



**The United Church Home
For Senior Citizens, Inc.**

Drew Nursing Home

Tantramar Residences

Archibald Cottage

News from the Drew

As we begin a new year we would like to provide an update from the Drew. 2024 was a productive year and there are many initiatives underway in 2025.

We have several renovations currently on the go. The Beausejour tub room renovation is making bathing a more “spa like” experience for residents. We anticipate this project will be completed in early March. The nurse call system is also being replaced, and the main dishwasher and dish room are undergoing a complete renovation. We have recently implemented a card access system to enhance safety in the home. Work is also continuing with Social Development on some other heating and ventilation upgrades.

We are happy to report that after many years of staffing shortages, we have had success with staff recruitment and are in the process of filling empty beds.

We appreciate our staff tremendously and will be holding the annual staff recognition event this Spring. This is a way for us to show appreciation for their hard work and dedication.

Nursing Home Without Walls (NHWW), a provincial program that helps make it possible for older adults to continue to live in their own homes, is now available in our community with an office here at the Drew. NHWW Coordinator Rachelle Gariepy started her position in November and has been working hard implementing program initiatives, including lunch and learn programs, friendly visits, paint nights, social gatherings, helping seniors to navigate the system and much more.

Once again, we would like to extend many thanks to the community for the donations received during Roses Independent Campaign in June. A total of \$1,890 was raised, which is greatly appreciated. We also received a donation of \$6,000 from the Sackville Hospital Auxiliary.

We look forward to continuing our work for the Tantramar community with the Drew Nursing Home and Tantramar Residences.

Thank you from all of us at the Drew!

