



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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Exciting Progress

Duplex units 25, 26, 27 & 28 are framed in and ready for leasing. You can move into your new home in the Spring. It is exciting to see the construction continue despite some inconvenience for parking. Thank you for your cooperation through this stage.

Meanwhile, in Chinook Villa—still 5 units
Units 101 & 109 - 1st floor
Units 203 and 205 - 2nd floor
Unit 405 - 4th floor

The view above is from the 4th floor
Big sky, fields of green and a bit of the lake.

A resident in the duplexes snapped this beautiful photo of Charis Village, washed clean after a shower with a rainbow arching overhead.

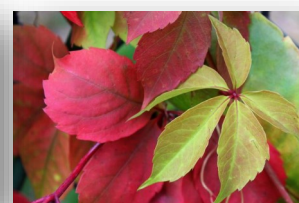


Come relax with us. Or join the ladies as they put together quilt tops for an organization called Bags of Love.

info@bagsofloveinc.org.

In September the regular coffee times and exercise groups will start up as will Tuesday Bible Study. Come join us. Get to know your neighbors and make new friends.

Start up a new social activity.
It's a great place to call home.



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Getting to know one another



Sharon Wentz-Huisman
enjoying her deck.

Sharon Wentz-Huisman, born in Lacombe to John & Elena (Leiske) Wentz and grew up on a farm by Gull Lake. My parents sold the farm in 1955 and moved to Portland, Oregon. After attending Portland State University I moved to Los Angeles. I worked at Hewlett Packard as a Credit Analyst handling all government contract purchases. I traveled on-site to all Air Force, Naval & National Defense bases to sometimes track down computer components not properly signed off at the time of arriving on their dock. I was re-acquainted with Ron Huisman after 50+ years as he was always part of my family when we were children. In 2001 I moved to Beiseker, AB to be with Ron and help him at the Huisman Farm. After 40 years of a career in the corporate world, I became a farmer. It was a drastic improvement from office politics! Ron sold his farm in April 2014 and we built a duplex in Henner's Estates. With the loss of Ron and being alone in a big house, it was clear I needed to drastically downsize and move into Charis Village in May of 2023. Ron's daughter Cherrilynn, & her brother Shawn (married to Shelley, Georgia Anderson Hirschhorn's daughter) have been a haven of wonderful support in this transition. (Due to space, Sharon's story is edited. She has much more to share if you care to join her as she sits out in the sun on her deck.)

Do you wonder what to do with your dead batteries? Rexall Drugstore recycles them. If you can't get them there, just leave them with Frances Vander Wekken in 206 and she will get them there for you.



Food Rescue is looking for extra grocery bags. They can always use bags. If you have too many hanging around the place, give them to Frances and she will take them to Food Rescue.

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

SALES OFFICE HOURS: 10:00—12:00 pm and 1:00—5:00 pm Monday-Friday

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