



The FRIEND



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Mission Statement

As followers of Christ, we are called to do what lies within our power to share burdens that weigh upon the young and the old and to alleviate sorrow and misery in His Name.

Our Values

Faithfulness to Christ
Equality and Justice
Wholeness of Life
Integrity
Quality of Service
Stewardship of Resources

Our Vision

We will be a network of dedicated, gifted, and caring people, providing exceptional services and facilities.

“The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness – on them light has shined.” (Isaiah 9:2 NRSV)

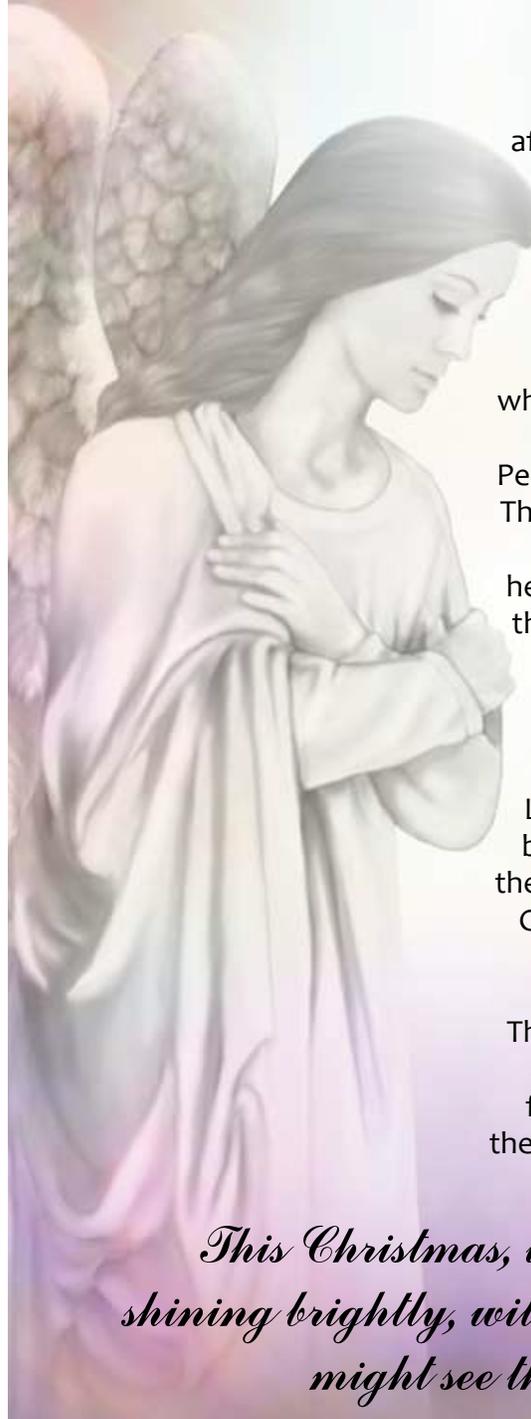
Who among us could not stand to hear some good news right about now? Even the happiest and most blessed among us are aware of the heartache and pain that afflict so many. How often, like Isaiah’s first audience, we feel as if we are walking in darkness, without light or hope.

Isaiah brought a promise of deliverance, a message of light to those walking in darkness. He spoke of the birth of a child who would be called “Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace” for all in need, including you and me. This, of course, is the message of Christmas. It is not a promise that there will never be heartache and pain, misery or suffering, but the assurance that no one facing loneliness and despair will ever have to face any of that alone, without hope.

The joyous proclamation of the angels in Luke 2:10, “Do not be afraid; for see – I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people...” is the assurance that in Jesus, God is shining the light of his presence and love on our world.

This is, of course, is where all of us who feel called to work at Lutheran Homes Society fit in. Jesus is our light, God’s way through the darkness, calling us to be that light for all with whom we come in contact.

This Christmas, we invite you to join us in shining brightly, with hope and love, so that all might see the light of Christ.



Board Members Faithfully Serve Lutheran Homes Society

Throughout its history, Lutheran Homes Society has benefitted from the guidance of a talented and committed Board of Directors. While readers of *The Friend* see the wonderful work of LHS through articles about the lives impacted by our ministries; many of you may not know as much about the thoughtful men and women who are responsible for setting the vision for LHS and ensuring that our mission is carried forward into the future.

Lutheran Homes Society's Board of Directors currently consists of 16 members. Each individual brings unique expertise to their role on the Board. Skills in finance, marketing, human resources, legal issues, and church leadership make for a well-rounded and balanced governance team.

What characteristics define strong Board leadership of an organization? There are many, but this list from "The Nonprofit Board Answer Book" provides a few key attributes of high performing boards:

- The Board sets the organization's mission & vision and provides clear direction for its future.
- The Board provides financial oversight, ensures legal and ethical integrity, and maintains accountability.
- Board members are carefully selected, oriented, and trained.
- The Board is clear about the organization's stakeholders and understands who the organization serves.

The LHS Board holds each of the attributes listed above. Each year, the Board reviews and approves a strategic plan that guides LHS over a 3-5 year period. At each meeting, the Board focuses on progress relating to key strategic initiatives. Along with strategic planning, the Board also reviews our mission statement to ensure that it remains relevant to the services we are providing and is aligned with opportunities the Board and management see in the future for LHS.

The Board consistently reviews the financial performance of the organization and commissions an annual audit by an independent CPA firm to ensure that financial statements are accurate and donor wishes are honored appropriately. LHS also maintains an ethics "hotline" that anyone can call if they have concerns about the organization. At

each meeting, a report is presented to the Board regarding any hotline calls and how they were addressed by the management team.

The Nominating Committee of the Board diligently searches for new members, matching the interests and experience of potential Board members with the expertise needed to maintain a balance of perspectives. Once selected, each Board member receives a comprehensive orientation, which includes the organization's history, an overview of current operations and those we serve, and the strategic direction for LHS.

LHS Board members are committed to being effective representatives of our member congregations, which vote to affirm their position on the Board. Many of our Board members are also members of our supporting congregations. All understand that we are a ministry of the Lutheran Church, and each has a passion for service and those we care for daily.

The individuals who serve LHS on your behalf certainly make up a "high performing" Board. You can rest assured that they carry out their fiduciary responsibilities in the best interest of our constituents and those we serve. In addition to those who serve on the Board of Directors, there are many devoted individuals who volunteer on our seven ministry boards. These boards function in an advisory capacity to keep their respective ministries moving forward in a direction aligned with the LHS mission and vision. It is a pleasure for me as CEO to work with all of these committed groups of individuals.

If you have an interest in serving on the LHS Board of Directors or a specific ministry board, please drop me a note so I can pass your name on for consideration. It is through the leadership and commitment of caring individuals that our ministry will carry on for years to come.



*Rick Marshall,
President/CEO*

May the blessings of Christmas fill your heart and home as we celebrate the birth of our Savior.

Rick Marshall

In Memory of the Rev. Gerald Labuhn (1928-2015)

Lutheran Homes Society lost an iconic figure in its history when the Rev. Gerald H. Labuhn, Executive Director from 1964 to 1994 and Executive Director Emeritus, passed away on September 23, 2015, at Hospice of Northwest Ohio.

Pastor Labuhn faithfully served LHS for more than 60 years. His relationship with the Society began as a seminary student, when he served two years as the “Big Boys” attendant in the Lutheran Orphans’ Home (while also serving as student pastor at First St. John Lutheran church next door). While working at the orphanage, he met his wife, Ilean, who was in charge of the nursery, and they were married on June 5, 1954.

Pastor Labuhn was a volunteer member of several Board of Trustee committees, including the 1962 committee that planned the original building now housing The Labuhn Center, the short-term skilled nursing and rehabilitation center on the Lutheran Home at Toledo campus named in his honor. He served as a Trustee until he became Executive Director in 1964. Upon his retirement as a full-time staff member, he served

as the LHS Archivist and Museum Curator.

“God blessed us richly through Pastor Labuhn’s ministry, and we continue to benefit from the faithful work he did at LHS,” said Rick Marshall, LHS President/CEO.

During Pastor Labuhn's tenure, the organization experienced tremendous growth. One of his first tasks, however, was to close the orphanage and find homes for the 37 remaining orphans. The Society repositioned itself to begin serving youth again, with a neighborhood-based group home program that began in 1969 and continues to evolve today.

He was instrumental in expanding the Society’s reach beyond the original east Toledo campus. Under his guidance, the Society developed the Lutheran Home at Napoleon and LHS Housing Services ministries. The following senior housing communities were opened: Luther Crest and Luther Woods in west Toledo, Luther Pines in Lima, Luther Grove in east Toledo, Luther Oaks in



Pastor Labuhn (center) was joined by his wife, Ilean, and the Rev. Dr. Marcus Lohrmann, Bishop of the NW Ohio Synod, ELCA, at the dedication of The Labuhn Center in 2012.

Norwalk, and Luther Meadow in Gibsonburg. In addition, the LHS Foundation was created to gather, hold, and distribute funds in support of LHS ministries.

“His passion for our ministry was incredible,” said the Rev. Dr. James Dumke, Vice President for Mission Integration. “He was truly a gift from God who, for many years, was the embodiment of Lutheran Homes Society’s long history of compassionate care and faithful service.”

Pastor Labuhn received a bachelor’s degree from Capital University in Columbus and was a graduate of what was then Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary in Columbus. He was ordained June 14, 1953, and then installed as associate pastor of St Mark’s Lutheran Church in East Toledo. He earned a master of social work degree from Wayne State University in Detroit and was a leader in Lutheran social service groups.

A funeral service was held at First St. John on September 26.



Pastor Labuhn was Executive Director of LHS from 1964 to 1994, and was responsible for expanding services beyond the original Toledo campus.

LHS Service Coordinator Makes Difference for HOME Choice Client



Billy Powell was able to find a home with the assistance of LHS service coordination and the HOME Choice program.

Billy Powell is 53 years old and has faced many challenges in his life, including being stabbed. When he was attacked, Billy fought back in self defense, which resulted in felonious assault charges and two years in prison.

Once Billy was released from prison, he stayed in homeless shelters. Eventually that ended, and he spent the next three years (winters included) living under a bridge. Over the years, he had broken his back three times and finally was approved for disability. Then for two and a half years, he rented a room at a local hotel. Medical concerns arose and, after getting pneumonia for the third time, Billy was admitted to the hospital. At discharge, he was placed in a nursing home.

In February 2015, a referral was made to the HOME Choice program. HOME Choice is a Medicaid program that helps eligible Ohioans transition from institutional settings to home and community-based settings. LHS was contacted to provide transition coordination, and Service Coordinator Jackie Garcia was assigned to help Billy.

“Although working with Billy has had challenging moments due to his low income and background history, the opportunity to get him re-established in the community and living on his own has been beyond gratifying,” Jackie stated.

Over several months and after several rejections from housing providers, the mission to find him a new home was accomplished. Billy moved into his very own apartment for the first time in many years. The rent and utilities are affordable, and Jackie linked him with community resources that support his independence.

Besides securing housing for Billy, Jackie obtained food stamps; arranged for a temporary ramp for easy access to his apartment; purchased furniture, home goods, and groceries; set up his apartment; had his Social Security payments transferred into his own name, arranged for transportation to appointments, and connected him with the delivery service from his pharmacy.

When asked what his thoughts were on the help he has received, Billy stated, “You never left me hanging, always returned phone calls, stayed on top of things, and never gave up on me. You’ve been a blessing and that’s the truth.”

LHS Seeks Board Candidates



Lutheran Homes Society, serving youth and elderly since 1860, has openings on its Board of Directors. In 2014, LHS served over 3,600 residents, patients, and clients, with over 1,000 staff members and 866 volunteers. LHS has over \$32 million in net assets and an annual budget of nearly \$60 million.

The LHS Board of Directors is a high-performance, high-functioning governance board, as recognized recently by the national organization,

BoardSource. The LHS Nominating Committee is looking for candidates who possess business acumen and a heart for social ministry to serve on the board.

If you are interested or know of a good board candidate, please contact:

LHS Nominating Committee
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New Executive Director to Lead Lutheran Home at Napoleon

Lutheran Homes Society announces the appointment of Stephanie Keaton as Executive Director for Lutheran Home at Napoleon. As Executive Director, Mrs. Keaton will be responsible for the day-to-day operations, community outreach, and business development of the Napoleon campus, which includes independent and assisted living, short-term rehabilitation, long-term nursing care, outpatient therapy, and respite care.

Mrs. Keaton has a combined 15 years of long-term care experience. Most recently, she served as the Administrator of a facility in the Toledo area. Previously, she held such positions as Assistant Administrator, Staff Development Manager, Human Resources Manager and Business Office Assistant.

“Throughout her career, Stephanie has done an excellent job of ensuring high quality care and placing her residents first,” said Jeff Rohdy, LHS Regional Executive Director for Long-Term Care Services. “We are excited to have her join the

Lutheran Home at Napoleon team and continue to provide exceptional service to the Henry County community.”

Mrs. Keaton is a Licensed Nursing Home Administrator in the state of Ohio. She earned a bachelor’s degree in gerontology with a specialization in long-term care administration from Bowling Green State University. Originally from Genoa, Ohio, she recently relocated to Holgate, Ohio, and resides there with her husband and two children.



Stephanie Keaton

“It is my greatest aspiration to ensure employees, residents, families, and the community are proud of this establishment,” Mrs. Keaton stated. “I am blessed to have found this organization.”

Dog and Music Lovers Have New Choices at Napoleon Campus

Pets are not just childhood friends; they can also be an important therapy tool when caring for the aging population. Pet-assisted therapy is widely used the industry, and the benefits are resoundingly positive. Lutheran Home at Napoleon now has a dog to engage residents, with the addition of Ricky Ricardo, a long-haired Chihuahua.

Linda Miller, the Napoleon campus’ Activities Director, recently adopted Ricky, a one-year-old dog weighing no more than five pounds. He is the campus’ unofficial mascot, and he comes to work almost every day with Linda to visit with the residents.

“While he is not a certified therapy dog, he does have a very positive effect on the residents who like animals,” Linda stated. “They smile when they see him coming, and he is small enough to get up on their laps so they can easily pet



Resident Charles Backhaus relaxes with Ricky Ricardo.

him. They love to watch him play and to sneak him a treat every once in a while.”

Linda and her team also received certification for the Music & MemorySM program, and many residents are enjoying the effects of music therapy. The personalized program enables those struggling with Alzheimer’s, dementia, and other cognitive and physical challenges to reconnect with the world through music-triggered memories.

According to research, music therapy can provide not only comfort and enjoyment, but can also increase cooperation and attention, reduce agitation, enhance engagement and socialization, and help reduce reliance on medications.

Interaction with a gentle, friendly pet like Ricky can have many of the same effects and more. Physically, it can lower blood pressure, release endorphins that have a calming effect, and diminish overall pain. Mentally, the program can lift spirits and lessen depression, decrease feelings of isolation and alienation, lower anxiety, and reduce loneliness.

“We are always encouraging families to bring in their pets and share them with all of our residents and watch the difference it can make,” explained Kelly Wallace, Admissions and Marketing Director. “With the music therapy program and Ricky, we now have a couple more ways that we can engage our residents and brighten their days.”

Lutheran Village at Wolf Creek Gets Ready for the Holidays

Preparations have been underway to dress up Lutheran Village at Wolf Creek for the holidays, as is the case throughout the ministries of Lutheran Homes Society.

The Wolf Creek campus received some help with decorating outside from students attending Springfield High School in Holland, Ohio. On November 3, about 20 students spent a couple of hours in the morning hanging about 3,000 lights on the trees around Creekside Condominiums.



Springfield High School students wrap a tree with lights.

The students did not have class that day because of a teacher in-service, and they chose to volunteer their time instead of sleeping in. The students were lucky, as the day was sunny with un-Christmassy temperatures in the 60s.

Marge Cook, a Creekside resident, watched the volunteers hang up the lights as she sat on a bench in the sun. The kids looked like they are having fun doing it, she commented, adding that the residents really enjoy the lights throughout the Christmas season.

Decorating each year is a significant task, but this year the Wolf Creek campus also was finishing up renovations to the chapel, just in time for the holidays.

The chapel has been completely renovated over the past three months using the financial gifts of donors received over the years. After stripping out the old carpeting, workers installed a laminate wood floor. In addition, the walls were repainted, new carpeting was installed in the chancel, and new curtains were designed and installed. New paraments designed in Belgium also adorn the altar and lectern.

“The soft earth tones have created an environment of meditative peace for those who enter the chapel to pray and worship,” stated Sue Boyne, Director of Marketing.

LHS Adult Day Center Experiences Quick Growth

Since Lutheran Homes Society opened its Adult Day Center (ADC) on September 1, there has been much success and growth in the new service line. LHS was projected to have 15 participants enrolled in the ADC in November 2015. Currently, LHS has 17 participants enrolled in the day center, with 14 more working their way through the admission process to begin services.

“Even with the overwhelming growth in our census, our greatest success is expanding our services into the community,” explained Amanda Schroeder, Senior Executive Director for Home and Community Based Services, who is responsible for the operation of the ADC. “Helping not only our Adult Day Center clients but also their caregivers has been very fulfilling, and our staff enjoys their jobs on a daily basis,” she added.

At this point, three aides and one driver have been hired to staff the ADC, along with Director LuAnn Willinger, RN. The ratio of staff to participants is 1:6, and more staff will be added as the ADC continues to grow.

“LHS has been blessed with dedicated staff that is the heart of our Adult Day Center,” LuAnn stated. “Our staff is skilled at building personal relationships with our clients, while gaining the trust

of their caregivers by providing needed services in a caring and compassionate manner.”

The LHS Adult Day Center is open Monday-Friday from 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. The adult day services can be paid for through private pay, some insurances, or the PASSPORT Medicaid waiver program. If needed, LHS can provide transportation to and from the center. For more information, call LuAnn at 419-214-0824.



Aide Brittany Boyd helps adult day participants assemble their personal collages, as part of an afternoon activity.

Family & Youth Services – Around Home

The fall season spiced up the activities for many LHS Family & Youth Services staff and youth in care. Many youth attended the LHS Halloween Party at the Blackmon Alternate Learning Center and visited area pumpkin farms for hay ride and corn maze fun. Individuals had many opportunities to embrace the beautiful fall season and continue on their individual journeys of healing.

At the Oregon Treatment Facility, Mark spent time at his aunt's home for a visit. The youth and his aunt have increased home visits and started attending family therapy, as they move toward reunification. Five youth spent a Saturday at Pearson Metropark, where they walked trails, played on the jungle gym, and rode paddle boats on the pond. Sam, who had been struggling with behavioral issues for the last eight months, had a successful month and, as a reward, chose to go watch the "Minions" movie and go out to eat with staff.

At the Wynn Treatment Facility, youth attended the Pet Halloween Hoorah in Downtown Perrysburg. While there, they browsed through outdoor shops and visited with many cats and dogs. Sarah attended her first school dance at Fassett Junior High School in Oregon. She dressed up like a princess and had a wonderful time.

The youth at the East Toledo Group Home enjoyed a science-themed program during October. They transformed into "scientists," as they tried different experiments each week. They also helped decorate the home for Halloween. As part of a contest, they decorated their bedroom doors. Youth also visited the

library each week and have begun a weekly reading program.

The month of October flew by at the Anthony Wayne Group Home. Youth maintained their normal routines of volunteering at the local humane society, running errands, and grocery shopping on the weekends, but also added the seasonal activities of raking leaves and pumpkin shopping. When the weather allowed it, the youth spent as much time outside as possible, both at the house and local parks. To get ready for Halloween, youth picked out pumpkins to carve and paint. With the help of staff, they selected what kind of faces they wanted on their pumpkins and were helped through the carving process. Their favorite parts seemed to be digging out the insides of the pumpkin, and then baking and eating the pumpkin seeds. They also painted the smaller pumpkins with funny and scary faces.



At the LHS Maumee Youth Center, two residents were discharged and two new residents joined the Youth Center family. John, Alex, and Jesse continue

to volunteer at the local Goodwill Store stocking shelves and sorting items. All the residents celebrated Halloween with a fall festival. They enjoyed face painting, bingo, pumpkin bowling, a decorating contest, and making caramel apples. In addition, youth have started working with staff in filling out their Christmas wish lists.



In adult programming, three new clients started working in the LHS Day Habilitation Center. They are learning vocational skills to aid them in eventually achieving community employment. Swimming, attending church, and exercising at the YMCA have helped the young adults who live in LHS homes keep busy. They also spent time carving pumpkins and planning a family Halloween party. One adult home enjoyed a variety of fun fall activities. They visited a pumpkin farm, where Molly especially enjoyed feeding the goats and chickens. They also traveled to a local orchard to pick apples. They then made several batches of baked apples at the house for an evening treat.

Lutheran Memorial Home Recognizes Volunteers

Lutheran Memorial Home in Sandusky held a recognition luncheon for its faithful volunteers earlier this fall. The campus, which has 26 dedicated volunteers who generously donate their time for the residents, welcomed 14 of them to this year's recognition event.

Volunteers were served an Italian-style meal prepared by the



Mary Jane Riedy was one of the volunteers recognized for service.

dietary staff, and Chaplain Kathy Shuck blessed the food and all those in attendance "for having warm hearts and healing hands." After they finished eating, each volunteer received a certificate with an angel pin attached to it.

"We truly appreciate our volunteers," stated Deanna Hamilton, Activities Director/Volunteer Services Coordinator. "Without their time and effort, we would not be able to offer many of the activities that enrich the lives of our residents. Many of the residents have grown close to our volunteers."

Weekly volunteers at the Sandusky campus include Mary Jane Riedy, Bob and Geneva Thames, and George Wood. Mary Jane and Geneva both had relatives they regularly visited at the campus. Although their loved ones have since passed away, they continue to volunteer as part of the Lutheran Memorial Home family. George's wife is a

current resident, and they both have become close to the other residents and staff.

Mary Jane comes in each week to help with the Friday socials and monthly birthday party held on the last Friday of the month. She also volunteers her time on Sundays to help with the cookie social hour after church. Bob and Geneva come in three times a week to help lead bingo, and they generously donate some of the prizes. George helps with bingo three times a week, plays UNO two times a week with residents, and assists with outings.

"The volunteers continued commitment to our residents is part of our organization's overall success," commented Marketing/RN Supervisor Melissa McKeller, who coordinated the event. "We wanted to let them know how much they mean to us individually and as an organization."

LHS Foundation Collaborates with Community Groups

LHS Foundation staff members have the privilege of representing Lutheran Homes Society in the community when they are speaking with donors, potential donors, and resident family members. In addition, when they speak at community or congregational programs and events, there is always an opportunity to express the need for volunteers and collaborative efforts on behalf of the LHS mission and ministry.

One such collaboration involves middle school students from Christ the King School in Toledo, who have participated in two service days with residents of Luther Crest and Luther Woods senior housing communities. This

past May, students assisted residents with weeding and trimming the areas around their patios. The residents remarked that the students were helpful and polite. "They can come back any time," one resident stated.

In October, Christ the King students baked cookies with residents. Three cookie stations were set up, with each station baking a different kind of cookie. When completed, the students were able to sample them as dessert at



Christ the King middle school students spent a day baking cookies with residents.

lunch and take home a dozen to share with their families. Both the residents and the students enjoyed the time spent together.

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LHS Donors Assist with Charitable Care

Lutheran Homes Society provides essential services and care to thousands of residents and community recipients. As a non-profit, religious, charitable social service organization, we depend on income from three main sources: Medicaid, Medicare, and other public programs; private-pay residents and care recipients; and insurance companies. Donations are required to raise funds to offset the cost of care not covered through these sources. This care is called charitable care.

LHS Foundation has established a Charitable Care designated fund for the purpose of collecting donations for this unreimbursed care. When donors send in contributions designated for this fund, the

full amount of their donation is directed into the Charitable Care fund. Other contributions with specific designation instructions are honored, as well. That is the ethical responsibility of the foundation and one that we take very seriously.

LHS does not refuse necessary medical care to any of its residents based upon the inability to pay. As donors, you help to provide necessary medical care to those who cannot afford to pay for all or part of it. In addition, you help cover the cost of additional resources needed by thousands of others who depend upon Lutheran Homes Society for their health and wholeness.

I thank you for your faithful support to help fund the care

received by all of our residents, as well as new programs and medical initiatives necessary for optimal care. As donors, you can be proud of the more than 1,000 employees and volunteers who daily fulfill the LHS mission of being the face and hands of Christ, while providing hope and wholeness to those served.

I wish for you hope and wholeness as well, as we celebrate the Christ who came for us so that we might all experience the wholeness of God's love. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Kathleen B. Lemmerbrock
Executive Director
LHS Foundation

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Both service days were a time for the residents and students to interact with each other and discover more about each others' lives. One student said that the lady she was baking cookies with reminded her of her grandmother. This student made a lasting connection.

The LHS Foundation is also collaborating with Rick and Jackie Metz from Bowling Green, Ohio, and their radio show titled "A Firm Foundation." The initial radio broadcast aired in August from Lutheran Home at Toledo and covered the topic of Parkinson's disease and the programs LHS has in place to address this disease and its accompanying side effects. During the broadcast, staff members focused on the LSVT® BIG and LOUD therapy choices that can improve movement and speech issues.



(Left to right) Lutheran Village at Wolf Creek Executive Director Jason Napierala, Respiratory Therapist Prince Yeboah, Pulmonologist Dr. Hesham El Gamal, radio hosts Rick and Jackie Metz, and Physician Assistant May El Jarouche shared information on the new Pulmonary Rehabilitation Program.

The next radio program aired in November and featured the new Pulmonary Rehabilitation Program at Lutheran Village at Wolf Creek. The program is designed to provide comprehensive rehabilitative care for people with chronic breathing problems. During the broadcast, key players

discussed the various components and benefits of the pulmonary program.

This collaboration will continue with future programs. If you are interested in listening to other broadcasts of this radio series, tune into Talk Radio 1470 AM on Saturdays from 9-11 a.m.

In Memory of...

July 1 - September 30, 2015

George & Gladys Ardner by Georgia Ardner
Fran Austermiller by Nancy Hardin
Lawrence & Anna Avers by Dale Avers
Susan, Michael & Megan Brown by Clyde & Mary Sandrock
Thelma Brown by Joyce Coutts, Shirley Osborn
Ruth Bub by Rev. & Mrs. Gerald Labuhn
Tim Carsten by Nicholas Daly & Lisa Bland, Noel & Donna Graham, Daisy Hornyak, Donald & Sharon Koenig, Alfred Studtmann
Iva Cordes by Delores Atkinson, Kim Baker, Neal & Margaret Benecke, Jason Bostelman & Family, Pam Bryant, Larry & Janni Buenger, Kathleen Conrad, Irene Cordes, Larry & Karen Cymbola, Peggy Frysinger, Marvin & Shirley Gebers, Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Gerken, Marc & Karen Houts, Marv Imbrock, Mary Jo Keller, Mr. & Mrs. James Kerr, Carey & Beth Lange, Betty Marihugh, Peggy Patterson, Loren & Jean Plassman, Lynn & Kathleen Rausch, George & Sue Shaneyfelt, Betty Snyder, Rodger Sonnenberg, Jack & Connie Thompson, Loren & Patsy Wachtman
Mary Delventhal by Anonymous, Associated General Contractors of NW Ohio, Douglas & Julia Brubaker, Lila Cordes, Carol Dille, James & Lori Drewes, Jane Hoeffel, Jan Kralovic, Larry & Lisa Papenfuss, Rossi & Associates, Toledo, S & D Capital, Oregon, Bret & Kristi Speiser, Alfred Studtmann, Pate & Julie Ann Summers, Dora Titgemeyer, Karen Wilson
Marjorie Dew by Jean Winkelman
Wilma Fahrney by Michael & Beverly Amstutz
Marguerite & Francis Falkenberg by June Ide
Parents, Kenneth & Virginia Favro, by Sharon Libke
Nancy Forney by Cheryl & Gary Daman, Carol Dille, Henry County Family Physicians, Mike & Kay Meuth
Maurine Furney by Jean Winkelman
Rita Galatocky by Catherine Schmalz
John Garrett by Barbara Garrett
Norma Jean Gast by Terry Gast
Grandparents - Sandrock & Schimming by Janet Schimming
Grandparents Emery & Meta Herman by Jack Herman & Jane Merritt
Deo Grose by Janet Grose

David Henry by Clark & Carol Price
Donald Higley by Mike & Karen Fischer
Neoma Hoffman by David & Beverly Hoffman
Rev. & Mrs. C.M. Hollensen by Janice Hollensen
Dr. Raymond H. Hollensen by Janice Hollensen
Janice Kerger by Thora Filkins, Emilyn Jakes, Richard Kerger
Carl Klein by Jack & Gretchen Grigsby
Dale Kline by Bernice Kline
Norman & Rex Knepper by Mary Bath
Karl Koch by Ronald & Joanne Koch
Harold Konoff by Ronald & Joanne Koch
Helen Konoff by Ronald & Joanne Koch
Rev. Gerald Labuhn by Ben Caplan, Lillian Lager, Marshall & Melhorn, Dave & Pam Roberts, Jim & Louise Sommers, Margene Spring
William Lenz Sr. by Carol Ardner
Son, Christopher Libke, by Sharon Libke
Sally Lowe by Rev. & Mrs. Gerald Labuhn
William Lueck by Ila Jo Lueck
Sean Andrew Lutzmann by Karen Frey
My husband, Pete Macko, by Darlene Macko
Onalee Maher by Jake & Betty Swaninger
Margaret Manteuffel by Richard Manteuffel
My wife, Mary, by Weldon Mueller

Robert Myers by Linda Bates, Linda Kuehn, Jake & Betty Swaninger
Edward & Elfrieda Nowak by Clyde & Mary Sandrock
Stephen Patterson by Sharon Wheeler
Alice Pierce by Molly & Steve Laux
Steve Plottner by Anonymous, Beverly Apel, Elizabeth Cannon, Lois Froehlich, Hylant, Molly & Steve Laux, Kathleen Lemmerbrock, Marshall & Melhorn, Lynn & John Warren, Rev. Donald & Carolyn Weiss
Anita Richter by Phyllis Belch, Richard Feusse, Thora Filkins, Emilyn & Jerry Jakes, Mary Kohn, Myra Zaenger
Charles Rodawalt by Rhonda Gregg
Donna Sandrock by Clyde & Mary Sandrock
Fred & Clara Sandrock by Clyde & Mary Sandrock
Milton Schimming by Clyde & Mary Sandrock
Rev. R.F. Staber by Lois Staber
Lydia Streib (Mom), former employee & role model by Bob & Barb Fielitz
Charles Supinski by Irene Supinski
Theodore Titgemeyer by Darrell & Joyce Fox
James F., Helen & James J. Wheeler by Sharon Wheeler
Anna Yunker by Mary Jane Joehlin

In Honor of...

July 1 - September 30, 2015

Cecil & Elizabeth Adkins' 60th wedding anniversary by Ronald & Joanne Koch
Anna Belle Avers' 90th birthday by Doris Avers
Leroy & Bernadine Beuhler's 60th wedding anniversary by St. John's W.E.L.C.A., Oak Harbor
Harlan & Lois Billow's 60th wedding anniversary by Harlan & Lois Billow
Eric & Stephany Blair's anniversary by Dave & Pam Roberts
Eric Blair's birthday by Dave & Pam Roberts
Stephany Blair's birthday by Dave & Pam Roberts
Jason & Stacy Everetts' wedding anniversary by Dave & Pam Roberts
Stacy Everetts' birthday by Dave & Pam Roberts
Grandson Thomas Everetts' birthday by Dave & Pam Roberts
Rosemarie Fisher by Kenneth Fisher

The Four Evangelists - Matthew, Mark, Luke and John by John Weislmeier
God's blessings by Terry & Sandra Potter
Kathy Harrison's 17 years of service at LHS by Dave & Pam Roberts, Jeff & Nancy Wellman
Rev. Gerald Labuhn, former employee and role model by Bob & Barb Fielitz
Rev. Gerald Labuhn's birthday by Dorothy Hagen, Dave & Pam Roberts
Evelyn Lusch's 104th birthday by Mr. & Mrs. John Lusch
Lutheran Homes Society by Glenn Geldien
Ben Metcalf's birthday by Dave & Pam Roberts
Gerry Squarcette by Sara James
Lynn Warren by John Warren
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Lutheran Home at Toledo Helps Toys for Tots Spread Christmas Cheer

Lutheran Home at Toledo is partnering with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve and its Toys for Tots Program this holiday season. The Toledo campus will serve as a drop-off location for new, unwrapped toys that will be distributed as Christmas gifts to less fortunate children in the local community.

“We are excited to be giving our employees and the community the opportunity to donate a toy to make Christmas extra special for children who otherwise may not receive any Christmas gifts,” said Kim Lemle, Admissions and Marketing Director. “We are so happy to be a part of this program that helps children still believe in the magic of Christmas!”

Since its inception in 1948, the Toys for Tots Program has distributed over 494 million toys to over 230 million less fortunate



Management team members kick off the Toys for Tots collection at Lutheran Home at Toledo.

children. Donated toys should be new, unwrapped, and appropriate for children ages 0 to 12 years. Realistic-looking weapons and gifts containing food will not be distributed.

Collection boxes for the donated toys can be found in the lobbies of The Labuhn Center, assisted living,

and the care center. The collection drive runs from October 1 through December 23.

