



MAPLE OAK NEWS

A NEWSLETTER FOR RESIDENTS AND FAMILIES OF THE
GERMAN-CANADIAN CARE HOME

August 2025



Dear Residents, Families and Friends

I trust that you are enjoying the summer, the sunshine, summer evenings and time with family and friends. Summertime is vacation time for staff and you have probably noticed more new faces when visiting the care home.

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Redevelopment

Since the announcement about the redevelopment of the care home many of you have met with the Vancouver Coastal Health care managers to discuss transition plans for yourself or your loved one at the care home. The care managers continue to be available for meetings and all families will be notified when appointment dates open up. Thank you to our social worker Martina who has been diligently keeping everyone informed.

As many of you know, VCH confirmed that 82 residents will be moving to the Dogwood site for the duration of the construction. The management team has had a chance to view and tour Dogwood and is now beginning to develop operational and staffing plans.

Dogwood has a total of 82 beds. They are all single rooms divided into three neighbourhoods. So the size of each neighbourhood is similar to our current setup. The building is on one level, so there will be no more elevators to tend with. The Dogwood building is located on the corner of Cambie Street and 57th Avenue.

Vancouver Coastal Health will be securing beds for all GCCH residents and will confirm the locations as soon as they are able.



Left: *Dogwood Lodge, Main Entrance*
500 W 57th Ave, Vancouver, BC V6P 6E8



Below:
The new German-Canadian Care Home

Family Day

Our annual family day is happening on Saturday, 16 August 2025 from 11 am to 2 pm. Come out to the garden area near the green house, bring the family and kids. There will be a bouncy castle, games, a barbecue, cookies, watermelon and more. This event is free. We look forward to seeing you here.



Foot Care

We are pleased to inform you that we have a new foot care nurse starting in September. Consent forms for the new foot care nurse will be emailed to families and must be signed before services can begin.



Vancouver Coastal Health Care Home Consultations

If you would still like to participate in planning your family member's move to Dogwood Lodge or discuss the transfer options to another facility, please utilize the links below.

To book 30-minute virtual or in-person meetings with VCA Care Home Consultants, Sheila Ancheta and Anne Beer, please visit:

<https://VCHCareHomeConsultantsAppointment.as.me/>

To submit questions, comments, or suggestions, please visit:

<https://forms.gle/9wvK4oxsme6hC1i58>

