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A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

BY DR. DAVID KESELMAN, CEO

Hard to imagine that we are already in May, nevertheless, I hope that this edition of the newsletter finds you well, safe, and healthy. We are officially over 2 years into the Covid pandemic, which was recently declared as endemic, and with it, many of the debilitating restrictions have been lifted making life a bit simpler and may be that much easier to manage and cope with all other challenges. I am hoping that the nicer weather and longer daylight has a positive impact on all of you. Reminding that although Covid may now be considered as endemic, we are not yet done with it and now more than ever, adhering to infection control and vaccination guidelines is more important than ever, I am sure that none of us want to resurrect this virus to a pandemic state ever again. For the first time in 2 years, Passover and Easter were celebrated as we used to, welcoming friends and family to come in and spend time with their loved ones and I hope you had the opportunity to do that.

Last month we recognized and commemorated International Holocaust Memorial day and commemorated Yom 'Hazikaron' on May 5th - "Memorial Day for the Fallen Soldiers of Israel and Victims of Terrorism"), is Israel's official Remembrance Day, enacted into law in 1963. While Yom Hazikaron has been traditionally dedicated to fallen soldiers, commemoration has also been extended to civilian victims of terrorism. Following this day of sadness, on May 6th, we also celebrate Israel's Independence Day. For those who may not be as intimately aware of the historical events, David Ben-Gurion, who was the first Prime Minister of Israel, publicly read the Declaration of Independence of Israel on May 14, 1948. An official ceremony is held every year on Mount Herzl on the eve of Yom Ha'atzmaut. The ceremony includes speeches from senior Israeli officials, an artistic part, a ritual march of soldiers carrying the Flag of Israel, forming elaborate structures (such as a Menorah, Magen David and a number that represents the age of Israel) and the lighting of twelve beacons (each for every one of the Tribes of Israel).

Each year, dozens of Israeli citizens who contributed to the state, are selected to light the beacons. In light of these events and our current reality, I am compelled to reflect on the road we have traveled as a team here at Louis Brier with the many positive changes that have taken place to improve and enhance the resident experience. It is during difficult times that the true nature of people shines through, and I can not be more proud, grateful, and amazed at the overwhelming generosity, support, and acknowledgment we received and continue to receive from all of you. Our family members, community partners, stakeholders, and boards. On behalf of our residents and staff, I wanted to extend our gratitude and ask for your continued support.

Wishing everyone a safe and healthy May. Please reach out if you have any questions and or concerns. We are here to help as we possibly can.



DR. DAVID KESELMAN, MN, DHA, CHE, RN
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

SPIRITUAL CARE CORNER

BY HAZZAN ROB MENES, CHAPLAIN

The season of holidays and commemorations continues this month, with Yom Hazikaron, Yom HaAtzmaut, Lag B'Omer, and Yom Yerushalayim. This all leads up to Shavuot in early June. There will also be a Memorial Service for those who have passed away towards the end of the month. These holidays celebrate Israel, Israel as a physical place, as a geopolitical entity, and as a spiritual home. Regardless of one's political affiliations, it is impossible to separate Israel from Judaism and spirituality. The shared experiences that form the core of Judaism and the history of Jews are tied to Israel. And Israel is a spiritual place for Christianity and Islam as well.

What makes a place 'spiritual'? Is it the location? Is it the soil? Is it the plants and animals? Is it the sunshine and clouds?

It is what people do in that place. People can choose to make a place special and seek out truth and meaning.

Can Louis Brier be a spiritual place? We can make it so. We can make this home a place where people maintain their faith in the world. We can make this a place where there is meaning in life, where there are values that transcend generations, where the joys of daily living are appreciated, where strength comes from connecting with each other and with a transcendent power. And we do this by living by the values that started Louis Brier Home and Hospital: human life, peace, respect and dignity, compassion and mercy.

The same deeply spiritual place that Israel represents can be felt right here on the Snider campus. As we remember and celebrate the spiritual home of Israel, let us remember and create our spiritual home here in Vancouver.



HAZZAN ROB MENES
CHAPLAIN



FAMILY COUNCIL

The Family Council at Louis Brier Home and Hospital

Established in 2016, Family Council is an independent and voluntary body of family members, caregiver friends, and legal representatives of residents. Our primary focus is to advocate for the delivery of quality resident and family centered care.

Family Council is governed by an elected Executive Council guided by its Terms of Reference. It provides family members leadership opportunities in several capacities. It works in collaboration with the Louis Brier senior leadership team to review and discuss relevant opportunities to enhance the residents' experience. Family Council meets monthly to provide updates from senior leadership, Louis Brier Home and Hospital committees, educational workshops, and works together as a solution-focussed advocacy group.

Connect with us: lb.familycouncil@gmail.com

Check out our Family Portal: <http://louisbrier.com/family-portal>

We welcome all families and hope that you will take the opportunity to get involved.

Family Council



Say Hello!

HELLO
MY NAME IS

**Natalie
Jacobs**



I AM THE

**Manager,
Allied Health
Services**

I have been working in the Recreation Department at Louis Brier as a Recreation Therapist since October of 2019. Over the past year I have had the opportunity to co-supervise the Recreation Department and now step into the role of Manager of Allied Health Services. I was born and raised in Saskatchewan and moved to Vancouver 10 years ago to pursue education and a career in Therapeutic Recreation. I am an avid cyclist and belong to a women's dragon boat team

HELLO
MY NAME IS

**Katie
Floe**



I AM THE

**Manager,
Corporate
Development
& Training**

I am delighted to join Louis Brier in the new role of Corporate Development and Training Manager. I became a registered nurse almost 20 years ago, finding my passion for patient-centered care working in oncology and palliative care. I began graduate school in 2019, imagining I would pursue something cancer-related, but seeing my father-in-law enter long-term care changed my focus. Cue the pandemic, and all the issues in long-term care became very clear, and I changed my study entirely to gerontology and how to support the health and independence of the elderly. A project through UBC nursing introduced me to Louis Brier, and I was so impressed with the facility and the team, I knew this was the right place to be. I live close by with my husband and two boys- Vancouver has the perfect climate for everything I love to do; gardening, hiking, beaching, canoeing, and skiing.



SAVE THE DATE
MAY 19, 2022
1:00PM

Special
Family Council
Meeting of Introduction

Tune in to Welcome, Meet, and Learn about 2 new members to the LBHH Team:

Katie Floe, Corporate Development and Training
Manager

and

Natalie Jacobs, Allied Health Services Manager

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83054798274>

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Nursing

National Nursing Week May 9-15, 2022

We answer
the call cna-aiic.ca



SHARE YOUR STORY



#CNA2022 #WeAnswerTheCall
#IKnowANurse #NationalNursingWeek





Congratulations!



Jennifer Belen

Clinical Nurse Leader
Louis Brier Home & Hospital

1st Prize

**2022
Nursing Hero**

To read about
Jennifer and the
Hospital News
May 2022 Edition:

CLICK HERE





#LouisBrierSpotlight

Jennifer Belen

Clinical Nurse Leader



5 Years as Clinical Nurse Leader
at Louis Brier Home & Hospital

Was a bedside Nurse for 14 years

Was previously a Nurse back
in the Philippines

Loves spending time with family, looking
after her plants, travelling, and singing

Considers herself a "Foodie"

Favourite Cuisine: Japanese

Favourite Movie: Iron Man

#LouisBrierLife



World Hand Hygiene Day 2022

Unite for safety: clean your hands

When a health facility's **"quality and safety climate or culture"** values hand hygiene and infection prevention and control (IPC), this results in both patients and health workers feeling protected and cared for.

To prioritize clean hands in health facilities, people at all levels need to believe in the importance of hand hygiene and IPC to save lives, by acting as key players in achieving the appropriate behaviours and attitudes towards it. In other words, health workers at all levels and people accessing health care facilities need to unite on ensuring clean hands.

This year's theme for **World Hand Hygiene Day, 5 May 2022**, is focused on recognizing that we can add to a facility's climate or culture of safety and quality through cleaning our hands but also that a strong quality and safety culture will encourage people to clean hands at the right times and with the right products.

Unite, talk and work together on hand hygiene for high quality safer care everywhere.

Reference:

[World Hand Hygiene Day 2022 \(who.int\)](https://www.who.int/campaigns/world-hand-hygiene-day/2022)

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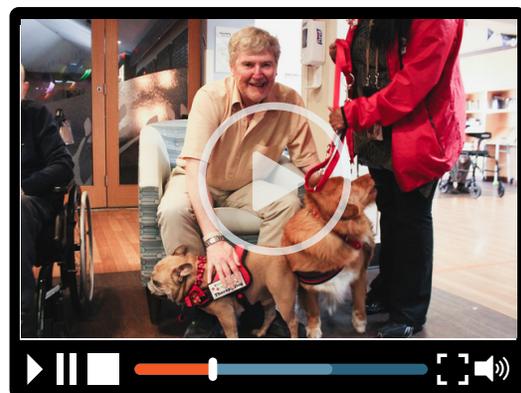
BY THE LOUIS BRIER RECREATION TEAM

Vancouver Ecovillage - Dog Therapy Visit

We would like to thank Vancouver Ecovillage for their Dog Therapy visit on Wednesday, April 6th. We had four different therapy dogs on-site to bring joy, laughter, and cuddles to the Residents. We look forward to planning another visit from Vancouver Ecovillage and their furry friends!



Watch
Here



RECREATION *continued*



Yom Hazikaron & Yom Ha'atzmaut

Yom Hazikaron takes place on the 4th of the month of Iyar in the Jewish calendar, which occurs on Thursday, May 5th. It is a day to commemorate the Israeli soldiers who have lost their lives in fighting for Israel's independence. Yom Hazikaron, is followed by Israel's Independence Day, known as Yom Ha'atzmaut.

We will be hosting a short commemoration of prayer, a moment of silence and song to acknowledge those Israeli soldiers who served their country. We will then commence with a party to celebrate Israel's Independence Day. We would like to welcome all Residents, staff and companions to join us for the festivities, with entertainment from the Tzimmes Trio, Israeli street food and a dance party in honor of Yom Ha'atzmaut.

Jewish Heritage Month

In 2018, Canada designated the month of May as Canadian Jewish Heritage month to recognize the significant contributions that Jewish Canadians have made to our country. In honor of Jewish Heritage month, we will be hosting an exhibit on loan from the Jewish Museum & Archives of BC. The exhibit will highlight Jewish culture and will take place on Tuesday, May 3rd and Wednesday, May 18th. We will also be hosting a guest speaker, Michael Schwartz, from the Jewish Museum & Archives of BC to share the history and culture of the Jewish community here in British Columbia.



Mother's Day Tea

To celebrate all of the mothers here at Louis Brier, we will be hosting an afternoon tea with special musical performance by Greg Alcock, on Sunday, May 8th at 2 p.m.



For the latest Recreation Calendar, visit <https://louisbrier.com/recreationcalendar>

For questions and concerns, contact us:
recreationleaders@louisbrier.com

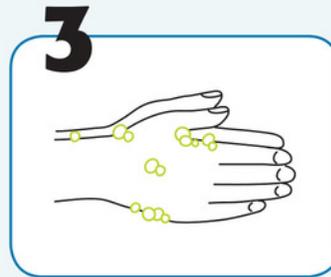
HOW TO HANDWASH



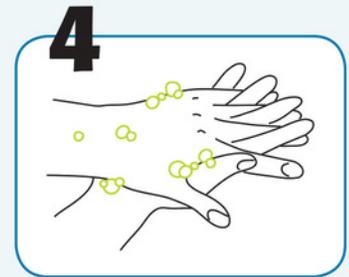
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Wet hands with water



2
Apply soap



3
Lather soap and rub palm to palm



4
Rub in between and around fingers

Lather hands for a total of 30 seconds



5
Rub back of each hand with palm



6
Rub fingertips of each hand



7
Rub each thumb



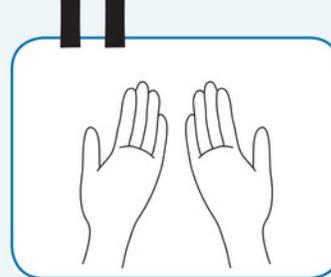
8
Rinse thoroughly



9
Pat hands dry with paper towel



10
Turn off water using paper towel



11
Your hands are now safe



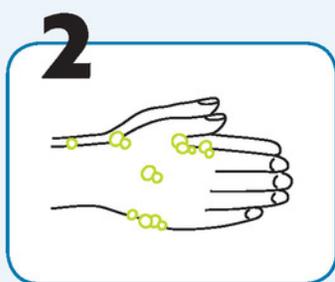
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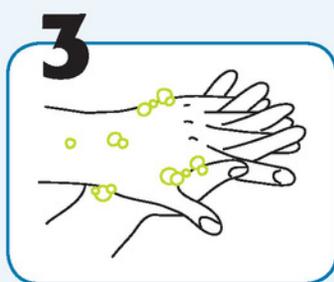
HOW TO HANDRUB



Apply 1 to 2 pumps of product to palms of dry hands.



Rub hands together, palm to palm.



Rub in between and around fingers.



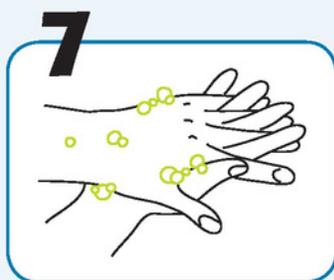
Rub back of each hand with palm of other hand.



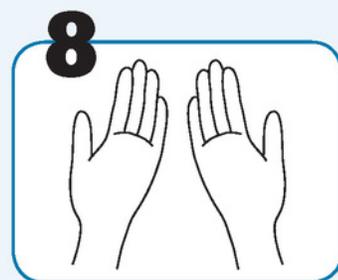
Rub fingertips of each hand in opposite palm.



Rub each thumb clasped in opposite hand.



Rub hands until product is dry. Do not use paper towels.



Once dry, your hands are safe.



4 Moments of Hand Hygiene for Residential Care



Some examples may be:

- shaking hands
- helping a resident to move around, get washed, giving a massage
- taking pulse, blood pressure, chest auscultation, abdominal palpation



Some examples may be:

- oral/dental care, giving eye drops, secretion aspiration
- skin lesion care, wound dressing, subcutaneous injection
- catheter insertion, opening a vascular access system or a draining system
- preparation of medication, dressing sets



Some examples may be:

- oral/dental care, giving eye drops, secretion aspiration
- skin lesion care, wound dressing, subcutaneous injection
- drawing and manipulating any fluid sample, opening a draining system, endotracheal tube insertion and removal
- clearing up urine, faeces, vomit, handling waste (bandages, napkin, incontinence pads), cleaning of contaminated and visibly soiled material or areas (bathroom, medical instruments)



Some examples may be:

- shaking hands
- helping a resident to move around, get washed, giving a massage
- taking pulse, blood pressure, chest auscultation, abdominal palpation
- changing bed linen
- monitoring alarm
- holding a bed rail
- clearing the bedside table



Give back where it
matters the most.

Reconnect with your heart.

VOLUNTEER NOW!

We are recruiting volunteers to support our
programs at Louis Brier Home & Hospital and
Weinberg Residence

VOLUNTEER



FEW PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

- Jewish Culture
- Letter from a Friend
- Recreation
- Rehabilitation
- Tell me a Story
- Friendly Visitor
- Baking Day

and many more...

Join us today!

volunteers@louisbrier.com

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MAY 2022

NATIONAL JEWISH

HERITAGE
MONTH



Come explore and learn about the Jewish culture!



**MAY 3RD - 2PM
HOMESIDE LOUNGE**

TIES THAT BIND EXHIBIT

WITH HARPIST ELISA THORN

In honor of Jewish Heritage month,
we will be hosting an exhibit on loan from the
Jewish Museum & Archives of BC.



All residents, staff, companions welcomed!

HUMAN RESOURCES

LBHH&WR "CHAI Honours - Recognition Tree Program

The "CHAI Honours" Recognition Tree Program is a Recognition Program intended for anyone who wishes to recognize any individual (Employee, Companion, Family Member, etc.) that embodies the LBHH&WR "CHAI" Values.

"CHAI" is the Hebrew word for **LIFE**. Individuals who contribute to the spirit of LBHH & WR's "CHAI" are represented through the placement of a Recognition Certificate on our Recognition Tree Mural.

How does it work?

- 18 Recognition Certificates are displayed monthly on our Recognition Tree Mural.
- Participants may pledge a minimum donation of \$18/month to purchase one Recognition Certificate to honour any individual.
- The Recognition Certificate displays the individual receiving the "CHAI Honours", the *name of the Participant* and a *message from the Participant*.
- The certificate will be taken down at the end of the term and can be given to the participant or the recipient.
- A wooden frame for the certificate is included with a 3 month term or can be purchased separately for \$25 each.



Term	Minimum Donation	Includes Frame
1 Month	\$18	No
2 Months	\$36	No
3 Months	\$54	Yes
6 months	\$108	Yes
1 Year	\$216	Yes

Frames can be purchased separately for \$25 each.

Please contact HR@louisbrier.com to participate.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Louis Brier LIFE Day - The 18th of EVERY Month

The “**Louis Brier LIFE Day**” is intended for everyone to demonstrate their pride in Louis Brier Home and Hospital & Weinberg Residence and everything that we stand for - our Mission, Vision and Values – and to celebrate CHAI (LIFE)!

We will be celebrating “**Louis Brier LIFE Day**” on the 18th of every month!

We encourage everyone wear their new **LBHH Royal Blue Outfit** and/or blue clothing/accessories to demonstrate their pride in the exemplary care we provide to our Residents and patriciate in some fun activities to celebrate CHAI (LIFE)!



HUMAN RESOURCES

ADP Workforce Now Payroll Transition

We have officially transitioned our Payroll services to **ADP Workforce Now (WFN)**! Employee payments from LBHH&WR will come through ADP WFN. Employees will need to login to <https://workforcenow.adp.com> in order to access their pay statements. Employees will have already received a user name and personal registration code from ADP via their @louisbrier.com email address. Please remember these 3 simple processes for support:

1. Email Access:



2. ADP / WFN Access:



3. Payroll-related Errors:

While we endeavor to ensure all staff are paid correctly, if you experience a payroll-related error, please report it to your manager/respective timecard approver ASAP and by the end of day on Mondays before payroll cut off. This should allow for enough time to correct the error for payment by the next pay day.



You can help prevent payroll-related errors! Please log onto SSC regularly to check your schedule and alert your manager/respective timecard approver if you notice any concerns.

Do you have any questions, comments, suggestions or concerns regarding the HR content above? If so, please email HR@louisbrier.com and tell us what you think.



LOREN TISDELLE, CPHR
DIRECTOR, HUMAN RESOURCES



Virtual Tour

Yad Vashem's Holocaust History Museum

Louis Brier Home & Hospital invites you to watch a Virtual Tour of the **World Holocaust Remembrance Center**, the **Yad Vashem**. Learn, encounter, and explore the fascinating stories behind the personal items on display at **Yad Vashem's Holocaust History Museum**.

[Click HERE](#) or the photo below for the video:



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

May

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

		Department
Denia	Aguirre	Reception
Monette	Baltazar	Nursing
Melissa	Bates	Recreation
Cherry-May	Baul	Rehab
Dianne	Canda	Nursing
Esperanza	Capati	Nursing
Katrina	Cerrado	Rehab
Tina	Chan	Nursing
Raluca	Dascalu	Nursing
Francis	David	Maintenance
Satvir	Jassal	FS
Gurpreet	Jaswal	HSK
Joanne	Jeong	Nursing
Sam	Lerner	Social Work
Ruby Lynn	Linag	HSK
Manilyn	Llanita	Nursing
Fabien	Ma	Rehab
Bernadette	Malinay	FS
Manjit	Malli	FS
Sancha	Manansala	HSK
Andrea	Manns	Nursing
Pardeep	Minhas	Nursing
Genesis	Montero	Nursing
Rosa	Mucha	Nursing
Ema	Mundagbaatar	Reception
Rajwinder	Pabla	FS
Pristine	Panergo	Nursing
Sharon	Prasad	Nursing
Vilma	Vargas	FS
May	Yacyac	Nursing





COMPANION PROGRAM

We are here for you! Did you know that Louis Brier Home & Hospital and Weinberg Residence offer an in-house Companion Program? We understand the needs of your family and loved-ones and we are here to assist in enhancing their personal and social well-being. Our in-house companion program provides added quality support at a reasonable rate. For more information, please contact:

Myla Carpio-Pelayo

Companion Coordinator

Ph: 604-267-4688

E: mpelayo@louisbrier.com

LOST AN ITEM?

Over the last six months, Reception has received a variety of items that range from watches, gloves, eye glasses to wallets and keys. If you or your family member has lost an item, please provide a description of the item to Human Resources to claim.

*Items not claimed by the 15th of the month will be donated to **Jewish Family Services**.*



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