

St. Andrew's Resources for Seniors System Joins Hands with Cape Albeon

'That they may all be one'

- John 17:21







mazing things happen when people with passion dedicate themselves to doing good. And when the people behind two faith-based organizations with a shared passion for serving seniors unite, it's a real cause for celebration; because together, they can do so much more.

St. Andrew's Resources for Seniors System has been empowering elders and their caregivers for 52 years through choices and options that foster a vital life. A commitment to fulfilling this mission is at the heart of all the services provided, as the system annually serves 8,000 seniors and caregivers of all socio-economic levels. Almost 200 of those seniors are served directly by Cape Albeon, a faith-based, non-profit, active senior living community that opened in 2000.

Located in a picturesque "Cape Cod"-like setting in southwest St. Louis County, Cape Albeon is affiliated with the United Church of Christ (UCC) and a descendant of Good Samaritan Inc., its traditions, values and 150-year mission of service. In choosing St. Andrew's as its management partner from day one, Cape Albeon was aligning with an organization that has a rich history of successful joint ventures

and collaborations with other faith-based, non-profit organizations, and in-depth experience in the elder care arena. St. Andrew's recently became a member of the Council for Health and Human Service Ministries (CHHSM) of the UCC, augmenting its existing affiliations with the Episcopal and Presbyterian denominations.

The highly regarded Cape Albeon now officially becomes part of the St. Andrew's family, which today develops, owns, operates and manages retirement housing, assisted living and skilled nursing facilities; provides home and community-based services; serves as a voice for seniors at the state, national and international level; and oversees a successful charitable foundation that raises funds in support of its mission.

"Albeon" is the shortening of Jesus' prayer that his followers might "all be one." Today, a new chapter begins for Cape Albeon and St. Andrew's as, together, they forge a new relationship in which they will truly all be one, transcending sectarian and competitive forces that often divide a community.

United as One for a Brighter Future

Dear Friends:

St. Andrew's Resources for Seniors System and Cape Albeon are so pleased to announce an exciting new chapter in their long-standing relationship as Cape Albeon becomes part of the St. Andrew's family, paving the way for us to all be one.

The two organizations share more than a history of working together. We are guided by the same vision, and we are mission-driven to serve seniors. Working together, we believe we can do even more for this growing and increasingly vulnerable population.

Ranked as the 46th largest not-for-profit (NFP) provider of affordable housing in the United States, and the 17th largest NFP in St. Louis, St. Andrew's brings to this enhanced partnership its deep commitment to serving low-income seniors and resources to do so through its charitable foundation. The excellent skilled nursing at Brooking Park, which is ranked among the best in St. Louis by *U.S. News & World Report*, will now be available on a preferred basis, and at a discount, to residents of Cape Albeon. Expanded

programs and services will also be available to serve the general UCC community.

With its stellar reputation and bright future, the addition of Cape Albeon to the outstanding lineup of senior living communities in the St. Andrew's family provides more than a presence in a prime southwest St. Louis County location, it further elevates the System. St. Andrew's will benefit from the addition of new board members who share a deep commitment to seniors in need. Cape Albeon's board will remain in place and be financially positioned to pursue an expanded mission to elders.

Strengthening and leveraging the knowledge, experience and market share of these entities will help meet the evolving desires and needs of elders across the St. Louis region, and ensure we are better equipped to address the ever-changing picture of the lives of seniors in our society.

Together, we are committed to doing more, working hand-in-hand, working as one.

Sincerely,



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Together is Better

he joining of Cape Albeon and St. Andrew's will facilitate a strengthened working relationship characterized by mutual branding; extended outreach to UCC, Episcopalian and Presbyterian memberships in Greater St. Louis with all services of the family; and a shared platform to expand their missions. Early opportunities include greater involvement with Affordable Care Act (ACA) initiatives and continued growth of services to seniors who wish to continue living independently at home. Longer term, we see enhanced potential to respond to and pursue new opportunities, services, acquisitions and affiliations.

Clearly, together is better for all those we serve.

St. Andrews will be strengthened with another faith-based community in the family and enriched by the contributions of knowledgeable new board members who share our commitment to senior services.

Residents of Cape Albeon will see a variety of benefits from being a part of the St. Andrew's family. They will gain priority access to the nationally recognized skilled care at Brooking Park at a discount.

For employees of Cape Albeon, daily operations will stay the same as St. Andrew's continues to serve the community in its leadership role. Our affiliation will offer a larger employee base and the opportunity for broader coverage and benefit plan costs.

Good Samaritan, Inc. will continue to operate as usual, with the new relationship providing potential for strategic planning with the St. Andrew's family and enhanced ability to work together.

The United Church of Christ, the Episcopal, and the Presbyterian churches in the area will have more options to meet the needs of their congregations with the addition of Cape Albeon and St. Andrew's family of services.



A Shared Vision for the Road Ahead

ooking to the future, the enhanced St. Andrew's Resources for Seniors System, with Cape Albeon now an integral part, is committed to a shared vision: a vision of a society where all older adults are respected, productive, secure, and fulfilled.



Central to making that vision a reality are the core services that will continue to be offered:

- Retirement housing, assisted living and skilled nursing, with Brooking Park in Chesterfield voted #1 in St. Louis by U.S. News & World Report in 2012 and Top Tier in 2013 (see map on following page for locations of all communities, including Cape Albeon)
- Home and community-based services through Senior Solutions (a joint venture with St. Luke's Hospital) and St. Andrew's & Bethesda Home Health Agency (a joint venture with St. Andrew's, Cape Albeon, The Sarah Community and Bethesda Health Group)
- A Charitable Foundation that raises approximately \$1 million a
 year for services that improve the quality of life for lowincome seniors, in part through the internationally recognized
 Ageless Remarkable St. Louisans initiative
- Management and consulting services, along with advocacy and education, so that the tremendous work of the organization can extend far beyond our local community and empower more elders to live life to the fullest





