

President & CEO Message

As President and Chief Executive Officer, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who made Parkwood's 60th anniversary and Fairview's 80th anniversary celebrations an outstanding success. Your support honoured the history and legacy of Fairview Parkwood Communities. On a personal note, I truly appreciated the opportunity to connect with so many people who graciously shared their stories.

Residents and team members were delighted to welcome **Prime Minister Justin Trudeau** to Parkwood on Friday, February 2, 2024. The Prime Minister was joined by Bardish Chaggar, MP, Waterloo, Karen Redman, Regional Chair of the Waterloo Region and Dorothy McCabe, Mayor of Waterloo to make an announcement related to federal funding for the region. It was an honour to have the Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments at Parkwood selected as the location because of its representation of 'Community at its Best'.

Prime Minister Trudeau and MP Chaggar also visited with Parkwood Suites' residents. This was an incredible day. Our sincere appreciation to MP

Chaggar for her ongoing support.

I share my gratitude with all those who made the fundraising, construction and opening of the Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments successful.

On behalf of the Capital Campaign Committee, I am pleased to share the **fundraising goal of \$7.5 million has been reached**. These funds helped support the construction of affordable housing units. To all of the congregations who participated in the Capital Campaign, your donations helped to make this goal a reality.

On March 6, 2024, the first residents were welcomed and new residents are moving in daily, adding a new vibrancy to the campus. We continue to be humbled by the overwhelming interest in the apartments and the many people who have selected Parkwood as their new home.

When you drive by the Fairview campus, you will notice many changes as the long-term care expansion moves forward. This is a complicated multi-phase project with the construction taking place around the existing building while it continues to provide quality services. Completion is anticipated Winter 2026. When

complete, the long-term care will be home to 192 residents.

As Fairview Parkwood Communities continues to grow, the team will expand as well with Marius Lamprecht as the new Chief Operations Officer within the Resource Team, and Devon Pierce as Director of Hospitality Services at Parkwood. You will learn more about them on page 3.

As we look at future events, I invite you to mark your calendars for:

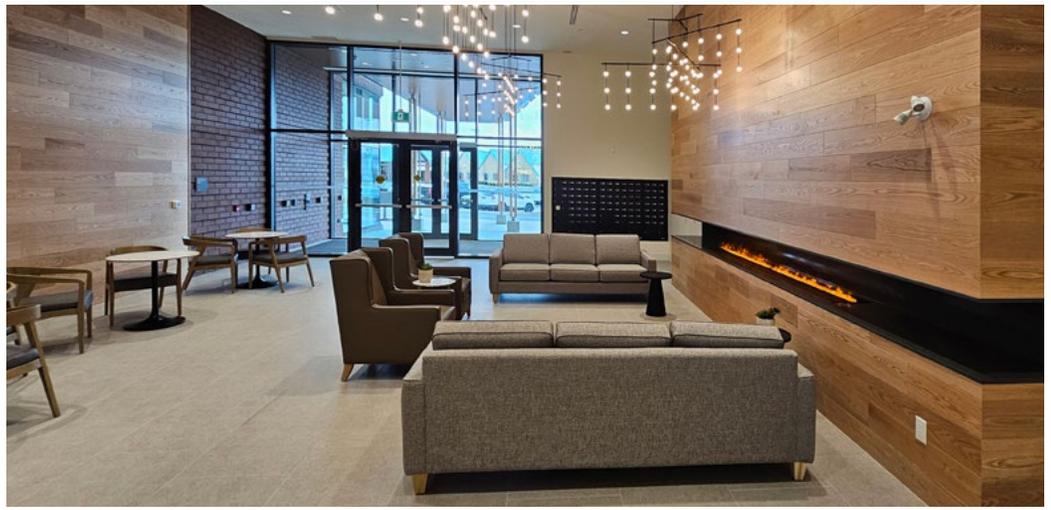
Tuesday, June 11, 2024: Annual General Meeting and Ribbon Cutting for the Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments

Friday, October 4 and Saturday, October 5, 2024: Walk the Kindness Way Trek

Finally, I wish to 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 prayers, involvement and support.

We look forward to seeing you at the Annual General Meeting in June.

In kindness and with gratitude,
Elaine



The Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments at Parkwood

The Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments is a six-storey building featuring one-bedroom and two-bedroom apartments at affordable, modest and market rates.

Common amenity spaces include lobby / coffee area, dining room, and indoor / outdoor lounges. Tenants also have access to the campus amenities, such as the Wellness Centre.

A few units remain available. If you are interested in visiting the Delphine and Lloyd Martin Apartments, please visit our [website](#) or call 519-885-0090 ext. 252 to book a tour.

"We are so fortunate to have had strong partnerships who shared in our vision to relieve poverty for older adults. We always say that every person has a seat at the table. That legacy will continue because a community came together to build sustainable, affordable housing. What an incredible accomplishment as we continue our journey to 'Build a Community for All!'"

Elaine Shantz, President & CEO



Shared Services with Craigwiel Gardens

Our partnership with Craigwiel Gardens continues to grow. To foster the relationship, a Shared Services Committee has been established, chaired by Fairview Mennonite Homes' Board of Directors, Vice Chair, Brent Horst. The committee is working together to build and strengthen the partnership between the organizations. Long-term care policies, procedures, systems and platforms continue to be implemented at Craigwiel.



Marius Lamprecht joins Fairview Parkwood Communities

We are pleased to announce that Marius Lamprecht will be joining Fairview Parkwood Communities as the **Chief Operating Officer**.

Marius holds an MBA from the University of Guelph and is qualified as a Chartered Professional Accountant, supporting his strong strategic planning and financial analytical skills. In his career, he has worked with health care organizations, including senior living, and charitable organizations geared towards meeting the needs of the less fortunate.

In 2022, Marius was successfully nominated to the Fairview and Parkwood Board of Directors. For the past two years he has brought his rich professional and personal background to the Board.

Marius believes in pursuing endeavours which prioritize using his unique gifts and talents to positively impact the lives of others. This is evident not only through his career aspirations but also by his volunteering experience with seniors, fundraising initiatives and special events. It is this belief that has brought him to the COO position with Fairview Parkwood Communities.

Please join us in welcoming Marius to the team.

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WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS OF OUR TEAM!



Devon Pierce joins Parkwood Seniors Community

As we strive to provide excellent hospitality services to the residents and tenants at Parkwood, we recognize the changing landscape of food services. To meet this challenge, Parkwood has entered into a partnership with Sodexo Canada to bring a wealth of knowledge and experience as the campus grows.

As an integral part of the partnership, Devon Pierce joined the Parkwood team as the **Director, Hospitality Services**. Devon's culinary background includes both local and international experience, in restaurants, banquets and catering.

Highlights include member of the 2010 Winter Olympic Culinary Team (for Sodexo), Chef at Anton Mosimann's Catering Company and chef in Gordon Ramsay's group for Savoy Grill.

Devon will work closely with Stacey Lichty, Director of Food Services on day-to-day dietary and hospitality operations.

We are pleased to bring this service to Parkwood and look forward to a long partnership for years to come.

Please join us in welcoming Devon to the Parkwood Team.

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Walk the Kindness Way

October 4 and 5, 2024



The 4th annual *Walk the Kindness Way Trek* will take place on Friday, October 4th and Saturday, October 5th. This has changed from the Saturday and Sunday trek in previous years, responding to the congregations who expressed an interest in walking and fundraising to build Healing Gardens at both Parkwood and Fairview.

The Healing Gardens will be an inclusive sanctuary for the community – a place of refuge that will promote improved outcomes for residents, families and team members by providing opportunities for positive escapes to meditate, reflect, reconnect with your spirit and disconnect from concerns and anxieties.

We hope you will join Fairview Parkwood Communities as we strive to create an outdoor environment with goal of improving the overall sense of wellbeing and hopefulness.

More details about the *Walk the Kindness Way Trek* to follow in the coming weeks.



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.



Fairview Parkwood Communities' newsletter – **Community News** – is a bi-annual publication edited by Elaine Shantz and Erna Koning.

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.
- **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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