



## A Message from our Executive Director

Dear residents, families, volunteers and friends,

I am so grateful for the welcome I have received during my first two months at Dom Lipa. You have such a great home and I am honoured to work here.

Dom Lipa is a special place. This was evident to me from the first moments of my arrival. The welcoming aroma of *lipa* in the front yard, residents singing Slovenian songs under the entrance canopy, employees who have spent most of their working lives here and the dedication that the Slovenian community has for this special place.

A little bit about myself. I grew up in Latvia and after the fall of the Soviet occupation, I took an opportunity to come to Canada. I began working in the Programs Department at a Latvian Long Term Care Home. It has been more than 23 years since that first position in LTC began my career path in this field. My experience includes positions as Programs Manager, Director of Operations, Environmental Services Manager, Administrator and now Executive Director. Along the way, I attained new certifications and knowledge. My sincere hope is to bring all the experience gained from my previous endeavours to enhance the lives of all our Dom Lipa residents, LTC and Retirement.

I look forward to meeting and getting to know all of you better. I also hope you will continue teaching me the Slovenian language and sharing your Slovenian culture.

Your support, feedback and encouragement are sincerely appreciated.

Hvala lepa.

Jolanta Linde

Executive Director

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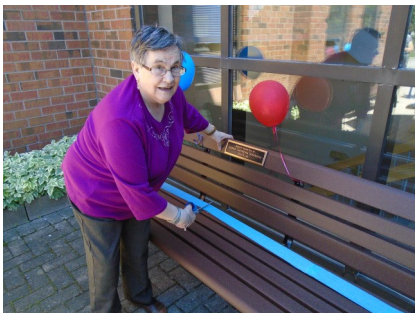
# What's New at Dom Lipa?

## Kaj je novega v Domu Lipa?

### NEW PARK BENCHES

We thank our generous Dom Lipa community for their donations to purchase 11 dedicated park benches for all to enjoy our beautiful grounds.

Pictured below: Dom Lipa residents, who donated a bench, at the June 7th ribbon cutting.



**Thank you** to everyone for donating to our Walk-A-Thon Shoe Fundraiser.

**FUNDS RAISED \$626.00.**



At the end of June we wished our three retirees all the best for a happy, healthy retirement.



Nadzieja Kondracka

Theresa MacDermid

Boguslawa Zelezinska

Registered Nurse

Executive Director

Activation Coordinator

Mr.  
Jo-



# What's New at Dom Lipa?

Kaj je novega v Domu Lipa?

Happy 104th Birthday

**Zlata Bartol**

August 17, 2017

Congratulations and Best Wishes



Activities, singing, celebrations ,outdoors.....





# Staff Appreciation Week

## Zahvalni teden zaposlenim

During Staff Appreciation Week, a sincere thank you was expressed to all staff for their dedication and care to our residents. Many events were held throughout the week, including mini massages, a luncheon, CPR training, both sweet and healthy treat days, contests, a barbeque and years of service recognition.

### Nursing

#### 5 Year

Helen A.

Leslie-Ann C.

Janina P.

#### 15 Year

Urbana E.

Jenny F.

Mary W.

### HK/Laundry 15 Year

Theresa K.

Ana J.

### Activation

#### 5 Year

Sonja V.

#### 15 Year

Aurea P.

Monette C ( in 2016 )

### *Years of Service pins and certificates*

*were presented to the staff pictured below at the barbeque*





# Fundraising

## Zbrana sredstva

Dear Dom Lipa Walk-A-Thon Supporters!!

Thank you for supporting the 35th Annual Dom Lipa Walk-A-Thon held on June 4th!

The official total funds raised aren't finalized yet, but as of August 22, it was **\$71,409** with 78 walkers and 7 cyclists. It was a soggy start to our event, but we were lucky to have some clear skies (maybe Sunny Sonček slept in?) in the afternoon.

We are very fortunate to have the support of our generous Slovenian community. The event brings happiness to our residents because they can feel the caring from your efforts, whether you have participated by walking, volunteered your time, sponsored the event or donated. The combination of dedication and contributions from so many corners of our community brought this 35th Annual Dom Lipa Walk-A-Thon to a successful outcome.

We wish to commend Cveta Arhar-Stojko for her relentless fund-raising; she contacted over 200 people on her list and raised \$14,350. It is always a pleasure to see her and Štefan walk the trail hand-in-hand. We were also truly surprised during the closing presentation, when Mr. and Mrs. Sajnovic presented us with a \$20,000 cheque, which enabled us to match last year's total. As of August 22, 2017 we have exceeded last year's total due to several unexpected donations received after the Walk-A-Thon.

Thank you again for supporting Dom Lipa with your valuable time and effort to make our Walk-A-Thon a fund-raising success and a fun family event.



### Bake Sale

Funds Raised \$2045

March

On Sunday, March 26th, Dom Lipa held their Bake/Craft Sale at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Slovenian Church Hall. We appreciated the use of their hall very much. **Thank you** to everyone who provided baked goods.

### UPCOMING EVENT

Dom Lipa's

Fundraiser Luncheon

Sunday November 5th

## Imamo Mater

Letošnje leto je na poseben način povezano z našo nebeško Materjo. Poleg drugih pomembnih znamenj, obhajamo 100 letnico Marijinih prikazovanj v Fatimi, ko se je šestkrat prikazala pastirčkom Jacinti, Frančišku in Luciji. Papež Frančišek nas je opozoril, "da Mati Devica ni prišla sem, da bi jo videli, saj zato bomo imeli vso večnost, seveda če bomo šli v nebesa". Ona je prišla, da bi nas svarila pred nevarnostjo pekla, v katerega lahko vodi življenje brez Boga, ker nas omadežuje in pahne v temo. Marija je prišla, da bi nas spomnila na Božjo svetlobo, ki biva v nas in nas prekriva. Po Lucijinih besedah so se trije izbrani pastirčki nahajali znotraj Božje svetlobe, ki je sijala iz Marije. Ovila jih je v plašč svetlobe, ki ji ga je dal Gospod.

Papež Frančišek je poudaril, da jih je Devica Marija popeljala v neizmerno morje Božje svetlobe. Od tam jim je prihajala moč, da so premagovali nasprotovanja in trpljenje. Nebeška navzočnost, se je jasno kazala v vztrajni molitvi za grešnike in v trajni želji, da bi ostali pri Jezusu, skritem v tabernaklju.

Če smo pod njenim plaščem se ne bomo izgubili, saj bosta po njenih rokah prišla upanje in mir, ki ju potrebujemo. Marija nas uči, da prosimo za vse naše brate in sestre po krstu, in po človeškosti, predvsem pa za bolnike in invalidne, za zapornike in brezposelne, za revne in zavržene.

Bog nas je ustvaril, da bi bili "upanje za druge", upanje, ki je resnično in ga ureničujemo v skladu s svojim življenjskim stanom; upanje, ki nas premakne iz brezbržnosti, ki nam zamrzuje srce in slabša našo kratkovidnost.

Pod Marijino zaščito smo lahko v svetu jutranje straže, ki zna odkriti resnično obličje Jezusa Odrešenika, ter zna odkriti mladostno in lepo obličje Cerkve, ki žari, kadar je misijonarska, gostoljubna, svobodna, zvesta, revna v sredstvih in bogata v ljubezni, je poudaril v Fatimi sveti Oče.

Na romanju v Fatimo je papež Benedikt XVI. 13. Maja 2010 opozoril "V zmoti bi bili, če mislimo, da je preroško poslanstvo Fatime končano." V svetem pismu Bog večkrat išče pravične moške in žene z namenom da bi rešili grešna mesta. Enako je bilo tudi Marijino povabilo v Fatimi: "Ali se hočete darovati Bogu in s trpljenjem, ki vam ga bo Bog poslal zadoščevati za žalitve, s katerimi so žalili Boga in prositi za spreobrnjenje grešnikov?"

Marija je pastirčkom žalostna naročila: "Molite, veliko molite in zadoščujte za grešnike, kajti mnogo duš gre v pekel, ker nimajo nobenega, da bi zanje zadoščeval in zanje molil."

Ko se bližamo zaključku stoletnice Marijinega prikazovanja 13. Oktobra letos, pomnožimo naše molitve in žrtve tudi mi in tako sodelujmo pri uresničenju preroštva o zmagoslavju Marijinega Brezmadežnega Srca in slavi Presvete Trojice.

Fr. Ivan Plazar, C.M.

**V spomin**

**In Memoriam**

**Peter Vignjevic**

**Naše globoko sožalje sorodnikom. Our deepest condolences to the family.**

# Did you know?

*Ali ste vedeli?*

## **Zero Tolerance Abuse and Neglect Policy**

We are all responsible to prevent abuse and neglect by anyone within our facility. To promote our ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY we provide education and the policy to residents, staff, family members and volunteers. The policy outlines guidelines for mandatory reporting, protecting those who report abuse (whistle blowing protection) and the investigation process.

## **Least Physical Restraint Policy**

The Home has a least restraint policy. Dom Lipa will ensure that each resident will receive care and services consistent with his/her plan of care and with Residents' Rights outlined in the Bill of Rights, the Health Care Consent Act and/or the Substitute Decisions Act. The Home will assure that the philosophy of *a least restraint is the guiding practice* as we work towards achieving the goal of restraint-free care. Currently we are reviewing the use of bedrails on all beds in the home to ensure safety and compliance with a least restraint philosophy.

## **Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act - AODA**

The mission of SLF-DOM LIPA is to provide a home-like environment to residents and seniors in the community and to assist and/or supervise their medical, social, cultural, recreational, and spiritual interests. Our commitment in fulfilling our mission is to strive at all times to provide our services in a way that respects the dignity and independence of people with disabilities.

The ultimate goal of SLF-DOM LIPA is to meet and surpass customer expectations while serving customers with disabilities. Comments on our services regarding how well those expectations are being met are welcome and appreciated. Feedback regarding the way SLF-DOM LIPA provides services to people with disabilities can be made verbally, email or on the feedback form located at each nursing station. All feedback will be directed to the Executive Director.

To get your respective copy of the above policies, it can be obtained from the Business Office or send an email to [info@domlipa.ca](mailto:info@domlipa.ca), requesting the policy.

To read your respective copy, they can be found posted on either 1st or 2nd Floor posting board by the Chapel.

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