

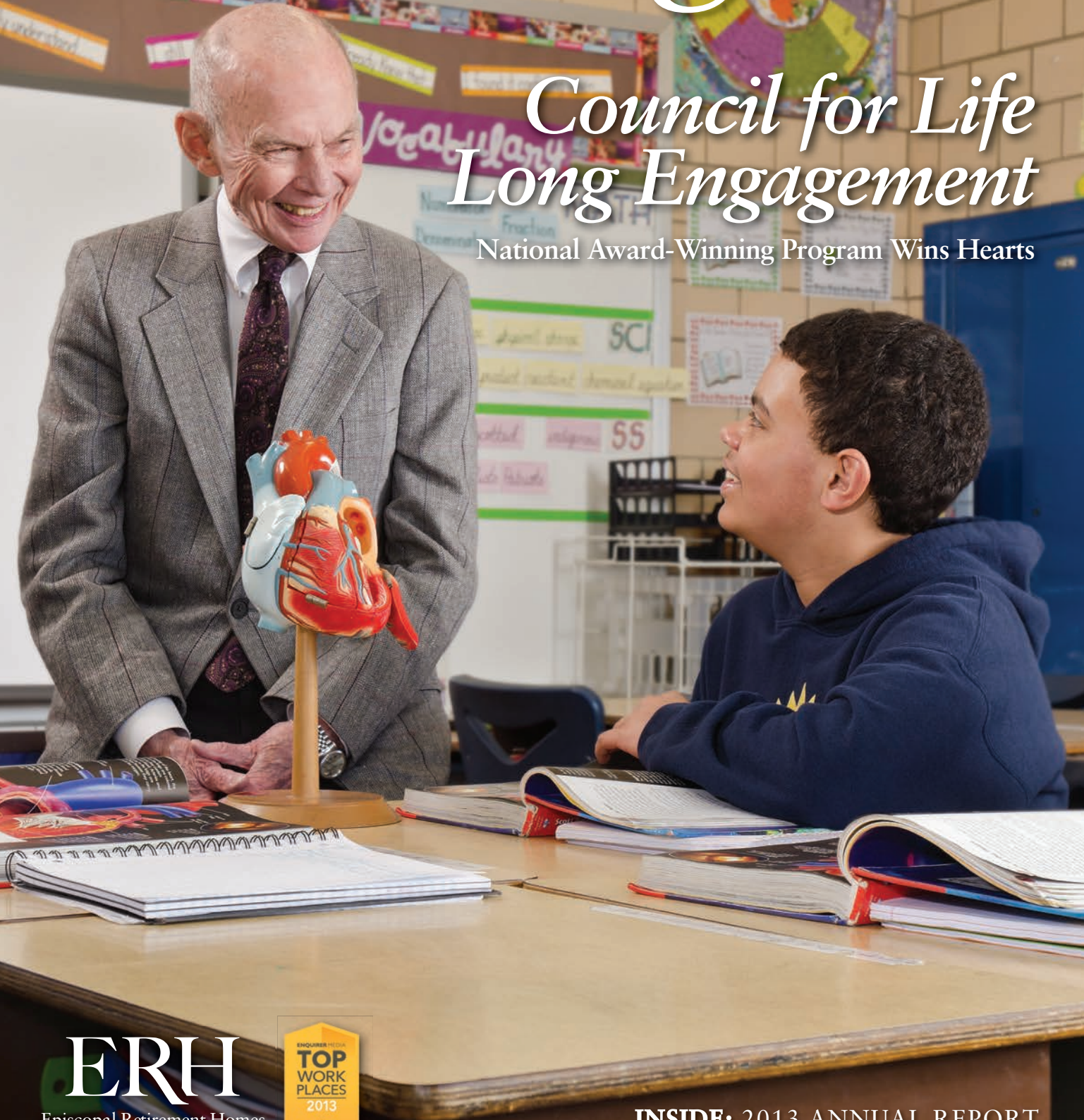


Spring 2014

Linkage

Council for Life Long Engagement

National Award-Winning Program Wins Hearts



ERH

Episcopal Retirement Homes

ENQUIRER MEDIA
**TOP
WORK
PLACES**
2013

INSIDE: 2013 ANNUAL REPORT

Table of Contents

Your Community

Crochet for a Cause 3
Meet the Board 4

Features

Council for Life Long Engagement..... 6
In-depth with the Chefs..... 8

2013 Annual Report

Letter from the CEO & Board President 9
2013 Overview & Financial Report 10
2013 Ministry Report 12
Living Legacy Society 17
2013 Community Partnerships 18
Donor Spotlight 19
Living Legacy Society Donor Information..... Back Page

ON THE COVER:

Dr. Schreiner, Deupree House resident and former Chief of Medicine, shares his expertise with students through CLLE. Photo by Gary Kessler

ERH Communities & Services

Premier Retirement Communities

Deupree House | Marjorie P. Lee

Affordable Living Communities

*Cambridge Heights | Canterbury Court
Elberon | Forest Square | Parkview Place | Shawnee Place | St. Paul Village
| St. Pius Place | Woodburn Pointe*

Community Services

*Deupree Meals on Wheels
Living Well Senior Solutions
Parish Health Ministry*



ERH Board of Directors

Robin Smith, Chair

Ben Blemker, Ken Burkman, Kit Duval, The Rev. Darren Elin, The Rev. Bruce Freeman, Tate Greenwald, Lisa Hughes, Thomas W. Kahle, Esq., Harry Kangis, George Keil, Jane Kuntz, Keith Lawrence, Terry Lilly, Trish Martindell, Dr. Mark Meyers, Dixon Miller, Cece Mooney, The Rt. Rev. Kenneth L. Price Jr., Thomas M. Regan, Dr. Robert Reed, Miles C. Schmidt, Michael T. Schueler, Rich Setterberg, The Rev. Bruce Smith, Gates Smith, Randal C. Young

ERH Foundation Board of Directors

William C. Knodel, Chair

Richard N. Adams, Ben Blemker, Jon Boss, Bob Edwards, Tate Greenwald, R. Douglas Spitler, Dan Witten, Ellen Zemke

We Welcome Your Comments

The Linkage Editor
Episcopal Retirement Homes
3870 Virginia Avenue • Cincinnati, Ohio 45227
(513) 271-9610 • erhmarketing@erhinc.com

Editor: Amy Engelbrecht; Editing Supervisor: Ken Paley

Linkage is Available Online

To better serve you, Linkage magazine is available via email and on the Episcopal Retirement Homes website at www.EpiscopalRetirement.com. If you would like to be removed from the Linkage mailing list, please call (513) 271-9610.

Make A Donation Online

For your convenience, donations are now accepted online at www.EpiscopalRetirement.com under Charitable Giving.

Linkage is a resource to address issues and interests of older adults, providing a link between ERH's programs and the community. For 60 years, Episcopal Retirement Homes has been a not-for-profit, financially sound organization dedicated to improving the lives of older adults from all faiths through innovative, quality services based upon their values and delivered by highly experienced, deeply committed professionals.



Like us on     

Follow our blog at blog.episcopalretirement.com

© Copyright 2014 by Episcopal Retirement Homes, Inc. Nothing shown or written may be reproduced in any form without written permission from the editors.



Hand-crocheted prayer shawls donated to Bethesda North Hospital

Crochet for a Cause

St. Paul Village Residents Contribute to Charities

By Laura A. Hobson

Bringing joy to recipients is one reason Chris Lemmon, ERH volunteer coordinator and activities director, likes the Crochet for a Cause residents' group at St. Paul Village. The group's handmade articles go to those in need throughout the Greater Cincinnati area.

Crochet for a Cause began at this ERH affordable living community in the summer of 2012. Eight to 10 members, ages 50 to 100, make crocheted or knitted items when they gather each Wednesday afternoon.

The group donates their creations to charities, with prayer shawls and lap afghans going to cancer patients at VITAS, children's hats to St. Joseph Catholic School in the West End and as-

sorted hats going to families who stay at the Ronald McDonald House while their children receive treatment at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center.

"Families traveling to Ronald McDonald House have enough on their minds," Lemmon says. "If they're coming from a warmer climate and experience one of Cincinnati's cold winters, it's nice to let them know we're thinking of them by offering a hat or scarf."

The group also contributes to special causes such as Our Precious Angels, a ministry established by Amy Hirsch to honor her children, preemie twins who arrived too early to survive. Hirsch distributes handmade baby blankets and hats to the

Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Good Samaritan Hospital and hats to Bethesda North Hospital as commemorative gifts.

The residents enjoy making and giving the items, but find they also receive in turn. "It's comforting," says resident Betty Mitchell, 93. "I'm doing something for somebody, and it's good therapy for my hands."

"I used to do a lot of knitting and crocheting," says resident Hazel Gentry, 67. "This gets me out of my apartment to socialize." After Gentry's mother contracted cancer in 2013, one of the hospital aides brought her a prayer shawl. To her surprise, it was exactly the style she had made in the group. It was a moving experience that she never forgot. ■



By The Numbers

- **Number of items Crochet for a Cause has made:** 1,000 +
- **Number of organizations they help:** 9
- **Number of volunteer hours they accumulate:** 800 hours in the group; countless hours at home
- **Number of volunteers:** 8 to 10
- **Age of the most senior volunteer:** 100

Meet the Board

The Episcopal Retirement Homes (ERH) Board of Directors makes it a priority to serve the ERH mission: enriching the lives of older adults in a person-centered, innovative and spiritually based way.

“I am a true believer of ERH’s mission,” says Robin Smith, Chair of the Board and former Procter & Gamble IT professional. “I am giving my time and talents to spread that mission to as many older adults in our communities as possible.”

In each issue of Linkage, you’ll meet the dynamic and passionate volunteer board members who help drive ERH.

By Whitney Harrod Morris



The Rev. Darren Elin

*Episcopal Clergy Representative
to the Board*

Occupation: Rector for St. Thomas Episcopal Church

Area of expertise: I believe I can help make a difference in the areas of community relations, specifically parish relations. I also have experience in marketing analysis and organizational development.

Something people might not know about you: My passion for music actually introduced me to the Episcopal church. My wife and I met through the church choir while working overseas in Tokyo.

How long have you been on the Board? This is my first term.

Why do you volunteer on the Board? I believe in ERH’s mission to help those it serves live well into the future. ERH has earned an excellent reputation for not only great service, but as a model employer and ministry partner.

Most rewarding part? Seeing just how much this ministry can make difference.

What do you do in your free time? I’m the proud father of two. Our family has several favorite places including the Museum Center, Cincinnati Nature Center, Music Hall, Little Miami Bike Trail and Krohn Conservatory.



Rich Setterberg

Member of the Board

Occupation: Healthcare lawyer

Area of Expertise: Medical staff credentialing, peer review and healthcare organizational documents.

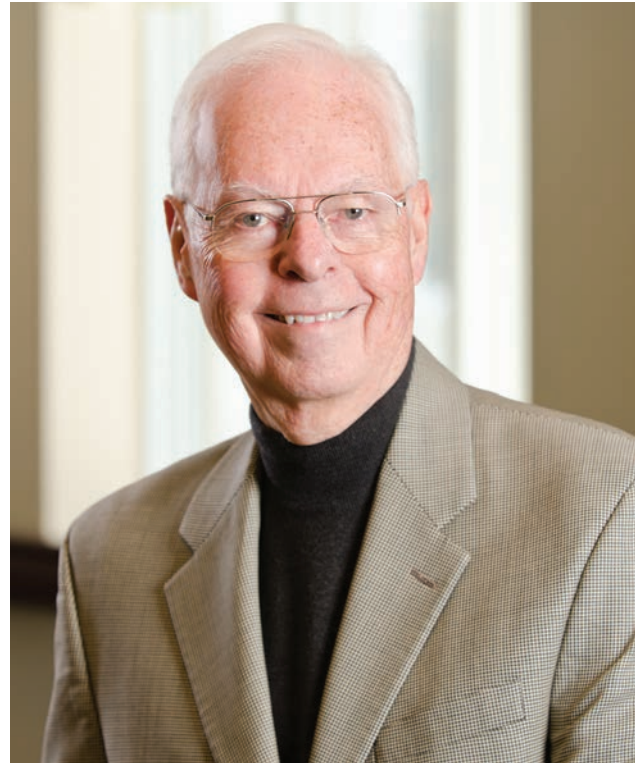
Something people might not know about you: I first became actively involved in board governance issues involving the elderly and disabled when I served on the board of The Beechwood Home, which specializes in M.S. patients.

How long have you been on the Board? Less than a year

Why do you volunteer on the Board? I have a great deal of empathy for the elderly. Those with less money, who are sick or who are disabled are often forgotten. I'd like to change not only that outcome, but also that attitude.

How are you prepared for serving on the board? While I was serving at The Beechwood Home, I overcame my discomfort with the severely disabled. My time with such residents helped me understand the human beings beneath the surface of disabilities.

What do you do in your free time? Underwater photography. My wife and I travel to about four warm water destinations a year.



Robert Reed

Member of the Board

Occupation: Neurologist

Area of expertise: Dementia knowledge, particularly Alzheimer's Disease. I'm interested to see if a directed intense learning program could flatten the curve of progression of this dreaded degenerative brain disease.

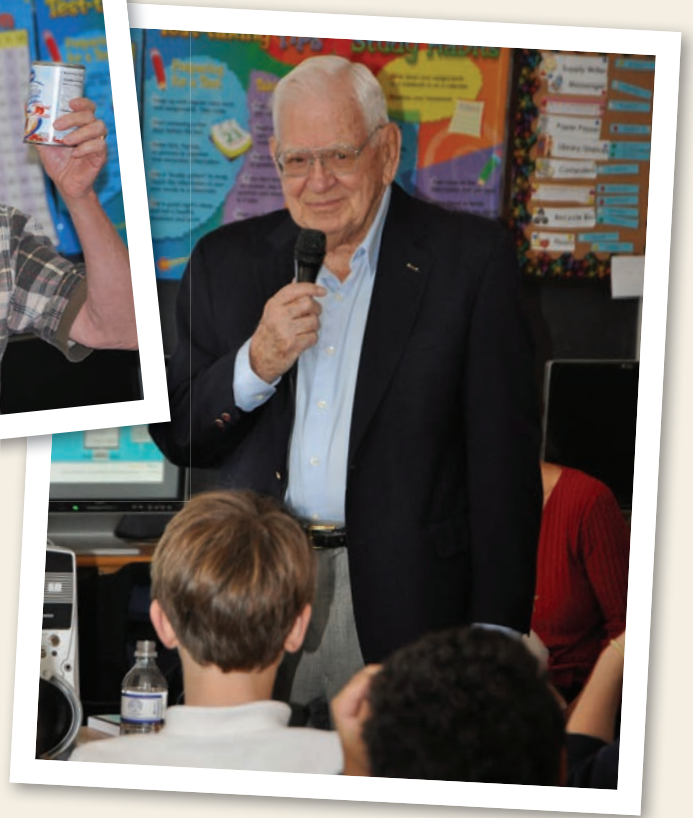
Something people might not know about you: If I ever retire, I would like to join the Friends of Little Miami State Park, which helps the state maintain its excellent biking resource.

How long have you been on the Board? Less than a year

Why do you volunteer on the Board? I believe in the mission to make care of the elderly affordable and healthy. ERH has incorporated innovative methods of care based on respect for the integrity and needs of those in our aging population. ERH has also begun to reach out to those of limited resources to make care affordable.

Most rewarding part? I feel I am a part of the ERH community.

What do you do in your free time? Recently I returned to the piano, an old hobby, which I play for pleasure.



Council for Life Long Engagement

(Left) David Lowry discusses the importance of recycling; (right) Bill Victor shares his knowledge of technology and communication.

National Award-Winning Program is Winning Hearts *by Marnie Hayutin*

Thanks to a groundbreaking ERH program, students in Cincinnati and around the country are not only learning science and history, they're learning to respect the rich and varied gifts of their elders.

With a mission to eradicate ageism over the next 20 years, ERH's Council for Life Long Engagement brings residents into classrooms to assist with the curriculum in meaningful ways. Now in its fourth year, the program is making such strides that it earned the coveted Hobart Jackson Cultural Diversity Award in front of over 5,000 people from LeadingAge, a national association with 6,000 not-for-profit organizations that promote the health

and well-being of seniors.

"If we're going to change how society feels about elders, we have to change how children feel about elders," says program founder Laura Lamb, ERH's Vice President of Housing and Healthcare. As they grow up, they'll create a generation that respects and values elders.

"The goal of LeadingAge is to improve the lives of elders across the country," Lamb adds. "How can you improve someone's life if they're not valued?"

CLLE is far more than a guest-speaker program. Lamb understood from the outset that this wouldn't work if it were simply viewed as an

add-on to the teachers' already extensive lesson plans. Instead, she carefully considers the curricula of each teacher and matches them with the unique expertise of her residents to make each classroom visit an integral part of the lesson. Who better to teach the skeletal system than a pediatrician, for example, or a retired stockbroker to teach about money and banking?

A radiologist with a lifelong interest in space exploration recently taught fifth graders at Nativity School about the Apollo 8 mission. "He was so passionate about it and so informative that the kids thought he was an astronaut," recalls teacher Stefanie Kathman. "They thought he had actually been to the moon."

Marjorie P. Lee resident Dan Wheeler shared his extensive knowledge of photography with students from Mt. Notre Dame High School, delighting them with prints he made when he was their age. Wheeler also drew on his interest in maps for some intriguing interaction with Kathman's fifth graders. In one demonstration, he started with a photo of baby gorilla Gladys and taught the kids to find her using a map of the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden.

Wheeler is not new to the classroom setting by any means—he's a retired University of Cincinnati associate professor of Psychology and Education. But he finds the experience of sharing his hobbies with younger groups of students to be "quite exciting."

"It's delightful to have good contact with the young people you get to meet," he says.

Additional opportunities have been designed to include residents who may not feel comfortable in front of a class. CLLE holds a career day, which allows students to interact with seniors in smaller groups. Residents also host an Etiquette Lunch program, where eighth graders learn table manners in the classroom, then join residents for a meal at

Deupree House to put what they've learned into practice. Many residents also serve as Science Fair judges.

Participants describe the program as a win-win-win: It's beneficial for the residents, the students, the teachers, and for Lamb and her team of facilitators who work tirelessly behind the scenes to coordinate the visits. But this isn't simply a feel-good program. Surveys given to students at the beginning and end of each school year prove this program is actually changing perceptions.

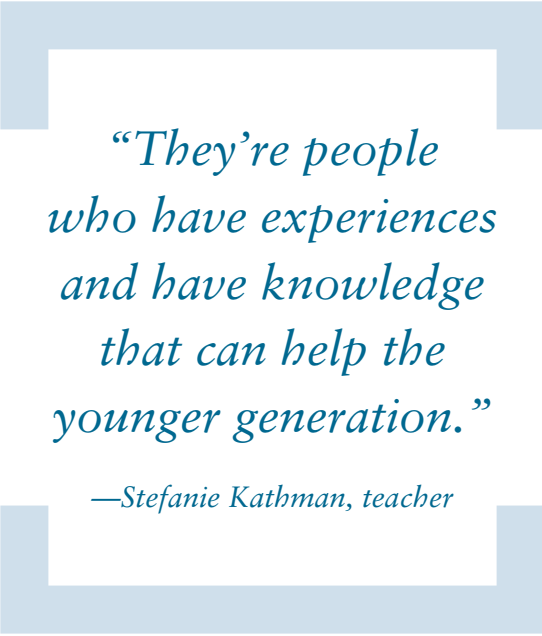
"Having this real-life experience shows the students that they're not just 'old people,'" Kathman says. "They're people who have experiences and have knowledge that can help the younger generation." And it works both ways, she notes: "The residents may think of the young kids as the stereotypical disobedient children. They get a different perspective, as well, when they come into the classroom and the students are receptive, welcoming and appreciative."

Perhaps most important to the long-term mission of eradicating ageism, the model is completely replicable. So far, Lamb and her team have helped

implement the program in eight other retirement communities around the country, and with an imminent launch at a community in Canada, the program will soon be international. They provide new participants with all the materials they need to get started—a guidebook, all resources needed, even a staff mentor from ERH.

The magic of the model is that it's scalable. New facilities can start as big or as small as they wish. But be warned: It will grow. One Career Day, for example, will most definitely lead to new connections and exciting opportunities.

"We started out with one school, with one teacher," Lamb says, "but it's just contagious." ■



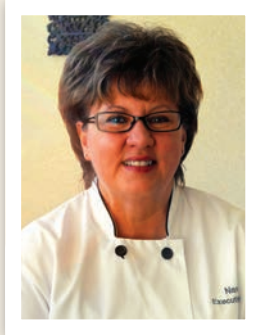
*"They're people
who have experiences
and have knowledge
that can help the
younger generation."*

—Stefanie Kathman, teacher



In-depth with the Chefs

Meet Nancy Schmalle, Executive Chef at Marjorie P. Lee and Pete Juszczyk, Director of Dining Service at Deupree House *By Rick Bird*



Nancy Schmalle

*Executive Chef,
Marjorie P. Lee*

Hometown: Coal City, Ill.
(60 miles south of Chicago)

Born: May 21, 1960

Culinary degree: Chef certification from the Midwest

Culinary Institute at Cincinnati State ('01); pastry and confectionary certification ('12)

First food jobs: Fast food Mexican and at military commissaries

Family ties: Husband, Elmer, retired from the Air Force after 26 years; children Matt, 32, Michelle, 31 and Sarah, 19

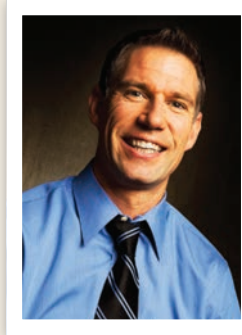
ERH career: Started Dec. '13 after 13 years as executive chef at Llanfair Retirement Community

The residents rave about: Two new fish dishes have gone over well—my Italian-style orange roughy and a swordfish dish.

My specialty: Chocolate rum cake. I've been offered money for my recipe. It will stay my secret.

What makes working at ERH special: Our residents have such a plethora of history. I was a military wife for 26 years while my husband was in the Air Force. I can appreciate the challenges that our residents and their families faced while serving their country. The amenities I have today exist because of all the hardships and sacrifices that our residents, whom we are serving now, went through. It's my small way of giving back to them.

Bet you didn't know: After high school I got a degree as a master barber. It was my first career. With my husband in the military, I kept doing it out of my house for the guys. Every two weeks they had to get a haircut. I can give a great 'high and tight.'



Pete Juszczyk

*Director of Dining Service,
Deupree House*

Hometown: Lebanon, Ohio

Born: November 26, 1970

Culinary Degree: Chef certification from Culinary Institute of Cincinnati

First food jobs: Short order cook at a bowling alley; sous chef at Chateau Pomije and (Chef) Allyn's Cafe

Family Ties: Married in fall '13 to wife, Elizabeth

ERH career: Chef at Marjorie P. Lee, 2001–08

Residents rave about: Obviously they love the cocktail parties and buffet dinners we host once a month. But I think they appreciate all the effort and energy the staff put into each and every day of service. They complement the amazing food that the cooks prepare, as well as the quality service in the dining room.

My specialty: My passion is seafood. The residents really enjoy eating seafood. I love the versatility, whether it is sautéed, grilled, baked, poached or a special application.

What makes working at ERH special: My understanding has grown, and it has been a whole new learning experience working in the health care profession. For residents, living here means they can enjoy an amazing meal with great hospitality, even when dealing with special dietary needs. I love to put my hospitality out front with the residents, guests and staff. And when you listen, you learn so much. It's been fulfilling to get to know their likes and dislikes, but the most important thing is to take the time to converse and get to know each and every one of our residents. We are all one BIG family.

Bet you didn't know: I went to UC to be an accountant and left after my freshman year. My first full-time job was as a bill collector. If people said, "I don't have it," I would just say, "OK," and hang up. I couldn't harass them. It's not my personality.

Dear Friends,

Malcolm Gladwell, contemporary leadership author, defines a tipping point as that magic moment when an idea or trend crosses a threshold. As we reflect on our accomplishments in 2013, we believe we have reached a tipping point in the life of our organization and the impact we are having in the lives of the elders we serve.

Six years ago, our Board of Directors and Senior leadership recognized that our country was experiencing a severe shortage of low-income housing with supportive services for older adults and as a result of our due diligence identified this as a top strategic priority. As we have developed our knowledge and credibility in this new sector of elder services, we have grown in a gradual and thoughtful manner. By 2013, ERH managed eight affordable living communities in Southern Ohio. Three additional tax credit funding awards were approved including our first development in Indiana to add senior affordable living apartments in the top floors of the downtown YMCA. And, as we look forward to 2014, we are projecting even greater growth in serving lower income elders.

We believe this new direction strengthens our organization both financially and in diversifying our reach to a broader senior constituency.

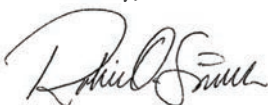
As the economy stabilized, we experienced stronger demand for our services, which is reflected in our improving financial performance.

Other notable accomplishments for 2013 include:

- Recognized as a Top Place to Work for fourth year by the *Cincinnati Enquirer*
- Developed plan to pilot nurse practitioner services
- Continued our work in developing our Next Generation Leaders
- Developing our clinical competencies and chosen for a congestive heart failure pilot by The Christ Hospital
- Annual fund donations increased 40 percent

Our commitment to enriching the lives of elders is unwavering. It is our reason for being—our call to servant ministry for those who have given so much to our country and our communities and now benefit from our support in their later years. As always, we are grateful for the support of our many donors and volunteers who commit their time, talent and treasure, which permits us to provide compassionate, person-centered services for older adults.

Sincerely,



Robin O. Smith
Chair, ERH Board of Directors



R. Douglas Spitler
President and CEO

2013 Overview and Financial Report

Balance Sheet

for the Years Ending December 31, 2013 and 2012

Assets	2013	2012
Current Assets	15,433,292	9,405,134
Marketable Investments	28,869,848	32,401,005
Fixed Assets	100,967,848	87,588,688
MPL Endowment	21,582,150	19,824,569
Intangible Assets	10,800,000	10,800,000
Other Assets	9,639,590	7,231,694
Total Assets	176,492,728	167,251,090

Liabilities	2013	2012
Current Liabilities	5,478,793	13,840,631
Unamortized Entrance Fees	17,586,391	15,259,991
Long-Term Debt	26,937,334	45,038,953
Other Liabilities	26,273,313	3,584,117
Total Liabilities	76,275,831	77,723,692

Net Assets	2013	2012
Permanently Restricted	23,452,534	21,661,433
Temporarily Restricted	129,351	355,881
Unrestricted	76,635,012	67,510,084
Total Net Assets	100,216,897	89,527,398

Total Liabilities & Net Assets	176,492,728	167,251,090
---	--------------------	--------------------

Total Individuals Served / Contacts Made

31,936

*Parish Health Ministry**

704

Affordable Living

362

In-Home Services

293

Independent Living

48

Assisted Living

304

Nursing Care

33,647

Total

*Contacts made through health screenings, referrals and other activities

2013 Contributions and
Legacy Commitments

Good Samaritan Mission annual gifts..... \$455,218
Major gifts & commitments \$582,846

Condensed Statement of Revenue and Expenses for the Years Ending December 31, 2013 & 2012

	2013	2012
Operating Revenue	33,743,006	28,900,462
Operating Expense	(34,980,495)	(30,520,276)
Net from Operations	(1,237,488)	(1,619,814)

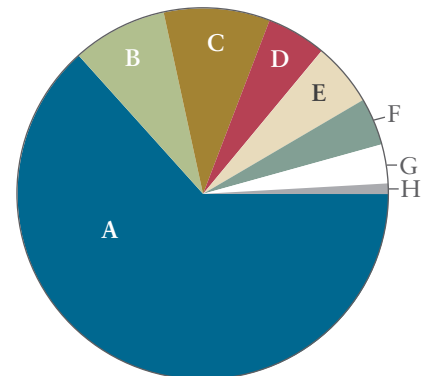
	2013	2012
Non-Operating Revenue	8,335,499	2,134,676
Limited Partner Equity	789,429	(1,207,868)
Total Change in Net Assets	9,124,928	926,808

2013 Ministry Costs

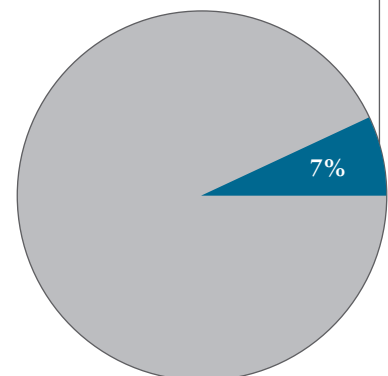
for the Years Ending December 31, 2013 & 2012

Ministry Item	2013	2012	Difference
A - Resident Financial Aid	1,562,000	1,635,000	(73,000)
B - PHM	203,651	205,000	(1,349)
C - Wellness	227,526	219,000	8,526
D - Affordable Living	128,000	63,000	65,000
E - Spiritual Care	136,500	103,000	(1,000)
F - Volunteers, including MOW	102,000	103,000	35,000
G - Staff Assistance & Partners in Care	84,000	108,000	(24,000)
H - Community Outreach	22,140	14,085	8,055
Total Ministry Costs	2,465,817	2,512,085	(46,268)

2013 Ministry Costs



Total Ministry Costs as a percentage of Total Operating Costs



Total Operating Costs	34,980,495	30,520,276
A-G - Total Ministry Costs as a percentage of Total Operating Costs	7.0%	8.2%

This condensed financial information was extracted from the 2013 Episcopal Retirement Homes, Inc. financial statement, a copy of which is available in the president's office.

2013 Ministry Report

Not-for-profit organizations have a rich tradition of providing services and programs that directly benefit the communities and constituents they serve. Since its inception in 1951, Episcopal Retirement Homes (ERH) has been reaching out through its mission to improve the lives of older adults.



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

A resident just recently moved into Canterbury Court. Her mouth was badly infected, and she was in need of some dental work. Since she was unable to afford a dentist, Episcopal Retirement Homes' Partners in Care fund was able to assist her. Immediately, she was able to get to a dentist who started her on antibiotics, performed a root canal and placed a bridge. She now feels rejuvenated and much healthier thanks to the wonderful assistance of Partners in Care. What a wonderful start to her new life at Canterbury Court!

2013 Financial Assistance

<i>Resident financial aid</i>	\$1,561,949
<i>Partners in Care fund (41 residents)</i>	\$13,817
<i>Staff emergency fund (14 employees)</i>	\$14,492
<i>Staff tuition assistance</i>	\$55,974
<i>Affordable living ministry funding</i>	\$127,831
<i>Services provided by volunteers</i>	\$373,393
TOTAL	\$2,147,456

Volunteer yoga instructors from Project Yoga (along with special guest, Liliás Folan) celebrated their one year anniversary of providing weekly yoga classes to the residents at St. Paul Village and the surrounding community.

AFFORDABLE LIVING

Episcopal Retirement Homes is proud to offer rent subsidized affordable senior living communities that provide a variety of options and services not often found in communities for low-income seniors. Our philosophy is that older adults deserve to live with dignity and enjoy life in a safe and enriching community regardless of their financial situation.

ERH dedicates itself to providing extensive services and activities to enrich the lives of residents in affordable living communities. “We have a lot of things to choose from. They help stimulate my mind and keep me aware of things that are going on,” says Florence Beaber, a 100-year-old resident at St. Paul Village.

Between morning coffee gatherings, spiritual services, bus trips, exercise programs and so much more, there really is something for everyone to participate in and stay engaged.

“We’ve seen the need for good-quality housing for seniors,” says Jay Kittenbrink, Executive Director of Affordable Living Development at ERH. “About 80 percent of seniors fall in the low-income category, so it doesn’t make sense to serve only 5 percent.”

In late 2012, ERH doubled the number of affordable living communities from four to eight. That growth is going to continue as they expand their mission and grow throughout the Tri-State.

2013 Affordable Living

Affordable Living residents served 704
Cost of services not funded by HUD... \$128,000



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

While ERH serves the needs of our residents, we also know we are part of the communities in which we work and live. In 2013, ERH was able to donate \$22,140 to other nonprofits in the community including the Alzheimer’s Association, Working in Neighborhoods, LeadingAge Ohio, Freestore Foodbank and many others. Part of our work to be good community stewards is outreach through a variety of programs.

The Council for Lifelong Engagement (CLLE), a program encouraging and enabling elders to share their knowledge and talents with schoolchildren to reverse negative aspects of ageism, is one program that ERH is passionate about. In 2013, ERH, along with VP of Housing and Healthcare Laura Lamb, was presented with the Hobart Jackson Cultural Diversity Award by LeadingAge. The national award recognizes individuals or organizations that demonstrate significant achievement in cultural diversity and inclusion with respect to residents, staff and development of future leaders in the aging-services field.

The Deupree House Outreach Committee, started in 2011, is another way ERH works to provide services and meet the needs of those outside of the Deupree House community. The Committee has worked diligently to assist numerous organizations throughout the community including Matthew 25 Ministries, Home Comforts Project and Blanketed with Love.

2013 Community Outreach

CLLE residents involved..... 31
CLLE students involved..... 365
CLLE volunteer hours 116
Martin’s Ferry toys donated..... 300
Martin’s Ferry monetary donations \$1,000

St. Paul Village residents enjoy spending time working in their own personal gardens.



Deupree resident and auxiliary member Nancy Holterhoff, selling delicious baked goods at the Fall Bazaar

VOLUNTEERS

Each year, ERH volunteers donate thousands of hours of their time and talents toward ensuring that ERH meets its mission. If we were to calculate the cost, we would have paid \$373,393 for the 17,136 hours volunteered this year. These volunteers help staff with tasks ranging from addressing envelopes to delivering meals or teaching a class, to visiting with residents. Most of our volunteers come from Good Samaritans in the local community, residents' family members and often our very own residents! The Board of Directors for ERH is also incredibly involved and dedicated, volunteering a combined 1,715 hours throughout 2013.

2013 Volunteers

<i>Total Hours</i>	17,136
<i>Costs saved by volunteers</i>	\$373,393
<i>Auxiliary donations</i>	\$11,445

PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY

Parish Health Ministry (PHM) extends the ERH mission and ministry outside the walls of our retirement communities and encourages congregations to renew their role in healthcare through advocacy, education and wellness programs. Working with 75 churches in the region, 31,676 contacts were made in 2013 with the help of PHM staff as well as 721 volunteers.

An attendee at the Community United Methodist church in Circleville, Ohio, was going through an interview for assistance at Haven House (a local women's shelter). When asked how she learned of Haven House, she replied that she read about it on the door of the church's restroom stall. PHM's Back Door Reading insert for January was on domestic violence and provided information on how to get help. She was so thankful for the information that came just at the right time!

2013 Parish Health Ministry

<i>Congregations</i>	75
<i>Contacts made</i>	31,676
<i>Volunteers</i>	721
<i>Cost</i>	\$203,651

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

ERH staff often share their expertise on a variety of senior living topics with community organizations and groups across Greater Cincinnati and throughout Southern Ohio.

In 2013, ERH reached 1,113 people through community education. Marjorie P. Lee and Deupree House welcomed 427 guests for educational events. Parish Health Ministry reached 667 individuals through their community education events. Deupree House helped serve 28 graduate level therapy students from Xavier University and Deupree Cottages served three nursing students from Beckfield College. Marjorie P. Lee served 128 Cincinnati State students through a Nurse Aide training class.

Parish Health Ministry held its annual Refresh Your Soul conference in March with 209 attendees. This year’s conference, entitled “Riding the Dragon: Strengthening Your Life in Challenging Times,” featured keynote speaker Dr. Robert Wicks. Other speakers included Wanda Sanchez, Shelly Beach and Dr. G. Scott Morris, M.D.

Attendees found the conference to be very meaningful as they were offered insights into how they can remain resilient and, in turn, extend warmth to others without losing their own inner fire in the process.

2013 Community Education

<i>Refresh Your Soul conference attendees</i>	209
<i>Total number of attendees at Parish Health Ministry educational events</i>	667
<i>Total number of attendees at ERH educational events</i>	427



(Left to right) Dr. Robert Wicks, Doug Spitler (ERH) and G. Scott Morris, M.D.



ERH chaplain, the Rev. Angelo Puopolo Jr.

CHAPLAINCY

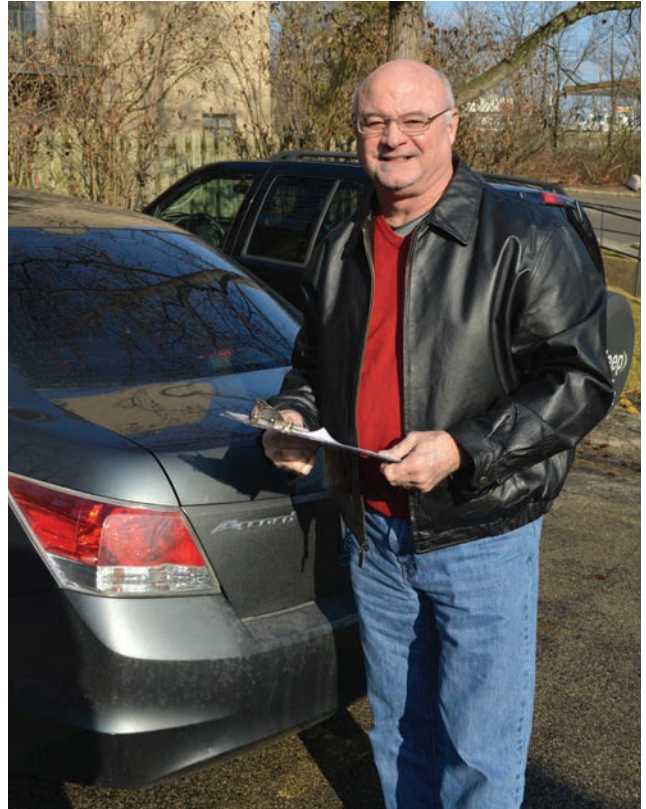
ERH provides each of its communities with chaplains who serve the spiritual needs of the residents and those around them. ERH’s chaplains walk through life’s journey with residents—listening, comforting and giving guidance during a time when it is most needed. The ministry of the chaplain is not only for the benefit of residents, but also staff, volunteers, resident families and the wider community. Wherever ERH can enrich lives, satisfy spiritual needs and nurture souls, it is our mission to offer our service.

“I really think ERH is doing God’s work. For those who live here and can’t always make it out to their other churches, and even those who can and just want to join us, we are blessed to be able to have them come to us in our own home. I truly don’t think any of us would find this kind of compassion and faithfulness in any other community.”

—St. Paul Village resident, Eileen Stacy

2013 Chaplaincy

<i>Bible study attendees</i>	1,587
------------------------------------	-------



(From left) Steve Peelman, MOW weekly volunteer, with Sue Susskind, Deupree Meals on Wheels Coordinator; Bill Natterman, MOW weekly volunteer

MEALS ON WHEELS

Through Deupree Meals on Wheels, ERH provides older adults throughout Cincinnati with warm, nutritious meals delivered to their homes. More than 400 meals are delivered per day by compassionate and caring members of our team along with dedicated volunteers. Several of our volunteers have been with us for nearly 10 years, demonstrating extraordinary dedication to the program and the people they serve. It's an important social contact for the elders who lack family support and could otherwise easily become isolated.

Recently a volunteer was delivering to one of her usual routes. While chatting with a client, she realized that a light was out in the client's kitchen. She asked the woman if she had any extra light bulbs.

The woman explained that she had some on a shelf very high up, but her balance wasn't very stable so she was unable to reach them. The volunteer graciously changed the bulb for her. The client said gratefully, "You are all such angels, I don't know what I would do without you!"

Meals on Wheels is a wonderful way to bring warm meals to members of our communities and provide that extra comfort and contact for people who may not otherwise have it.

2013 Meals on Wheels

Meals delivered	74,538
Clients.....	502
Neighborhoods	25

If you would like to support our mission in 2014, your gift—financial or otherwise—is always appreciated. For more information on how you can help shape ERH's ministry, contact Diane Decker, Director of Fund Development, at (513) 272-5555 ext. 4283 or visit our website at corporate.episcopalretirement.com/charitable-giving.

Living Legacy Society

Individuals giving through their estate

Anonymous (2)	Lana and K. Jay Kittenbrink
Lori and David Asmus	Robert H. La Shelle
Estate of Mrs. Marjorie Austin	Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey S. Lamb
Mrs. Carol Benton	Miss Pat Landen
Mrs. Ellen A. Berghamer	Keith and Sue Lawrence
Estate of Miss Virginia H. Bohn	Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Linkins
Jon B. and Jeannie M. Boss	Mary Beth and David Lowry
Mrs. Lela Brown	Phil and Joan Maechling
Jill and Ken Burkman	Mrs. George H. McClure
Anna K. and George G. Carey IV	Mr. Dan Meyer
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Y. Carpenter	CeCe and Tom Mooney
Chet Cavaliere	Mr. Hans Neubroch
Mrs. Olga S. Clark	Philip G. Osborn
Mr. and Mrs. A. Burton Closson Jr.	Ken and Pam Paley
Katherine Duval	Joan Trittipio Perkins
Miss Irene E. Ehrmann	Mrs. Betty W. Pippert
Jack and Helen Fix	Mr. Jack Plattner
Mrs. Mary Beth Foxworthy	Estate of Dr. Olga Platz
Estate of Mrs. Eugenia W. Freeman	Sue and Tom Pontius
Robert and Marion Funk	The Rev. and Mrs. William E. Rathman
James M. Garvey, M.D.	Sylvia Wicker Reid
Dr. Elizabeth Goessel-Rule	Mrs. Mamie E. Rooks
Maureen Gregory & Adam Duke	Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. Scheper
Mrs. Elizabeth T. Hatcher	Elizabeth C.B. and Paul G. Sittenfeld
Bob and Judy Heaton	The Reverends Bruce Smith and Susan Warrener Smith
Mr. Charles B. Hedrick	Doug and Kathy Spitler
Theodore and Barbara High	Barbara Sporck-Stegmaier
Mrs. Harry K. Hines	Mr. John F. Stevenson
Mrs. Phyllis S. Hopple	Mrs. Delle Ernst Taylor
Kathy Ison	Dr. and Mrs. Thomas U. Todd
Kathy and Tom Kahle	Pat and Bill Victor
Harry Kangis and Julia Hawgood	Mrs. Mary E. West
Susan Kellogg	Anne and Sam Wilson
Mr. James Kingery	
Mr. Jack Kirby	

Although great care is taken in the gathering of this information, we know that errors or omissions inadvertently may occur. For this, we apologize and ask that you inform the Episcopal Retirement Homes Fund Development office if corrections are needed to our data by calling (513) 272-5555 ext. 4224.

2013 Community Partnerships

As part of its mission to improve lives, ERH actively develops and supports ministries that benefit thousands of individuals each year. To request a copy of the donor list in print, please contact the Fund Development office at 513.272.555 ext. 4283.

Foundation Partners

Anonymous
The Cincinnati Foundation For The Aged
H.B., E.W. & F.R. Luther
Charitable Foundation
Key Bank Impact Fund (Ohio Capital
Corporation for Housing/Key Bank)
Rindsfoos Foundation
Walter A. Pfeifer Foundation

Organizational Partners

Gifts \$5,000 and above

The Diocese of Southern Ohio
Henkle Schueler & Associates
Model Construction/The Model Group
Ohio Capital Corporation for Housing
Medpace
PNC Bank

Gifts of \$2,500

Gallagher SKS
GBBN Architects, Inc.
Model Group
Multi-Craft Printing
Premiere Vending, Inc.
Ridge Stone General Contractors
Skilled Care Pharmacy, Inc.

Gifts of \$1,000

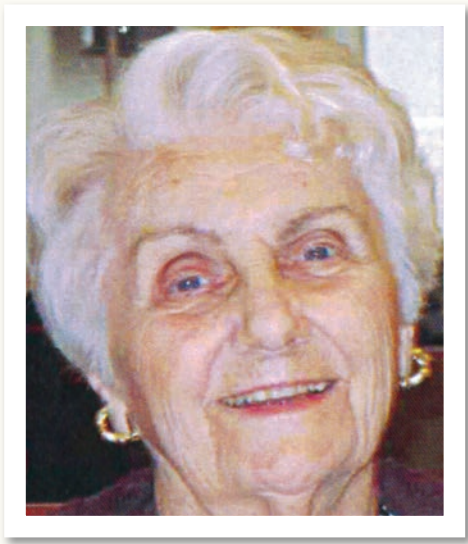
Applied Mechanical Systems, Inc
Bahl & Gaynor Investment Council
BakerHostetler
Berkshire Realty Group, LLC
CCM Services
Church of the Redeemer
Cincinnati Magazine
Cleriti
Cors & Bassett
DeBra-Kuempel Inc.
Frost Brown Todd, LLC
Graydon Head
Home Care by Blackstone
Johnson Investment Counsel
Kathman Electric Company
Locey, Cecil & Associates, Ltd.
Millennium Business Systems
Pinnacle Group
Planes Moving & Storage
Plante & Moran, PLLC
Red Mortgage Capital, LLC
StrataMark Dynamic Solutions
The Wine Merchant
Ziegler and Company

Donor Spotlight:

Dr. Olga Platz

Celebrating Her Life and Legacy

Episcopal Retirement Homes would like to share its appreciation for Dr. Olga Platz, member of the Living Legacy Society. Before moving to Marjorie P. Lee in 2009, Dr. Platz lived an exciting life growing up in Poland and Estonia. Olga was in the midst of her pre-med studies when she, her mother and her aunt had to flee Germany during the Soviet occupations. After living in a refugee camp for six years, they moved to the United States where Olga continued her studies and pathology training. Ultimately, Dr. Platz ended up working at Good Samaritan Hospital as a pathologist for many years.



While living at Marjorie P. Lee, Dr. Platz loved to spend time playing the piano and enjoyed attending the many musical events offered. From CCM concerts to piano recitals and symphony performances, there was always something to inspire Dr. Platz.

Seeing how much she loved the community and care at Marjorie P. Lee, Dr. Platz decided to make a bequest to the Good Samaritan Mission at Episcopal Retirement Homes. Her generous gift to the Good Samaritan Mission helps ERH provide the highest quality of care to all residents by supporting resident financial aid, partners in care, spiritual services, wellness programs and much more. Dr. Platz's gift was one of the largest received at Episcopal Retirement Homes for any purpose and will

continue to benefit residents now and into the future.

ERH is very grateful for her generosity to Marjorie P. Lee and would like to celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Olga Platz.

For more information on how you can donate please call Diana Collins at (513) 272-5555 ext. 4224 or dcollins@erbinc.com.

ERH

Episcopal Retirement Homes

3870 Virginia Avenue

Cincinnati, OH 45227-3427

www.EpiscopalRetirement.com

NON-PROFIT ORG.
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
CINCINNATI, OH
PERMIT NO. 5782



LeadingAge™
Ohio



Mighty Oaks from Little Acorns Grow



The Living Legacy Society recognizes those within the ERH family who have indicated that they have left a bequest through their estate plans to benefit the seniors we serve. These intentions are symbolized in the presentation of an acorn illustrating how the benefits funded by these gifts will grow well beyond their size and remain long after they are planted. Each acorn is displayed at Deupree House or Marjorie P. Lee.

To become a member of the Legacy Society and receive your acorn, please contact Diana Collins, Planned & Major Giving Manager at (513) 272-5555 ext. 4224 or dcollins@erhinc.com