

June 27, 2023

If there is a single word I would use to describe this spring, it is momentum, energized by the commemoration of Fairview's 80th anniversary and Parkwood's 60th anniversary this year.

Walk the Kindness Way

The response to the special four-day Kindness Walk was humbling and energizing, thanks to the involvement of many of my women in leadership colleagues, as well as delegates, including:

- Barry & Phyllis Roth (Elmira Mennonite Church)
- Paul & Marylin Brubacher (Zion Mennonite Church)
- Joyce Freeman (Hawkesville Mennonite Church)

The response to the walk was beyond my expectations with a record-breaking 60 walkers, including residents, joining us – many who have walked in the event since its inception, our years ago. In addition, many residents logged their steps – to help raise nearly \$25,000. This means we have raised over \$166,000 toward our \$250,000 goal to create Healing Gardens at Fairview and Parkwood.

I want to acknowledge Board members, Brent Horst, Ruth Konrad and Ken Martin, who participated in the weekend walk, and Marion Good, past Board Chair, who supported us with nourishment and encouragement along the way. I also want to thank the many volunteers who continually improve this event for all participants.

Parkwood Fundraising Update

On June 14, we held a special luncheon, annual general meeting and celebrated a milestone in the construction of the Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments with the opportunity to sign the 'topping off' beam – the final beam to be placed at the top of the building. A few photos are included at the end of this letter.

We were pleased to hear from Mayor McCabe that Parkwood has been awarded a \$353,534.14 grant from the City of Waterloo. This joins the Region's \$1,995,000 and the support gifts of many generous donors, to bring us to \$7.1M. We are \$400,000 shy of our \$7.5M goal.

I am truly grateful for the generosity of so many who have rallied around this project. Here is a link to a news story covering the event, [by CBC](#).

I continue to meet with groups to share information about this project, including our 50-year commitment to offer affordable housing units. This includes an event on Saturday, June 24, sponsored by Breslau Mennonite Church and 55+ Group. It was a well attended event with guests showing great interest in the new building. Thanks to all who attended and to the King Street Brass band for the excellent musical entertainment.

Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments Presentation Centre

Interest in living in the new apartment building is apparent with the growing wait list for the apartments. Our presentation centre has the layouts of the one- and two-bedroom apartments which include 19 accessible apartments. Please encourage those who have expressed an interest in living at Parkwood to make an appointment soon by emailing dlma@parkwoodmh.com or calling (519) 885-4810 ext. 252.

Gala Anniversary Celebration

Presented by:



Thank you to all the sponsors who have made a commitment to support our upcoming Gala on Saturday, September 16. Funds raised will benefit the new apartment building at Parkwood and the upcoming expansion of Fairview's Long-Term Care Home. Tickets are \$200 each and include a \$50 charitable receipt.

We also thank those who have also signed up to be Legacy Sponsors and sponsors who are offering for residents and staff an opportunity to attend by sponsoring a Kindness Table. We look forward to an exciting evening. Please book your tickets by September 1, 2023 by emailing Alex Normandeau at anormandeau@fairviewmh.com or purchase them online here: fairviewmh.com/gala/ or parkwoodmh.com/gala/.

Annual Community Report

We are pleased to share our [2022-2023 Annual Community Report](#). Entitled 'A Legacy of Kindness', it reflects the wonderful *community for all* we continue to build.

I want to share my thanks and gratitude to Marion Good, who has served on the Board of Directors for nine years, the past five as Chair, and to welcome Bob Shantz as the new Chair.

Finally, thank you all for your support. I welcome your thoughts on helping us to raise the final \$400,000 to complete our Capital Campaign. Contact us at capitalcampaign@parkwoodmh.com or call phone at 519.653.6683.

With kindness,



Elaine Shantz
President & Chief Executive Officer

<https://parkwoodmh.com/news/annual-community-reports/>



Signing the ‘topping off’ beam for the new Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments at Parkwood Seniors Community in Waterloo, with Lloyd Martin, donor.

l-r: Jason Martin, MartinSimmons Architects; Don Stevanus, President and CEO, Van Del Construction; Fred Schiedel, past Board member, Fairview Parkwood Communities, Land and Building Chair, past President and CEO, Schiedel Construction; Bob Shantz, Board Chair, Fairview Parkwood Communities; Marion Good, past Board Chair, Fairview Parkwood Communities; Lloyd Martin, donor (front); Elaine Shantz, President and CEO, Fairview Parkwood Communities; Ed Nowak Co-Chair, Capital Campaign Committee member, Board Director (non voting), Fairview Parkwood Communities; Jim Erb, Waterloo Region Councillor; Her Worship, Carolyn McCabe, City of Waterloo Mayor, and Bill Green, Project Advisor.



Parkwood Building Committee, signing the Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments 'topping off' beam, Wednesday, June 14, 2023.

l-r: Grant Harkness, Site Supervisor; Chris Brissette, Director, Land & Building Services; Bob Shantz, past Board Director; Key Frey, Board Director; Bill Green, Project Advisor; Fred Schiedel, Land and Building Chair; Elaine Shantz, P&CEO; Brent Martin, CFO, and Alex Normandeau, Executive Assistant.



Photo caption

Fairview Parkwood Communities' Board of Directors signing the Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments 'topping off' beam, Wednesday, June 14, 2023.

l-r: Marius Lamprecht; Ed Nowak (non-voting); Brent Horst, Vice-Chair; Bob Shantz, Chair; John Shantz; Marion Good, Past Chair; Jennifer Krotz, Secretary; Ken Martin; Ken Frey, and Ruth Konrad, Treasurer.



Rick Martin, Brad Martin and Lloyd Martin (front), at the Parkwood Seniors Community Beam Signing event, June 14, 2023.

Parkwood residents sign the beam.



Signed topping off beam for the Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments lowered into its final position, June 22, 2023.

