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LSSI to Dedicate Spring Ridge Senior Housing on June 12

On Thursday, June 12, Lutheran Social Services of Illinois (LSSI) will dedicate Spring Ridge Senior Housing, a new, affordable senior housing facility located at 6645 Fincham Drive in Rockford. The dedication will take place at 11 a.m.

Spring Ridge offers low-income seniors the opportunity to rent one of 60 one-bedroom apartments that feature a full kitchen with appliances, carpeting in the living room and bedroom, a visitor entry system, beautiful views and other amenities. The residential community, which is funded through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), is located on the east side of Rockford, near shopping and medical facilities. It sits between a retail area on the north and a residential area on the south, and the building's architecture reflects the influence of Frank Lloyd Wright's Prairie School of Architecture.

"The outpouring of interest [in Spring Ridge] was incredible," says Lisa Ingalls, associate executive director of Housing at LSSI. "LSSI received 150 applicants for a 60-unit building, which substantiates our marketing study that showed the need for this type of housing in the area."

Spring Ridge obtained its certificate of occupancy from HUD on May 2, and on May 5 the first 20 residents visited the building to pick out their apartments, including the first resident who moved in on the same day. Other residents are moving in as their schedules permit. All of the apartments have been leased.

In order to qualify for an apartment at Spring Ridge, the head of household must be at least 62 years old and meet HUD's income limits.

Founded in 1867, Lutheran Social Services of Illinois is a statewide, not-for-profit social service agency of the three Illinois synods of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). LSSI serves people through an array of services at more than 89 program sites across Illinois. In the Rockford area, LSSI offers adoption and foster care services, pregnancy counseling, nursing and housing for seniors, home care services, and services for prisoners and their families.

For more information about Spring Ridge Senior Housing, call 815/397-4210, or visit www.LSSI.org.

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