



2013 Social Accountability Report



Pastel Painting by

Independent Resident

Hugs Project



Who We Serve:

Concordia Life Care Community serves seniors and the aging in Northwest Oklahoma City and surrounding areas. As part of our mission and Social Accountability Plan, we are focused but not limited to, serving seniors and the aging population within our local community and the (10) Lutheran member church communities.

Annually, Concordia Life Care Community, documents outreach efforts to address senior and elderly issues above and beyond day-to-day services to our residents and families. Leadership members maintain records of charitable services and community programs. In 2013, Concordia provided benefits to residents, families, employees, partner agencies, and seniors and elders in the greater community.

Concordia Life Care Community also provides benevolent care to residents through the Good Samaritan Fund. This fund helps provide financial assistance to residents who outlive their



Wellness On Wheels



Special Olympics

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soldiers and armed forces members.

- Residents signed over 300 books with messages of encouragement to send to soldiers. Wrapped survival bracelet gifts to include in care packages. Approximately (10) residents from Memory Support, (10) residents from Assisted Living, and (30) residents from Independent Living participated
- Concordia resident made hats for newborns at area hospital
- Monthly Educational Lunch & Learns
- “My Legacy Matters” financial education seminar
- Financial Planning Assistance available for residents through Thrivent Financial for Christians
- Transportation for residents
- Alzheimer’s Screening Site for Alzheimer’s National Memory Screening Day
- Grief Support Groups
- Community Health Screenings
- Participation in Recycling Programs to benefit Ronald McDonald House Charities of Oklahoma City. Residents recycle soda can flip lids to donate to their Flip Lid Program to benefit children who are ill and receiving medical care and their families. Residents raised more than \$6,000 through donations to this program
- Sponsor for Sunbeam Family Services Annual Luncheon for the Senior Companion Program
- Sponsor for Mercy Hospital Annual Golf Tournament
- Sponsor for the Academy of Senior Professionals luncheon
- Concordia leadership members serve on multiple boards and committees for state, local and nonprofit boards



his assistant secretary while he served as Chaplain for the Oklahoma District of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. When my youngest child, (of four) began high school, I became a Real Estate Broker, for just under 30 years, as well as managing a real estate office in Oklahoma City,” she said.

As a lifetime volunteer, Val has contributed to the lives of many people in various volunteer capacities. Val shared some of her volunteer experiences, saying “I volunteered at the Topeka State Hospital, retraining lobotomized patients in the 1950’s. I also served as a Red Cross volunteer for 10 years in the 1960’s at OU Medical Center. One of my greatest joys as a volunteer has been serving as a docent at Oklahoma’s National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum for twenty years, leading adult and children tours, assisting membership, serving as a Gallery Host, etc.” Val has also served in the Lutheran Churches for many years as Zone President for the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League, Chair of the Lutheran Social Services Guild for Kansas and Oklahoma, and on many local parish Guilds and Committees. She played the violin in orchestras in Albuquerque during her youth, and as an adult in the St. Cloud Symphony Orchestra. Her voice has contributed to choirs almost all of her adult life, and she played hand bells in the Messiah Lutheran Church Bell Choir for 15 years, where she continues to be a devoted member of the church. Among her many passions in life, including faith, family and volunteerism, Val also enjoys music, reading, art and painting, and dancing (square dancing, line dancing and ballroom dancing).

Her volunteer efforts extend to Concordia as well. Val said, “I have been a member of the Board of Directors for Lutheran Senior Citizens, Inc., the governing Board for Concordia Life Care Community, since 1994. Two years ago I became an Honorary Member, yet still active for the Board. I served as Board Secretary for several years, as well as serving on the Search and History Committees.” Val began serving on the Fund Development Committee in spring 2013, and continues to help raise funds to benefit our community and residents, and raise awareness of Concordia’s outreach programs in the greater OKC community.

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Val’s dedication to making a difference in the lives of others is an inspiration to those who know her. “Caring for and helping our neighbor in need is exactly what our Lord would do, and He would have us do,” she said. She joyfully contributes to Concordia’s Good Samaritan Fund, a benevolent care fund to provide assistance to residents who outlive their resources, through no fault of their own, and need assistance to remain in their home. Val stated, “Since our futures are uncertain and it’s possible for many residents to out-live their resources, it is highly proper and important to live with the security of having financial assistance available to residents in that event. Giving to the Benevolent Fund gives me the satisfaction of helping to relieve that worry for residents. Concordia is built on the foundation of people helping people, and the Good Samaritan Fund is one way to accomplish this.”