# Magnoliazine Summer 2019

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#### Hello and Welcome!

We said farewell to Barbara our General
Manager who is off on a new career
adventure, we all said farewell with a
surprise party and gifts from all the staff to
say thank you.

Mary-Jane, our Deputy Manager, "We are really sad to see Barbara go but we will remember her hard work and the contributions she made. Though we have a change in management we have a strong team here at Magnolia so rest assured everything will be running as smoothly as it always does. We welcome Judith and are looking forward working with her and am excited about the future of Magnolia Court."



Barbara receiving flowers from fellow regional Managers

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## News in and around Magnolia Court

#### Summer Fete

We hosted a Summer Fete this summer in our garden and invited friends, families and the local community, we had a great turn out and had an eventful day.

We were joined by the animals from the Ark Farm, there were piglets, goats, rabbits and a donkey.

Everyone had fun and enjoyed the day, Quote of the day was "you can't beat a cup of tea and a cuddle from a donkey." We all agree.



#### Resident Ambassador

Bill has been here at Magnolia since 2014 and has been an excellent resident and is always happy to help so we have decided to appoint him as Resident Ambassador here at Magnolia! If anyone has any questions or would like to have a tea and a chat do feel free as Bill is always happy to help.



Bill with Judith representing Magnolia dropping off donations at a homeless centre

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#### Citizens Senior Banquet

Every year Jesus house invites us to celebrate life, they provided us with a beautiful banquet and entertainment, we were singing and dancing with our bellies full once again.



Resident Ambassador with the new Mayor of Barnet and her husband



will be wheelchair accessible. Thank you to all of our residents and staff that have helped this year and let's keep up the good work.

#### **Pet Therapy**

This year weve had an array of animals, Big and small, the farm came with their donkeys, pigs, rabbits and guinea pigs to name a few. We've also gotten to know our local volunteer Dog therapist 'Princess the pooch' who's given us lots of cuddles.

Pet therapy is something that really lifts our spirits and brings joy to our home.



Trudy &
Milton
with Ark
Farms
Rabbit



Magnolia court & the friends' of Childs Hill park volunteering

## A big thank you to the volunteers of

Magnolia Court

The Wallace collection come once a month to show us pieces from their collection, thank you for your interesting and dun sessions it really means a lot to our residents, especially the ones that can no longer go.





#### Carers Week

And most importantly, we celebrated National carers week, they have done so well and we are proud of our team.





Bill presenting Helen and Rufus an award for all their efforts.

Helen who has been coming to play us beautiful classical piano for us for many years is now off home to Denmark, we will miss you and Rufus the dog, thank you for everything!

## News in and around

### Magnolia Court

#### **Award Winning Home**

This year at Barchesters quality conference Magnolia Court won the Highest Quality improvement report in our division, we received much praise and scooped up more awards including one for not using agency staff for three consecutive years.



So, well done to our amazing team that have worked so hard at such a high standard, let's keep up the good work and keep the awards rolling in!

### Sylver Week Art Competition Winners!

This year we entered Barnet's Sylver Week art competition, Magnolia Court collaborated with our volunteer Michelle an art graduate and won a prize for our 'Highly recommended' piece.

Well done all that took part in making our colourful sculpture and winning an art set.



Michelle and Bill with the winning piece!



## A few words from Barchester...

#### **Barchester Care Awards**

Thank you to everyone who nominated a member of staff for the 2018 Barchester Care Awards. Nominations are now closed, but we are delighted to announce that we received over 1,500 in total – beating out the number from last year by almost 200!

The divisional winners will be decided over the summer, and each of them will be invited to a special celebrator lunch and awards ceremony at The Midland Hotel in Manchester on 11<sup>th</sup> October.



#### Follow us on social media!

Keep up-to-date with the latest news and stories from us and see pictures of life at Barchester homes by following us on Twitter and Facebook:



#### Carehome.co.uk

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You can pick up a review card to fill in at any Barchester care home or you can go to <a href="https://www.carehome.co.uk">www.carehome.co.uk</a> to submit a review online.



#### Barchester Blog

Have you read our latest blog post? Our care home blog offers news and insights about the healthcare sector, in addition to a glimpse into working life at Barchester and help & advice for older people.

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