



Fairview Parkwood
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Community News



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You are welcome here.

As a community founded in God's love for all and grounded in faith, each person is valued and respected.

We honour the spiritual dimension of the human experience and believe that with love the extraordinary is possible.

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A Year in Review



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President & CEO Message



As I reflect on the past year, Fairview Parkwood Communities has been blessed to have an entire year filled with celebrations. Some events honoured the 60th and 80th anniversaries of Parkwood and Fairview respectively, while others celebrated achievements and milestones. As President and Chief Executive Officer, I am humbled to share 'this year in review' with you, as well as update you about the projects and new initiatives as we continue on our path.

First and foremost, I would like to thank two incredible people – Marion Good and Ed Nowak - for their service to Fairview Parkwood Communities as they finished their tenure with the Board of Directors in June.

Both served on several committees including the Executive Committee, Marion as the Board Chair and Ed as the Vice-Chair. Through their leadership, Fairview Parkwood Communities persevered through the pandemic, fostered growth at both campuses and positioned the organization to continue the journey to "Build a Community for All". Words cannot express my appreciation for your vision, expertise and dedication. Thank you.

As Marion and Ed complete their terms, we are pleased that Bob Shantz has been nominated to Board Chair and Brent Horst to Vice-Chair. We are grateful Ed is remaining with the Board as Co-Chair (non-voting).

I would also like to welcome Jennifer Gleeson to the Board of Directors. Jennifer brings a diverse background to the Board as an advocate for individuals with developmental disabilities, family and community health programs including her work with the Canadian Mental Health

Association of Waterloo Wellington.

I am also pleased to share new growth within Fairview Parkwood Communities. In September 2023, Fairview joined together with Craigwiell Gardens to establish a Shared Services Group. Financial support services were initiated in April and the Craigwiell Gardens Board of Directors has expanded the scope to include the full range of services including finance, administration, building management and care & services. We are excited to be working with the Craigwiell team as we start this new partnership.

I don't want to lose sight of the ongoing construction projects at Parkwood and Fairview. The Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments at Parkwood continue to be on schedule, with an anticipated opening in the spring of 2024. If you would like to see pictures of the construction, please visit the gallery on the Parkwood Seniors Community website at parkwoodmh.com/capital-campaign/gallery/.

Fairview Seniors Community also celebrated the official ground breaking of the long-term care home expansion of 108 beds. When complete, the home will accommodate 192 residents. Construction has started and is anticipated to finish in spring 2026.

Finally, I express my sincere gratitude to the Board of Directors for their leadership and dedication. And a special thank you to the Delegates and our 23 supporting congregations for your prayer, involvement and support.

Wishing you a healthy holiday season and new year.

In kindness and with gratitude,
Elaine

Fairview Parkwood Communities are faith-based campuses of care and services operated by a Board of Directors responsible to 23 local Mennonite and Brethren in Christ Churches.



March 1, 2023: Most Admired Culture

Fairview Parkwood Communities was named one of Canada's Most Admired Cultures by Waterstone Human Capital Management. This award recognizes best-in-class Canadian organizations for having cultures that help enhance performance and sustainability.



March 30, 2023: Honouring Our Legacy

Fairview and Parkwood celebrated the anniversaries listening to favourite memories at the Retirees Luncheon, guided by Tim Kennel.



April 14, 2023: Meet Rosie the Robot

Fairview Parkwood Communities welcomed Rosie the Robot to the Fairview Parkwood Communities team.

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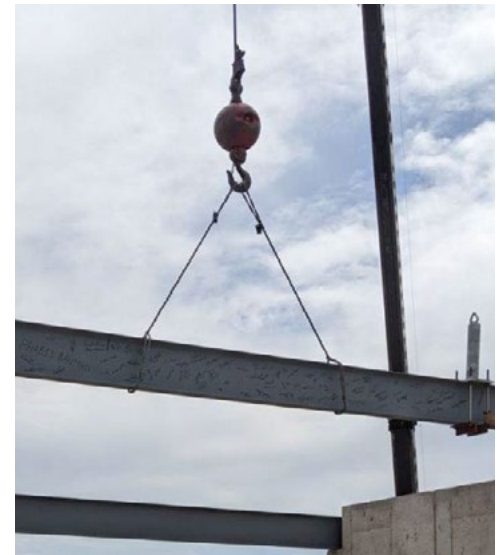


June 2 – June 4, 2023: Walk the Kindness Way



Walk the Kindness Way expanded the trek to include the 'Legacy of Leadership' and 'Legacy of Faith'. Thank you to everyone who supported the Walk.

Pictured above, left to right: Barry Roth, Phyllis Roth, Marilyn Brubacher & Paul Brubacher.



June 14, 2023: Annual General Meeting and Beam Signing

Board, delegates and partners signed the final beam for the Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments at the Annual General Meeting.



June 21, 2023: 2023 Bean Bag Baseball Championships

Residents 57 – Leadership Team 31, need we say more?



September 16, 2023: Anniversary Gala

Gathering of dignitaries, partners, residents and friends to celebrate the 60th and 80th anniversaries of Parkwood and Fairview to raised \$69,000. Pictured above, left to right: Rick Martin, General Manager, Platinum Dinner Sponsor, Gala Anniversary Celebration, and Bardish Chaggar, MP, Waterloo; Puneet Khanna, President and CEO of CareRx, Presenting Sponsor, Gala Anniversary Celebration.



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September 29, 2023: Ground Breaking

Minister of Long-Term Care, Stan Cho, joined with other dignitaries, residents, families and team members to break ground for the Fairview long-term care expansion. Stay tuned for updates.

Pictured above, left to right: Heather Congdon, Executive Director, Fairview Mennonite Homes; Elaine Shantz, President and CEO, Fairview Mennonite Homes; Bob Shantz, Board Chair, Fairview Mennonite Homes; Karen Redman, Regional Chair, Waterloo Region; Stan Cho, Minister of Long-Term Care; Brian Riddell, Cambridge MPP; Jan Liggett, Mayor, Cambridge, and Corey Kimpson, Ward 3 Cambridge Councillor.



October 22 – 25, 2023: Accreditation

Accreditation was successfully accomplished for the long-term care, home & community and governance, achieving 670 of the 671 standards. Congratulations to the team for this great accomplishment.

November 22, 2023: Accreditation Recognition

The Board of Directors congratulates team members for their accreditation achievement.

As you consider your year-end donations...

With the season of giving upon us during our 60th Anniversary, we hope you will consider a donation to help us provide affordable housing for seniors for the next 50 years in the Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments.

Every gift, no matter the size, will become part of our legacy of kindness and will help us to reach the top of our fundraising goal. We are so close, with \$183,000 left to raise toward our \$7.5 million fundraising goal.

Donations may be made by cheque, credit card, etransfer or by phone.

*Thank you for your generous support toward
Building a Community for All.*



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Fairview and Parkwood are registered charitable non-profit corporations.

Your gifts are important to us.

Please consider us as you plan gifts for the year.

How Can you Contribute?

- **Volunteer!** Our volunteers are a great asset at Fairview Parkwood Communities and new volunteers are warmly welcomed. Contact volunteer coordinators at volunteer@fairviewmh.com or volunteer@parkwoodmh.com
- **Support a fundraiser!** Throughout the year there are craft sales, auctions, events and more – your contribution helps fund enhanced services.
- **Donate!** Your donations are received with gratitude. Visit our websites to learn more.
- **Parkwood Affordable Housing.** The Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments at Parkwood will offer 28 affordable housing apartments. Consider making a year-end contribution to help us reach our fundraising goal. For more information, please see the ad above or [visit the website](#).
- **Leave a Legacy.** Bequests in your will can make a big difference. A simple option is to give through Abundance Canada: abundance.ca (formerly Mennonite Foundation of Canada).

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