



Thank You

A heartfelt thank you for the outpouring of support and generosity in lending us your cultural items for our Summer of Folkkarama displays. Your items were enjoyed by everyone who entered Donwood Manor. On many occasions we would see families and residents stopping to enjoy the beautifully created display areas. Thank you for your role in making this program a success by helping us celebrating multiculturalism and at Donwood.

Sincerely,

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Donwood Happenings

HAPPY
GRANDPARENTS
DAY



The History of Grandparents Day

National Grandparents Day falls each year on the first Sunday after Labour Day. It was initiated by Marian Lucille Herndon McQuade.

Mrs. McQuade started her campaign for a day to honor grandparents in 1970. She worked with civic, business, church, and political leaders to first launch the day in her home state in 1973. Then, after many years, much persuasion, and unending persistence, she finally achieved her bigger goal. It was in 1979 that President Jimmy Carter proclaimed the first Sunday after Labor Day each year as National Grandparents Day (September was chosen to signify the "autumn" years of life). In part, the proclamation reads:

Grandparents are our continuing tie to the near-past, to the events and beliefs and experiences that so strongly affect our lives and the world around us. Whether they are our own or surrogate grandparents who fill some of the gaps in our mobile society, our senior generation also provides our society a link to our national heritage and traditions.

We all know grandparents whose values transcend passing fads and pressures, and who possess the wisdom of distilled pain and joy. Because they are usually free to love and guide and befriend the young without having to take daily responsibility for them, they can often reach out past pride and fear of failure and close the space between generations.

Grandparents Day was recognized in Canada in 1995 to acknowledge the importance of grandparents to "the structure of the family in the nurturing, upbringing and education of children...Grandparents play a critical role in strengthening the family.



Smiles :)

Summer



{{A Tribute to Habits}}

Passing along,
Teaching or doing,
Habits,
Through the generations
Ground.

Habits,
From Parent
To Child
Transmit.

Habits,
Connecting the
Present to
The Past.

Habits, learned and self-developed,
Providers of rhythm and familiarity,
Framework for survival success.

Connection to before,
Connection to after.



Donwood Resident teaching Therapeutic Recreation Student Sky the importance of dead heading your flowers...a habit she will hopefully keep and remember learning when she cares for her own garden.

A HUGE Thank You to the team in the Kitchen



The Kitchen was a huge part of the success of the Donwood Folklorama.

Together they helped with our theme days by supply delicious cultural treats for all to enjoy!