

The VILLAGE VOICE

NEWS OF WORTHINGTON CHRISTIAN VILLAGE

DECEMBER 2020

Celebrating our 35th Anniversary

It was the day after Thanksgiving in 1985 that Worthington Christian Village welcomed our first residents. Since that day, the Village has been serving senior adults 24-hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. The Village has never closed. That is worth celebrating!

Through the years the campus has seen a few changes. The original building saw the addition of the Chapel/MPR along with several updates and remodels. We added 24 cottages in 1995 which completed the original plan for the property. More changes will be coming as we do our best to make sure this ministry continues its mission and purpose.

Of course the buildings are just a small part of the story. Thirty-five years later, the Village stands as a testament to all who sacrificed so much to see the Village become a reality. We have enjoyed the blessing of so many amazing senior adults who have called the Village home. We celebrate our talented staff and selfless volunteers who have given so much of themselves to make the Village a better place. We are thankful for our financial supporters who have shared their resources to help enhance our residents' experiences and make sure everyone's needs were met. So many have given so much of their time, talents, and treasures.

Of course nothing would have happened, and this ministry would not continue, without God's incredible faithfulness and His many blessings. We truly have so much to celebrate! Here's to 35 more years!



Worthington Christian Village groundbreaking in 1984



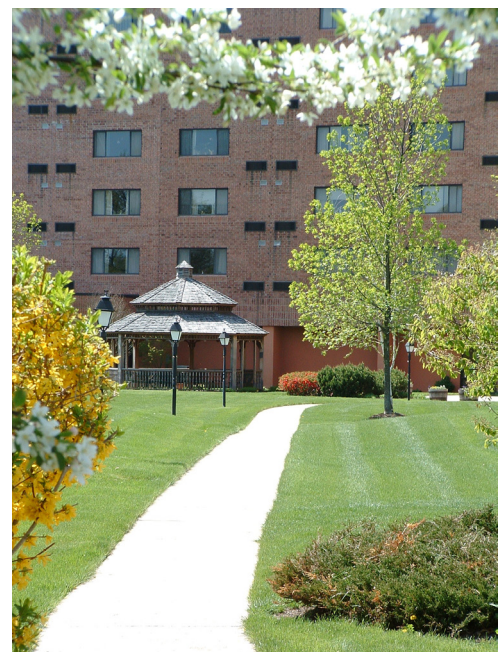
Worthington Christian Village while under construction



Cottage homes were added in 1995



Chapel added in 1994-1995



View of the Village from the courtyard

FROM THE DESK OF
RANDY RICHARDSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/CEO

Exciting News!

We have some exciting news to share as we welcome a new staff member to our team. Patrick Mauger has joined our staff serving as Chaplain and helping with Resident Services. So many already know Patrick and have been blessed by his ministry at Beechwold Christian Church, his teaching at our Thursday Bible Study, and his leadership as a Village Trustee. For Patrick, this position will only be the beginning.

Almost four years ago, I approached the Trustees with a “five year retirement plan.” My goals were to retire at the end of 2021 and to make sure we had a smooth and successful leadership transition. Thanks to God’s perfect timing, everything is falling in place. The Trustees have chosen Patrick to be the next CEO for Worthington Christian Village. We are so blessed!

Patrick and I will be working closely together for the next 13 months as he transitions to his new position. Welcome Patrick...we are so glad you are here! *(See Patrick’s note below.)*

“²²The LORD’S acts of mercy indeed do not end, for His compassions do not fail.

²³ They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.” Lamentations 3:22-23 (NASV)

Since my first day working with The Village back in August I have been blessed to see, first hand, God’s goodness and blessing. Like many of you reading this update my relationship with WCV began years ago as a volunteer. Over the years getting to know many of the residents has always been a blessing. Now getting to know the staff and seeing their dedication to the ministry of WCV is an additional blessing.

I use the word ministry because as a staff working for WCV is not just a job. The atmosphere that began 35 years ago, and has continued under the leadership of Randy Richardson, continues to be one of excellence, focusing on the care and protection of our residents. However, it is more than meeting just their medical needs as it encompasses the physical, emotional, spiritual, and relational well-being of each resident.

It will be my focus and dedication to lead this ministry in the days to come. always relying on God’s guidance and blessing in providing a loving and caring community for the residents who live here and the staff who work here.



Patrick Mauger, current Chaplain and future CEO/Executive Director of Worthington Christian Village.

The challenges of this ministry are at a critical time; as like you, we are dealing daily with the concerns of Covid-19. Yet, once again God has been faithful to WCV. Would you pray with me for the protection of each resident and staff? We will continue to implement and follow best protocols but it is only by His mercy and grace that we will continue to be virus free.

I look forward to the day it will be safe for our volunteers to return. You are missed by the residents and staff. I also look forward to personally meeting many of you in the days to come.

I want to thank Randy and the board of Trustees for their confidence and support in allowing me the opportunity to lead Worthington Christian Village’s next chapter. Until the Lord’s return we will by God’s mercy remain faithful to the task!

In the service of our Lord,
Patrick Mauger



Worthington Christian Village Auxiliary

Although we were not able to do our Craft Show this year, the Auxiliary continues to offer opportunities to support their fund raising efforts. Currently the Auxiliary is raising money to purchase a new bus.

Christmas Items – Currently our General Store has several items that are normally found at the Westerville Christian Church table at the craft show. Crocheted button top towels, scrubbies, dishtowels, and pot holders are currently available. Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions, we are not able to have visitors in the store at this time. Erin Thomas, Volunteer Coordinator, would be happy to accommodate your purchase of any items you may be interested in. You can reach her by calling the Village at (614) 846-6076.

Nuts and Candy – Please see below!

Thank You!

WCV AUXILIARY HOLIDAY NUTS AND CANDY SALE

Due to the pandemic, our annual
Nuts and Candy sale has been
moved online.



You can find our webstore online at wcv.terrilynn.com. If you do not have a computer, or are not comfortable ordering online, please contact Erin Thomas, Volunteer Coordinator, at (614) 846-6076, and she will be happy to assist you with your order.

To Order Online:

- Go to wcv.terrilynn.com
- You will see our welcome page along with some “Featured Products”
- On the left of the page you will see a “Browse Products” heading
- Click on any of the categories listed below the heading to explore different products (Toward the bottom of the list you can see everything they offer by clicking “view all”)

Everything ships for a flat \$5.00 fee per address no matter how big or small the order...so order lots of bags of nuts and candies!

Our WCV Auxiliary Nuts and Candy make the perfect Christmas gift!

Worthington Christian Village Benevolent Ministry

It has been a challenging year for everyone, yet we continue to be blessed by those who want to do more to support the ministry of Worthington Christian Village and bless those we have the privilege of serving. I spoke with someone recently who apologized for only being able to make what they perceived to be a small donation to the Benevolent Fund. It is a statement I hear often and I assured that individual that every donation made a difference in the lives of our residents here at the Village. I was reminded to share the quote I so often use; "If you think you are too small to be effective, you have never been in bed with a mosquito."

Donations have come in so many different ways! Here are just a few of the ways people have blessed the Village:

- ♥ Simply made a donation with cash, check, or online.
- ♥ Designated WCV to remember or to honor a special person or event.
- ♥ Included this ministry in their trust or estate plan.
- ♥ Donated appreciated securities or used their retirement account to fund their gift.
- ♥ Set up an ongoing donation stream through a foundation.

And the list goes on...

Another quote I heard Glen Wheeler, (*past Chaplain, resident, and dear friend,*) share on many occasions; "If you don't ask, you won't receive." This year, WCV is on track to provide more than \$260,000 in direct Benevolent Care and we are always looking for those who would be able to support our Benevolent Fund. Please know that all gifts...large or small...make a huge difference.

Let me end with one more quote; "No one is more cherished in this world than someone who lightens the burden of another." Thank you for your love, encouragement, prayers, and your continued financial support!



A huge thank you goes out to all who participated in the Columbus Foundation's Big Give. WCV received \$33,700 in donations with no credit card fees and the money was "amplified" by \$2,218.33. What a HUGE blessing!

Thank you so much for taking the time to participate in this unique program. We are humbled and thankful for each and every gift.

Memorials and Honor Gifts

If you would like to give a memorial or an honor gift for a loved one, and/or special occasion, please send your gift to Worthington Christian Village, 165 Highbluffs Blvd., Columbus, Ohio 43235. Thank you!

Gifts through October 31, 2020

Marian Benson

Bob & Martha Buchan
Robert Hayes
Grove City Community
Winds
Garland & Chip Myers
Joanne Rubsam
John & Barb Strahan
Patty Tanner
Dominick Topazio Jr
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Paul & Nancy Jo Wolfe

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