

Fairview News

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small seeds of 
GRATITUDE
will produce a
HARVEST of HOPE



Fairview Carnival June 2018



Fairview enjoyed a bright and sunny day for our carnival afternoon. Games, prizes, ice cream and music filled the day with fun. A few folks even donned our colourful sombreros as shelter from the heat. We had residents from the apartments, long term care and the suites along with community visitors from as far as Scotland attend!





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From the Administrator

"To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven..." - so wrote a wise person some 3,000 years ago.

Of late this verse from Ecclesiastes has been on my mind. While hiring and retiring don't appear on the list, they can well be considered "seasons" of modern life and I reflect on that as my season here at Fairview comes to its end.

I started here on July 28, 2008 as a very "green" Administrator. This was my first ever position in day-to-day operations. Today I shudder at how little I knew. I am grateful for the patience and support of my colleagues.

The years have flown by and I have many good memories to take away. Of course, there have been challenges along the way, and times both trying and sad, but these fade into the background when I consider the many ways that working here has been fun, rewarding and satisfying. So, it is with respect, gratitude and affection that I want to thank so many people:

Our Front Line staff, for the TLC you give to our residents, community users and visitors, plus the excellence you bring to your work. To you goes much of the credit for the multitude of compliments paid to me about our care of residents and the quality of our programs.

Our volunteers, for the countless things you do so generously to benefit Fairview (with a special shout-out to our Auxiliary);

The Management Team, both past and present. For how you ensure things run so well - you have made my job easy – truly!

The Business Office staff, for their continual support and patience with me; and

Tim Kennel, for taking the risk of hiring me. For consistently "having my back," for being a great sounding board and encourager – always – and for letting me be me.

It has been a privilege and a blessing to work in a Christian faith-based organization. I have treasured my time working in a place that was "safe" to be Christian. Along the way I have learned much about Mennonite faith and its ways, and have deepened my experience of the 2nd Great Commandment: to love your neighbour as yourself.

That brings me to our residents. I cannot close without thanking you.

Quite a bit has been made over my daily "rounds" during breakfast! I confess that I made this part of my routine for selfish reasons: as a way to learn and match names with faces. Saying "good morning" to everyone in the dining rooms looked like an efficient way to memorize who is who. It is!

Somewhat to my surprise this daily exercise turned out to be a great way for me to start my day. What came as a *complete* surprise was how much residents, and even staff, appreciated it. Over the years this morning routine has been a real source of affirmation to me; and I am certain that *I* am more blessed, than blessing, because of it.

So, I close with heartfelt words of thanks to you – and to God – for this marvelous season of my work life. How blessed I am! I feel some sadness as I leave but every season has its "time" and I look forward to the season of my life that is soon to begin.

I will miss you all. I wish you all the best and many blessings in the future. I pray that God will continue to bless Fairview in the future as He has in the past.

Jim Williams; Fairview Administrator



Retirement Tea

It is with personal regret but warm wishes that I announce the retirement of Jim Williams, effective September 28, 2018.

When he retires, Jim will have completed 10 years of service to the Fairview community. His warm, friendly demeanor with residents and team members is evident in his walk-about through the Home each morning. His presence at events, teas and barbecues are always marked with a keen interest in those present, and of course a bit of humor. Jim's role as Administrator is more than a job; it has been a calling.

There will be opportunities for you to wish Jim your best:

Please join in celebrating both Jims dedication to Fairview and his retirement:

Thursday, September 27th

2:00 – 4:00 Fairview Auditorium

We will honor Jim for his contribution and care of our community.

**Kindly RSVP to Reception by
September 10th**

Everyone Welcome.

Additional opportunities for family and friends of Suites/Long Term Care residents to send your best wishes:

**Monday September 24th - 2:30 pm
Suites Dining Room**

**Wednesday September 26th - 2:00 pm
LTC 2nd Floor Dining Room.**

~ Elaine Shantz; Fairview CEO



Messages from CEO Elaine Shantz

More than Memories

This year Fairview is celebrating 75 years of care, service and community. To honour this milestone, I would like to invite you to attend "More than Memories" on October 22, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

This is a fundraising dinner; tickets are \$150 with a \$100 taxable receipt. This includes dinner, silent and live auction, a guest speaker and wonderful fellowship.

Spencer West of ME to WE will speak on "Redefining Possible: Lessons for Overcoming Obstacles". As we share the journey, we realize the need to change the future of dementia care. At Fairview we are developing a Plan, with internal and external partners, that will enhance resident centred care for those experiencing dementia, now and in the future. This will include programming, education and physical environment. The proceeds from this event will be used to roll out and move our Plan forward.

The ways in which you can participate are: Purchase a ticket and join us for the event; make a donation for the silent auction; or a financial contribution to this very worthwhile initiative.

We are excited to celebrate 75 years; it would be great to have you join us. See posters and insert for further details.

New Executive Director

I would like to announce the appointment of Steve Pawelko to the position of Executive Director for Fairview Seniors Community. Steve will be joining us on October 1, 2018. He is replacing Jim Williams who is retiring on September 28, 2018.

Steve Pawelko comes to Fairview Seniors Community from Hilltop Manor in Cambridge, a 185 bed Long Term Care peopleCare home. His current position is Executive Director. Steve has a wealth of experience in Long Term Care, Retirement Living and Human Resources.

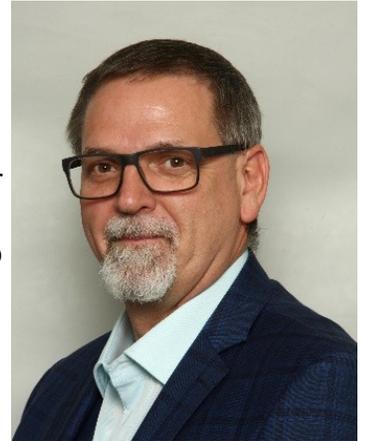
Steve is a lifetime resident of Cambridge (Preston). He is married to Brenda and they have two adult children. Most recently Steve completed a certificate in Elder Law from Osgoode Law School and is a current Board member of Cambridge Memorial Hospital.

Steve is excited to join our community; he sees this as a once in a lifetime opportunity to serve the Fairview and Preston communities. He is known for building relationships with residents and team

members. He is a leader who loves to be out and about in the home engaging with residents and front line team members.

I am very pleased Steve has agreed to join our team and look forward to welcoming him in October.

~ Elaine Shantz; CEO



Fairview & Parkwood Anniversary Fundraiser:
Advancing Dementia Care
 MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2018 AT BINGEMAN PARK, KITCHENER
 6:00 pm Doors Open (Silent Auction, Refreshments) / 7:00 pm Dinner

SEEING BEYOND DEMENTIA
More than Memories

GUEST SPEAKER: Spencer West; ME to WE
Redefining Possible: Lessons for Overcoming Obstacles

Per Person \$150
Table Sponsor \$1,100

A fundraising event to advance dementia care at Fairview and Parkwood Senior Communities
 Tax receipt provided for a portion of your donation: Individual Ticket – \$100 / Table Sponsor – \$700

For Tickets:
 Fairview: 519-653-5719
 Parkwood: 519.885.4810 ext. 330

News and Notices

Attention Suites Family Members and Tenants:

Please remember to sign out (or sign your loved one out) when leaving the building in order to help staff know residents location.

This is a measure put in place to ensure the safety of all residents. We appreciate your kind assistance in helping ensure the safety of each resident.

With thanks
The Suites Staff

Posters, Posters, Posters!

There is no doubt, we have MANY posters in and around Fairview! There are worse problems to have, we definitely do not lack in things to keep us entertained!

In order to organize our posters and keep relevant information in the correct location Fairview follows the guidelines below;

- Only posters referencing Fairview programs and services will be posted on the main Apartment Lobby board and on the Apartment building floors. **Any other posters will be removed.** (Some special cases MAY be permitted with approval from either Christine Normandeau or Sarah Feeney-Martin).
- Posters sharing information about Community events, services or items for sale are placed on the Community Board located beside Café 515. Posters for this board must be approved, signed and dated by reception.
- No posters should be taped in the elevators unless prior approval is received (approval requests directed to Christine Normandeau or Sarah Feeney-Martin)



For your safety

If you are a “walker” and enjoy strolling through the Villa area it is advised to stay on the sidewalk as you travel along the driveway. There is a blind corner on the driveway which can be very dangerous for folks walking along the edge without sidewalk!

Recycling Notes!

A few weeks ago the Region of Waterloo asked businesses and residents to reduce their water use by 10%. This is a reminder of how important it is to preserve this vital resource.



Additionally, a recent news release also asked residents to be more careful in recycling. Contaminating items often found in Fairview blue bins are - styrofoam, soiled paper, all kinds of food wrappers, electronics (these should be recycled in separate streams), dishes, yogurt tops and various items. If you are unsure, labels on each bin easily describe what belongs in them.

Fairview also provides bins for battery and light bulb disposal, located in the main floor garbage and recycling room.



Time change!

**2:00 AM
November 4**

Fall behind 1 Hour

RESIDENT CHANGES



Welcome to residents who have settled into their new homes during the past three months. May these changes bring comfort, peace and joy in the years to come.

Fairview Mennonite Home

Helen C.	Preston	Dolores G.	Galt
Lillian H.	Galt	Shirley J.	Blair
Robert K.	Hespeler	Margaret M.	Hespeler
Sandy M.	Blair	Gillies P.	Hespeler

Fairview Apartments

Ann B.	Floor 8	Jantje G.	Floor 8
Lloyd R.	Floor 4	Bernice S.	Floor 5
Jerry & Maria S.	Floor 2		

Fairview Court

Preston School Apartments

Barb B.	Floor 3	Ladislau P.	Floor 3
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Fairview Suites

Betty A.	Floor 3	Bea A.	Floor 3
Vivien H.	Floor 3	Helen H.	Floor 3
Betty M	Floor 2	Gerhard S.	Floor 2

Fairview Villas

RESIDENT NEWS



Fairview Apartments

Floor 1

Miriam Cressman writes: Because my sense of equilibrium is not ideal, I've not taken many bus tours; but when my brother, Bob, suggested a mystery garden tour, I couldn't say no. We drove through verdant green farmlands on secondary roads, through little villages and hamlets. The little tour of Sparta on Quaker Road was the first stop. Here we had lunch at an "ancient" restaurant, visited a blacksmith shop and museum and several art galleries.

"Winter Wheat," also at Sparta, is a unique whimsical garden situated among stately pine trees. Paths went through the forest with oases of hydrangeas, lilies and hostas centered by with sculptures. Did you ever see a crow play a piano? At a farm just north of Port Stanley, we learned how to plant, harvest and tend lavender. Each plant is planted separately and survives for 20 years. The flowers are used to flavor jellies and jams and even mustard. They are placed in little sachets (which are used anywhere moths are a nuisance) and in candles. The plants are trimmed by hand; can you imagine the back breaking work of harvesting many acres of lavender each year?

Dorothy Shantz writes: Hats off to a British war bride and a Canadian pilot in World War II – named Jean and George Stevens. They recently celebrated their seventy third wedding anniversary. Enjoying life on the 1st floor amid outdoor flower gardens, they bravely carry on!

Floor 2

Lydia Froklage writes: It is already a while ago, but on June 20, I was able to attend a concert given by Crescendo Choir, thanks to my son who picked me up. This is a "Special Education Choir" from the Waterloo Region District School Board. I have a grandson Markus who has Down syndrome and I have attended this concert for several years. More than 25 years ago, this started by a teacher, Bruce Fitzgerald, who would bring his guitar to school and have a "jam session" with his special ed students to have a little fun. It has grown into the Waterloo Region Special Ed Choir and now has 150 young people both current students and alumni.

Our Markus is 24 years old and is thus alumni. Students from elementary and secondary plus alumni from Waterloo District School board attend and are led by staff and volunteers who have a passion for music and students. This concert was at Huron Heights Secondary School and the auditorium was packed! The kids all came in their Happy Colours t-shirts. Red, orange, blue, green and yellow, and all looked and wave to their parents. All 150 sing, and sing they do. They sing about feeling good, about Canada, about love, and to believe in yourself.

This choir is unique, because they also sing in sign language. They practice all year except for the summer months at Glencairn Mennonite Church. They are made welcome and are very supported. They perform in cultural events, retirement homes, and sport events. I would like to give a standing ovation for all the leaders who give so much of themselves for our special young people.

RESIDENT NEWS



Floor 4

Reporter: John & Henny Hunnensen

John and Henny Hunnensen write: We would like to extend a warm welcome to our new neighbour, Lloyd Rickey. We wish our neighbour, Rosemary Astley, who is has been ill, a speedy recovery. Alice Kehl, our former neighbour has moved to Twin Oaks of Mary Hill. We have her address to share if you would like to contact her or send well wishes.

For Beauty

Thank you, God, for the beauty around me everywhere,

The gentle rain and glistening dew, the sunshine and the air.

The joyous gift of feeling the souls soft whispering voice

That speak to me from deep within and makes my heart rejoice.

Shirley Elliot shares:

A prayer for today

This is the beginning of a new day. God has given me this day to use as I will. I will use it for good because I am exchanging a day of my life for it. When tomorrow comes, this day will be gone forever, leaving in its place something I have traded for it. I want it to be gain, and not loss; good and not evil; success and not failure; in order that I shall rejoice in the price that I paid for it.

I shall pass through this world but once. Any good therefore that I can do or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer nor neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again.



HAPPY THANKSGIVING

*Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name. Psalm 100:4*



RESIDENT NEWS



Floor 5

Reporter: Irene Felker

Evelyn Wake writes: These past few months have gone by quickly. I decided to get personally involved in the provincial election this year, because I did not want Doug Ford as our premier. While this goal was not achieved, I do not regret my efforts to help Marjorie Ann Knight as the NDP candidate. I hosted a meet and greet coffee hour in our central dining room, and those who met Marjorie were very impressed with her. Marjorie is now a friend of mine on Facebook, and we will try again to get her elected in 2022.

A friend of mine, who is also a fellow choir member, CJ Jantzen, held a garage sale at Preston Mennonite Church, with proceeds going to aid our local food bank. A number of Fairview tenants donated some items for sale there on August 18th. My sisters Gloria and Judy and myself, did what we could to aid this effort.

Later this month, on August 23rd, my Aunt Audrey Wismer and I will be zip lining along the Niagara River to the Falls. We had planned this for our 80th birthdays, but decided to move it up in case Audrey is no longer able to drive us there. The entire family is coming along, and we will be celebrating my younger sister's birthday afterwards, at the Table Rock Restaurant, overlooking the Falls. Hopefully, we will get some photos of this adventure, which we can post on the bulletin board.

Last month, I went to see the new Idea Exchange (library) which will be in the old Galt Post Office. The renovations of this building, along with the many activities now available there, are wonderful to behold. I have suggested to Sarah, our activities director, that a bus trip might be organized once their elevators are installed and operating, for which I will act as tour guide. She agreed this might be a good idea. I had to climb up and then down 400 steps in order to see all of it. There is a cafeteria which will also be open by the end of this month; and we can have some refreshments after we see everything. It was not in operation when I was there, so I treated myself to a nice supper at Café 13 across the street.

I have volunteered to be the new floor leader for Fifth Avenue, and have met both of the new tenants for whom I will host a welcome dinner later this month. Bernice Sauder and Gloria Gordon are our latest arrivals, and Sheila Bourgeois moved in a few months ago. Her welcome dinner was the first I hosted as the new floor leader.

Ruth Wenger writes: This is an old email I received back in April, 2006. Someone out there either has too much spare time or is deadly at scrabble.

When you rearrange the letters:

Dormitory – Dirty Room

Presbyterian – Best in Prayer

Astronomer – Moon Starer

Desperation – A Rope Ends It

The Eyes – They See

The Morse Code – Here Come Dots

Election Results – Lies: Lets Recount

Snooze Alarms – Alas! No More Z's

The Earthquakes – That Queer Shake

Eleven Plus Two – Twelve Plus One

RESIDENT NEWS



Ken and Marilyn Cober write: Well here we are 9 months plus since we came to Fairview and have never regretted the move. Right after we moved we were told that we were lucky to have got on the fifth floor (5th Ave to everyone on the floor) and we are surely happy with all our neighbours and how we interact and support each other. We cant help but mention the whole staff here at Fairview as being so good to us and we look forward to a long stay here and being part of a great bunch of friends.

Irene Felker writes: We welcome two new people to 5th floor. Gloria Gordon and Bernice Sauder. We will be welcoming them at a diner when the time is right for all.

In 1947 our nursing class graduated from Hamilton General Hospital. We have had a reunion every year. This year there are only two of us of 49 who are reasonably mobile. So we visited one in a nursing home in Stoney Creek. Our 71st reunion – Lots of things to remember.

Some adages...

“Forty is the old age of youth. Fifty is the youth of old age.” –Victor Hugo

“Winter is on my head but eternal spring is in my heart. I breathe the fragrances of the lilacs the violets and the roses as at 20 years ago. The more I approach the end the plainer I hear the immortal symphonies of the worlds which invite me” – Victor Hugo

Bits and pieces...

“it ain’t no sin to take off your skin and dance by the light of the moon”

A song...

Well, I ain't a gonna need this house no longer

Ain't a gonna need this house no more

Ain't got time to fix the shingles, ain't got time to fix the floor

Ain't got time to oil the hinges nor to mingle window panes

Ain't I gonna need this house no longer I'm gettin' ready to meet the saints

by the Statler Brothers



“They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn,
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We shall remember them”



Floor 6

Alice Ryan shares:



In Praise of Hugs

I wish to make a little plug
 In favour of the common hug
 When small, the hug was always there,
 So why from this contact do we shrink?
 Worried what others might wrongly think:
 That this expression of warm affection,
 Is merely a show, an affection,
 Like kissing the air beside the face,
 A political gesture. A false embrace?
 Im not for one moment going to suggest,
 You clasp passing strangers to your chest!
 But a timely hug can often convey
 Much more than words could ever say

~ Ms. M.K. Surrey

John Childs writes: Agnes and I had a pleasant surprise in mid July. Our two sons came to visit us on our 58th wedding anniversary. What made their visit so unique, aside from the occasion, was that they actually showed up together. The last time they made it as a pair was about seven years ago. We do see them individually every so often, but generally not in each other's company. Robert, a Petty Officer in the navy, has been stationed all over Canada and not always able to be here the same time as his brother. John, the elder of the two, lives in Montreal. He does get down here often enough, but generally on his own. It is always good to see them, but it would be far nicer if their paths did cross a bit more often.

Reflecting

Moving forward, looking back,
 As we trudge the well worn track.
 Thinking what we would have done,
 Could have done, should have done.
 But we are too far down the trail
 To wonder if we gain, or fail,
 Or what we own, or what we lack,
 Moving forward, looking back.



Floor 7

Reporter: Ruth Hess

Who Is My Neighbour?

Little 13 year old Nora crept close to her parents bedroom door so she could hear her parents, Jacob and Ida Randall having a very serious discussion. Their neighbour George Stremmel's wife had T.B. and had to go to the Freeport Sanatorium for a prolonged treatment. George was particularly concerned for the baby, 9 month old Martha. Who would care for her?

Then he thought of his good neighbours, the Randalls. They already had one of their own children, and a baby requires a lot of care. At this point, Nora burst into the room and exclaimed, "I'll help!" Martha become very much a part of the Randall family.

Now, many years later at Mearl Steckley's funeral luncheon, I happened to sit beside this lovely, very beautiful woman. It was Martha! A great tribute to the love and care she had received from caring neighbours. Jacob Randall also expressed his neighborly concern by giving George the use of his farm implements until such time as he could get his own.

The Randalls inspired me with the way they lived the second commandment "to love your neighbour as yourself."

Ruth Hess

The Dash

I read of a man who stood to speak
at a funeral of a friend.
He referred to the dates on her tombstone
from the beginning...to the end.

He noted that first came the date of birth
and spoke of the following date with tears,
but said what mattered most of all
was the dash between those years.

For that dash represents all the time
that they spent alive on earth...
and now only those who loved her
know what that little line is worth.

For it matters not, how much we own;
the cars...the house...the cash.
What matters is how we lived and loved
and how we spend our dash.

So think about this long and hard;
are there things you'd like to change?
For you never know how much time is left
(You could be at "dash mid-range.")

And be less quick to anger,
and show appreciation more
and love the people in our lives
like we've never loved before.

If we treat each other with respect
and more often wear a smile...
remembering that this special dash
might only last a little while.

So when your eulogy's being read,
with your life's actions to rehash...
would you be proud of the things they say
about how you spend your dash?

~James Stanley



Floor 8

Reporter: Jan Koole

Jan Koole shares:

Thanksgiving.

Thank You God, for everything, the big things and the small,
 For every good thing comes from God, the Giver of them all.
 And all too often we accept, without any thanks or praise.
 The gifts God sends as blessings, each day in many ways,
 And so at this time, we offer up a prayer.
 Thank you God, for giving us, a lot more than our share,
 First, Thank You for the little things, that often come our way.
 The things we take for granted, and don't mention when we pray.
 The unexpected courtesy the thoughtful kindly deed.
 A hand reached out to help us, in the time of sudden need.
 O, make us more aware, dear God, of little daily graces.
 That's come to us with sweet surprise from never dreamed of places.
 Then Thank You for the miracles we are much too blind to see.
 And give us new awareness of our many gifts from thee.
 And help us to remember that the reason for life and living,
 Is to make each prayer a prayer of thanks, And each day a day of thanksgiving.

Think about this, you may not realize but it is true.

1. At least 15 people in this world love you in some way.
2. A smile from you can bring happiness to some one even if they don't like you.
3. Every night someone thinks about you.
4. You may mean the world to some one.
5. If it was not for you, some one may not be living.
6. You are special and unique.
7. Have trust sooner or later you will get what you wish for.
8. When you make the biggest mistake ever something good can still come from it.
9. When you think the world has turned his back to you, take a hard look. You most likely turned your back on the world and the people who love and care for you.
10. Some one that you don't know even exists, loves you.
11. Always remember the compliments you receive, forget about the rude remarks.
12. Always tell some one how you feel about them, you feel much better and you will both be happy.

Happy Halloween!

October 31



RESIDENT NEWS



Fairview Preston School Apartments

Gary Jordan writes:

For me, Autumn has always been a time for reflection. Another summer's gone by and winter is just around the corner. As a child, Labour Day being the unofficial end of Summer was always cause for mixed emotions. Of course the end of summer vacation from school was a bit sad but that emotion was immediately blended with the excitement of returning to school the next day to be re-united with school mates left behind at the beginning of the summer.

Melancholy, I suppose, yet somehow exhilarating at the same time. All-in-all, however, Autumn has always been my favourite time of year. I have often said, "Autumn is our reward for surviving another Summer in Southern Ontario." Suddenly the air is lighter, fresher and cooler... Ahhh, Autumn.

I have read the following piece many times over many years. I learn something new from it every time I read it.

"Take kindly the counsel of years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth."

Desiderata

Max Ehrmann, writer and lawyer (1872-1945)

Go placidly amid the noise and the haste and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible, without surrender, be on good terms with all persons. Speak your truth quietly and clearly. And listen to others, even to the dull and the ignorant, for they too have their story.

Avoid loud and aggressive persons, for they are vexatious to the spirit. Never compare yourself with others. You may become vain or bitter, for there will be always greater and lesser persons than yourself. Enjoy your achievements, as well as your plans.

Keep interested in your career, however humble. It is a real possession in the changing fortunes of life. Exercise caution in your business affairs, for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is. Many people strive for high ideals and everywhere life is full of heroism.

Be yourself. Especially, do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love. For in the face of all aridity and disenchantment, it is as perennial as the grass. Take kindly the counsel of years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth. Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with dark imaginings, for many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness.

Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself. You are a child of the universe, no less than the trees and the stars. You have a right to be there. And whether or not it is clear to you, the universe is unfolding as it should.

Therefore, be at peace with God, whatever you conceive him to be. And whatever your labours and aspirations in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace in your soul. With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy.

Seasons come and go. One after another. Over and over.

People get only four seasons in life, if we're lucky. I'm now into my very own Autumn. Like my favourite annual season, I expect to enjoy this one best of all... so far.

So that's it for me. I am outta here!



Fairview Villas

George Fast writes:

"Good Mixer's" with A Concrete Resolve to Help One Another...

The great wind blow two months ago collapsed the aged fence alongside Villa I and H, the homes of Royce Hatherley and Will Stoltz. Shown here are volunteers Royce who is spearheading this rebuild project with assistance from George Fast and Will (picture taker).



Fairview donated the building materials on the condition the foregoing would rebuild the fence. The builders in turn decided to donate the "barn board" grey materials back to Fairview as projects made from these "aged", yet sturdy pine board is in strong demand at Fairview Craft Sales. Salvageable for numerous craft wood projects, i.e. bird houses, children's toys etc for Fairview craft sales, was just under 2000 "barn board" from the old fence. This is just another example of how the management team at Fairview works together with residents to the benefit of both or to put it another way, "the community caring for it's own".

Fairview Suites

Lydia Ann Bauman writes: I would like to share some of the very enjoyable time I had in July when 32 of our family came to celebrate my 103rd birthday. We had it at our son Charlie and his wife Carols home in in Kitchener. They have a nice big lawn at the back, with lots of chairs for adults to sit on and visit, and room for children and some on trampolines.

We had food brought by all, even birthday cakes with homemade ice cream. The places they came from were some from here in our area, then Calgary Alberta, West Virginia, PA. Ohio, Indianapolis; IN, and Italy. I believe my dear husband Howard would rejoice to see our happy family, they mean so much to me. I just praise and thank God for each one, and that he made it possible.

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At the end of July Suites tenants enjoyed their annual Garden Party in Wellesley. Travelling by Fairview bus and enjoying ice cream Sundays were aspects topped only by good company and lovely weather!





Fairview Court

Reporter: Janet Clayton

Helen Aubin writes: Every year the first week of July my family and I go to a cottage in Port Elgin. As usual we had a wonderful week. Spending time with my kids and grandkids is so special. We like walking on the beach and watching the most beautiful sunsets. Also, going to the dock for ice cream and seeing all the boats. In the evenings we play cards and board games (even some cheating) is fun.. My son Don likes to beat me in cribbage.

We had the most fabulous day with brother-in-law and sister-in-law and their families, we will be looking forward to their visit next year for another week in Port Elgin.

Janet Clayton writes: May 3, HORRAY! First BBQ of the season. It rained, but our cooks decided to brave the elements and cook outside. Hamburgers were delicious - 20 residents and guest Heather Congdon, enjoyed the food and fellowship. BBQ's continue every Thursday at 5:00 pm rain or shine!

On Victoria Day long weekend we had a pot-luck bbq. 10 residents played bean bag baseball and 20 of us enjoyed a great meal, hamburgers, hotdogs, salads and pies. The weather was good and we had a great time. Canada Day Long weekend brought another pot-luck BBQ. We sure know how to have a good time. Weather was very hot and humid and felt like another "H" word, but we won't go there. We played a version of bean bag baseball, called it 'Home Run Derby' and had a lot of fun. Alice Lougheed was the big winner.

On July 17 Fairview Supplied us with a new patio table to replace the one that was damaged in a wind storm in May. Following that we enjoyed another BBQ on July 19. We had 2 rousing games of beanbag baseball. Scores were rather lopsided, but it was a lot of fun (especially for the winning team!!). We hope to continue to play after each BBQ if the weather is permitting.

At the end of July, long time courts resident, Bernice Sauder, moved to Fairview Apartments. We all wish Bernice good health and much happiness in her new home.

On August Civic Holiday 22 residents enjoyed our now famous pot-luck BBQ with lots of good eats. We played a little beanbag baseball after dinner, but the game was called due to rain. Good food, good fun and good friends, what more do you need? ... Maybe a little more money!



RESIDENT NEWS



Long Term Care

Residents enjoyed a beautiful afternoon at Lyndon's Fish Hatcheries in New Dundee on June 21st. The group of experienced fisherman (and woman!) caught 19 rainbow trout combined! The next day of course was the fish fry!



Shirley caught the biggest fish of the day!
Way to go Shirley!



Gary (Bus Driver), Victoria (Activity Specialist) and resident Antonio with a beauty trout!

Program Feature

Our residents love to bowl! We typically head to Fairview's basement to bowl two times per month. We have a ramp to get wheelchair bound residents up to the alley. There is an adaptive metal device that allows those sitting to get a straight shot down to the pins.



(Left) Alma G. throwing another strike!

(Right) Antonio C. and Bhoomi (volunteer) lining up the perfect shot!



Car Show Success

Residents and their families enjoyed a wonderful afternoon on Saturday June 16th in the front parking lot. We had a perfect afternoon of weather and many had a hot dog to top off the event!

We had a raffle draw for two summer baskets full of goodies. Thanks to Ipharm for supplying one of them! A special thanks to all the staff and volunteers who helped make this such a wonderful event – and of course to those who brought their cars & motorcycles – we had a nice variety of vehicles to look at!



Starlite Steel Band Fun!

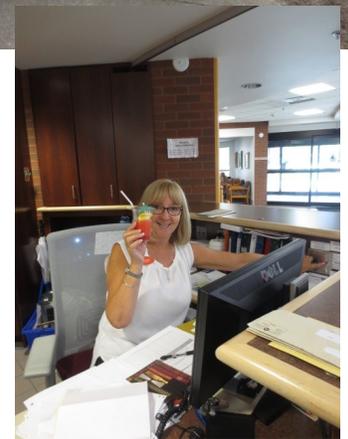
Residents enjoyed a yummy mocktail and steel drums in Galt Courtyard on August 2nd in the afternoon. We had beautiful weather and many residents and their families came out to relax with us.



LTC Patio Furniture Overhaul

We are slowly starting to replace our Patio Furniture in LTC. We have been very blessed to receive a few donations from family members. As well we've had help from all the sales over the past year to raise enough money for 4 sets. We still need another 5 sets as well as new umbrellas and seating for the 2nd floor balcony.

If you are looking to donate any funds please speak to Heidi (Activities Manager)



MILESTONES



In Memoriam

*“Blessed are they that mourn,
for they shall be comforted.”*

Matthew 5:4



Eileen Schoenfield	August 11, 1948 - September 21, 2017
Enrica Benedetti	July 2, 1920 - May 14, 2018
Lois MacIntyre	July 26, 1929 - May 15, 2018
Marie Hansen	November 30, 1929 - May 22, 2018
Elsie Nagtzaam	May 30, 1952 - June 5, 2018
Ippazia Delorenzis	September 10, 1922 - June 10, 2018
Katherine Morelli	January 1, 1937 – June 16, 2018
Margaret Hart	July 23, 1920 - June 30, 2018
Esther Wright	May 20, 1926 - June 30, 2018
Betty Moore	November 2, 1928 - July 15, 2018
Maria Gaspar	September 14, 1943 - July 23, 2018
Charles Struthers	March 15, 1932 - July 23, 2018
Mearl Steckly	March 3, 1924 - July 24, 2018
Ben (JB) Groff	July 1, 1925 - August 4, 2018

BLESSINGS



The residents of Fairview Mennonite Home maintain an ongoing passion for the world outside their doors. Donations have been presented to the following charities in the past three months:

Mennonite Church Witness
M.C.C World Relief
Hidden Acres
Mesereti Kristos Bible College
Ancora House



Christian Gleaners
Saginaw House
Heritage Bible College & Seminary
Nazereth House

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

APPLE PIE
BEANS
BREAD
CORN
CRANBERRY SAUCE
GRAVY
HAM
MASHED POTATOES
MILK
PUMPKIN PIE
ROLLS
SQUASH
STUFFING
SWEET POTATOES
TURKEY



Chicken Scratch NY

N S T U F F I N G I R L U N Y
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Scriptures of Thankfulness

1. Psalm 107:1
2. 1 Chron. 29:13
3. Daniel 2:23
4. Psalm 95:2-3
5. Phil. 4:6
6. Philemon 1:4
7. Psalm 100:4
8. Isaiah 12:4
9. 1 Thess. 5:18
10. Psalm 106:1
11. Colossians 3:16
12. Hebrews 12:28
13. Psalm 118-1-8
14. Psalm 69:30
15. Psalm 105:1
16. Colossians 4:2
17. Psalm 28:7
18. Revelation 7:12
19. Jeremiah 33:11
20. Ephesians 5:20
21. Colossians 3:15
22. Jonah 2:9
23. Rev. 4:9-11
24. Luke 22:19
25. Psalm 75:1
26. Daniel 6:10
27. Psalm 136:1-3
28. 2 Cor. 1:11
29. Psalm 30:12
30. Rev. 11:17





The Early Bird Gets the Worm!

The gentlemen of Fairview enjoyed an early morning breakfast in celebration of Fathers Day. Eggs, bacon, homemade baked beans (thanks to Christine) and Fairview's famous hash brown casserole were enjoyed by all!



Patience is what gets you to your supper at **Final Pool and Patio!** Patience, because we all know what is awaiting us - tasty burgers and sausages, FRESH corn and dessert. For the first time this summer, there was no threat of rain and the line waited amidst lovely evening air. Everyone enjoyed a great meal and music by Starlight Steel Band!

Fairview & Parkwood Anniversary Fundraiser: Advancing Dementia Care

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2018
BINGEMAN PARK, KITCHENER



Per Person
\$150

Table Sponsor
\$1,100



GUEST SPEAKER: Spencer West; ME to WE
Redefining Possible: Lessons for Overcoming Obstacles

6:00 pm Doors Open (Silent Auction, Refreshments)
7:00 pm Dinner

Statistics We Live With

25,000

The number of new cases of dementia diagnosed every year in Canada

564,000

Canadians are currently living with dementia

937,000

The number of Canadians who will be living with the disease in 15 years

1.2 million

The number of Canadians affected directly or indirectly by the disease

A fundraising event to advance dementia care at Fairview and Parkwood Senior Communities
A tax receipt will be provided for a portion of your donation: Individual Ticket – \$100 / \$1,100 Sponsorship – \$700

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