Welcome to the winter edition of the Concordia Community Foundation (CCF) newsletter as we prepare for both the celebration of the Nativity of Christ at Christmas and the return of Christ at the Second Coming. All of us at Concordia Life Plan Community and the Concordia Community Foundation wish you a blessed Christmas and Advent Season, with good wishes for Hope, Peace, Love and Joy now and in the New Year!

Please keep Concordia Life Plan Community and CCF in your daily prayers, and include CCF in your charitable year-end plans as you make decisions for the worthwhile charities you wish to support. A donation to CCF in any amount for the following purposes; 1) The Good Samaritan Fund to provide benevolent care to a Concordia resident, 2) The Rev. Harold Kamman Chapel Expansion Fund to help us build a new larger chapel at Concordia Life Plan Community, 3) The General Fund for area of greatest need (unrestricted), and 4) The Scholarship Fund to support Concordia associates in their pursuit of education. Please make your check payable to “CCF” and mail to: 7707 W. Britton Rd, OKC, OK 73132 with the fund designation in the memo section of the check, or donate online with credit/debit card at https://www.concordiaseniorliving.com.

Thank you in advance for your generosity to support Concordia and the foundation! Merry Christmas and May God Bless You!
Letter from Executive Director

From Paige Mills-Haag

Dear Friends of Concordia Community Foundation,

Thank you for your commitment to philanthropy during 2021 at Concordia Life Plan Community. Despite the challenges and restrictions associated with a global pandemic these past 20 months, we have persevered and look to the future with hope and prosperity! Capitalizing on the generosity of past, current and first-time donors, Concordia awarded six scholarships totaling $8,500 for continuing education to Concordia team members through the Scholarship Fund, and stood ready to help residents needing financial assistance through the Good Samaritan Fund this year.

Your gifts designated to the Rev. Harold Kamman Chapel Expansion Fund continue to bring us one step closer to building a new, larger chapel for Concordia Life Plan Community as part of an ongoing $3.5M capital campaign. Concordia residents and partner agencies continue to step up in big ways, identifying needs within our community, most recently a new salad bar in the dining room, and donating to offset operational expenses for capital expenditures. This support not only improves the resident experience and lifestyle, but helps maintain our campus so that we can continue making a great first impression on all who visit and tour our Life Plan retirement community!

It’s our mission to harness our generosity of spirit and nurture the aspirations of all who live, work, and serve in the community and bring honor and glory to build God’s Kingdom. We look forward to receiving your consideration and support of Concordia Community Foundation in ways that are meaningful to you prior to December 31, 2021. To date, these good works are made possible by 182 donors who gave or pledged $137,585 in support of Concordia Community Foundation in 2021. We could not have done this without you. Thank you!

God’s blessings to you,

Paige Mills-Haag
Executive Director, Concordia Community Foundation

LWML Oklahoma District honored as a Good Samaritan Guardian - providing benevolent care for the aging at Concordia

Pam Wiederkehr joyfully serves as the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League (LWML) Oklahoma District President, currently finishing the end of her second year of a four-year term. Prior to Pam’s position as district president, she served the LWML as president, vice president, and secretary of her local LWML group as well as a zone president and vice president, and district vice president of Christian Life. She has selflessly served as an LWML member in one capacity or another since 1980, called to a life of service as God provides opportunities for leadership in her community and beyond. When asked to share a little about herself, Pam added, “My husband Steve and I will celebrate our 45th wedding anniversary on Dec. 31. Our family moved to Enid, OK in 1985 where we currently reside. We have three adult children and eight grandchildren and we love spending time with our family.”

“As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others. We have Bible studies, service projects, and fellowship activities for every age and walk of life,” said Pam Wiederkehr. Some of the local LWML groups have provided service projects and activities at Concordia Life Plan Community for the residents’ enjoyment, while other groups host prayer zone meetings where freewill offerings are collected to benefit residents through Concordia’s Good Samaritan Fund, providing benevolent care to those in need so they can remain in their Concordia home. LWML members are active in their church and
GET TO KNOW YOUR BOARD MEMBER

Name: Jeffrey H. Maltz

Family: My wife, Shurlyn and I have been happily married for 31 years and reside in Guthrie, OK. We were blessed with two sons, Conan and Zane. Conan is a 1st Lieutenant in the United States Air Force stationed at Tinker Air Force base in Oklahoma City, OK and is married to Alexis who is a Probation Services Assistant for the United States Probation Office. Zane is a Corporate Banking Credit Analyst with Bank of Oklahoma in Oklahoma City, OK. Both boys own homes in Guthrie within a few miles of us, which has brought much joy to us as our empty nest has frequent visitors. I am the son of Rev. Myron and Dorothy Maltz.

Church: I am a lifelong LCMS Lutheran and a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Guthrie, OK since 2003.

Education: I attended various Lutheran elementary schools growing up where my Dad served as the Pastor of the congregations associated with these schools. I graduated from Perry High School, Perry, OK. I attended the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, OK. I hold the FINRA Series 63 Security License.

I joyfully serve within the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod as the District Vice President for the Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) in Kansas and Oklahoma. I serve on Executive Staff for both the LCMS Oklahoma District and LCMS Kansas District. I also provide LCEF mentoring oversight in the Nebraska, Montana, Wyoming, and Rocky Mountain LCMS Districts.

Hobbies and Volunteerism: I volunteer as Elder at Zion Lutheran in Guthrie, OK. I also serve as the Treasurer at Concordia Community Foundation Board of Directors. My hobbies include spending time with family, cooking and traveling with my wife. We enjoy walking along the beach by the ocean, and visiting the mountains.

Favorite Bible Verse: My confirmation verse, Matthew 6:33 “But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.”

Philanthropy: I support many benevolences in our community including sports and schools, as well as Lutheran ministries and mission work.

Concordia: I feel truly blessed to be involved in the ministries of Concordia Life Plan Community and Concordia Community Foundation. The family dynamic offered to those who reside here and share a common faith is evident in this community.
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