## Hunters Herald

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## Hello and Welcome!

I would like to welcome everyone to Hunters Care Centre, where recently I have stepped into the role of Acting General Manager.

At Hunters we welcome families and the local community into the home to experience the lovely and warm atmosphere and join the residents and staff in the wide range of activities that are on offer.

Hunters will be holding an open day on the 19<sup>th</sup> of October between 10.00am and 4.00pm and everyone is invited to come along and look around our beautiful home.

Acting General Manager **Ciprian Groza** 



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#### **Hunters Volunteers**

At Hunters we are always happy to open our doors to the local community. In August we were joined by 17 volunteers from Cirencester College. The students took part in a gardening day, where they pruned, tidied and planted two of our courtyard gardens. Family, staff and residents joined in with the hard work and the home has been left with a lasting improvement to the gardens which are now full of colour and fragrance. To say thank you the students were treated to a barbecue lunch provided by our Head Chef Anne. We are hoping the students will visit again as they filled Hunters with fun and energy making everyone smile.





### Garden Visit

The residents at Hunters were invited to afternoon tea by Brenda Landon, who before retiring was Clinical Lead for General at Hunters. Brenda has a beautiful garden full of colour, complete with a model railway. Every year she invites the residents to join her for afternoon tea and cake. This year everyone enjoyed themselves so much we visited twice.

### Tea with a pony

Riding for the Disabled in Cheltenham run a twice weekly event called Tea with a Pony. Where the residents are treated to tea and cake whilst watching a riding lesson, followed by the chance to get up close and stroke the horses. The afternoon ends with a relaxing walk through the tack room and the stables sensory garden.







## Trip Down Memory Lane

At Hunters whenever possible we try to make a resident's wish come true. Hilda who is 103 years of age asked if she could go to see the cottage where she was born and the village that she grew up in and spent most of her life. The activity team were happy to oblige and took Hilda out for a lovely afternoon down memory lane and to finish off the perfect day Hilda was treated to tea and cake at the local garden centre.





### **Upcoming Events**

Autumn at Hunters is a busy time with plenty of activities to keep everyone occupied. The nursery group will be visiting on the 8th and 24th of October, the residents are invited to Bibury Primary School on the 9th of October for a homemade lunch. There is a trip to Cirencester Baptist Church on the 4<sup>th</sup> of October for together in song, a shopping trip to Waitrose on the 22nd of October and a trip for the Memory Lane residents on the 15th of October for afternoon tea. The Memory Café is on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October and Don't Dine Alone on the 25th of October. Please look at the homes notice boards to keep updated and see what activities are taking place.





At Hunters we recognise staff who have gone out of their way to help and support the residents and their colleagues in their day to day roles by awarding Employee of the Month. Not only staff can vote but also residents and their families and friends to ensure that peoples hard work and acts of kindness don't go unnoticed. The Employee of the Month for August was Leticia Shirota from the care team on General.



#### Halloween

This year at Hunters we will be doing some joint Halloween themed arts and crafts with the children from the Duke of Gloucester Nursery Group. As always there will be pumpkin carving and lots of treats and sweets on hand for any would be trick or treaters.



## A few words from Barchester...

### 'Excellent' Result for Canmore Lodge

Staff and residents at Canmore Lodge Care Home in Dunfermline are celebrating their recent Care Inspectorate Report result, where they scored an overall 'Excellent' after receiving a score of 6 for supporting people's well-being, and 6 for how well the home supports and plans care. The report follows the home's recent success on carehome.co.uk where Canmore Lodge achieved a perfect 10/10 rating. Currently only 1.5% of Scotland's care homes for elderly people have an overall 'Excellent' rating, making Canmore Lodge ranked among the best in the country.



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#### 2019 Barchester Care Awards

The Barchester Care Awards is an annual event that showcases the very best that Barchester has to offer. The Care Awards celebrates the fantastic individuals who work and volunteer in Barchester care homes across the UK; and also has a category devoted to recognising the beautiful outdoor spaces tended by residents and staff members.

Our Divisional Winners have already been named, and the award ceremony will be held in Manchester on 3<sup>rd</sup> October, when the National Winners will be announced. Good luck to all our Divisional Winners and thank you to everyone who took the time to make a nomination.



#### Barchester Nominated for 3 Laing Buisson Awards

Barchester is proud to have been named as a finalist in 3 Laing Buisson Awards categories: 'Residential Care (Larger Organisation)', 'Property Developer' and 'Property Investor'. The ceremony will take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at Park Plaza Westminster Bridge, London, where the winners will be announced.

This year, the awarding body received a record-breaking number of nominations for every single category, with over 400 entries in total.

Last year, we were delighted to take home the 'Property Developer of the Year' award, and Barchester CEO, Pete Calveley was recognized for his amazing work in the care sector by being presented with the 'Outstanding Contributions to Care' award.



#### Barchester Holds Key to Future Care

Barchester recently received the keys to Mortain Place in Eastbourne, enhancing our portfolio of care homes.

Lesley Standing, the General Manager of Mortain Place was delighted to accept the keys to the latest 80-bed property on Pevensey Bay Road from the Project Construction Manager Mark Tomalin, from McGoff Construction.

Mortain Place will provide personalised residential and dementia care for 80 older people in the neighbouring community, and will open its doors to residents in October. Barchester will also be opening another care home in 2019: Trinity Manor in Sherborne. This service will offer dementia and residential care for 64 residents.

