

AGING WITH GRACE

Grace...It is a gift from God | Ephesians 2:8

SENIOR HOUSING IN CENTRAL ALBERTA

VISION STATEMENT: To establish a not for profit organization based on Christian values, providing a caring community for seniors by respecting their needs with dignity and compassion.

A LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY

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Springtime. A time of renewal. Singing Birds. Blooming plants. We see new life all around us in the spring and it is so refreshing. The longer days, the sunshine and warm weather. It reminds us that we are created needing the sunshine and refreshing rains in our lives just as much as nature needs it after the winter rest. Where do you go to find this refreshment? Who do you seek out to fill this need? The One who is always ready to supply all that we need is waiting for you to come and ask. When you seek Him, He promises in His word that He will be found. Saint Augustine writes in his Confessions, "You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You." Perhaps Saint Augustine's most often quoted phrase, it captures something that resonates deep within the human person. Restlessness is that desire to be filled and fulfilled.



Lacombe Chamber of Commerce Trade Show

We had a booth at the Trade Show on April 19 and 20. Many of the Board Members spent an hour or two meeting people and spreading the word that Charis Village has 8 units available for a few more residents to come join our community here. They were busy explaining some of the details of a Life Lease and answering different questions from the community members. A few of our residents also helped out in this way and we want to thank Lorena Barnes, Charlene Dubyna, Bert & Janet Toornstra and Lesley Tomporowski We had a prize draw for \$150.00 grocery certificate from No Frills. We want to thank Lionel of No Frills for his generous support. This was a popular draw with over 200 entries. The winner of the prize was Josie Lizotte from Red Deer.





Lorena Barnes, her daughter, grand daughter and great -grand daughter at the Charis Village booth.



Charis Village OPEN HOUSE



MAY 14 and 15 from 1 pm - 7 pm

CHARIS VILLAGE COMMUNITY NEWS

Open House We are looking forward to hosting another Open House on May 14 & 15. Coffee and refreshments will be served. It is a time for community members to come have a look around at the different units available here. Board Members will be on hand to help answer questions. This Spring we are planning to begin construction for the remaining two duplex buildings. They are leasing quickly. There are only 8 units left in Chinook Villa, along with one duplex ready for immediate occupancy and another that will be ready around August 2024. Having the Open House gives people a chance to see the units, often helping to make the next decision easier. If you have never been for a tour, this would be a great time to come and have a look.

Here at Charis Village, the gardeners are getting ready. Seeds are purchased, garden beds are being prepared. This year a group of people got together to build 2 new raised garden boxes. Charis Village wishes to thank the following people for their work, supplies and the effort to make these garden boxes: S4 Greenhouses Ltd., Ko Bruning, Jerry Bysterveld, Don Dubyna, Wayne Houcher, Gerry & Rita Leiske, Don Parker, Garry Taylor, Lennard Vander Schee and Brian Yoshida. Lots of fun could be heard as they "measured twice and cut once" and nailed, hammered and painted.

Now, Let the Gardening Begin.

The type of construction for Charis makes it a very quiet building. The large windows allow for lots of light in the unit and the underground parking means a warm vehicle when you head out.

Don & Charlene Dubyna

This building has been very thoughtfully planned. The adjoining walls and ceiling are so dense, that we had been here for several months and I thought the suite above us was empty. Until I met the occupant in the elevator one day.

Lorne & Lorena Barnes





We had our Spring Social on April 19th. Our former board member Peter Kuipers told us about the work he has been doing in Nicaragua. Then we all enjoyed a soup and bun lunch together. If you as a resident haven't been to one of our socials yet, we encourage you to watch for the next one and come join us. It is a wonderful opportunity to get to know the other residents here in Charis Village.

Financing the Vision of Charis Village

Charis Village is offering their supporters 2 year promissory notes for loans of \$ 50,000 or greater at a rate of 4% per annum with interest paid annually. If you wish to extend a loan or require a different length of term or need more information, please email Peter Zuidhof at info@charisvillage.ca or text Peter Zuidhof at 403-318-1693.

CHARIS VILLAGE BOARD MEMBERS

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MISSION STATEMENT

To facilitate, finance, develop and build a village of care where seniors may

Age with Grace

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