

Thank you to the Lord who has been good to us. To all our volunteers and the staff who do a wonderful job at HCH and deserve our praise and respect, we give you thanks. And also, to Lesley for sharing with us an attitude of gratitude.

And a huge thank you to Lydia and her team for the beautiful Thanksgiving dinner that took place in Horizon Hall.

Fern & Terry – Hope Tower

Greetings from the Volunteer Office

Happy November everyone! Let's CELEBRATE the hard work of our many dedicated volunteers.

Fun Facts – from July to September 2025

We had 12 new volunteers join our team.

Faith Manor received 874 hours of donated time.

Grace Manor received 982 hours of donated time.

Towers received 1,293 hours of donated time.

Volunteer Office 1,514 hours of donated time.

The total number of volunteer hours donated to HCH this last quarter was: **4,663.**

AMAZING - Thank you to all our Volunteers!

*The following **Volunteer Opportunities** are currently available:*

- Smile and Serve Team - helping to prepare & serve coffee/tea for events
- Meals on Wheels Delivery Team on Sundays
- Library Team
- Faith Manor Hair Salon Assistant
- Volunteer Faith Manor Reception Team
- Devotions in the Tenant Dining Room – Mondays at noon
- Tenant Dining Room Porter Support – support a tenant who needs help going to the Tenant Dining Room for meals

Have you seen the chicks in Grace Manor Atrium? Would you like to be part of our new **Chick Hatching Program Support Team**? We need a few people to join us in caring for them. It is a 2-week commitment per session. We specifically need one back-up person for simple daily care requiring only 15 minutes, as well as a few people to help with simple 5-minute daily checks. Training and support will be happily provided.

If you are interested in any of the volunteer assignments outlined here and would like a job description with more details or if you have any questions, please contact Glenda at ext. 5225 or by email at glenmc@hch.ca. Feel free to stop by for a chat or call if you would like to book an appointment. If you are new to our community and you would like to join our volunteer team we would love to hear from you.

NOVEMBER

NEWS FROM TOWERS ACTIVITIES



Communications/Events Board

All of our communications/events will now be on these boards, located by the mailboxes/elevators in each building. In addition, there is one by the Towers Nursing Office & Reception. We will no longer be putting posters in the elevators, so please check the boards for all the goings on here at HCH.

Remember to Bring Your Mug!

As part of good sustainability practices, this is a friendly reminder to please remember to **always** bring your mug across **designated activities with this mug indicator:**



Amount of Walking

All trips have indicators informing you how much walking is involved on the trips:



Minimal or no walking



Moderate walking



Lots of walking

Trips and Event Sign

Sign up and make payments for programs, events, and trips at Front Reception during Reception's working hours. Please note that each trip must be paid for separately. Please address your cheques to "Holland Christian

Homes". **Please date cheques for the date of the event/trip. Reception only accepts exact cash amount or cheque. If you need change it will be given to you when Towers Activity Coordinator picks up money from Front Reception at the end of the week.**

Refund & Missed Activities

If a tenant does not show up on time for a program, Towers Activities cannot guarantee there will be materials left for them once the activity has finished. Tenants cannot bring materials home for another tenant, unless Towers Activities has been given notice and approved this. **No refunds are given out for activities costing \$15 or less.** Rescheduling and alternate arrangements are done on a case-by-case basis, at the discretion of the Towers Activities Coordinator.

Billiards Room

HCH has two lovely Billiard rooms that are available for use. One is located across from Anne's hair salon by Front Reception. The room is kept locked but you can get the key from Front Reception and return it when your done playing. There is a second Billiards room right beside Horizon Hall, it is kept locked and can be opened using your apartment key.

If we have any Billiards enthusiasts please feel free to utilize these rooms or get a group together to play.

Let's Sing!

This is a gathering of everyone who enjoys the old hymns, gospel favourites, and praising and worshiping through music. Come, join us and enjoy the fellowship and lifting of spirits that music gives!

When: Monday evenings, at 7:00 pm in Heritage Hall.

Current Events

You are invited to come to our current events group on Tuesdays at 10:30am. We meet in the King Tower Library with others who share interests in current events.

This includes a wide range of topics such as:

- Politics & Government
- Social Issues
- Local & International news
- Entertainment

Prayer Shawl Group

This group will be meeting on Thursday mornings in the King Tower Library between 10am-12pm - EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Free Grocery/Shopping Bus Trip

Tuesday, November 4th - No Frills

Thursday, November 20th – Food Basics

This trip operates on a first-come, first-served basis, so be sure to sign up soon! The bus will depart at 9:30 AM sharp, pick-up will be at the CT Entrance at 9:15 AM, and we will return to HCH around noon. To sign-up, please visit Front Reception during working hours. **A heartfelt thanks to our wonderful fundraising ladies, Audrey and Ann, for making these free bus trips possible.**

Music & Movement

Come join Music and Movement with Frances.

A professional dancer and choreographer in shows like Mamma Mia!, Sister Act and The Lion King, Frances leads a lively upbeat seated movement class designed for absolutely everyone.

It starts with great music, like songs from the 50's and 60's to inspire you to move your body. This is primarily a seated movement class meaning we are dancing seated in chairs. We also add in a few songs where we stand, dancing on our feet with the support of a chair in front of us.

This class is perfect for everyone at any age, you are free to challenge yourself or modify the movement as you like.

It's social, it's fun, it's guaranteed to leave you feeling energized all day long! It will take place Tuesday, November 4th & 25th at 10am in Horizon Hall. **The cost of this program will be \$5. If attendance continues to be low, this class is at risk of being cancelled.**

Hosanna Choir

Join us on Tuesday, November 4th at 7:30pm in Heritage Hall for the Hosanna Choir. **A freewill offering will be taking place at the end of the performance.**

A Musical Journey “NORWAY” on Ch. 990

On Wednesday, November 5th, at 1:30pm, you will have the opportunity to watch A Musical Journey “Norway”. The tour of Norway takes us from the capital, Oslo, with its harbours, parks, and imposing buildings, to Bergen, the birthplace of Edvard Grieg, and it’s surrounding countryside, with a glimpse of Grieg’s house at Troidhaugen. Trolls make their presence known, before a final return to Oslo and to the sculpture display of Vigeland Park.

Movie Matinee

On Thursday, November 6th at 1:30pm in Heritage Hall, you will have the opportunity to watch Little House on the Prairie, There’s No Place Like Home. *The Ingalls – including Albert, The Garveys and the Olesons tire of the bustling city and decide to return to Walnut Grove. They discover that the town has been severely neglected during their absence and set to work immediately to ensure Walnut Grove is restored to its former glory!*

Cost: \$5 (Includes coffee/tea/dessert and movie). Please pay at the door.

Yoga

Breathe, stretch, and unwind with Yoga at HCH! Join Kathleen Osmond on **Every Friday in November (7/14/21/28) at 11am in Horizon Hall** for a rejuvenation session that nurtures both mind and body. Yoga incorporates breathing exercises, meditation and poses designed to encourage relaxation and reduce stress. Some other health benefits include

- Improves Balance
- Supports Joint Health
- Teaches Better Breathing
- Improves Flexibility

The cost of this program will be \$5. If attendance drops, this class could be at risk of cancellation.

Technology Support

We are very lucky to have 2 students with us until April of 2026. Jashanpreet & Gurnoor will be with us on Thursdays & Fridays. They will be running this workshop, that will take place in Providence Tower Meeting Room Friday

from 2:00pm-3:30pm – November 7th, November 21st, and November 28. You can bring your cellphones or tablets and they will be happy to assist you.

We will have a special **Technology Class** on November 14th at 2pm in Harmony Hall going over how to install, and use the app “WhatsApp”. This is a great tool to message and video call friends/family.

Remembrance Day Service

Please join us on Monday, November 11th at 10:30am in Heritage Hall for our Remembrance Day service.



Halton Hills Performance

The Halton Hills Concert Band (HHCB) is excited to present music from its annual With Glowing Hearts Musical Tribute to the Armed Forces Tuesday, Nov. 11 at 7:30 pm.

To honour the 80th anniversary of the end of WWII, the band will cast a spotlight on the music during WWII. Enjoy a variety of music, including classic swing tunes, marches, popular music and movie music, all performed against the backdrop of powerful visuals designed to remember and celebrate the Armed Forces.

For the HHCB, playing music is about supporting community endeavours, forging partnerships in the community and promoting a fun, healthy leisure activity for youth and adults (14 +). There will be a **FREE WILL OFFERING at the end of the performance.**

The Story of Eric Liddell on Ch. 990

On Wednesday, November 12th (Section 1 and 2) & Thursday, November 13th (Section 3 and 4) you will have the opportunity to watch the story of Eric Liddell on Channel 990 at 1:30pm. *You may remember the 1981 academy award winning “Best picture” Chariots of fire. This film told the story of a courageous Scottish runner who won gold in the 1924 Olympics. But there is far more to his inspiring story than the movie revealed. Join Day of Discovery author and host Dave McCasland for this special series from Day*

of Discovery. We'll retrace Eric Liddell's life from his boyhood and rise to athletic frame through his years of missionary service in China. You'll hear from his friends, colleagues, and family members as they bring to life the story of this man of deep conviction who lived out his commitment to God even during his final days in a Japanese internment camp during World War II. But most of all, you'll be inspired by his great Olympian who ran well his race to serve others and spread the gospel of Christ.

Movie Night

On Thursday, November 20th at 7pm in Heritage Hall, you will have the opportunity to watch *God of Wonders ~ Exploring the Wonders of Creation, Conscience, and the Glory of God*. *Join us on a remarkable journey of discovery as we explore the Creator's handiwork and what His creation reveals about His character. Survey the unimaginable size of the universe and ponder the vast energy present in all matter. Examine the elegant water molecule essential to all life and discover how God combines these molecules to form beautiful and symmetrical snow crystals. Learn about the incredible complexity of DNA and the miraculous workings of the tiny seed. From the functional design of the birds to the transformation of butterflies, these and many other features of creation are highlighted in this visually stunning presentation.*

God of wonders is a breathtaking tour of God's creation wonders, visible and invisible, and the greatest wonder of all – His redeeming love! **Cost: \$5 (Includes coffee/tea/dessert and movie). Please pay at the door.**

Christmas Market

On Saturday, November 22nd the Christmas Market will be coming back to Holland Christian Homes. This event will take place in Heritage Hall from 10am-2pm. All are welcome to attend and shop.

Birthday Party

Come on down to Heritage Hall on Wednesday, November 26th at 2pm for our bi-monthly birthday party! We will be celebrating the November & December birthdays. The entertainment for the afternoon is Ruth Ann Onley. Remember to bring your mug!

Community Karaoke Afternoon

Join us for an unforgettable afternoon of music, connection, and joy at this month's Community Karaoke Afternoon! This event will take place on Friday, November 28th, at 1:30 PM in Harmony Hall. Whether you're ready to belt out your favourite tune or prefer to sit back and enjoy the performances, this event is for everyone. **Light refreshments will be provided.**

NOVEMBER VENDORS

Tuesday November 6th – Bijoux Treasures ~ **Location:** Across from the Faith Manor elevators

Thursday November 13th – AK Scrubs ~ **Location:** Across from Horizon Hall

Tuesday November 18th - Avon ~ **Location:** Across from the Faith Manor elevators

Wednesday November 19th – Sewing Sisters ~ **Location:** Across from Horizon Hall

Thursday November 20th – Traditions Alive ~ **Location:** Across from Horizon Hall

Friday November 21st – Janet's Scrubs ~ **Location:** Outside Horizon Hall

Tuesday November 25th – Stars of Modern Jewelry ~ **Location:** Across from the Faith Manor elevators

Thursday November 27th – Mobile Senior Shop ~ **Location:** Heritage Hall

Reoccurring Programs

Event	Date & Time	Location
Peace Tower Coffee Social	Mondays 10:30am	Horizon Hall
Roman Catholic Mass	Mondays 10am	Harmony Hall
BINGO	Mondays 2pm & Fridays 7pm	Harmony Hall
Let's Sing	Mondays 7pm	Heritage Hall
Hope & Trinity Tower Coffee Social	Tuesdays 10am	Harmony Hall
Current Events	Tuesdays 10:30am	King Tower Library
Fun + Fitness	Tuesdays & Fridays 11am	Heritage Hall
Bridge Club	Tuesdays 1pm	King Tower Library
Covenant Tower Coffee Social	Tuesdays 2:30pm	Covenant Tower Lounge
Bid Euchre	Tuesdays 6:30pm	Providence Tower Meeting Room
Busy Hands	Wednesdays 9am	Trinity Tower Meeting Room
Nordic Pole Walking	Wednesday 9am	On Hold until Spring
Hymn Sing and Bible Study	Wednesdays 10am	Horizon Hall
Art Expressions	Wednesdays 1:30pm	Trinity Tower Meeting room
Cribbage Club	Wednesdays 1:30pm	Providence Tower Meeting Room
Operation Mercy Yarn Pick up	Every other Wednesdays 2pm	Harmony Hall

Prayer Shawl Group	Thursdays 10am-12pm	King Tower Library
Tai Chi	Thursdays 10:30am	Horizon Hall
Klaverjassen	Thursdays 1pm	King Tower Library
KTEE Euchre	Thursdays 7pm	Horizon Hall
Games Night	Friday 7pm	Horizon Hall
Providence Tower Coffee Social	Saturdays 10am	Providence Tower Meeting Room
King Tower Coffee Social	Saturdays 10am	Horizon Hall

Upcoming Events

Nativity Scene Lighting

On Tuesday, December 2nd at 6:30pm outside Covenant Tower we will be hosting our second annual Nativity Scene Lighting here at Holland Christian Homes! Please join us for this festive occasion kicking off our holiday season with prayer and singing followed by Tea/Coffee and cookies in Heritage Hall. Remember your mug!

Concert: The Rosebud Orchestra

Join us on Friday, December 5th at 7:30pm Heritage Hall to celebrate the Christmas season with the Rosebud Orchestra (Rosebud Orchestra is the Rose Orchestra's Youth Orchestra for children aged 8 to 18.)

Mississauga Pops Concert Band

Help in welcoming back the Mississauga Pops Concert Band to Holland Christian Homes! They will be visiting on Tuesday, December 9th at 7:00pm in Heritage Hall. A freewill offering will be taking place at the end of the performance.

Concert: The Rose Orchestra

Join us for an evening of Singing and Music on Wednesday, December 10th at 7:30pm in Heritage Hall, The Rose Orchestra along with special guest Brampton Children's Choir present a delightful hour of Christmas music. **A freewill offering will be taking place.**

Festival of Carols Concert

The Mississauga Temple Salvation Army Band will be returning to Heritage Hall to present a "Festival of Carols" on Sunday, December 14th at 7pm, in partnership with Heritage Fellowship. There will be audience participation as well as a special number from the band. **A free will offering in support of the band will be collected at the end of the program.** All are welcome to attend.

Towers Nursing News

****Dates are subject to change. Announcements for date/time changes will be posted on CH990.**

- ❖ For Denturist clinic please call (905) 453-3393 to send your information in for appointment. CARRS will contact you with an appointment time.
- ❖ **Mobility Clinic:** November 19th, Clinic starts at 1pm.
- ❖ **Hearing Aid Clinic:** Call 905-793-3962 or 416-843-1986 to book an appointment with Wendy Caswell.
- ❖ **Foot Care Nurse:** November 5th & 19th. Please sign up on the list at TNO.
- ❖ Dr. Douglas Vlaskamp's **Chiropractic** open Friday afternoons 1:30-3:40pm, please call his office for an appointment at 905-451-3963
- ❖ **Physiotherapy Department:** Open. Please call 647-717-3422 to book an appointment

FROM THE DESK OF THE ADMISSIONS OFFICE

Following you will find the changes that have taken place at Holland Christian Homes during the month of October.

We welcome to the Towers:

Mr. Peter & Mrs. Wilma Cade	PT 401
Mrs. Thea Veldhoen	TT 107
Mrs. Etta McLaughlin	CT 801

We welcome to Faith Manor:

Mrs. Yolanda Auciello	FM 303
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We welcome to Grace Manor:

Mrs. Pearline Hendricks	GM 307-1
Mrs. Edith Olma	GM 311/1N
Mrs. Betsy Erion	GM 205

Changes within the facility:

Mrs. Starr Levi	GM 314/1S to GM 206N
Mrs. Shirley Teachout	GM 307/1S to GM 314/1S
Mrs. Helena Beeler	GM 205N to GM 211/1N

Our thoughts and prayers are with the loved ones of those that have passed away:

We remember:

Mrs. Gertrude Van Lieshout	FM 303-1
Mrs. Nancy Pott	GM 311/1N
Mrs. Joan Crawford	GM 211/1N
Mr. Artemio Delos Trinos	GM 214/2
Mr. Victor Anthonipillai	FM 305
Mrs. Irma Lehman	FM 515-2

*Sincerely,
Gifty Adjei
Tenant Business Services*



November Birthdays

PT 706	Renee Robertson	01-Nov
PeT 907	Helena Wilson	04-Nov
PeT 407	Everdina Knor	05-Nov
KT 703	Heather Campbell	06-Nov
KT 1204	Daniel J. Vanbeilen	08-Nov
KT 1002	Alice Stassen	08-Nov
PeT 1506	Dicky Bronsveld	09-Nov
PeT 1601	Ann Deruiter	10-Nov
KT 1303	Stien Ligterink	10-Nov
HT 611	Sonya Kalverda	11-Nov
PeT 1002	Rosemary Mast	14-Nov
PT 301	Antonio Baptista	15-Nov
KT 701	Ann Visser	16-Nov
HT 512	John Smele	17-Nov
CT 1105	Joanne Maan	18-Nov
KT 1003	Deborah O'Rourke	18-Nov
CT 1003	Eda Steringa	19-Nov
CTPH06	Helen Steinke	21-Nov
HT 501	Gurinder Grewal	23-Nov
CT 412	Joan Suggett	23-Nov
KT 509	Lia Boonstra	25-Nov
HT 503	Jean Kisby	27-Nov
CT 902	Peter Cade	28-Nov
PeT 402	Joan Knobl	28-Nov
PeT 1103	Marian Speelman	28-Nov
PT 301	Maria Baptista	29-Nov





December Birthdays

CT 1002	Rita VELDHOEN	01-Dec
HT 205	Edith Williams	06-Dec
CT 404	Beverly HARRIS	06-Dec
PT1104	Frans Willem Vandalfsen	07-Dec
PeT 608	Elizabeth Hazell	07-Dec
PeT1305	Mary Ann Visser	07-Dec
PeT 1306	Okja Kastein	10-Dec
PT 207	Margaret Poot	11-Dec
KT 1201	Femmie Terpstra	12-Dec
PT 705	Maureen Ratcliff	13-Dec
KT 506	Johanna Vanbodegom	18-Dec
CT 909	Johanna Depleijt	19-Dec
TT 603	Teodora Tanguin	20-Dec
CT 712	Mavis Lewis	21-Dec
KT 708	Doreen Wiebe	22-Dec
PeT 706	Eunice POSTMA	23-Dec
PT 904	Simon Riemersma	24-Dec
CT 301	Margaret Ouwehand	24-Dec
PT 909	Hilligje Feikema	26-Dec
KT 502	Margarete Dutnall	29-Dec
KT 301	Audrey Hoekstra	29-Dec
CT 707	Eduard Talma	30-Dec



Editor's Note

Dear Tenants,

Welcome to November!

I hope you enjoy this issue of the Tie that Binds. As always, if you have anything you would like me to include in future issues, please don't hesitate to reach out to me or stop by my office.

Thanks,

Trish Krale

Tie that Binds Feedback Form

Name:

Comments:

Countries of Europe

Find and circle all of the Countries of Europe that are hidden in the grid.

The remaining letters spell a secret message.

Note: IRELAND and NORTHERN IRELAND are separately hidden and do not overlap.

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