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CELEBRATING 88 YEARS OF IMPACT & CHANGING LIVES TOGETHER

Welcome to The Salvation Army's Newsletter, **Your Impact In Action**, August 2023 edition. With each edition, we aim to ignite your passion for making a difference and keep you informed about the incredible transformations happening through our collective efforts. This newsletter is a celebration of the remarkable impact we create together. From heartwarming success stories to key events and

highlights, we invite you to join us in celebrating the positive change. Your unwavering support, whether through volunteering, donations, or spreading awareness, has an immeasurable impact on those in need. Together, let's revel in the joy of making a difference and celebrate the collective power we hold to bring hope and joy to those in need.

- Editor



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LOVE BEYOND DEMENTIA

Ageing Asia 2023- World Ageing Festival

We are delighted to share that The Salvation Army Peacehaven has achieved remarkable success at the prestigious 11th Asia Pacific Eldercare Innovation Awards, held during Ageing Asia 2023 - World Ageing Festival, clinching 5 awards.

The 5 awards are:

Facility of the Year
- Rehab Health &
Wellness

Operator of the Year
- Active Ageing

Care Suite of the Year

Best Active Ageing
Programme -
Residential

Innovation of the Year -
Technology



Restaurant of Mistaken Orders: Empowering Seniors with Dementia

The Salvation Army Peacehaven proudly partnered with the pop-up café, Restaurant of Mistaken Orders, and became the first outside of Japan to do so. During the World Ageing Festival, with café founder Yukio Wada, the café popped up for two days (24-25 May 2023).

The café's distinctiveness lies in its staff, primarily composed of older individuals living with dementia from Peacehaven's residents and day programme clients. This empowering initiative aimed to raise dementia awareness and foster a kinder, more accepting society. The seniors relished their role as waiters, creating an unforgettable experience for both them and the public patrons.

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I love petting horses and just spending time with these gentle animals! These are one of the simple pleasures of life.

- Uncle Mike,
a resident of Peacehaven Nursing Home

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Enchanting Equine Encounters

Equine-Assisted Elderly Programme (EQUAL), takes our seniors to their horse stable, helping them to enhance their social-emotional development and mental well-being through equine interaction. This unique initiative fosters a sense of joy and connection as the elderly engage with these majestic creatures.



Unforgettable Fun at Peacehaven Sports Day 2023

On 10 May, our creative rehabilitation team set up enjoyable game stations, captivating our residents with fun and laughter. Special thanks to the 79 dedicated Boehringer Ingelheim volunteers who enabled 200 residents from 14 areas to participate, win prizes, and create cherished memories together. Smiles galore!

IN SPITE OF DEMENTIA... A Story About Uncle Mike

Uncle Mike's struggle with living alone grew as time passed, with his memories slipping away and leaving him disoriented and overwhelmed. Missed medications and a disastrous cooking incident heightened his nephew's concern. Determined to find a solution, Kevin, Uncle Mike's nephew, chose Peacehaven Nursing Home for its specialised dementia care and compassionate staff. Embraced by a caring team, Uncle Mike discovered a renewed sense of purpose and joy within the nursing home's walls. Engaging in activities designed to stimulate his cognitive abilities, he found solace in the companionship of fellow residents and forged connections that went beyond the boundaries of memory loss.

Witnessing his uncle's transformation, Kevin felt immense relief, seeing the sparkle return to Uncle Mike's eyes and a newfound peace settle upon his face. The support of The Salvation Army's donors ensured that Uncle Mike accessed the quality dementia care he deserved. Uncle Mike's journey at Peacehaven became a testament to the transformative power of compassionate and tailored support, preserving his dignity and well-being in an environment that celebrated his true self. While challenges may remain, Peacehaven stands as a haven where Uncle Mike's dignity and well-being are safeguarded.



INSIDER INSIGHTS

IMPROVED COGNITION

73% of the residents showed improvement in number recognition, memory, and attention

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73%

INCREASED ENGAGEMENT

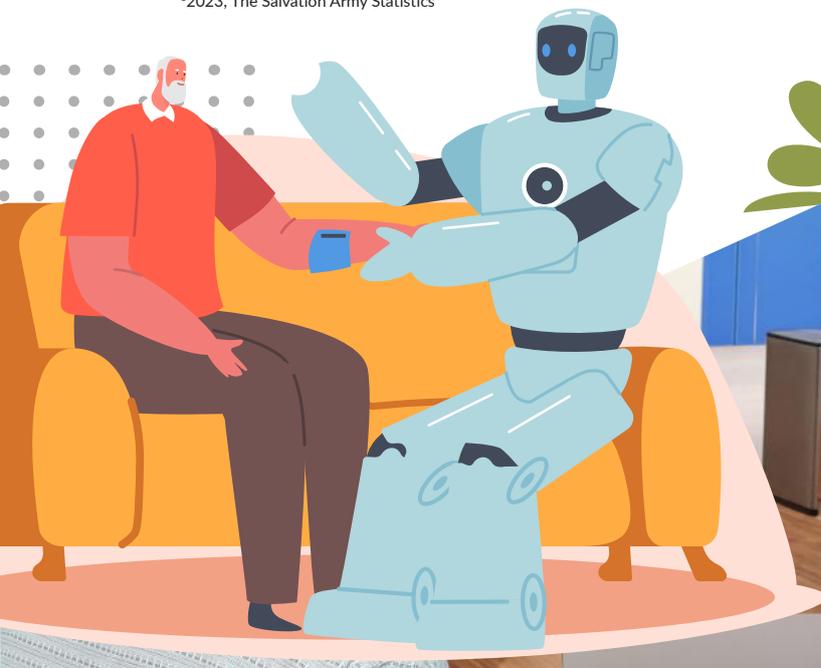
There was a 25-28% increase in resident's engagement during activities

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25%

¹2023, The Salvation Army Statistics

Did you know? Humanoids are revolutionizing dementia care in our nursing home too! As the manpower shortage continues to challenge the sector, providing quality and holistic care has become more critical than ever. Dexie, Peacehaven Nursing Home's humanoid, is offering a multi-faceted therapeutic program. From psychomotor exercises to cognitive games, music and movement sing-alongs, as well as dementia-friendly conversation, Dexie covers it all.

This innovative intervention has not only improved the residents' cognitive performance and well-being but has also alleviated the problem of manpower shortage with the introduction of technological support.



MEET DEXIE!

LOVE BEYOND BROKENESS



CHILDREN AND YOUTH GROUP (RESIDENTS)



Bringing Joy to Every Child: Community Partnerships for Children

As families excitedly planned their children's activities for the June holidays, some kids in challenging family situations wondered about their school holiday. At Gracehaven Children's Home, we believe that every child is precious. The arrival of community partnerships, like Drew & Napier LLC and SportsCare, brought immense joy to our residents. From adrenaline packed watersports and educational insights to arts and forensic science, they experienced a range of exciting activities, including competitive bowling, skateboarding, futsal, Zumba workouts, and a delightful live prata party. These initiatives brought excitement and lifted up our children during the holiday season.

We extend our invitation to other community partners, associations, and individuals to join our cause, as together, we can make a positive difference and show these children a brighter future.



EMBRACE CREATIVITY AND CHANGE LIVES!

Adopt A Budding Masterpiece!
Children of our children's home have come together and poured their hearts into creating artworks to raise funds. Join us in supporting them by purchasing their paintings.

Headover to our website find out more and support our children's home!

NP Students Strengthen Resilience of Children and Youths

On 15 June, a group of psychology students from Ngee Ann Polytechnic (NP) organised an impactful workshop for the children and youth in The Haven, equipping them with valuable skills and strategies to cope with stress. Recognising the significance of these skills, the workshop aimed to empower the children, enabling them to navigate life's challenges with resilience and emotional well-being. Such initiatives play a crucial role in nurturing the mental health of children, equipping them for a brighter future.



FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES

Dalgona Fun with Families

Seniors at Family Support Services came together for a dalgona fun session. The seniors had a friendly competition on who could carve out the shape from the cookie perfectly for a small prize. Everyone gave their all to make sure their cookie did not break.



CHILDREN AND YOUTH GROUP (COMMUNITY)



Baringa Unleashing Excitement at Superpark

Baringa, a business management consulting firm, sponsored a group of youths from our Youth Development Centre (YDC) for an extraordinary outing to SuperPark. The genuine warmth and companionship of the Baringa team truly touched their hearts. Thanks to Baringa's generosity and commitment, these youths were able to have fun and create happy memories away from their usual routines.



Foster Families' Hike @ Rifle Range Nature Park

Earlier this year, Gracehaven Fostering organised a delightful nature walk at Rifle Range Nature Park, bringing together foster parents and their children. As families strolled along the trail, they also played a mini treasure hunt which helped foster parents to bond. They appreciated not only the temporary escape from the concrete jungle and hectic schedules but also the sharing of fostering experiences and parenting anecdotes with one another.



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