

Viorica M. May 8 **Helen A. May 26**
Lucin G. May 17 **Greg M. May 27**
Choi T. May 21 **Suzanne M. May 29**

Birthday Tea

May 15 | Friday
 10 am in Camelia
with Alastair



Families Gardening Together

For any family members interested in planting in the garden this year - please contact Trish or the recreation staff to reserve a section in the garden.

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HANGING BASKET FUNDRAISER

Hanging Baskets: 14 inch round black

Flowers: approx. 6 per basket.

Each basket will be either a Sun basket or a Shade basket.

Cost: \$25 each (cash or cheque only)

For Sale: Friday, May 15, 1-4 pm

Saturday, May 16, 9:30-4 pm

Actual baskets may not be as pictured. These are examples only.



Ensure staff are well-prepared to implement procedural and policy changes as they arise, within Buchanan and across Salvation Army.

FOR ALL BUCHANAN STAFF & VOLUNTEERS

T.E.A.M. WORK
 Together Everyone Achieves More

"Working together with one mind & purpose"

MAY TEAMWORK SUGGESTION

RECREATION DONATIONS

The Rec Department is looking for the following donations which will support the Christmas Craft Sale this December.

New: Bath and body products (luffas, lotions, nail files, body-wash and lotions), Tea towels and dish cloths, mugs that match, wine glasses, charcutier boards and serving trays, baskets, decorative buckets (can be used). These items will be used to put together our gift baskets for purchase during the craft fair. If you have any other household goods you think might be of use in our baskets please contact Trish Foley, Recreation Coordinator at patricia.foley@salvationarmy.ca.



BUCHANAN LODGE



For the latest updates check out the website:

www.buchanan-lodge.com

May Day

A delicate fabric of bird song
 Floats in the air,
 The smell of wet wild earth
 Is everywhere.

Red small leaves of the maple
 Are clenched like a hand,
 Like girls at their first communion
 The pear trees stand.

Oh I must pass nothing by
 Without loving it much,
 The raindrop try with my lips,
 The grass with my touch;

For how can I be sure
 I shall see again
 The world on the first of May
 Shining after the rain?

Sara Teasdale



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Buchanan Buzz

NEWS FROM 409 BLAIR AVE. MAY 2026

Precious Memories

The Ice Cream Wagon really delivers!



Franco shows how to bloom where you're planted!



The Mellowdares Choir filled the MPR and our residents' hearts with beautiful music!



Thought for May

Stop complaining about your surroundings; instead focus on making the world you live in a better place!



My dad loved to spend his spare time gardening. As the youngest of six kids, I discovered the only way to hang out with him was by offering to help. When I did that, I learned a lot about flowers, but even more about life. When I complained about the rain, dad would say, "April showers bring May flowers!" When I complained about my school, my friends, or my family, he would say "bloom where you are planted!" What he was saying (I learned later in life) was, "stop complaining about your surroundings; instead focus on making the world you live in a better place!"



The Bible often reinforces that idea. When the Apostle Paul said we should learn to be content no matter what our circumstances (Philippians 4:11-13), he was saying "Bloom where you are planted." When Jesus said not to worry about tomorrow because tomorrow would take care of itself (Matthew 6:25-34), he was saying "Bloom where you are planted." In writing to the Corinthian Church, Paul said, "Each of you should continue to live in whatever situation the Lord has placed you" (1 Corinthians 7:17). He was reminding them and us to bloom where we are planted. This Missionary Poem carries the same wise message:

*Bloom where you are planted,
Shine where you are sent,
Know that God has used you here,
Just the way He meant.*

*Love where you are living,
Serve where it's His will,
Know that God has plans for you,
Only He can fill.*

*Grow where you are going,
Weep when you're in pain,
Know that God restores your soul,
Makes you whole again.*

*Pray when you are breathing,
Laugh when you exhale,
Know that God is near you,
Never will He fail.*

*Cherish all the memories,
Make a brand new start,
Know that God has placed you
Forever in our hearts.*

~ Chaplain Rob

Coming Soon



- May 2 - Alastair | Saturday | 1:30 pm | Magnolia
- May 4 - Greg | Monday | 10:30 am | Camelia
- May 7 - Dogwood Songsters | Thurs. | 2:00 pm | MPR
- May 12 - Pete | Tues. | 2:30 | Mothers Celebration | MPR
- May 13 - Pete | Wednesday | 2:30 pm | Willow
- May 15 - Alastair | Friday | 10 am | Camelia B'day Tea
- May 19 - Bruce | Tuesday | 3 pm | Rose
- May 23 - Greg | Saturday | 3 pm | Camelia
- May 28 - Pete | Thursday | 2:30 pm | Magnolia

SPIRITUAL HEALTH Spring Schedule 2026



- Mondays**
SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS
Rose at 10 am | Willow at 11 am
- Tuesdays**
SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS
Camelia at 10 am | Magnolia at 11 am
- Wednesdays**
MASS - 1st Wednesday at 11 am
COMMUNION - 3rd Wednesday at 11 am
- Thursdays**
CHAPELS
Rose at 10 am | Willow at 11 am
- Sundays**
Camelia at 10 am | Magnolia at 11 am



Tuesday | May 12 | 2:30 pm | MPR | with Pete



Dancing with the Stars
May 21 | MPR



HOT DOG LUNCH
May 29 | 12 pm | MPR | \$6.00
Hot dog, potato chips, drink & ice cream