

# Momiji Matters

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## VACCINATED!



Mitsue Nishio: Photo by Scott Ohashi

**O**n Friday, June 11th, Scarborough Health Network’s Mobile Vaccination Team (MVT) made their return visit to Momiji, to provide our seniors with their second dose of Pfizer. At this time, 128 individuals were vaccinated including tenants, a few staff members who had not yet received their second shot and six caregivers who were pri-

vately hired by Momiji Seniors Resident tenants. The building, after being so quiet due to the lockdown, was alive with excitement. Tenants were eager to receive their second shot and were so appreciative. “I was so happy to get my vaccination. Thank you to Momiji for arranging this for us,” said Mitsue Nishio, a Momiji Tenant and volunteer.

Thanks to this latest visit by the MVT, 143 tenants have now been fully vaccinated and will be fully protected by June 25th. We are extremely thankful to the Scarborough Health Network’s Mobile Vaccination Team for coming to Momiji in order to protect the seniors.

### LOOKING AT THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC TO DATE – THE WORST OF TIMES AND BEST OF TIMES



By Eric Hong,  
Executive Director

#### THE PANDEMIC AMONG US

On January 22<sup>nd</sup> 2020, the first known case of COVID-19 in Canada was detected in a resident who had just returned from overseas. The World Health Organization declared the coronavirus outbreak a Public Health Emergency of International Concern eight days later on January 30<sup>th</sup> 2020, and a pandemic on March 11<sup>th</sup> 2020, meaning that it was spreading quickly and widely around the world.

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By mid-March 2020, Canada had closed its borders to most non-Canadians. Soon after, Ontario placed the province in a state of emergency in an effort to control the spread of the virus in the community. Consequently, increasing restrictions limiting social, recreational and economic activities were imposed. As of May 2021 we have been living with COVID-19 as an active pandemic threat for over 14 months.

### **THE WORST OF TIMES**

COVID-19 is incredibly infectious with varied and devastating symptoms for which there is no cure. It can cause serious sickness requiring hospitalization. It has caused many deaths among the frail and the old.

Government and Public Health had to impose stringent infection prevention and control measures. Regulatory powers were invoked, mandating the wearing of personal protective equipment, physical distancing in public places and other restrictions, all of which have become common place.

This “new normal” has driven people into seclusion and inactivity. Unintended consequences have already manifested as mental distress and physical deconditioning. Many older adults who had been active have become sedentary and at risk of compromised mobility, function and vulnerable to other health challenges.

Momiji Seniors Residence tenants had previously enjoyed opportunities for socialization, recreation and health promotion on-site. Residents of the local neighborhood and members of the Japanese Canadian community had previously accessed education classes and Seniors Active Living Centre programs at Momiji. For infection prevention and control reasons, Momiji had to circle its wagons and maintain secluded premises for the duration of the pandemic. That meant suspending outward-facing programs.

The successive waves of the pandemic, the cyclical imposing-lifting of lockdown and the stay-at-home orders by the powers interrupted service-delivery which has made this a “Golden Year Lost” for many of our tenants, clients, friends and neighbours. The Worst of Times indeed (sigh).

### **THE BEST OF TIMES**

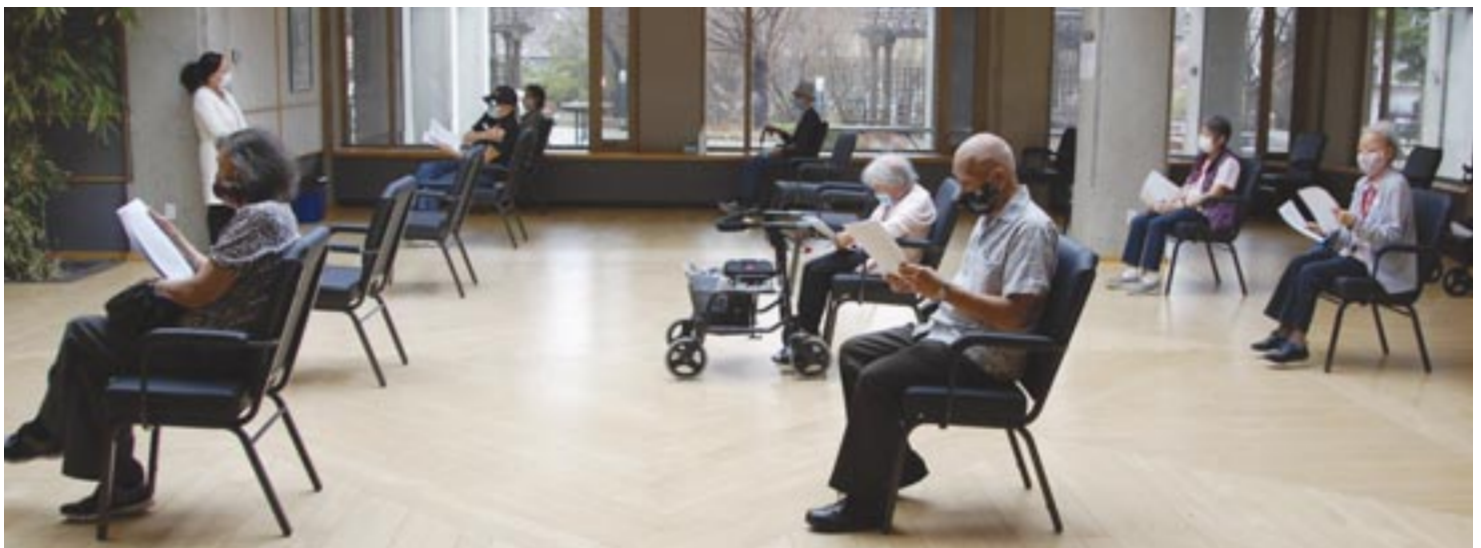
On the bright side, we were able to respond to the emergence of the COVID pandemic. We concentrated, rationed and focused our resources on supporting and protecting our Momiji Seniors Residence tenants. It has necessitated everybody to be understanding, trusting and willing to be flexible.

Mass programs e.g. Lug-a-Mug, Girls Festival etc. have had to be cancelled. Group-based programs have had to be scaled down. But innovative virtual programs e.g. On-line Friendly Visits and virtual support groups for caregivers were quickly developed and implemented. Cohorting of support services staff to minimize risk of infection spread; re-deploying staff to support daily check-in with tenants by phone; increasing grocery shopping assistance to tenants and other adaptations have been made possible by all Momiji colleagues committing to doing what is necessary to protect and support the seniors in our care.

Infection prevention and control measures that we had to put in place meant restricting tenants to their apartments, restricting them from gathering in common areas and avoiding going out into the community. Momiji has advised tenants’ family to limit their visits to control and minimize the risk of inadvertent infection spread. And our tenants and families have been understanding and striven to comply with such measures.

The challenge of the pandemic has also brought local assisted living/supportive housing providers together. Momiji, CareFirst, TransCare, Yee Hong Centre and Seniors Persons Living Connected exchanged knowledge, shared information, acted in concert to access resources and strove for consistency in practice. Working with Scarborough Health Network we were able to bring mobile clinic teams to Momiji to offer COVID testing and vaccination against COVID-19 for our tenants.

With the prospect of most Torontonians and indeed Canadians getting both shots of the vaccine by the end of summer 2021, the light at the end of the tunnel, although faint, is within sight. I feel cautiously optimistic that these have been the Best of Times as we all grow together to eventually re-emerge stronger as a community.



Waiting after the vaccination  
Photo by: Scott Ohashi

## TOM NISHIO



**The Momiji Community was saddened to learn of Tom Nishio's passing. Tom played an integral role in the development of the Momiji Centre and was an avid supporter. Our condolences to his family. He will be missed.**

By Cassandra Watanabe, Marketing Assistant (Summer Student)

Tomi-Taro Nishio, commonly referred to as Tom, was born in Vancouver B.C. to Ippei and Hama Nishio on January 14, 1921 and passed away at the age of 100. He was the second eldest out of his five siblings. Tom's father was a successful business man who founded the Canadian division of the Mikasa tableware company, post WWII.

From 1941-42 Tom went to the University of British Columbia and became the captain of the UBC rugby team. But in 1943 his post-secondary school experience was cut short when his family was forced to relocate to a Japanese internment camp in Bridge River, B.C. Rather than giving up on his education, he applied to the University of Western Ontario and got accepted to their business administration program.

Before he could graduate at Western, Tom was recruited as a translator for the British Army and served in India. His eldest brother, Itushi, followed Japanese tradition by attending a University in

Japan but unfortunately lost contact with his family when the war started. One day, Tom was notified that the Japanese Army had a translator with the same last name as him. After some investigation, he found out it was Itushi and was able to let the family in Canada know he was still alive.

After the war, Tom graduated and moved to Montreal where he married his wife Joyce and shortly after, had his first child Robynn. He then moved to Ottawa and worked at Morgan's (later to become Hudson's Bay) and had two sons, Greig and Ian. In the mid-1960's he moved back to Montreal to work with his father and brother, Kaz, at Mikasa. His final destination was Markham, Ontario, moving there so the family could expand the Mikasa business. Here, Tom was able to meet new friends and become a prominent figure in the Japanese Canadian community.

In the late 1970's, to commemorate the centennial of Japanese immigration to Canada, Tom and a group of concerned Nisei's came up with the idea of a senior's residence for Japanese Canadians, what we all know as Momiji today. Since there was no directory of Japanese Canadians in Ontario, he obtained phone books and volunteers called each person who had a last name that sounded Japanese using the Mikasa business office after hours. Tom

had a huge part in fundraising for Momiji, using his resources at Mikasa to help collect donations. Momiji's first major fundraising campaign to build the Seniors Centre had 3 phases. Phase 1 raised funds to purchase the property. Tom led the second and largest phase of the campaign that raised almost \$1.8 million to fund the construction of the residence. In Phase 3, he was a contributor to the funds raised for the original furniture and fixings for the apartments. In 1992, Tom and the other founders opened the Momiji Senior's Centre. After the opening, Tom was a Board member and continued to be a generous donor over the years.

After selling Mikasa with his brother in 1995, Tom could finally enjoy retirement. He continued being an active member of the Japanese Canadian community, creating the Nisei Veterans Award at the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre. He was also able to enjoy his passions, as a patron of the Canadian Opera Company, and spending more time with family.

Many thanks to Tom's daughter Robynn and his friend of 30 years, Ann Ashley, who shared many interesting and touching stories about Tom and his past. They both spoke about his reserved but compassionate nature and how he was admired by all those who met him. Tom contributed so much to the beginnings of Momiji and we are so grateful to him.



# Fundraising Events

Government funding does not cover all operating costs so Momiji continues to rely on the generosity of donors and the community for help. Donations received from memorial and general gifts and the annual Christmas Campaign, as well as funds raised at events like the Bazaar and Bowlathon are critical to sustaining programs and services.

## MOMIJI'S TORIICHI BENTO FUNDRAISER – A WIN-WIN-WIN

Thanks to our volunteer, Dawna Kobayashi and her contacts, a new Third Party fundraising event was created earlier this year and will continue to be held at least until the Fall. This fundraiser began as a pilot project but due to its overwhelming success, has increased to two sales per month. Bentos are purchased by Momiji from Toriichi Catering and are sold to our tenants for \$13.00 and to non-tenants for \$15.00. This fundraiser is a win-win-win because you get a delicious bento, you help sup-

port a local, small business and Momiji raises some much needed funds! To date, an incredible \$10,000 has been raised from Bento sales and some very generous donations. For more information contact fundraising@momiji.on.ca, follow us on Facebook or visit our website for updates.

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A third party fundraising event can be as big as this Toriichi Bento Fundraising or can be much smaller – like selling plants to friends and family and donating the funds to Momiji. If you are looking to involve the community and donate the funds to Momiji,

**TORIICHI BENTO FUNDRAISER** Momiji

Thank you for supporting the seniors and Toriich!

**PRICE:** Non-Tenants: \$15

**JULY & AUGUST PICKUP AND ORDER DATES:**

Wednesday, July 27th (deadline to order is Friday, July 26th at noon)  
 Wednesday, August 4th (deadline to order is Thursday, July 29th at the end of the day)  
 Wednesday, August 18th (deadline to order is Friday, August 16th at noon)

**PICKUP INFO:**

Bentos must be picked up outside of Momiji (2005 Kingston Road, Scarborough) between 11 AM and 1:00 PM.  
 A portion of the cost is donated to Momiji.

For more information, please contact fundraising@momiji.on.ca or Shari Lynn at 416.291.6665, ext. 209

please contact fundraising@momiji.on.ca and perhaps we can help promote your event!

## IN THE MIDST OF THE PANDEMIC: MOMIJI VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION!

By Jovel Patricio, Manager, Volunteers & Learning

As we are all being challenged by the Pandemic, we are also full of optimism that is inspired by the commitment of volunteers to support us in different ways such as:

### FRIENDLY VISITS – TELEPHONE ASSURANCE

Finding ways to socialize and meet new people was one of the many challenges that came along with the pandemic. When the pandemic began, Momiji asked people to connect with seniors over the phone to provide companionship and build new friendships. Many volunteers were happy to get involved and to this day, we continue to welcome volunteers who would like to participate in friendly visiting over the telephone.

### SHOPPING ASSISTANCE

Throughout the COVID-19 crisis, we have learned to appreciate now, more than ever, the importance of community and the efforts of our volunteers. Volunteers are an essential part of Momiji and we were overwhelmed by the enormous support we have received throughout this past year. Kristin Kobayashi-Reid and her

mother Dawna Kobayashi are two wonderful volunteers who have gone above and beyond assisting with many of Momiji's needs such as grocery shopping. We are thankful for Kristin and Dawna's generosity and hard work.

### INTERGENERATIONAL VIRTUAL FRIENDLY VISITING AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE

A new innovative intergenerational Virtual Friendly Visiting partnership was created with the students studying Japanese at the University of Western Ontario and Huron University College. This program was very popular and was beneficial for the seniors and the students alike, and helped many of our tenants become more comfortable communicating through electronic media.

### MOMIJI'S ONTARIO VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS

Due to COVID-19, instead of the usual in person event, the Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries held a virtual volunteer awards ceremony on February 25th to honour the contribution of volunteers. Six Momiji volunteers



Kristin and Dawna: just two of Momiji's many extraordinary volunteers.

Photo by Cassandra Watanabe

where among the awards recipients.

Our sincere congratulations to Momiji's Ontario Volunteer Service Awards recipients:

- Cathie Hudson - 5 Years**
- Joyce Shimoda - 10 Years**
- Dawna Kobayashi - 15 years**
- Kiyoko Suzuki -15 Years**
- Pamela Waintraub - 20 Years**
- Judy Maikawa - 20 Years**

Our heartfelt thanks to all of our Momiji volunteers for their hard work and contributions. Thank for your amazing generosity and dedication. We look forward to welcoming our volunteers back into our building in the near future.



## ALETA DENNIS – A GRATEFUL MONTHLY DONOR

By Cassandra Watanabe, Marketing Assistant (Summer Student)

Aleta Dennis is one of Momiji’s many monthly donors. She recently shared the special connection she has with Momiji and how it inspires her to give.

It all started when Aleta’s mother, Fedora Dennis, became interested in the belly dancing classes being offered at Momiji. Even though Fedora was not Japanese, she fell in love with the beautiful and peaceful environment Momiji offered and while she had no intention of leaving her home, she put her name on the waiting list. Many years passed and the day finally came for Fedora to move into Momiji. Aleta was immediately impressed with the level of detail and care that went into transitioning her mother into Momiji. She notes that the staff, specifically Keiko, Yuka, Yuki, and all the PSWs, were more than helpful. When her Mom’s health deteriorated, Aleta was allowed to move in with her Mom so that

they could be together during Fedora’s remaining time at Momiji. This is where Aleta truly appreciated the kind atmosphere at Momiji and all the care and assistance her mother received.

Aleta has been a Momiji volunteer for 7 years, and is a Volunteer Coordinator of a large annual art festival held near her home. This is why she knows the importance of volunteers and continues to dedicate her time and energy into supporting Momiji. Aleta also supports Momiji in other ways, by attending art classes and other online programming provided by SALC. An artist herself, she has generously donated gifts to our Silent Auction in the past.

Aleta’s contributions to the Momiji community are very generous. She expresses her love for Momiji by saying, “No amount of money or time can ever repay the love and care my mother and



Aleta’s Mom Fedora celebrating her 93rd Birthday at Momiji

Photo courtesy of Aleta Dennis

myself have received from Momiji.” We are grateful for all that Aleta has given and we’re happy to have her as a part of the Momiji family.



## MAY 22, 2021 CELEBRATING A 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY!

Honouring Yukio Ode on his 100th year with congratulations from your loving wife Faye, daughter Naomi, sister Ruth and all your other relatives. We adore you in every way, Yukio.



We appreciate the kindness of the many people who brighten our everyday lives. Thank you Momiji and Selectacare for your kindness and attention and residents of Momiji for your friendship. Also, the thoughtfulness of friends near and far is remembered with affection.



## Seniors Active Living Centre

### STILL VERY ACTIVE DESPITE THE PANDEMIC

Seniors Day treats bring happiness to our tenants!

Our Seniors Active Living Centre (SALC) team has worked very hard being innovative, creating new opportunities or “tweaking” favourite activities in order to keep the seniors active and engaged, despite the various shutdowns and lockdowns. While SALC has created a whole host of online opportunities - 10 different options in June alone ranging from Seated Exercise, Music History with Sina and Art & Tea – they also created opportunities for tenants who do not have access to the internet. One of the more popular new activities is the one-to-one walk and exercises. A staff member and a tenant will go for a short walk or exercise – often outside weather permitting – and engage in conversation. Other SALC in person activities include:



Roy, a satisfied customer  
Photo by Cassandra Watanabe

Mrs. Takata  
Seniors Day Treats bring happiness to our tenants!



### ICE CREAM SOCIAL

*By Cassandra Watanabe, Marketing Assistant (Summer Student)*

The Ice Cream Social occurs twice a month and allows the seniors to enjoy a tasty treat and socialize, all in the safety of their own home. Yuki Beasley, our SALC Coordinator, and her helpers go door-to-door, floor-to-floor, delivering the ice cream. Tenants only pay one dollar per cone, with all proceeds going back into Momiji.

Sophie Nagano, one of Momiji’s summer students, helped deliver ice cream and said, “I had such a fun time helping out with the ice cream social! It was so nice being able to see so many tenants and socialize with them. I have been learning Japanese, and talking to some of the fluent tenants has helped me so much.”

### MOMIJI’S SENIORS DAY AND SPRING FESTIVAL

SALC is famous for hosting wonderful cultural events like Seniors Day and the Spring Festival filled with good food, entertainment and lots of socializing. Unfortunately due to the Pandemic, group events had to be suspended, however, knowing the importance of these events, SALC took the “show on the road” – in this case to each tenant apartment. For Seniors Day, each tenant received a homemade card, a “Dorayaki” sweet and a festive Bento. And for the Spring Festival, tenants received a potted plant and sweet treats. Thank you to our donors, Mika Lough, Mayumi Maemura and Joyce Shimoda Moore for helping to cover the costs of these events that bring so much joy to our seniors.

There is no denying that COVID has impacted our usual fundraising activities this past year. Since the start of the pandemic, we have had to cancel two Bazaars, two Bowlathons, two Yard Sales and two Japonica events. As you can imagine, these events bring in significant, much needed revenue to Momiji. However, our volunteers were determined to be creative and we were able to hold a few smaller scale events, primarily for our tenants and their families, which raised some much needed funds. Two of these sales were made possible thanks to our volunteers preparing for the 2020 Bazaar well in advance.

Preparing for a massive event like our Bazaar requires months and months of preparation and many hundreds of volunteer hours. Many “Bees” are held in advance of help prepare food items like Manju and pie filling and pastry dough. Since

we were not able to sell these items at the Bazaar, a “**PUCKS AND FILLING**” Sale was held in September, followed by a **MANJU** Sale in December. In between these two events, a **CLOTHING & BOOK** Sale was held for the tenants and staff only. Participants made appointments to shop and were kept socially distanced while they were browsing and ultimately, making their purchases. Just over \$2,000 was raised from these three third party fundraising events.

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, this year’s **CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN**, which highlighted our need to purchase 6,000 N95 masks, raised an incredible \$70,000. This is by far our most successful Christmas Campaign ever and is so appreciated, especially at a time when we know so many people have been affected financially by COVID.

## DONOR LIST

**Momiji gratefully acknowledges all donations received from August 16, 2020 to April 30, 2021. Due to space limitations, only donations of \$20 or more are listed.**

CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN			
Adachi, Mrs. Pat	150	Fukakusa, Ms. Cindy	100
Aihoshi, Ms. Betty	50	Fukuma, Mr. Kojiro	100
Aihoshi, Mrs. Kimiko Rose & Family	1,000	Fukushima, Mrs. Sanae	
Akiyoshi, Mrs. Aiko	200	Fukuzawa, Mrs. Bonnie	
Appeadu, Mr. & Mrs. Kwabena	40	Funasaka, Mrs. Mari	150
Asada, Mrs. Kay Kiyomi		Furukawa, Mr. & Mrs. Larry & Betty	100
Asae, Mr. & Mrs. Noboru & Barbara	200	Gallego, Mr. & Mrs. Isaac & Gloria	100
Asano, Mrs. Joanne	100	Gardiner, Kumiye	100
Asano, Mrs. June	300	Gibson, Mr. Robert	50
Ashley, Mrs. Ann	100	Goto, Mr. Koji	50
Azuma, Ms. Linda		Goto, Mrs. Yoshiko Jean	500
Baba, Mrs. Marie		Gratton, Mr. Bernard	50
Bain, Ms. Felicity	50	Gyotoku, Mr. Clayton	200
Bakhtiari-Noroozi, Mr. Mohsen	50	Hagino, Mrs. Kanaye (Barbara)	50
Bayview United Church		Hama, Mr. & Mrs. Roy & Takako	100
Beaver, Mrs. Joan	100	Hanada-Nagahara, Mrs. Amy	
Biro, Mr. Frederick	100	Hann, Mrs. Leslie	
Boutique A1	100	Harada, Ms. Laurie	50
Brattke, Mr. Juergen Peter	150	Hashimoto, Mrs. Etsuko	100
Burrows, Ms. Sumie	25	Hewson, Mr. & Mrs. George	
Cali, Mrs. Gayle	200	Hidaka, Mrs. Susan	500
Cash, Ms. Patricia	80	Hirae, Mrs. Joyce	250
Cho, Ms. Ka Wai	100	Hirae, Mrs. Masayo	100
Curry, Mr. Darrell	150	Hirano, Mrs. Laura	50
Dennis, Ms. Aleta	20	Hirowatari, Mrs. Louise	
Deutscher-Kobayashi, Mr. Steven	100	Ho, Ms. Yu-Mei	50
Doi, Mr. & Mrs. Eiji & Sharon	500	Honda, Ms. Dorothy	
Doi, Justice Michael	1,000	Hong, Mr. Eric	50
Doi, Mrs. Shizue		Hooker, Ms. Wendy	50
Doi, Mrs. Tsuyuko	1,000	Hope, Mrs. Marion Tomoko	
Drysdale, Mrs. Nori	25	Hori, Ms. Marie M.	
Ebata, Ms. Jessie		Howard, Jack & Sonoe & Shizuko Shin	300
Edamura, Mr. Ray	1,000	Hrivnak, Mrs. Colleen	150
Eguchi, Mr. Tsuneo	200	Hudson, Ms. Cathie	50
Endo, Mr. Hiromichi Roy	40	Hustler, Mrs. Linda	
Eto, Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin & Shirley	100	Hutchinson, Mr. & Mrs. Chris & Shelley	100
Eto, Mr. & Mrs. Don & June		Ikeda, Mr. Edgar	
Fleck, Mr. Robin & Ms. Wendy Otsu	500	Imamura, Mr. Ryo	20
Fujimoto, Mrs. Shizuko		Inamoto, Mrs. Chiyo	50
Fujino, Mr. & Mrs. Nobby & Kay	100	Inouye, Ms. Kikuye	100
Fujita, Mrs. Mitsue Kay		Inouye, Mr. Yoshitaka	100
Fujita, Mrs. Shizue	50	Ioi, Mr. Gary	
Fujiwara, Mr. & Mrs. John & Jo-Anne		Ise, Ms. Deborah	500
		Ishii, Ms. Fay	
		Ishii, Mr. Steve & Mrs. Cathy Tanaka	
		Isojima, Mrs. Shirley (Setsuko)	300
		Ito, Mr. John	200
		Ito, Mr. Lloyd	
		Ito, Mr. Sam	
		Iwamoto, Mr. William (Bill)	
		Iwasa, Ms. Joanne	50
		Iwasa, Mrs. Sumiye	50
		Iwata, Ms. Margaret	
		Iwata, Mr. Tak (Tosh)	
		Izumi-Ames, Ms. Marjorie	
		Jager, Ms. Fuyoko	100
		Jimuro, Mr. & Mrs. Hiromi & Harumi	
		Jomori, Mr. Ernest	500
		Kagawa, Mr. & Mrs. Howard & Irene	
		Kagayama, Mrs. Betty	50
		Kaiura, Ms. Kiyomi	100
		Kamata, Mr. Takuro	20
		Kanashiro, Mr. Nori	50
		Kandappu, Ms. Christina	50
		Kaneko, Mr. Ronald	75
		Katsumi, Ms. Debbie	200
		Kawabe, Mr. & Mrs. Harry & Masako	
		Kawaguchi, Mr. Tohru	
		Kawahara, Mrs. Yasuko Theresa	
		Kawakami, Ms. Mutsuko	50
		Kawamura, Rev. & Mrs. Makoto & Shigemitsu	
		Kawamura, Mr. Yoshiro	100
		Kawano, Ms. Michiyo	20
		Khan, Ms. Nobuko	100
		Kikuta, Mr. & Mrs. Herb & Chris	
		King, Ms. Junko	20
		Kishi, Mr. & Mrs. Leslie	
		Kitagawa, Mrs. Sueko (Sue)	
		Kitamura, Ms. Connie	50
		Kitamura, Ms. Gail	100
		Kitamura, Mr. Harry	50
		Kitazaki, Ms. Betty	50
		Kobayashi, Mrs. Shoko	500
		Kobayashi, Mr. & Mrs. William & Addie	
		Kondo, Mrs. Yuki	
		Kumamoto, Ms. Fumie	
		Kunihiro, Mrs. Amy	
		Kuramoto, Mrs. Kimiye	500
		Kurio, Mrs. Michiko	50
		Kuroyama, Mr. Saishi Shank	50
		Kuwahara, Ms. Karen	200
		Lagan, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas & Eva	

Langdon, Ms. Susan Keiko	100	Onizuka, Mr. & Mrs. Glyn & Karen	100	Williamson, Ms. Elizabeth	25
Lee, Ms. Susan Hojung	50	Ono, Mrs. Carole	50	Yamamoto, Mr. Nobuo (Tom)	100
Lee-Cheng, Mrs. Yen Che (Pearl)	500	Otani, Ms. Masako		Yamashita, Mr. Ken	50
Lim, Mrs. Ivy		Otani, Mrs. Teruko	200	Yamashita, Mrs. Sue	100
Lo, Ms. Belinda	100	Oyagi, Mrs. Doreen	50	Yamazaki, Mr. George	150
Mack, Mrs. Lynn		Oyagi, Mr. Randy	500	Yano, Ms. Diane	100
Maejima, Mr. Takahiro	100	Oyagi, Mr. & Mrs. Tad & Jenny	250	Yano, Ms. Joanne	100
Maikawa, Mrs. Eiko (Sandra)		Oyama, Ms. Keiko		Yoshioka, Mrs. Eiko	
Maikawa, Mrs. Judy		Oye, Mr. Gerald		Yoshioka, Dr. John	100
Makimoto, Ms. Margaret S.	100	Pinto, Mrs. Yukiko	300		
Matsui, Mrs. Shizuye Sheila	100	Reynolds, Mr. John	50		
Matsumoto, Mr. Hideo		Robertson, Mrs. Birgitte	50		
McAnsh, Mrs. Eleanor		Rowe, Ms. Frances M.	500		
McIlroy, Ms. Joan	100	Rowlatt, Mrs. Yoshiko	50		
Megow, Mrs. Dee	40	Saegusa, Mr. & Mrs. Yoichi & Tomoko	100		
Miike, Ms. Sandra	200	Saisho, Mr. & Mrs. Aki & June	150		
Mitobe, Mr. Robert		Saito, Mr. Allan	1,500		
Mitsui, Mrs. Keiko (Kay)	100	Sakaguchi, Mrs. Etsumi	100		
Miyada, Mrs. Sachiko	50	Sakamoto, Mrs. Madeleine Madoka			
Miyai, Ms. Carol	500	Sasaki, Mr. Paul	2,500		
Miyai, Mrs. Kimi	500	Sato, Mr. Kazumi	50		
Miyauchi, Ms. Judy	50	Sato, Mrs. Mieko	50		
Miyazaki, Mr. & Mrs. Jim & Hatsumi		Sato, Mr. Roy	150		
Mizoguchi-Shimizu, Mrs. Michiko		Seki, Mrs. Jean	200		
Mohelsky, Mrs. Sayumi	50	Sekimoto, Mr. Kiyoshi	50		
Morant, Ms. Judi	100	Seko, Ms. Amy	1,000		
Morita, Mr. & Mrs. Hirokazu & Molly		Seto, Mrs. Masako	200		
Morita, Mrs. Shirley		Shigeishi, Mr. & Mrs. Toshiaki & Miyo	50		
Moritsugu, Ms. Donna		Shikaze, Mr. Kaz			
Moritsugu, Mr. & Mrs. Ted & Nancy		Shimizu, Mr. Ronald Masatoshi			
Murai, Ms. Karen		Shimoda, Mr. & Mrs. Len & Mary			
Muramatsu, Mr. & Mrs. Tsuneo & Yaeko	3,000	Shimura, Ms. Yasuko	100		
Muranaka, Ms. Carole	400	Shin, Mrs. Lillian Reiko	200		
Nagai, Mrs. Aguri	50	Shin, Mr. Masashi	100		
Nagami, Ms. Alice	30	Shinde, Mrs. Michiko	50		
Nagano, Mrs. Louise (Reiko)		Shino, Ms. Naomi	250		
Naganobu, Mr. Jeffrey	100	Shintani, Ms. Mitsue			
Nagasuye, Mr. David	1,000	Shinya, Mr. Gene			
Nagata, Mr. & Mrs. Harry	50	Shirafuji, Dr. Seiko	200		
Nakagawa, Ms. Laurie-Ann	50	Shiraishi, Mrs. Mary	50		
Nakagawa, Mr. Roy K.	25	Shitahodo, Mrs. Kuniko	50		
Nakagawa, Mrs. Sue Setsuko		Silk, Ms. Lynda	50		
Nakamichi, Ms. Joyce		Simpson, Ms. Patricia	100		
Nakamoto, Mr. & Mrs. Harry & Evelyn	50	Smith, Mrs. Nozomi	200		
Nakamura, Mrs. Jessica (Yoshiko)	100	Smith, Mrs. Ruth	50		
Nakano, Mr. & Mrs. George & Amy	100	Sugamori, Mrs. Miyeko M.	200		
Nakao, Mrs. Kimie	500	Sumi, Mr. & Mrs. Henry & Nancy			
Nakasuji, Mrs. Jean Miyoshi	200	Sumida, Mr. & Mrs. Mas & Michiko			
Nakawatase, Mr. Satsuo		Sunahara, Mrs. Yoshiko			
Nakawatase, Mrs. Sumiko	100	Suyama, Ms. Julie			
Namisato, Mr. Akihiko	500	Suzuki, Mr. Isamu	50		
Nasu, Mr. & Mrs. Gary & Elsi	100	Suzuki, Mr. & Mrs. Vic & Bev			
Nasu, Mrs. Peggy	25	Szeto, Mrs. Jean	20		
Nasu, Ms. Sandra	50	Takashima, Lindsay	300		
Nasu, Mrs. Yuriko Lily	100	Takashima, Mr. Russ	50		
Nishimura, Mr. Frank		Tanabe, Mrs. Yuko			
Nishimura, Mr. & Mrs. John & Patti	50	Tanaka, Mrs. Pauline			
Nishimura (Nishi), Mrs. Judy		Tatemichi, Mr. Bruce & Ms. Karie Shiozaki	100		
Nishimura, Mrs. Kay	1,000	Tatemichi, Mrs. Noriko	500		
Nishimura, Ms. Kazumi		Terashita, Ms. Eiko	100		
Nishimura, Mr. Kazuo		Tezuka, Mr. David	25		
Nishimura, Mrs. May		Toki, Mrs. Amy (Emiko)	100		
Nishiyama, Mr. & Mrs. Sam & Sumiko	100	Tonogai, Mr. Harry			
Nishizeki, Mrs. Hisako		Toronto Nichiren Buddhist Church	50		
Noda, Mrs. Miyoko	100	Toyota, Dr. Jane			
Nurse, Mrs. Deborah		Tsuji, Ms. Karen			
Ocampo, Ms. Tess	50	Tsuji, Mrs. Kimi	200		
Ochi, Ms. Ayako	500	Tsuji, Ms. Pat	360		
Oda, Ms. Beverley	500	Tsuji, Ms. Teresa			
Ode, Mr. & Mrs. Yukio & Faye	25	Uchikata, Mr. Paul	934		
Ogino, Mr. & Mrs. Gene & Ruth	1,000	Ura, Mrs. Betty	200		
Oikawa, Mrs. Linda	20	Uyede-Kai, Kim			
Okada, Mrs. Janet		Uyeno, Mr. & Mrs. Kiyoshi & Beverly			
Okubo, Ms. Mary	50	Veater, Ms. Barbara	200		
Okura, Mrs. June		Waintraub, Miss Nicole			
Onishi, Mrs. Florence	100	Watanabe, Mrs. Eiko			

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Asano, Mrs. June	102
Nagano, Mrs. Louise (Reiko)	
Oye, Mrs. Donna	

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Anzai, Ms. Dawn	20
Aoki, Mr. Paul	20
Baba, Ms. Reiko	20
Badila, Alex	20
Brattke, Mr. Juergen Peter	100
Campbell, Mrs. Faye	20
Chamberlain, Ms. Jill	100
Choi, Ms. Selmar	25
Cooper, Rev. Cindy	20
Day, Mr. & Mrs. Bryan & Dana	20
Gallego, Mr. Isaac	40
Goto, Mr. Richard	20
Hope, Mr. Chris	50
Hope, Mrs. Marion Tomoko	
Ishida, Ms. Dianne	20
Iwata, Ms. Margaret	
Jackson, Mrs. Carole	30
Kawaguchi, Mr. Kevin	20
Kobayashi, Mrs. Dawna	
Kondo, Ruth	20
Kotani, Mr. Fred	20
Koyata, Mr. Mike	20
Kuroyama, Megumi	20
Kuwahara, Mrs. Nellie	40
Marubashi, Mrs. Sharon	40
Matsuba, Mrs. Margaret	200
McAnsh, Mrs. Eleanor	
McLeod, Pat	20
Mitsui, Mrs. Keiko (Kay)	25
Mizutani, Mr. Harry	20
Murai, Mr. & Mrs. Kevin	150
Nagao, Ms. Janet J.	25
Nakamura, Mrs. Miyo	20
Nakawatase, Mr. Satsuo	
Nishino, Mr. Tom	20
Oiye, Ms. Kay	200
Ono, Mrs. Carole	40
Seko, Mr. Steve	40
Sheldon, Mr. John	20
Shigetomi, Mr. Kayo	20
Shikaze, Mr. Kaz	
Shin, Ms. June	20
Smith, Ms. Marion	
Suyama, Mr. Tokugi	
Suzuki, Ms. Marlene	35
Takashima, Mr. Terence (Terry)	220
Tanaka, Dr. Alan G.	100
Tanouye, Mr. & Mrs. Michael & Donna	80
Tazumi, Ms. Kathy	20
Tehara, Mr. Gary	20
Tezuka, Ms. Ruby	40
Tomihiro, Mrs. Sheila	20
Tsuji, Mrs. Donna	60
Tsuji, Mr. Gary	50
Tsuji, Ms. Pat	60
Yamada, Mrs. Christine	30
Yano, Ms. Amy	20
Yoshida, Mr. Gordon	20





<b>Seniors Active Living Centre</b>	
Clubine-Ito, Ms. Lori	250
Doi, Mrs. Laura	32
Ito, Mrs. Miyo	500
Lough, Ms. Mika	1,450
Maemura, Ms. Mayumi	250
Nagano, Mrs. Louise (Reiko)	
Shikaze, Mr. Kaz	
Shimoda Moore, Ms. Joyce	

<b>Momiji PSW PPE Fund In Memory of Norm Kobayashi</b>	
Friesen-Kobayashi, Mr. Aaron	50
Kobayashi, Mr. & Mrs. William & Addie	
Niiya, Mr. Donald	50
Shimotakahara, Ms. Donalda	200
Towata, Mrs. Patricia Ayako	200

<b>Momiji Foundation</b>	
Kagawa, Mr. & Mrs. Howard & Irene	

<b>Donations of Masks</b>	
Mitsui & Co. (Canada) Ltd.	
Yoshida, Mr. Gordon	

<b>Christmas Gifts for Tenants</b>	
Uchikata, Mr. & Mrs. Paul	
Uchikata, Ms. Sharon	

<b>Cleaning Supplies, Snacks and Drinks for Tenants</b>	
Oomomo, First Markham Place	

<b>Gorilla 1,200 LB Steel Cart</b>	
Kobayashi, Mrs. Dawna	

## IN HONOUR / CELEBRATION / APPRECIATION

<b>In Honour of Ms. Linda Azuma</b>	
Canada Helps Anonymous	50

<b>In Appreciation of Deb Deveau &amp; Tony Azevedo for everything they do for us</b>	
Ode, Mr. & Mrs. Yukio & Faye	25

<b>In Appreciation of the kindness and assistance given to Chieko Endo during her long residence at Momiji</b>	
Aihoshi, Mrs. Kimiko Rose	100

<b>In Honour of Ms. Keiko Hoshi</b>	
Rivkin, Mrs. Nicole	100

<b>In Honour of Mrs. Shirley (Setsuko) Isojima</b>	
Chihaya, Mrs. Julie	75

<b>In Celebration of Mrs. Kimiye Kuramoto's 102<sup>nd</sup> Birthday</b>	
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<b>In Appreciation of Staff who have been assisting Kimi Kuramoto</b>	
Kuramoto, Ms. Judy	

<b>In Honour of Mr. &amp; Mrs. Bud &amp; Judy Madokoro</b>	
Sugiman, Ms. Momoye	25

<b>In Celebration of Mrs. Sachiko Miyada's 92<sup>nd</sup> Birthday</b>	
Miyada, Ms. Naoko	

<b>In Appreciation of Momiji Support Services</b>	
Sawada, Ms. Miho	25

<b>In Celebration of Claire Nakamura's 97<sup>th</sup> Birthday and Joe &amp; Claire Nakamura's 69<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary</b>	
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Nakamura, Doug, Maryrose, Alex & Michael	75
Nakamura, Mr. & Mrs. Ken & Cathy	75

<b>In Celebration of Claire &amp; Joe Nakamura's 69<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary</b>	
Nakamura, Wayne & Ms. Barbara Webber (Nakamura)	50

<b>In Celebration of Ms. Frances Nakamura's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday</b>	
Kayama, Mrs. Michiko	
Yokota, Rev. & Mrs. Stan & Aileen	100

<b>In Celebration of Mrs. Hisae Niiya's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday</b>	
Hagino, Mrs. Kanaye (Barbara)	100
Ichiyen, Mr. & Mrs. Henry & Christine	500
Kamachi, Mrs. Sumiko	50
Niiya, Mr. Donald	100
Toyota, Dr. Jane	
Uyesugi, Mrs. Jane	100

<b>In Honour of Mrs. Kay Nishimura</b>	
Takeda, Ms. April	50

<b>In Honour of Mr. &amp; Mrs. Sam &amp; Sumiko Nishiyama</b>	
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<b>In Honour of Mrs. Grace Omoto</b>	
Madokoro, Mr. & Mrs. Bud & Judy	

<b>In Celebration of Mrs. Teruko Otani's Birthday</b>	
Baba, Mrs. Marie	
Otani, Mr. & Mrs. George	200
Otani, Mr. Karl	100

<b>In Honour of Mrs. Teruko Otani</b>	
Otani, Mr. Karl	600

<b>In Honour of Mr. &amp; Mrs. Tad &amp; Jenny Oyagi</b>	
Oyagi, Mr. & Mrs. George	100

<b>In Celebration of Mr. Tad Oyagi's Birthday</b>	
Oyagi, Mr. & Mrs. Randy & Lynne	250

<b>In Celebration of Ms. Tayeko Tai Sato's 102<sup>nd</sup> Birthday</b>	
Sato, Ms. Tayeko Tai	

<b>In Celebration of Dr. Roy Shinobu's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday</b>	
Eto, Mr. & Mrs. Don & June	
Waintraub, Mrs. Pamela	
Westergaard, Mrs. Yoneko	100

<b>In Celebration of Mrs. Miyo Takata's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday</b>	
Aihoshi, Mrs. Kimiko Rose	100
Lewycka, Ms. Irena	100
Maemura, Ms. Mayumi	100
Miyada, Ms. Naoko	
Oyagi, Mr. & Mrs. Tad & Jenny	100
Shimoda Moore, Ms. Joyce	
Takata, Mr. Junichi (John)	1,000
Westergaard, Mrs. Yoneko	100

<b>In Celebration of Mrs. Noriko Tatemichi's 102<sup>nd</sup> Birthday</b>	
Shiozaki, Karie, Bruce Tatemichi, Jamie Tatemichi & Willow Brough	

<b>In Honour of Mrs. Eiko Watanabe</b>	
Canada Helps Anonymous	100

<b>In Honour of Mrs. Yoneko Westergaard</b>	
Kretchman, Mr. & Mrs. Ron & Marleene	

<b>In Celebration of Mrs. Masako Yoshida's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday</b>	
Baba, Mrs. Janet	50
Baba, Mrs. Marie	
Baba, Ron, Jennifer, Joanne & Renee	50
Ishihara, Ms. Judie	50
Kondo, Ms. Gail	100
Takahashi, Mr. & Mrs. Ken & Joan	100
Yoshida, Mr. Derek	110
Yoshida, Mr. Glenn	100
Yoshida, Mr. & Mrs. Howie & Sherrie	
Yoshida, Mrs. Tomoko	100

<b>In Appreciation of the Momiji Webinars</b>	
Fuchigami, Mrs. Yukie	100

<b>In Appreciation of the Volunteers at Castleview Wychwood Towers</b>	
Maruno, Mrs. Eleanor	500

<b>In Honour of the Volunteers who Deliver Lunches to Seniors</b>	
Narimatsu, Ms. Hisako	50

<b>In Appreciation of the Weekly Volunteer Phone Calls</b>	
Nishiyama, Mrs. Sue (Sumiko)	100

<b>In Appreciation of the Uchikata Family's Christmas Gift</b>	
Toki, Mrs. Amy (Emiko)	100

<b>Thank you to Momiji's Board and Staff for the Halloween Treats</b>	
Ode, Mr. & Mrs. Yukio & Faye	200

<b>Thanks to Momiji's Maintenance Staff for their Help</b>	
Horisaki, Mr. Kenji	

<b>Thanks to Reiko, Caroline &amp; Elaine</b>	
Yokota, Rev. & Mrs. Stan & Aileen	100

## MEMORIAL DONATIONS

<b>In Memory of Mr. Jack Asano</b>	
Nash, Mrs. Valerie	

<b>In Memory of Mrs. Kay Azuma</b>	
Izukawa, Mr. & Mrs. Dennis	

<b>In Memory of Mrs. Patricia Bremner-Ikeno</b>	
Winsor, Mr. & Mrs. Garry & Diana	25

<b>In Memory of Mr. Masaaki Dazai</b>	
Nitt, Ken & Ruth	100

<b>In Memory of Mrs. Chieko Endo</b>	
Endo Family	500
Endo, Tsunemi	300
Hishida, Ms. Emiko	100
Montopoli, Ms. Cathy	100
Renaud Miyake, Mrs. Huguette	50
Sugie, Sono, Corey & Tami	50

<b>In Memory of Mr. Walter Fischer</b>	
Nishio, Mr. Tomi (Tom)	360

<b>In Memory of Mr. Sam Isamu Fukuzawa</b>	
Eto, Mr. & Mrs. Don & June	

<b>In Memory of Mr. Teruji (Tin) Goto</b>		Caines, Ms. Joan	50	Oyagi, Mr. & Mrs. Tad & Jenny	50
Amemori, Mr. & Mrs. Cliff & Dana		Cali, Mrs. Gayle	25	Tohana, Mrs. Kiyoko	50
Eto, Mr. Isamu (Sam) Edward	100	Ebata, Y.J.	30	Tsuji, Mr. & Mrs. Mel	50
Goto, Mr. Richard	100	Fukusaka, Ms. Kuni	30	Weston, Ms. Valerie	25
Hartley, Ms. Nicole	25	Glen, Kim	150	Yabu, Helen	100
Ishii, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur & Tomo	50	Hart House	75	Yabu, Tomo	100
Kimura, Ms. Miho	50	Hartmann, Ms. Kathy	100		
McAnsh, Mrs. Eleanor		Hirano Family, Satomi, Sanny & Michi	300	<b>In Memory of Mr. Arthur Kobayashi</b>	
Meehan, John, Joyce Cass & Sean	50	Iguchi, Mr. & Mrs. Katsu		Inamoto, Mrs. Chiyo	40
Morton, Mr. Chris	100	Jaworsky, Mrs. Dianne	100	Irizawa, Mr. & Mrs. Takao & Kazuko	50
Morton, Mr. Howard	50	Kayama, Mrs. Michiko		Kawahara, Mrs. Yasuko Theresa	
Nakamura, Doug & Margaret & Family	100	Kitamura, Mr. & Mrs. Fred & Lucy	50	Kobayashi, Mr. Martin	50
Noda, Mrs. Miyoko	50	MacKenzie, Mrs. Marlene	25	Kuroyama, Mr. & Mrs. Iwao & Keiko	30
Ogaki, Mr. & Mrs. Buzz & Mae	100	McAnsh, Ms. Eleanor & Mr. Teruji Goto		Morita, Mrs. Mary M.	50
Yamashita, Mrs. Sue	30	Mills, Ms. Sarah	100	Nakamura, Mrs. Jessica (Yoshiko)	100
Yamashita, Mr. Wayne	20	Nakamura, Naomi, Nevil & Heather	25	Shimizu, Mr. Ron & Ms. Edy Goto	50
Yoshida, Mrs. Tomoko	100	Nakamura, Mr. Paul	100	St. Andrews Japanese Anglican Church	100
		Nakamura, Miss Sanae	25	Ura, Mrs. Betty	100
<b>In Memory of Mrs. Fuku Hara, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Memorial</b>		Noguchi, Vincent, Louise Noguchi & Pat Rice	100	Wakayama, Mr. Peter	100
Pinto, Mrs. Yukiko	500	Ogaki, Mrs. Sakae	25	Wani, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph and Kathy	50
		St. Andrews Japanese Anglican Church	100		
<b>In Memory of Mrs. Michiko Harada</b>		Sugiyama, Mr. Glen	100	<b>In Memory of Ms. Yoko Kobayashi</b>	
Oda, Mrs. Kazue Kaye		Tasaka, Mr. & Mrs. Bruce & Nan	50	Nishikawa, Mr. & Mrs. Robert & Joanne	
		Tasaka, Mr. & Mrs. Stephen & Dianne	100	Noda, Mrs. Miyoko	50
<b>In Memory of Mr. Moriyasu Higa</b>		Wakabayashi, Mr. & Mrs. Henry & Yvonne	150		
Simpson, Ms. Ruth & Family	50	Westergaard, Mrs. Yoneko	100	<b>In Memory of Miriam Kumagai and Marcia Yakura</b>	
		Wong, Mrs. Abby	50	Tanaka, Mrs. Kathleen (Kathi)	100
<b>In Memory of Mrs. Joan Hirano</b>		Yamamura, Mr. Eddie (Akira)	100		
Maikawa, Mrs. Judy		Yamashita, Mr. Mas	100	<b>In Memory of Ms. Akemi Kumagawa</b>	
Oda, Mrs. Kazue Kaye		Yoshida, Mrs. Tomoko	30	Kumagawa, Ms. Sally	500
<b>In Memory of Mr. Mamoru Hirowatari</b>		<b>In Memory of Mrs. Lumie Isozaki</b>		<b>In Memory of Mrs. Catherine Ritsuko Kumamoto</b>	
Hirowatari, Mr. Mark	500	Sakamoto, Tosh	50	Kenno, Mr. Richard	200
<b>In Memory of Mr. Mike Honda</b>		<b>In Memory of Mrs. Margaret Ito</b>		<b>In Memory of Mr. Ben Kunihiro</b>	
Fukumoto, Mrs. Yukie	50	Tsuji, Mrs. Betty		Armstrong, Mrs. Sheri-Lynn	
				Burke, Mrs. Kaz	50
<b>In Memory of Mrs. Mary Ichikawa, 1<sup>st</sup> Year Memorial</b>		<b>In Memory of Mrs. Kay Iwasa</b>		Cali, Mrs. Gayle	25
Kayama, Mrs. Michiko		Oda, Mrs. Kazue Kaye		Chai, Roger & Debbie	25
Yokota, Rev. & Mrs. Stan & Aileen	100			Chen, Ms. Melanie	25
		<b>In Memory of Mrs. Tomiko Kadonaga</b>		Eto, Mr. & Mrs. Don & June	
<b>In Memory of Mr. Arthur Ikeda</b>		Okabe, Ms. Mary M.	100	Hamel, Mr. & Mrs. Ed & Vicki	25
Fujioka, Mrs. Doris	20	St. Andrews Japanese Anglican Church	100	Hidaka, Mrs. Susan	30
Ikeda, Mr. Edgar		Tatemichi, Mr. Bruce & Ms. Karie Shiozaki	107	Hirowatari, Mrs. Louise	
Nakamura, Mrs. Sumiko (Sue)	50	Tsuji, Lillian & Teresa & Gale Durocher		Honda, Ms. Dorothy	
Ryoji, Mrs. Ruth Haruko				Ichiyen, Mr. & Mrs. Henry & Christine	25
Sekiya, Mr. & Mrs. Ken & Evelyn		<b>In Memory of Mrs. Sachiko Kawai</b>		Ito, Mr. Sam	
		Kawai, Mr. Steven	250	Kaneko, Dave, Sue, Caitlin & Brendan	50
<b>In Memory of Mr. Kenneth Ikeda</b>				Kaneko, Mr. Mickey	
Ikeda, Mr. Edgar		<b>In Memory of Ms. Nobuko Khan</b>		Kikuta, Mrs. Toshiko	50
Ryoji, Mrs. Ruth Haruko		Baba, Daley & Jan	25	Kitagawa, Mrs. Sueko (Sue)	
				Kunihiro, Mrs. Amy	
<b>In Memory of Mr. Hideyuki Ioi</b>		<b>In Memory of Ms. Kay Kimura</b>		Kunihiro, Mr. Doug	500
Aihoshi, Mrs. Kimiko Rose	50	Yamaguchi, Ms. Lily	100	Kunihiro, Mr. Gerald	500
Cali, Mrs. Gayle	25			Kunihiro, Robert & Wendy	500
Eto, Mr. & Mrs. Don & June		<b>In Memory of Mr. Ron Kimura</b>		Kunihiro, Ms. Susan	200
Fitzgibbon, Mrs. Teresa	50	Oiye, Mrs. E. Florence	50	Kuramoto, Mrs. Kimiye	30
Hidaka, Mrs. Susan	25			Linz, Ms. Joanne	100
Hirowatari, Mrs. Louise		<b>In Memory of Mr. Stan Shigeo Kishimoto</b>		Maikawa, Mrs. Judy	
Ikeda, Mr. Edgar		Kishimoto, Mr. Dave	100	Maikawa, Michael & Sian	50
Ioi, Mr. Gary				Maruya, Mrs. Masae	25
Ishii, Mr. Steven & Mrs. Cathy Tanaka		<b>In Memory of Mr. John Kitamura</b>		Maruya, Ms. Susan	25
Ito, Mrs. Miyo	100	Adachi, Mary		Matsui, Mr. Ted	100
Negoro, Mrs. Keiko	75	Baba, Mr. Gerald	100	Matsumoto, James & Chako Setoyama	100
Noda, Mrs. Miyoko	50	Baba, Mrs. Marie		Miya, Mr. & Mrs. Lewie	1,000
Oliver, Mr. & Mrs. Leslie & Louise	50	Chiba, Ms. Aileen		Mototsune, Mr. Mark	150
Otani, Mrs. Teruko	30	Ebata, Y.J.	50	Mototsune, Mr. Takeshi	50
Robertson, Mrs. Birgitte	50	Fujimoto, Mr. Satch	50	Nagano, Mrs. Louise (Reiko)	
Sameshima, Ms. Toyoko	100	Gittens, Ms. Paula	50	Nakagawa, Mrs. Sue Setsuko	
Watanabe, Mrs. Eiko		Gordon, Mrs. Patricia	50	Nakawatase, Mr. Satsuo	
Yasui, Lynde & Kathy		Iwamoto, Mr. & Mrs. William (Bill) & Masako		Niiya, Mrs. Hisaye	30
		Izumi-Ames, Ms. Marjorie		Nishi, Ron & Judy	
<b>In Memory of Mr. Kiyo Ise</b>		Kitamura, Ki & Kelly	2,000	Nishimura, Mr. Frank	
Beaver, Mrs. Joan	100	Miike, Ms. Sandra	50	Noda, Mrs. Miyoko	50
		Nakanishi, Jo & Nancy	25		

Oda, Mrs. Kazue Kaye		Larsen, Ms. Judy	100	Waintraub, Mrs. Pamela	
Omura, Mr. Daniel	100	Miike, Ms. Sandra	50	<b>In Memory of Mr. Toshiyuki Nagano, 4<sup>th</sup> Year Memorial</b>	
Oyagi, Mr. & Mrs. Tad & Jenny	50	Miyazaki, Mr. & Mrs. Jim & Hatsumi		Nagano, Mrs. Louise (Reiko)	
Pamukoff, Carol & Steff	100	Nishino, Ms. Julia Anne	25	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Hiroko Nagatakiya</b>	
Sano, Mrs. Mary M.	50	Noguchi, Mr. Vincent	50	Kitagawa, Mrs. Sueko (Sue)	
Sasaki, Mr. & Mrs. George & Mary	50	Ogino, Mr. & Mrs. Gene & Ruth	200	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Miyeko Nakagawa</b>	
Seto, Mrs. Masako	50	Reid, Mr. & Mrs. Barry & Wynne	50	Burrows, Mr. & Mrs. Gordon & Sumie	50
Shikaze, Mr. & Mrs. Kaz & Ruby		Silk, Ms. Lynda	25	<b>In Memory of Mr. Joe Dick Ichizo Nakamura</b>	
Shintani, Mr. & Mrs. Matt	50	Tatemichi, Mr. Bruce & Ms. Karie Shiozaki	30	Fujita, Mr. & Mrs. George & Midori	200
Simpson, Ms. Ruth & Family	50	Tezuka, Ms. Ruby	50	<b>In Memory of Mr. Joseph Nakamura</b>	
Sora, Mr. & Mrs. Ray & Nancy		Waintraub, Mr. & Mrs. Morris & Pam		Armstrong, Mrs. Sheri-Lynn	
Takaoka, Mrs. Catherine K.	50	<b>In Memory of Mr. Robert Marubashi</b>		Fujioka, Mrs. Doris	25
Takenaka, Dave and Lesley & Family	100	Kawabe, Mrs. Esther		Goto, Russell, Christine & Tosh	100
Tam, Jimmy & Katie	150	Kitamura, Mr. & Mrs. Brian & Lori	50	Hughes, Mr. & Mrs. Mark	
Tanaka, Mr. & Mrs. Robert & Frances		Miike, Ms. Sandra	25	Inamoto, Mrs. Chiyo	50
Umemoto, Kazuko & Kathy	50	Reid, Mr. & Mrs. Barry & Wynne	50	Nakamura, Mrs. Claire	300
Uyede-Kai, Kim		Waintraub, Mr. & Mrs. Morris & Pam		Nakamura, Mr. & Mrs. Ken & Cathy	200
Uyeno, Mr. & Mrs. Godfrey & Donna	30	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Miyoko Elizabeth Masaki</b>		Nakamura, Ms. Kristen	100
Uyeno, Mr. Godfrey	25	Ebata, Chuta	100	Noda, Mrs. Miyoko	50
Watanabe, Mrs. Eiko		Ebata, L. & D.	100	Oda, Mrs. Kazue Kaye	
Watanabe, Ms. Precious	50	Feeney, Johnny & Irene	100	Ohashi, Ms. Pam	150
Yokota, Rev. & Mrs. Stan & Aileen	50	Hayward, Mrs. Joyce	50	Okada, Mrs. Janet	
Yoshioka, Mrs. Eiko		Kishi, Leslie	100	Organ, Mr. & Mrs. Steve & Laura	100
<b>In Memory of Mrs. Lily Kuroda</b>		Kishi, Mr. Ron	75	Otsu, Mrs. Pansy & Family	
Amemori, Mrs. Iso	25	Kishimoto, Mrs. Sue (Shizuye)		Oyagi, Mr. & Mrs. Tad & Jenny	50
Baba, Daley & Jan	40	Masaki, Mr. Christopher	25	Ryoji, Mrs. Ruth Haruko	
Baba, Mrs. Marie		Masaki, Mr. Robert	50	Saisho, Mr. & Mrs. Aki (Akinobu)	
Brandon, Ondine	100	Matsuo, Mr. & Mrs. Jeffery	100	& June (Junko)	50
Cockburn, Mr. Jeff	25	Matsuo, Ms. Jill	200	Sano, Sue & Lorie	100
Cockburn, Ms. Karlee	25	Mauro, Mrs. Joyce & Gerry Kishi	50	Sawada, Ms. Masumi	20
Cockburn, Ms. Lorrie	25	Mochizuki, Mr. Keith	75	Seki, Mrs. Jean	25
Eto, Mr. Isamu (Sam) Edward	100	Nishida, Mrs. Lorraine	100	Shinya, Mr. Gene	
Fujino, Mr. & Mrs. Nobby & Kay	30	Nishioka Family	50	St. Andrews Japanese Anglican Church	100
Ishii, Mr. Steven & Mrs. Cathy Tanaka		St. Andrews Japanese Anglican Church	100	Takashima, Mr. & Mrs. Don & Kay	
Izumi-Ames, Ms. Marjorie		Truckle, Ms. Eileen	100	Tanaka, Mr. & Mrs. Robert & Frances	
Jomori, Mr. Ernest	50	Yonekura, Ms. Janice	100	Wakisaka, Mr. & Mrs. Larry & Amy	25
Kishimoto, Mr. & Mrs. Steve & Barb	25	<b>In Memory of Mr. Raymond Takuji Matsunaga</b>		Wells, Ms. Carolyn	50
Kobayashi, Ms. Karen	200	Matsunaga, Mrs. Shirley	100	Yamashita, Mrs. Sue	50
Kobayashi-Reid, Mr. & Mrs. Chris & Kristin	50	<b>In Memory of Mr. Dick Matsuoka</b>		Yamashita, Mrs. Yumi	50
Miller, Mr. & Mrs. Henry & Lynn	50	Murray, Ms. Amy	100	Yoshida, Mr. Ross	50
Nagasuye, Mr. & Mrs. Joe & Ruby		<b>In Memory of Mrs. Kazuko Kay Mitsuki</b>		Your BMO Family	100
Nakamura, Mr. & Mrs. Doug & Margaret	50	Morita, Mrs. Shirley		<b>In Memory of Sachiko Nakamura</b>	
Reid, Dan & Adele	25	<b>In Memory of Mr. Takeshi Miyada</b>		Morita, Mrs. Mary M.	100
Reid, Mr. & Mrs. Barry & Wynne	25	Miyada, Ms. Naoko		<b>In Memory of Mrs. Terry Nakamura, 1st Year Memorial</b>	
Rollingson-Haslem, Ms. Pamela	50	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Suzuko Susie Mori</b>		Kayama, Mrs. Michiko	
Sakamoto, Tosh	40	Noda, Miyoko & Carly	50	Yokota, Rev. & Mrs. Stan & Aileen	50
Sakauye, Mr. & Mrs. Randy & Janet	30	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Aiko Murakami</b>		<b>In Memory of Mrs. Haruko Nakashima</b>	
Schenk, Dr. K.	200	Funasaka, Mrs. Mari	300	Nakagawa, Mrs. Katie	100
Tanaka, Mr. & Mrs. Robert & Frances		Fuse, Mrs. Lois	50	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Tsugie (Sue) Nakashima</b>	
Tanaka, Mrs. Katie		Greater Toronto Chapter NAJC	50	Nakashima, Mr. & Mrs. Gary & Mieko	100
Yamamoto, Wes, Lori & Tyler	20	Hayashi, Mrs. Noreen	103	Nakashima, Mr. Gordon Takeo	50
Yoshida, Mr. & Mrs. Howie & Sherrie		Hidaka, Mrs. Susan	50	Uchida, Mr. & Mrs. T	
<b>In Memory of Mr. &amp; Mrs. David &amp; Lillian Kuwahara</b>		Hoita, Mr. Gordon	50	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Nobuko Nasu, 1st Year Memorial</b>	
Gordon, Mrs. Patricia	100	Inouye, Mrs. Joni	100	Nasu, Mrs. Yuriko Lily	50
Kitamura, Mrs. Lori	150	Kanji, Ms. Samira	100	<b>In Memory of Mr. &amp; Mrs. Kichi Natsuhara</b>	
<b>In Memory of Mrs. Lillian (Yuri) Kuwahara, 5th Year Memorial</b>		Keen, Mrs. Nonie	25	Jackson, Mrs. Vickie	200
Kitamura, Mrs. Lori	100	Kondo, Mr. Edward	100	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Miyeko (Nora) Natsuhara</b>	
<b>In Memory of Mrs. Yen Che (Pearl) Lee-Cheng</b>		Kuwabara, Mr. Ron	50	Merrick, Mrs. Sheila	100
Aihoshi, Mrs. Kimiko Rose	50	Ng, Ms. Teresa	50	<b>In Memory of Mr. &amp; Mrs. Ian &amp; Joyce Nishio</b>	
<b>In Memory of Mrs. Ritsu Maemura</b>		Okuno, Ms. Sharon	25	Nishio, Mr. Greig	200
King, Ms. Michelle	100	Onodera, Mrs. Martha			
<b>In Memory of Mr. Paul Marubashi</b>		Saruwatari, Mrs. Mary	50		
Armstrong, Mrs. Sheri-Lynn		Stokes Pharmacy - Zak, Evelyn & the Kids	500		
Hamade, Mr. & Mrs. Herb & Joan	100	Tanaka, Mr. & Mrs. Ken & Midori	50		
Hatanakaa, Gary & April	40	Tomihiro, Mrs. Masako Betty	25		
Kawabe, Mrs. Esther		Tsuji, Mrs. E. Etsuko	25		
Kitamura, Mr. & Mrs. Brian & Lori	50	Uyeno, Mr. & Mrs. Kiyoshi & Beverly			
		Uyeno, Mr. Godfrey	100		

Nishio, Mr. Tomi (Tom)	500	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Eva Ono</b> Kadohama, Ms. Kay	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Harumi Tamoto</b> Kadohama, Ms. Kay Kumamoto, Ms. Fumie Moritsugu, Ms. Donna Moritsugu, Mr. & Mrs. Ted & Nancy Shimoda, Mr. & Mrs. Len & Mary
<b>In Memory of Mr. Tomi (Tom) Nishio</b>		<b>In Memory of Ms. Gloria Oshimo</b> Oda, Mrs. Kazue Kaye	
Byerlay, Mrs. C. R	150	<b>In Memory of Mr. J. Rednall</b> Ishii, Mr. Steven & Mrs. Cathy Tanaka	<b>In Memory of Mr. Mike Tezuka</b> Kodama, Mrs. Toshi 50
Gradini, Ms. Michelle	50	<b>In Memory of Mr. Toshio Ryoji</b> Hewson, Mr. & Mrs. George	<b>In Memory of Dr. Etsuko Toguri</b> Shintani, Ms. Mitsue
Ikeda, Mr. Edgar		Inamoto, Mrs. Chiyo 40	
Ikeda, Mr. Rodney	100	Kimura, Mrs. Nancy 50	<b>In Memory of Mr. Yoshiaki Rick Toki, 1<sup>st</sup> Year Memorial</b>
Lan, Mr. Kevin	100	Nakamura, Mr. Ron 50	Toki, Mrs. Amy (Emiko) 200
Mori, Mr. Lawrence	150	Nishikawa, Mr. & Mrs. Robert & Joanne	<b>In Memory of Ayako &amp; Yosh Tonogai</b>
Onishi, Mr. & Mrs. Chris & Nancy	100	Ryoji, Mrs. Ruth Haruko	Ode, Mr. & Mrs. Yukio & Faye 25
Onishi, Mrs. Florence	100	Shiozaki Karie and Bruce & Jamie Tatemichi 50	
Shefman, Vicki, Frank, Joshua & Zachary		Yamada, Mrs. Kim 50	<b>In Memory of Mr. Toshiro Towata-Roy</b>
Shikaze, Mr. Kaz			Towata, Mrs. Patricia Ayako 500
Tatemichi, Mr. Bruce & Ms. Karie Shiozaki	100	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Setsuko Ryu</b> Nakashima, Mr. & Mrs. Gary & Mieke 100	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Michiyo Ueda</b>
Tipold, Ms. Gayle	100	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Fumiko Ruth Saito</b> Okada, Mrs. Janet 100	Aihoshi, Mrs. Kimiko Rose 50
Togawa, Mrs. Wendy	100	Okada, Mr. Marc 100	Nakano, Mr. & Mrs. Ken 25
Wells, Mr. & Mrs. Stan & Betty	50		
Yokota, Rev. & Mrs. Stan & Aileen	100	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Alice Sakaguchi</b> Hatanaka, Ms. Sandra 100 Hatanaka Silk, Mrs. Lynda 100 Otani, Mrs. Teruko 50 Sakaguchi, Mr. Herbert Kyoji 250 Sakaguchi, Mr. Sanders 200 Westergaard, Mrs. Yoneko 100	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Sumiye Ruth Utsunomiya</b> Kobayashi, Mr. Jim 200
<b>In Memory of Tomi Nishio &amp; In Honour of Robynn &amp; Brooke Nishio</b>		<b>In Memory of Helen &amp; Tye Sakaguchi, Helen's 4<sup>th</sup> Year Memorial</b> Davis, Ms. Donna 400	<b>In Memory of Mr. Kenneth Kunio Yamada</b> Hamade, Mr. & Mrs. Herb & Joan 100
Freedman, Ms. Bev	25	<b>In Memory of Mr. &amp; Mrs. Tatsuo &amp; Kimiyo Sakauye</b> Sakauye, Mr. & Mrs. Darrell 100	<b>In Memory of Mr. George Yamasaki</b> Yamasaki-Yip, Ms. Ida 2,500
<b>In Memory of Mr. Ed Nobuto</b>		<b>In Memory of Mr. &amp; Mrs. Thomas &amp; Chizuko Satta</b> Byerlay, Mrs. C. R 300	<b>In Memory of Mr. &amp; Mrs. George &amp; Betty Yamasaki</b> Yamasaki, Mr. Gary 2,000
Kitagawa, Mrs. Sueko (Sue)		<b>In Memory of Sada Sato, Gloria Sumiya, Andrew Ide, &amp; Diane Kumabe</b> Sato, Mr. Roy 100	<b>In Memory of Suzanna Yamasaki</b> Yamasaki, Mr. Gary 1,000
<b>In Memory of Mr. Sumiyuki (Sam) Noda</b>		<b>In Memory of Mrs. Rose Shin</b> Tsuji, Mrs. Betty	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Chiye Yanoshita</b> Kobayashi, Mr. Martin 100 Shikaze, Mr. Kaz 25 Steele, Judy 25
Inamoto, Mrs. Chiyo	30	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Irene (Aiko) Sugimoto</b> Buckles, Ms. Gale 25	<b>In Memory of Ms. Hideko Yamashita</b> Kobayashi, Ms. Karen 100
<b>In Memory of Mrs. Toshie Noda</b>		<b>In Memory of Dr. Fred Akira Sunahara</b> Okazaki, Ms. Maxine & Mr. Peter Aitken 200	<b>In Memory of Mr. Saburo Yoshioka</b> Cheng, Ms. Jeanette 50 Honda, Ms. Dorothy Kitagawa, Mrs. Sueko (Sue) Lai, Ms. Caitlin Wai Man 100 Nasu, Mr. & Mrs. Gary & Elsi 50 Takenaka, Ms. Grace 25
Aihoshi, Mrs. Kimiko Rose	50	<b>In Memory of Mrs. Fuyeko (Helen) Suzuki</b> MacNeill, Ms. Mary Ann 100	
Armstrong, Mrs. Sheri-Lynn		<b>In Memory of Mrs. Grace (Toshiko) Takamatsu</b> Oda, Mrs. Kazue Kaye	<b>Other donors wishing to remain anonymous</b>
Ayame Kai	75		
Dunn, Ms. Lorraine	120	<b>In Memory of Mr. Kenji Alfred Tamaki</b> Tamaki, Mr. Michael 100	
Farkas, Ms. Janet	50		
Hatanaka, Mr. Gary	100		
Hidaka, Mrs. Susan	40		
Hommel, Ms. Natasha	25		
Kawaguchi, Mr. Gary	50		
Nasu, Mrs. Peggy	50		
Noda, Miyoko, Carly & Lucian	200		
Schoen, Holger & Family	100		
Shikaze, Mr. & Mrs. Kaz & Ruby			
Tamagi, Mr. & Mrs. Mike & Helga	200		
Umemoto, Kazuko, Kathy Umemoto & Herb Goldie	100		
Villman, Mr. Larry	50		
Waintraub, Mrs. Pamela			
Westergaard, Mrs. Yoneko	100		
Yokota, Rev. & Mrs. Stan & Aileen	50		
<b>In Memory of Mrs. Yoshiko Noguchi</b>			
Morita, Mrs. Shirley			
<b>In Memory of Mr. Isamu Nomura</b>			
Nakashima, Mr. Gordon Takeo	50		
<b>In Memory of Mr. Frank Oda</b>			
Oda, Mrs. Kazue Kaye	350		
<b>In Memory of Mrs. Shizue Ogaki</b>			
Canada Helps Anonymous	100		
<b>In Memory of Mr. Toshiaki Ogaki</b>			
Ogaki, Mrs. Maria	100		
<b>In Memory of Mrs. Marie Okura</b>			
Tsuji, Mrs. Betty			

## ワクチン接種完了

6月11日（金）、モミジセンターに於いてスカーボロ・ヘルスネットワーク・移動ワクチン接種チーム（MVT）による二度目のファイザーワクチン接種が実施され、居住者をはじめ一部の職員や、居住者の契約介護者ら計128人が接種しました。この日は接種を待ち望んでいた居住者が順に集まりロックダウン中の静かな建物内が生き返ったようでした。居住者でボランティアのミツエ・シノさんは「ワクチンの接種ができて本当に嬉しいです。手配をしてくれたモミジに感謝します」と話しました。

今回の接種で居住者143人が2回の接種を完了し、予防効果が6月25日頃から出ます。モミジ居住者の保護に関わったスカーボロ・ヘルスネットワーク・移動ワクチン接種チームに感謝しています。

## 新型コロナウイルス感染 最悪と最善の時期

エリック・ホン、所長

### パンデミック

新型コロナウイルスがカナダで初めて確認されたのは2020年1月22日。感染者は海外からの帰国者でした。世界保健機構は1月30日に新型コロナ感染を「国際的に懸念される公衆衛生上の緊急事態」とし、3月11日には世界的流行を意味する「パンデミック」と宣言しました。

同年3月半ば、カナダ政府は国境を閉鎖しカナダ人以外の入国を基本的に禁止。また、オンタリオ州政府は感染拡大を制御するために緊急事態宣言を発令。規制の増加と共に社会・経済活動が大きく制限されました。2021年5月現在、私達はパンデミックの脅威と共に14ヶ月も暮らしています。

### 最悪の時期

変異型コロナウイルスは感染力が強く重症化しやすい上に治療法も確立しておらず、高齢者や基礎疾患のある人の死亡率が高くなっています。

政府と公共衛生局による感染予防・制御の厳しい措置や発令で、保護服・マスクの着用や、公衆で人との距離を保つなどの様々な規制が私達の日常になりました。

この「新しい日常」で人々は孤立化し、活動の機会を失いました。その影響は精神的な苦痛や身体機能の低下に及んでいます。活動的な高齢者が座りがちな生活を送り、運動機能低下のリスクが生じ、健康への影響が懸念されています。

パンデミック以前は、居住者はモミジセンターで社交・レクリエーション・健康推進のプログラムを楽しみました。同様に、地域で暮らす日系シニアや近隣の住民もモミジで生涯学習プログラムやシニア・アクティブ・リビングセンターのプログラムを楽しみました。しかしパンデミックでは、感染予防・制御の規制に従いプログラムがモミジセンター内だけに制限され、外部との交流が遮断されました。

感染の波と共に「ロックダウン」や「ステイホーム」の発令と解除が繰り返され、サービスの提供が幾度も中断され、居住者や利用者にとって素晴らしいはずの「老後の時間」が失われました。この時期はまさに最悪だったと思います。

### 最善の時期

一方で、明るい面はモミジがパンデミックの緊急事態に上手く対処できたことです。モミジ居住者を支援し保護するために私達は限られた資源の適切な活用に集中し、皆の理解と信頼を得て柔軟な適応で成功しました。

「午後のお茶会」や「雑祭り」などの大きな催し物をキャンセルし、グループのプログラムを小規模にする必要がありました。オンラインによる「フレンドリー訪問」や「介護者のためのプログラム」を直ちに企画し実施しました。また、感染リスクを最小限にするためにサポートサービス職員をグループ化し、電話による安全確認には他の職員を配置し、買い物の補助を増やしました。このような適応はシニアの支援と保護に献身的に働くモミジチーム

だからこそできたのです。

感染予防・制御の措置で居住者は引きこもる生活を強いられ、共用場所での集まりや外出が禁じられました。感染拡大の可能性を避けるために居住者家族の訪問回数も減りましたが、理解と協力が得られました。

パンデミックでは、協力関係にあるケアファースト、トランスケア、イーホン老人ケアセンター、シニアパーソン・リビング・コネクティドといった地域のサポートハウジング提供組織が、知識や情報、資源のアクセスを共有し、一貫した実践に努力しました。また、スカーボロ・ヘルスネットワークの協力により、モミジに於いて移動医療チームによる新型コロナ検査やワクチン接種が可能になりました。

2021年の夏の終わりには、トロント市民だけでなくカナダ人のほとんどが2回のワクチン接種を終えると予測され、トンネルの先の光がかすかに見えるようになりました。今はコミュニティ再興への道に続く「最善の時期」だと私は注意深く楽観視しています。

## パンデミックと ボランティア活動

ジョベル・パシオ、ボランティア・

生涯学習、マネージャー

パンデミックで皆が困難に直面している中で、熱心なボランティアによる支援が私達の心を明るくしています。

### フレンドリー訪問

電話による支援

パンデミックでは人と接する機会が少なくなりました。シニアの方々と電話で繋がり新しい関係を築いてほしいというモミジの呼びかけに応じて、多くのボランティアの皆さんが参加し今日に至っています。参加希望者を常に歓迎しています。

### 買い物の補助

コロナ禍で私達は、これまで以上にコミュニティの重要性和ボランティアによる支援の恩恵を感じています。ボランティアの皆さんはモミジに不可欠

な存在として、パンデミック中でも大きな役割を果たしています。その中でもクリスティン・コバヤシレイドさんと母親のドーナ・コバヤシさんは居住者の食料品の買い物をはじめモミジの援助に広く献身的に関わっています。お二人の支援に感謝します。

### オンラインの世代を超えた フレンドリー訪問と文化交流

ウエスタンオンタリオ大学とヒューロン大学で日本語を学ぶ学生による「オンラインの世代を超えたフレンドリー訪問」が新たに企画されました。シニアの方々と学生に有意義で人気のあるプログラムを通して、オンラインの交流に親しみを感じる居住者が増えました。

### ボランティア賞

オンタリオ州ヘリテージ・スポーツ・観光・文化・産業省主催のボランティア賞授賞式は、コロナ禍のため2月25日、オンラインで開催され、モミジから以下の6人が授賞しました。心よりお礼とお祝いを申し上げます。

キャシー・ハドソンさん(5年)

ジョイス・シモダさん(10年)

ドーナ・コバヤシさん(15年)

キヨコ・スズキさん(15年)

パメラ・ウェイントローブさん(20年)

ジュディ・マイカワさん(20年)

モミジの全てのボランティアの皆様への献身的な貢献に感謝しています。近い将来、皆様が建物内で活動される日を楽しみに待っています。

## 生涯学習プログラム 新たなスタート

リー・ミクソン、

コミュニティサービス、マネージャー

モミジセンターの教育・娯楽プログラムは20年以上にわたり、ヨガ・陶芸・コンピュータ・日本語会話など様々なコース/ワークショップを広域に及ぶコミュニティの多くの人々に提供してきました。コロナ禍ではシニアレジデンス居住者の安全を守る必要があります。

残念ながら、プログラムは一年以上も停止状態です。ワクチン接種が進んでも、当センターでコミュニティの人々を再び歓迎する日は未定のままです。

そのため、教育部では現在の構成を変える必要が生じ、苦渋の決断として教育コーディネーターのドナ・サトウ職員が2021年3月31日の契約満了で退職しました。いつも笑顔で親切なドナさんは10年以上にわたりモミジの貴重な職員として勤務しました。最初はキャッスルビュー・ウィッチウッドタワーとマカサロッジで、その後、教育コーディネーターとしてモミジとコミュニティに素晴らしい貢献をしたドナさんに心より感謝しています。私達は寂しくなりますが、今後のご活躍を祈っています。

長年にわたる生涯学習コースは全てが廃止になったわけではありません。パンデミックの規制解除後は、シニア・アクティブ・リビングセンターにおいて人気のある多くのコースを講師と共に何らかの形態で再開させたいと願っています。また、一部のコースをオンラインで再開する案が検討されています。

室内での集会が可能になる時期やパンデミック後の「新しい日常」について十分に予測できない状態ではありませんが、私達は生涯学習コースに参加していた皆様ができる限り情報を提供します。これまでの支援に感謝すると共に、近い将来、皆様がモミジで参加する日を楽しみにしています。

## 建物について

カロリナ・ヤマシタ、

シニアレジデンス、マネージャー

モミジの庭園

やっと夏らしくなり、庭園には新たな設備が加わりました。

庭園は創造的な活力が生まれる魅力的な場所だと思います。その一角のアサガオの近くに開いた場所が少しあります。残念ながら土は植物を栽培するほどの深さがありません。この場所の活用に皆様からのアイデアをお待ちしています。

また、庭師の便宜のためにメンテナンスチームが庭園に用具収納小屋を建て、建物内の収納場所から用具を移しました。

### エネルギーの効率性

2021年2月に開始したエネルギー効率性プロジェクトでは、共用場所、オフィス、廊下、階段、ガレージ、地下室、洗濯室など全館の電球をLEDに交換しました。従来の電球は電力消費量が大きく、LED交換後は62%の節約になる見込みです。5月に交換が完了し、今後、その効果が期待されます。

### 今後のプロジェクト

建物の老朽化に伴い機械装置や配管の交換、改修が必要になります。

エネルギー効率性プロジェクトが終了し、次は洗濯機・乾燥機の交換に取り組む予定です。洗濯・乾燥の料金は居住者の皆さんの意見をもとに定額料金制ではなく、これまでどおりコイン制に決まりました。

## のプログラム

シニア・アクティブ・リビングセンター(SALC)のチームは、ロックダウンの状況下でシニアの方々が繋がりをもち活動的に過ごせるような新しい機会や人気のアクティビティの工夫に努力しています。その中には様々なオンラインのプログラムがあり、6月には「腰掛け体操」「シーナの歌と音楽の歴史」「美術館ツアー」など10のプログラムが実施されました。インターネット接続のないシニアを対象とした企画もあります。新たにできた人気の一つが「一対一の歩行と運動」で、職員と居住者が短い散歩や運動をして(天気の良い日は外で)会話をします。その他のプログラムは以下のとおり。

アイスクリーム・ソーシャル

カサンドラ・ワタナベ、マーケティング・アシスタント(夏期研修生)

月2回のアイスクリーム・ソーシャルではSALCのコーディネーターのユキ・ビズリー職員とアシスタントが各階の部屋を回ってアイスクリーム・

コーンを配り居住者に楽しんでもらっています。料金は1ドル。この収益はモミジの活動に使われます。

夏期研修生ソフィー・ナガノさんは「アイスクリーム・ソーシャルで居住者の皆さんと交流できて楽しかったです。日本語を話す居住者の方から日本語を学べて嬉しいです」と話しています。

#### 敬老の日祝賀会と春祭り

これまでの敬老の日祝賀会や春祭りでは、食事、エンターテイメント、社交の機会が提供されましたが、パンデミックの規制で人が集まる催し物は延期となりました。これらの催し物の大切さを重んじるSALCは、居住者一人一人を訪問してお祝いをしました。敬老の日には居住者全員に手作りのカード、どら焼き、お祝いの弁当を、春祭りには鉢植えの植物とお菓子を贈り、楽しんでいただきました。経費を補うために寄付をされたミカ・ローさん、マユミ・マエムラさん、ジョイス・シモダ・ムーアさんにお礼を申し上げます。

### サポートサービスからの お知らせ

シヴォンヌ・モデステ、  
サポートサービス、コーディネーター

パンデミックはサポートサービス提供の構造を大きく揺らぎました。

モミジ居住者とその家族の皆さんは、いつものPSWの顔が見られないことに気づかれたでしょう。それは、接触の機会を最小限にするためにサービスが減り、感染拡大の可能性を抑えるためにPSWが各階ごとに分かれて配置されているからです。

グループによるフィジオセラピーも当面は停止となり、ウェルネスルームには一度に3人しか入れません。人との距離を保つためにケアの提供方法を変える必要が生じています。今後も続くかもしれませんが、私達は皆様の安全のために最善を尽くします。

マスクに隠れた皆さんの笑顔が見られないのは残念ですが、明るい眼差しを見るだけでも厳しい時期を乗り越えて行けると信じています。

将来の贈り物が有意義な形で生かされると思えることで安らぎを感じられるでしょう。遺贈は計画性と税優遇のある寄付です。遺言書に財産の一部や残留分の寄付提示、あるいは特記ができます。

#### 新規職員

モミジのパーソナル・サポート・ワーカー（PSW）に新たに二人が加わりました。ジャマイカ出身のドナさんは、モミジの居住者や職員の親切で敬意を払う態度を嬉しく感じ楽しく働いています。結婚して3人の子供のいるサンドラさんは、安全で働きやすい職場で職員の支えを受け感謝しているそうです。

また、クライアント・サービスのプログラム・ワーカーとして新たに加わったムナさんは、オーブンドアのデスクで月曜・火曜日に食事・送迎プログラムを担当します。ムナさんは昨秋、夏季研修生でした。

### 皆様の寄付に感謝します

新型コロナウイルスはファンドレイジングの活動に大きな影響を及ぼしました。モミジの収益に欠かせないバザー、ポウラソン、ヤードセール、ジャポニカセールが、それぞれ2回キャンセルされました。幸いに熱心なボランティアの方々のアイデアで、主に居住者とその家族を対象とした小規模な催し物が実現し、多少の資金が集まりました。そのうちの二つは2020年バザーの準備をするボランティアの方々によって実現しました。

バザーのような大規模な催し物は多くのボランティアによる何ヶ月も前からの準備が必要です。前もって作られたまんじゅうとパイの生地・詰め物がバザーのキャンセルにより保存されたままでしたが、9月にパイの生地・詰め物が販売され、12月にまんじゅうが販売されました。そのほか、居住者・職員を対象に衣服と本の販売もありました。人との距離を保つために予約による人数制限が必要でした。これらの第三者による販売の収益は\$2,000以上になりました。

N95マスク6,000枚を目指したクリスマス募金運動で多くの方々から寄付があり、募金額は過去最高の\$70,000になりました。コロナ禍で経済的影響を受けているの方々が多い中、沢山の寄付が集まり心より感謝しています。

### マイルストーン誕生日

特別なお誕生日おめでとうございます

2020年9月1日～2021年6月15日)

モミジ・シニアレジデンス

キミエ・クラモトさん（102歳）

キミ・ミヤイさん（101歳）

ユキオ・オデさん（100歳）

タエコ・タイ・サトウさん（102歳）

ノリコ・タテミチさん（102歳）

カズコ・ウメモトさん（107歳）

マサコ・ヨシダさん（100歳）

マカサロッジ

マサコ・ホンダさん（105歳）

イーホン

ツルコ・スミさん（102歳）

### おくやみ

ご遺族の皆様にご心よりお悔やみを申し上げます

（2020年9月1日～2021年6月15日にご逝去）

モミジ・シニアレジデンス

- チエコ・エンドウさん
- ヒデユキ・イオイスさん
- テルコ・カワグチさん
- ベン・クニヒロさん
- イエンチェ（パール）・リーチエンさん
- チヨコ・サクラさん
- リリアン・ツジさん

マカサロッジ

- トヨコ・ナカタさん

イーホン老人ケアセンター

- サム・フクザワさん
- ジョセフ・ナカムラさん
- トシエ・ノダさん
- シゲ・ワダノさん





By Cassandra Watanabe, Marketing Assistant (Summer Student)

Momiji is more than just a building located at 3555 Kingston Road, it's a place that's committed to helping the local community, especially during these challenging times. Kiyoshi Dembo, Momiji's very own Community Programs Coordinator, and many volunteers have been working hard to create programs that keep the seniors in our community active and social. Kiyoshi and his Yee Hong volunteers run weekly sing-alongs via Zoom for seniors in the Yee Hong Japanese unit. The volunteers who run this program play live piano and ukulele and share fun YouTube videos as well with the support from Yee Hong activation workers. All those who attend these sessions can sing-along to the music from the comfort of their activation room with enough social distancing and is an easy way to have fun online.

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Food has been a great way to connect with each other during this past year. Momiji has helped by subsidizing the cost

of delicious meals for the seniors in our community. Foods like Ozoni and Osechi are kindly made by the Yee Hong Kitchen with regular, cut-up, and minced texture and the special green tea cake and ice cream are provided by the Nakamura bakery, a favourite of Chinese and Japanese residents. These special treats were made for special occasions like Valentine's Day, Chinese New Year's, and finishing two doses of the COVID-19 vaccination at Yee Hong Scarborough Finch!

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Since community congregate dining wasn't feasible due to the pandemic, there has been food delivery programs in place, like the Japanese bento deliveries from the Ginko Japanese restaurant and the Zero Sun restaurant. Along with the bentos, there's also a Japanese grocery and delivery service from Heisei Mart. Community Congregate dining clients are able to order their favourite Japanese grocery

items and get them easily delivered to their door.

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To help those who are having trouble connecting during this time, there are community Zoom chats that occur up to three times a month located in the Toronto West, East, and Oakville areas. The programs available are: cooking via YouTube videos for a Japanese New Year's tea ceremony by Shinobu Yajima, a Momiji volunteer; Japan Foundation's free movie programs; a list of YouTube Japanese favorite movies developed by Mr. Ryo Tamai, Momiji's IT volunteer; COVID-19 educational content and more.

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We hope that these amazing events have helped those in our community feel closer to a new "normal" and are thankful to the staff and volunteers who help make our community a better place. Momiji is happy to be a part of such a great program.

## Education Program



### THE START OF SOMETHING NEW

By Lee Mixon, Community Services Manager

Momiji's Education and Leisure programs have been bringing members of the wider community into Momiji Centre for over twenty years to participate in a wide variety of courses and workshops, from yoga to pottery to computer classes to conversational Japanese, and much more. Unfortunately, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, these programs have been suspended for over a year now in order to keep vulnerable seniors in our Seniors' Residence safe. Also, despite the vaccine roll-out, we still have no idea when we will be allowed to invite members of the wider community back into our facility again.

As a result, as many of you will already know, the difficult decision was made to not maintain the Education Department in its existing format; and our

Education Coordinator, Donna Sato, who has been the friendly smiling face of Momiji to so many Education course participants, came to the end of her tenure on March 31, 2021. Donna has been a much-valued member of our Momiji staff team for over ten years, working first at our community partner sites of Castleview-Wychwood Towers and Macassa Lodge before taking on the Education Coordinator role. Donna's many contributions to our organization and our community are greatly appreciated, and we know that you'll join us in wishing her all the best in her future endeavors. We'll miss you, Donna!

This does not mean that all of our long-standing Education courses are permanently cancelled. Once pandemic restrictions are finally lifted at Momiji, we

certainly hope we can bring some of our many popular courses and instructors back in some form, perhaps as part of our Seniors' Active Living Centre. And we have already started discussing the re-launch of some Education courses as online virtual programs.

While we still don't know when we'll be able to hold indoor gatherings again, or what the post-pandemic "new normal" will look like, we will do our best to keep our community of former Education course participants informed. Thank you for your support of Momiji in the past, and we greatly look forward to seeing you back here sometime soon!

# VOLUNTEER POSITIONS AVAILABLE

## Shopping Volunteer

**Wednesdays,  
9am-11am**

Assist Clients with their grocery shopping at the nearest store.

**Wednesdays,  
1pm-3:30pm**

Assist staff with the grocery shopping for clients

## Volunteer Drivers

Drive seniors to medical and non- medical appointments, using their own vehicles.

## Meal Assistant

**Wednesday,  
11:30am-1pm**

Serve hot meals to seniors for the Congregate Dining Program (Western Lunch).

## Activation Assistant

Assist with a variety of social and recreational programs for seniors.

## Volunteer Receptionist

**Work a half to whole day per week during office hours**

Answer the phone, greet and assist the senior residents and visitors, and helping staff with clerical duties.

To volunteer : please contact Volunteer and Learning at [volunteering@momiji.on.ca](mailto:volunteering@momiji.on.ca)  
OR (416) 261-6683 ext. 234



## Support Services

By Shivonne Modeste, Coordinator, Support Services

The pandemic has shaken up the way we do things in Support Services!

If you live at or visit family at Momiji, you may have noticed that you do not see some of the familiar PSWs on your floor anymore but rest assured they are still a part of our Momiji team. To minimize close contact situations, we have reduced some of our services and have divided the PSWs by floor to limit any potential COVID-19 infection spread.

We have also temporarily stopped group physiotherapy so that no more than three people are in the Wellness Room at any given time. Being able to maintain a

safe social distance has caused us to look at how we do things and going forward it may continue to impact how we provide care service, however, we will continue to do our best and keep everyone as safe as possible.

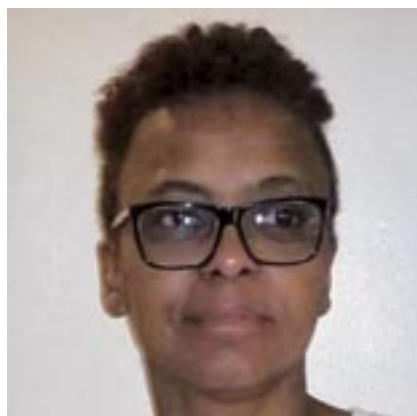
We miss seeing everyone's friendly faces, but keep smiling at us with your eyes and we will get through these tough times!

### WELCOME

Momiji is pleased to have recently added two new Personal Support Workers to our team: Donna and Sandra. Donna is from

the beautiful island of Jamaica and enjoys working at Momiji because she finds the staff and tenants to be friendly and respectful. Sandra is married and has three children and is grateful to be at Momiji because it is safe and comfortable and the staff are great and very supportive.

We were also fortunate to be able to add Muna to our team as our Program Worker – Client Services. Muna is looking after the meal and transportation programs and can be found at the Open Door desk on Monday and Tuesday. She may look familiar – she worked here last Fall as a Summer Student.



Donna



Sandra



Muna



## TECHNICAL SUPPORT PROGRAM FOR MOMIJI'S CAREGIVERS

By Renée Asselin, Geriatric Social Worker (Summer Student)

Since the beginning of April, three Momiji tenants, Mrs. Hirano, Mrs. Osako and Mrs. Fukuma, have been developing digital literacy skills through the Caring for Aging Relatives Group (CARG) tablet program developed by the Alzheimer Society of Toronto (AST). This is a pro-active Tablet Literacy Program for caregivers of people living with a cognitive impairment, and are isolated without access to virtual supports during the COVID-19 pandemic. The AST provided tablets to the caregivers in order to facilitate participation in virtual programming towards their respite needs. The participants have been meeting weekly to learn how to use their tablets with the help of Ryo Tamai, a volunteer at Momiji who has been trained by the AST to facilitate these sessions. Ryo has been teaching the participants how to successfully access and safely use the internet, navigation apps, and their email, along with how to

download desired apps. Finally, the participants are learning how to navigate the AST, Toronto Dementia Network and Momiji Health Care Society's websites independently.

We spoke with Ryo, who expressed certain challenges he faced with the online, group teaching process within the senior population. Compared to the knowledge young people have about technology, he observed that older adults were missing this knowledge because they do not have the same opportunity to use these devices. Due to this lack of experience, many of the seniors are faced with the challenge of not only learning how to use the device, but of learning the specific technical vocabulary. Another challenge the participants faced initially was the timing of placing your finger on the screen, and the sensitivity of the touch. Given that Ryo could not observe the participants in-person, this issue be-

came more significant. However, he overcame this challenge by finding touch-screen pens and tablet stands for the participants to use with their device. This is one way Ryo strives to create an optimal online educational experience that is comprehensive and reflective of the groups learning goals and needs.

The participants of the program also feel the struggle of learning online, yet all share the excitement of learning something new. Mrs. Fukuma discovered that she can access the internet using the tablet, allowing her to find the answers to any questions she has, promoting her curiosity and life-long learning. Mrs. Hirano expressed that she has struggled with the learning process, but enjoys learning how to use functions, like the camera, to take photos of her family. On the other hand, while Mrs. Osako admitted her progress feels slow, she takes the learning step-by-step and remains hopeful about what she will learn in the future. The sessions will continue on a weekly basis until the end of June.



Technical Support Program Participants: (L to R) Mrs. Osako, Mrs. Hirano and Mrs. Fukuma.  
Photo by Renée Asselin



# Accreditation

## WHAT IS A PRIMER?

Since Momiji has never applied for accreditation before, the organization is participating in an introductory accreditation program, called Primer Accreditation. In order to prepare for this designation, Accreditation Canada has provided Momiji with a Primer that contains standards which outline the requirements the organization needs to meet in order to be successful. The Primer is the same as full accreditation except Momiji is assessed against a reduced core set of standards. The Primer focuses on the building blocks of quality and safety that are part of Qmentum, which is the full Accreditation and will be our next step after obtaining our Primer Accreditation.

The Primer standards are divided into nine sections (one section does not pertain to Momiji) and Momiji has split the responsibility for meeting these standards between our various Committees:

Each Standard has specific criteria

STANDARD	COMMITTEE
Leadership	Management (MC)
Client Safety	Programs & Services (PSC)
Integrated Quality Improvement	Quality & Accreditation (QAC)
Safe and Healthy Work-life	Finance & Human Resources (FHRC)
Information Management	MC
Physical Environment & Equipment	MC & Joint Health and Safety (JHSC)
Infection Prevention & Control	PSC and JHSC
Medication Management	PSC
Safe & Appropriate Service Delivery	PSC and FHRC

that has to be met. The criteria contains measurable elements that the surveyors use to assess during the onsite visit. In addition to these Standards, there is also service-specific content that organizations need to meet. In Momiji's case, the content relates to Home Support Services and is the responsibility of the Programs & Services Committee.

As we draw closer to our November Survey, staff are working hard on meeting all of the Criteria that is outlined in each Standard. The QAC will be hosting the first of two Town Halls for our staff in the near future, giving them a feel for what will be happening during the on-site Survey. The tenants will be involved in the process closer to the actual Surveyor visit.



# Around The Building

By Carolina Yamashita, Manager, Seniors Residence

## OUR GARDEN

It is finally looking like summer! And we have some new additions to the garden as you will read about in the All Things Momiji section.

For me, the garden is a magical place where we can let our creative energy take form. There is an empty little piece of land near the "Asagao". Unfortunately, it is not deep enough to grow any plants, but we welcome ideas and suggestions to help bring life to that little space!

Also, our Maintenance Team built a new shed in the garden. This is where the garden tools will be kept so gardeners will no longer need to go inside the building to get what they need.

## ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROJECT

The energy efficiency project, which started in February 2021, consisted of replacing the light fixtures with LED in all

areas of the building, including the common areas, offices, hallways, stairways, garage, basement, laundry rooms and

more! The previous lighting caused us to spend an enormous amount of money on electricity. The change to LED is estimated to result in an energy saving of 62%. Since the installation was completed in May, we are looking forward to seeing the savings.



## BUILDING AND UPCOMING PROJECTS

In general, as the building is aging, replacements and/or renovations have taken place to the mechanical systems and piping.

And now that the energy efficiency project is complete, we will be working on replacing the washing machines and dryers. We thank all the tenants for submitting their feedback and comments about whether a flat rate should be charged for laundry or if we should keep the coin system. Based on the results, we will keep the coin system in place.

Photo by Cassandra Watanabe



## GUIDING US INTO THE FUTURE – MOMIJI'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Brian Kai

Momiji's Board of Directors leads the organization according to our vision, mission and values. The Board ensures that Momiji continually reflects and responds to the needs of the community and reaches its goals as an organization. Our nine member Board is made up of individuals from many different professions. They may have different reasons for being on the Board but one thing remains

the same – they are passionate about Momiji.

At our last Annual General Meeting, we said good-bye to a long-time Board Member and we welcomed a new addition.

Mayumi Maemura was a Board member for 12 years. In addition to her role on the Board, Mayumi who has a true passion for “all things Japanese” created our Japonica event which has raised almost \$60,000 since its inception in 2017. In addition to Chairing this event, she is also the Co-Chair of Momiji's Community Bazaar, having served in this role for a number of years. Although she has retired from the Board, we are fortunate that she will remain as a volunteer and is currently working with a small, dedicated team of volunteers to catalogue all of our Japanese donations. Her goal is to have an online store where items can be sold and much needed funds raised for our organization. Her work ethic and passion are second to none.

Brian Kai joins the Board and is a former network engineer at Manulife Financial, overseeing new technical installations as well as monitoring and trouble-shooting the active computer systems. Prior to that, he was a secondary school mathematics teacher at Etobicoke Collegiate. After 43.5 years in the work force, he retired at the end of 2019. Brian serves on the council of Bayview United Church as the chair of the communications team that has developed a widely attended format of a virtual worship service using Zoom. Brian and his wife Dee Dee Yatabe Piercey, live happily in North York. His mother, Sue Kai, is a resident of Yee Hong Centre for Geriatric Care (Scarborough Finch) and Brian has witnessed the strong bond of cooperation between Yee Hong and the Momiji community in both events and personnel. He has played trombone in the Advocats Big Band for nearly three decades and was in the band when it had its debut performance at one of the inaugural fund raising events for Momiji in 1991. Brian hopes to be able to contribute to the important work of the Momiji staff and volunteers.

## MOMIJI'S GARDEN

By Cassandra Watanabe,  
Marketing Assistant  
(Summer Student)

One day Louise Nagano, a Momiji tenant who is fondly known as the “Rose Surgeon,” noticed some empty spots in the south side of Momiji's garden and decided to take it upon herself to fill them. Ken Koyama, a frequent volunteer at Momiji, coordinated with Louise and graciously donated a dozen hosta plants. Ken then visited Momiji and he and Louise began planting. Once the other tenants found out about the hostas, many of them came down to the garden to help. The hostas are a beautiful addition, bringing even more life to our already blooming garden.

Special thanks to Ken Koyama for the generous donation of plants and to Louise Nagano for spearheading this project.



Hosta  
Photo by Cassandra Watanabe



# All Things Momiji

## THE 2021 MOMIJI SENIORS RESIDENCE CLIENT SATISFACTION SURVEY – AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

By Eric Hong, Executive Director

Since the onset of the COVID-19 Pandemic, Momiji has had to comply with evolving government and public health directives and limit ourselves to delivering only essential services and to impose many infection prevention and control restrictions. Our priority has been to keep everyone safe and minimize the risk of COVID spreading into Momiji and among its residents, many of whom are frail. Consequently, many Seniors Residence tenants have become isolated and have had few opportunities available to engage in activities important to their physical, social and emotional well-being.

To understand how our Seniors Resi-

dence tenants have experienced our response to the pandemic, we recently conducted a Client Satisfaction Survey. Many appreciated what Momiji has done and the fortunate outcome that Momiji has remained a safe haven through the multiple waves of the COVID pandemic spreading in the community. Some shared with us their struggle with the many restrictions placed on their lives. Still, others have helpfully let us know of improvements we need to continue to aim for.

We are reminded of the importance of access to information in the Japanese language and the need for support to access

virtual and on-line services. With more single-occupants than couples among our tenants, organized social activities are needed. While the quality of support services available is appreciated, there has been changes in the nature of services tenants are seeking as their needs have changed. Feedback on the meal program signaled a desire for more vegetables, more variety and other changes. Seniors Active Living Centre programs also received encouraging ratings in spite of its curtailment necessitated by the pandemic. A request to refresh tenants' awareness of the range of services available at Momiji has been noted.

I would like to thank all the tenants who have responded to the survey and generously shared with us their perspectives. Please rest assured that your responses are taken seriously and that we will continue to address them.



Melanie and Jennifer, helping at Momiji's Vaccination Clinic alongside Akane and Jovel.  
Photo by Scott Ohashi

## GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK

In addition to Donna, our Education Coordinator, Momiji has bid a fond farewell to several staff members:

- Radhika was our Support Services Coordinator – Operations and looked after foot care, physio programs and created the shift schedule for the PSWs.

- Cameron was one of our hard working Maintenance Workers, who began his employment at Momiji as a Summer Student.
- Melanie has returned to help Momiji many times over the past few years. During her latest stint, she reported to Keiko Hoshi, our Coordinator – Client Intervention and helped assess our English-speaking tenants with in-person appointments during the pandemic. Melanie's work ethic and agreeing to help Momiji out on short notice was greatly appreciated.
- Jennifer was a Program Assistant for the Seniors Active Living Center (SALC) and through her proactive participation, SALC was able to promote its services through various platforms. She was especially instrumental in helping to develop new initiatives during the pandemic.

Thank you for all of your hard work and we wish you the very best of luck in your future endeavours.



## MEET OUR SUMMER STUDENTS!

By Cassandra Watanabe, Marketing Assistant (Summer Student)

Momiji was extremely fortunate to receive funding again this year from the Canada Summer Jobs Grant, allowing us to hire six enthusiastic, hard-working and passionate youth. They were each asked what they liked most about working for Momiji.



Shakana

**Shakana** worked for Volunteer Services and researched ways to improve and modernize the volunteer program. She did this by creating surveys and communicating with the volunteers. “My favourite part about working at Momiji was being able to learn more about the industry and meeting the staff and residents. Everyone was extremely kind and helpful” she said.



Renée

The Geriatric Social Worker, **Renée**, updated Momiji application files, developed Zoom workshops, and supported the Momiji tenants and community members by facilitating access to appropriate services and resources. Renée stated, “My favourite part about working at Momiji was interacting with the tenants

of the Momiji Seniors’ Residence. I loved to hear the residents share their memories and interests.”



Kyle

**Kyle** was our Human Resources Assistant and assisted with hiring new Momiji staff and working on various projects for the department. Kyle’s favourite part about working at Momiji was “the people. The Momiji community has a type of comradery that is hard to come by, and this is why it was one of my favorite aspects of this job.”



Sophie

The Support Services Assistant, **Sophie**, helped the tenants with any problems they faced on a daily basis. She also updated the client files and frequently met with tenants for friendly visits and walks. “My favourite part about working at Momiji is meeting so many amazing tenants and being able to listen to their stories. I absolutely love all of the wonderful staff who I get to interact with daily,” Sophie answered.

**Jayson**, our Activity Leader for Seniors, worked in the Senior Active Liv-



Jayson

ing Centre. His job was to assist with the many daily activities that were planned for the tenants. This included Zoom classes and serving coffee and ice cream. “My favourite part about working at Momiji was the joy I was able to bring to the seniors through activities and daily conversations with them” Jayson said.



Cassandra

Our Marketing Assistant, **Cassandra**, worked in the Economic Development & Donor Relations department and did a variety of tasks like designing posters and Facebook posts, researching various projects, and brainstorming new marketing strategies. As you can see, she also wrote many of the articles in this edition! Cassandra said, “My favourite part about working at Momiji is the people! Whether it’s the tenants or the employees, there’s never a dull moment when it comes to Momiji.”

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Momiji wishes all the summer students the very best of luck in their future endeavours and thanks them for all the wonderful work they’ve done this summer.



# All Things Momiji



Kaz Umemoto

## MILESTONES & PASSAGES

### MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to these tenants who celebrated milestone birthdays between **September 1, 2020 and June 15, 2021.**

#### Momiji Seniors Residence

Mrs. Kimiye Kuramoto – 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday  
Mrs. Kimi Miyai – 101<sup>st</sup> birthday  
Mr. Yukio Ode – 100<sup>th</sup> birthday  
Ms. Tayeko Tai Sato – 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday  
Mrs. Noriko Tatemichi – 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday  
Mrs. Kazuko Umemoto - 107<sup>th</sup> birthday  
Mrs. Masako Yoshida – 100<sup>th</sup> birthday

#### Macassa Lodge

Mrs. Masako Honda – 105<sup>th</sup> birthday

#### Yee Hong Centre for Geriatric Care

Mrs. Tsuruko Sumi – 102<sup>th</sup> birthday

## PASSAGES

Sincere condolences are extended to the families of the following residents who passed away between **September 1, 2020 and June 15, 2021:**

#### Momiji Seniors Residence

Mrs. Chieko Endo  
Mr. Hideyuki Ioi  
Mrs. Teruko Kawaguchi  
Mr. Ben Kunihiro  
Mrs. Yen Che (Pearl) Lee-Cheng  
Mrs. Chiyoko Sakura  
Mrs. Lillian Tsuji

#### Macassa Lodge

Mrs. Masako Hondo  
Mrs. Toyoko Nakata

#### Yee Hong Centre for Geriatric Care

Mr. Sam Fukuzawa  
Mr. Joseph Nakamura  
Mrs. Toshie Noda  
Mrs. Shige Wadano

## FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS WANTED!

The Finance Committee is looking for volunteers to join this Committee, which meets six to eight times a year on week-

day evenings between 6pm and 8pm.

The Finance Committee's purpose is to oversee the financial affairs of Momiji Health Care Society on behalf of the Board of Directors.

If you are curious about Momiji's

finances and are interested in joining this committee, please send an email to the Chair of the Finance Committee, Dereck Oikawa at: [financecommittee2020@momiji.on.ca](mailto:financecommittee2020@momiji.on.ca).

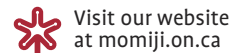
## CEMETERY PLOT FOR SALE

Although talking about dying can be uncomfortable, with a little pre-planning, you can rest assured that things will be in order for your loved ones after

you pass away. Momiji currently has one plot in beautiful Resthaven Memorial Gardens (Kingston Road and Brimley) for sale.

The plot was donated to Momiji and is for sale at a reduced price of \$5,000. The Plot allows for one traditional burial and two cremations. The proceeds from

this sale will be used to support Momiji's programs and services. If interested, please contact us in confidence at [fundraising@momiji.on.ca](mailto:fundraising@momiji.on.ca) or by calling Sheri-Lynn at 416.261.6683, ext. 259.



## Yes! I want to support Momiji with my gift of:

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Email (You are giving Momiji permission to contact you) \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to pay by: ( ) Cheque ( ) VISA ( ) MasterCard

Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date \_\_\_\_\_ CVV \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### Single Gift:

( ) \$25 ( ) \$50 ( ) \$100  
( ) Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Monthly Gift:

( ) \$10 ( ) \$15 ( ) \$20  
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