

Ron Smith Care Centre

@ Elphin Lodge



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Celebrating mothers

Residents enjoyed reminiscing about their mothers during the care centre's Mother's Day festivities. They enjoyed tunes played by Moshe Singer at the Mother's Day tea, and tucked into Bakewell tarts and custard sauce. Before the tea, residents were taught how to make paper flowers and arrange them on a headband that they could wear on the day. Another Mother's Day highlight was the flower walk, which saw residents going on an adventure to search for flowers, leaves and greenery to make a beautiful nature collage. To honour all mothers – those who are still with us and those who have passed – a 'memories of mothers' session was held. On Mother's Day, the residents participated in a fun quiz on the British Royal family, which was inspired by the coronation of King Charles III. They also each received a lovely gift of Sally Williams nougat. We hope all the mothers at RSCC felt loved and appreciated.



Get to know me

MAGDA GLIBERT: RIVER LODGE 2 RESIDENT

I was born on 12 June 1929 in Cape Town & moved to Joburg when I was a baby. We lived at New Modder Gold Mine, just outside of Benoni, where my father was the underground manager. It was like living in a small village. Everyone knew everyone & we felt safe & secure. After primary school, I attended technical college to study finance & accounting. My first job was at Rand Coal Storage in the accounts department & I was there for a number of years. I met my first husband Bill



at a social. We married & had 5 children. I have 11 grandchildren & 15 great-grandchildren. My husband tragically passed

away from a brain tumour. I met my second husband, Paul Glibert, when he was the service manager & I was the accountant for Lindsay Saker Volkswagen. Paul was a kind, gentle & understanding French-speaking Belgian who was in the Belgian Air Force during WW2. We were married for 28 happy years until his death. Daily prayer gives me peace.

Passing thoughts:

My simple pleasures are reading mystery & crime books; crossword puzzles and watching the news, soaps and programmes on BBC. I enjoy music from light classical to rock 'n roll & used to love dancing. During the war, we regularly attended dances & musicals held to raise money for the war effort.

ELIZABETH PETERSON: CARE WORKER RL 2

I was born on 6 May 1975 in Alex & am the only child of my gardener father & domestic worker mother. As my two best friends, Marjorie & Della, are coloured, I had to learn Afrikaans at school so that I could talk to them. Now the 3 of us never stop talking! My mother struggled financially after my father passed away, so I left school & worked at a beauty salon as a hairdresser assistant. I also helped my mother by cooking & selling food & then got a job working as a cleaner for a medical brokering company. I joined Rand Aid in 2016 & worked as a porter. Soon after, I went for care-worker training &



after qualifying in 2018, was promoted to care worker on Lakeside & then moved to RL2. I love working with older people & I'm happy the whole day. I was married to Siphon for 21 years. We met when I was passing by the park where he was playing soccer. He kept kicking the ball to me & eventually asked me if we could talk!

Passing thoughts:

I enjoy listening to Gospel music (Rebecca Malope) and singing in church. The only thing I watch on TV is soccer, especially when Chiefs and Pirates (I support the Chiefs) or Bafana Bafana are playing. My simple pleasure is ironing! It fills me with peace.

MAUREEN WOLLENSCHLAEGER: RL 2 RESIDENT

I was born on 29 November 1952 on the kitchen floor of my German father's farm in Frankfort in the Eastern Cape. I was the fifth of six children. We grew all kinds of vegetables & had a huge orchard full of various fruit. We also raised pigs, cattle, chickens, ducks & geese. I loved growing up on the farm! I was free to be a real tomboy – climbing trees, searching for doves' eggs, chasing the chickens & playing with the animals. I had always dreamed of being a nurse, so when I left school in Standard 8, I became a nursing assistant at Frere Hospital in East London. I met & married my husband



Howard in East London & we have 2 children and 6 grandchildren. They are wonderful children who do so much for me & I am proud that they are strong & successful people. After my divorce, I worked for KSP Pumps for 38 years – rising up through the ranks from statistics clerk to secretary, sales person & then sales manager. My career allowed me to become financially independent.

Passing thoughts:

My faith is very important to me & I was involved with the Northfield Methodist Church in Benoni for many years. I used to be a passionate gardener & had a beautiful garden filled with all kinds of flowers.

Birthdays

RESIDENTS

- 03 June Bernice Jawitz WL (86)
- 04 June Angela Brister RL1 (69)
- 04 June Ada Lieberman LS (87)
- 08 June Darrel Melinda Marks (65)
- 08 June Alison Whittaker RL1 (79)
- 12 June Magda Glibert RL2 (94)
- 19 June Adrienne Rumboll RL3 (86)
- 23 June Aletta Britz WL (79)
- 25 June Irene Droste RL3 (93)
- 29 June Sarah Goldberg WL (94)

STAFF

- 01 June Phumzile Shabangu
- 04 June Ramaisela Ngobeni
- 05 June Pertunia Moleoa
- 05 June Lufuno Nemutanzhela
- 05 June Rudzani Muthakhi
- 06 June Dipuo Ledwaba
- 07 June Nomusa Shabangu
- 07 June Stella Dibotelo
- 08 June Lerato Semenya
- 09 June Kgadi Mabapa
- 11 June Rirhandzu Pebane
- 12 June Talifhani Marageni
- 13 June Nomantsele Nonjiko
- 15 June Mosima Mojela
- 15 June Mpipo More
- 16 June Nombuso Ndlela
- 26 June Matsobane Mojela
- 30 June Noluthando Tshayisa

Fondly remembered

William George - CP

Welcome to

Thelma Levitan - RL3
Roy Allen - RL2
Cornelius Potgieter - RL2
Michael O'Toole WL

April's shining stars rewarded



Congratulations to RSCC housekeepers Portia Tshayisa and Phyllis Ntimana, who work on Lakeside, on winning RSCC's Best Housekeeping Team accolade for April. Keep up the great work! They are pictured with their supervisor, Portia Ngobeni.