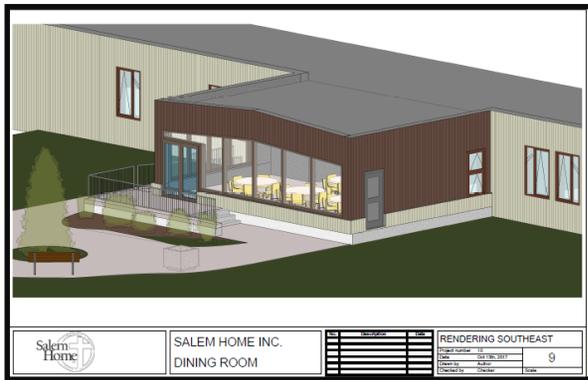


**BUILDING PROJECT**

Soon an additional Cottonwood Dining room will be built in the garden area off the east wing of Cottonwood.

- A person with dementia is less able to selectively filter out background noise; the result may be a feeling of anxiety and confusion which precipitates in behavioral responses.
- The current Cottonwood Dining Room (Cotina’s) hosts 45 residents. 97% of resident living on Cottonwood use one type or another of ambulatory aide. Of the 50 residents, 49 use a total of 61 mobility and ambulation devices – wheelchairs, walkers, motorized wheelchairs.
- There are up to eight (8) power wheelchairs in the dining room.
- Wheelchairs today are larger in length and width than they were when the Dining Room was constructed in 1994.
- With the congested space food service carts, and the number of staff required to serve, Cotina’s Dining Room is too noisy and over stimulating for many residents.
- QUIS evaluations (since 2010) continue to show the noise level during the residents meal time is loud and distracting, causing some residents to become agitated.
- To promote a quiet mealtime, and give the residents a better dining experience, only 25 residents should be dining in Cotina’s Dining room.

We gratefully accept donations for various projects and programs through out the year.



**MISSION STATEMENT**

Our commitment ...  
to provide Christ-centered care embracing the values of compassion, dignity, excellence, and faith.

**SALEM CONNECTION...**



**SHEPHERD THE FLOCK**

“Shepherd the flock of God” 1 Peter 5:2. *Peter, John, Ben, Mary, Helen, Anne*, repeat these names and many others; this is the flock. For me, to shepherd this flock is an amazing privilege. Daily, I see them first at breakfast when I have a time of devotions with them in nine different dining areas. Three times a week I lead them in a chapel service for half an hour and then I repeat the service on Evergreen 15 minutes later. The services are very important to them as evidenced by good attendance, with many listening in their rooms. There are many unplanned meetings with the residents, occasional longer one on one meetings to encourage and pray, and even a few counselling sessions. Once in two weeks I meet with various staff groups for devotions and prayer. And when a resident comes to the end of life, I try to give pastoral care with prayer, singing and presence for both the resident and the immediate family. And then new residents are welcomed and prayed for. Then at the end of the week, I’ll take my guitar sit down among the residents and sing with them in the sitting areas. I love my flock, they ‘rest’ a lot. I am conscientious about preparing them for the ‘appearing of the chief Shepherd.

“Care for the flock that God has entrusted to you. Watch over it willingly, not grudgingly—not for what you will get out of it, but because you are eager to serve God. 1 Peter 5:2

## FUNDRAISERS



### Faspa, Fellowship and Song -

have received \$25,425 in donations so far for cabinetry in the Cottonwood resident washrooms.

Thank you so much for being a part of this project.

### Building for Tomorrow ...Dinner

Thankyou to all who purchased tickets to attend the inaugural dinner hosted by the Salem Foundation and Salem Ladies Auxiliary. The funds gifted at this dinner will be put towards the construction of another dining room for Cottonwood residents. To date \$171,640 has been raised for this project. The total cost of the new dining room is \$375,000.



## CHRISTMAS AT SALEM



### Advent Service at Salem Home

Dec. 7, 2017 @ 6:45 p.m.  
In the Salem Home Chapel

Everyone welcome to join the residents and staff for this special service refreshments.

*We pray you experience the heart, song, love and peace of*

*Christmas which we celebrate with Jesus Birth.*

*Merry Christmas*

## DEFINING OUR VALUES—PART IV

The Governing Board adopted the current Mission Statement of Salem Home in 2008.

“Our Commitment . . . to provide Christ-centred care embracing the values of compassion, dignity, excellence and faith.”

### The Value of Faith

We foster an environment that uses biblical and Anabaptist based decision-making that encourages and supports spiritual growth of residents and staff.



## DID YOU KNOW?

The congregations and community provide the residents with:

- ◆ 395 programs to the residents
- ◆ 225 Chapel/Worship Services
- ◆ 96 visits from pastors in the community
- ◆ 435 pastoral visits from our Pastoral Care Coordinator, Pastor Wilbert Friesen

*Thank you for being part of the residents spiritual life.*