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On a bright, blustery Monday morning in January, Evelyn Berger knows just where to find a hot cup of coffee and a warm greeting. “Pull up a chair and join us,” Ted Hardy calls to her from a cluster of tables in the Madison Café, one of four dining venues at Providence Point. It is Monday Morning Coffee Club, and as residents arrive, they are informally announced and welcomed:

“Here comes Jinny.”

“Hi, Roz and Allen, welcome back!”

“Bill, get your coffee and sit down.”

The Morning Coffee Club is just one activity out of hundreds each month that Providence Point residents can enjoy. Though the gathering is small—15-25 people on average—it is an accurate snapshot of retirement life at Providence Point. The people are diverse, active, and enjoy working together to make an

exceptional community.

“The community spirit here is a unique feature of Providence Point started with the “Pioneers,” Evelyn Berger explains.

“I’m a Pioneer—one of the handful of people who moved in before the campus was completely finished.”

Evelyn, or “Evie” as friends call her, is originally from the Philadelphia area, and moved to Providence Point to be nearer to her daughter. In 2009, when her house sold more quickly than anticipated, she found herself at Providence Point’s doorstep while construction trailers and work crews were still on the premises.

Although Evie was never averse to adventure, this was one she hadn’t anticipated. The transition, which could have been a nightmare, now has a very special place in her heart because she met the

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Clockwise from left at Providence Point’s Monday Morning Coffee Club are Jinny Cochrane, Tom and Barbara Brown, Elizabeth Weed, Jean Marcinko, Evelyn Berger, Dorothy Kelly, Donna and Tom Kostner, Catherine Graves, Mary Frances Dean (VP for Development), and Rosalind and Allen Kent.





Al Allison, Jr.
Interim President & CEO

The definition of community

These are exciting times at Baptist Homes Society. Our active, independent residents at both communities never cease to amaze me. One minute they are planning a Christmas show, the next they are organizing a trip to Pittsburgh’s Cultural District. They move quickly from inquisitive newcomer to savvy, involved community member and we are *all* learning in the process.

The lead story in this issue of “Along the Journey” describes one of the many clubs that Providence Point residents have established. Since the community opened its doors a year and a half ago, the residents have implemented procedures to welcome residents, build relationships and invite the public into their new neighborhood. They have created dozens of new clubs, activities and educational venues. There’s a billiards club, a pool

A Message from the President

volleyball team, a drama club and bridge club...just to name a few.

Part of their success—and therefore ours—is due to their spirit of adventure. Our seniors are eager to try new things and work hard to make their plans work. Their ingenuity and energy are invaluable to us and to the new residents moving in. They are the reason Providence Point continues to be Pittsburgh’s premier continuing care retirement community.

Miriam-Webster defines community as an interacting population of various kinds of individuals in a common location. We are that and much more.

We refer to each campus as a “community,” but I believe that Baptist Homes Society’s success as a leader in senior care for 100 years is largely due to the organization’s sense of community and common mission: to ‘promote a lifestyle of growth, creativity, and independence,’ not just for our residents, but for our staff, families and business partners as well.

Currently, working as a community, we are in the process of

selecting a new president and CEO. We are training staff and implementing policies to ensure we meet and exceed regulatory changes; and we regularly review and assess our services to ensure we always provide the best quality of life and the best possible care for our seniors.

One upcoming event, the annual Charity Golf Outing (See pg. 6), is a great way for our families and friends to get more involved in our community. It is an enjoyable day of golf which benefits the Samaritan Fund for Resident Assistance. We look forward to this event because it brings together friends, family, residents and staff for one common goal. I hope you’ll join us as a participant, sponsor or donor.

Your involvement in the community of Baptist Homes Society is a precious gift to us. We thank you and hope you’ll continue to support our efforts. 🌿



Our Mission

Building on our 100-year tradition of excellence, we offer a full continuum of enriched living, compassionate care, and benevolence to a broad spectrum of individuals. We promote a lifestyle of growth, creativity and independence, while respecting the dignity and self-determination of those living and working in our Christian communities.

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other Providence Point “Pioneers” who have become her dear friends.

“I was a ‘Stranger in Paradise,’” Evie explained.

“The people here made me feel special. I’m not talking about the staff—although they are the icing on the cake. I’m talking about these people” she states as she gestures at the table of 20 or so others enjoying morning coffee, “who went out of their way to welcome me.”

Others at the table agreed with her sentiments. The Providence Point community gelled quickly. Whether from Pittsburgh or elsewhere, married or single, new resident or ‘pioneer,’ they easily found fellowship in their new home.

Rosalind Kent, who moved in with her husband Allen in May, commented, “You can be as active as

you want. It’s such an inclusive environment. I’m enjoying doing things I’ve never done before.”

That morning in January, the Coffee Club conversations ranged from discussions of planned activities and headline news to family visits and snowy weather.

“We’re going shopping, then meeting our daughter for lunch.”

“I’m going to water exercise in the pool right after this.”

“Have you tried chair aerobics yet?”

The sun sparkling on the snow casts glittering light across the



After Coffee Club, Evelyn Berger moves on to the Chartiers Room for exercise class.

tables. The coffee flows and friendly conversations continue. Then, just as quickly and steadily as they arrived, the members of the Monday Morning Coffee Club begin to disperse on a great start to another week. 🌿

Walk for the Cure with Baptist Homes Society

Mother’s Day in Pittsburgh is now synonymous with the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in Schenley Park. About 33,000 walkers and more than 100 area companies help make the Pittsburgh Race for the Cure one of the largest such events in the country. Baptist Homes Society is proud to be a sponsor and will again organize a team, and invite staff, residents and friends to join us for the walk.



The Baptist Homes Foundation matches the donations of those who register to walk with Baptist Homes Society.

To join the Baptist Homes Society team, call Carolyn Falk at 412-572-8302 or Sue Lauer at 412-572-8308 for details and a registration form. Then, join us at Flagstaff Hill on Sunday, May 8, 2011.

Even if you can’t walk with us, consider making a donation through Baptist Homes Foundation to participate in our effort.

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Honoring Service

Baptist Homes Society holds annual MVP staff recognition awards

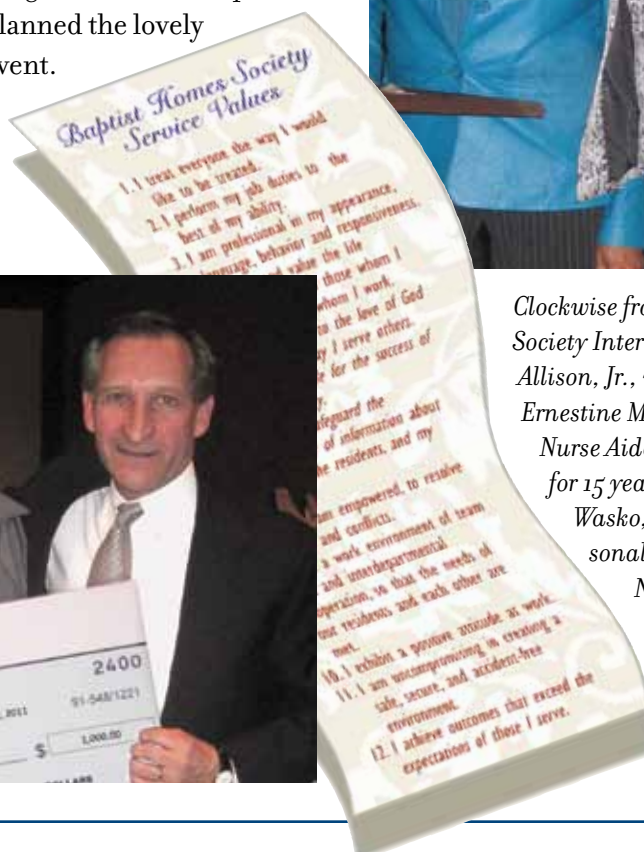
Baptist Homes Society (BHS) employees, board members and families gathered at the Sheraton at Station Square on January 22, 2011 to present MVP (Mission and Vision Personified) awards, honor staff for their years of service to BHS, and celebrate the new year. About 200 employees enjoyed dinner and dancing.

Staff nominate co-workers on a monthly basis for their service and dedication and each month an MVP Employee of the Month is named. At the end of the year, one person from each campus is selected as the MVP of the Year.

Congratulations to Natalie Reitmeyer, a certified nursing assistant at Baptist Homes for over 30 years, and Amanda Manns, a marketing assistant at Providence Point who has been with the

organization for five years; both were selected for their commitment to the Baptist Homes Society's service values.

The evening included dinner, door prizes and dancing as well as recognition of employees celebrating milestone years of service. Special thanks go to the Employee Recognition Committee who runs the program at each campus and planned the lovely event.



Clockwise from top: Baptist Homes Society Interim President & CEO Allison, Jr., with Amanda Manns; Ernestine Maloy, a Baptist Homes Nurse Aide who was recognized for 15 years of service with Janet Wasko, Administrator of Personal Care at Baptist Homes; Natalie Reitmeyer with Robert Kocent, Executive Administrator of Baptist Homes.



Remembering those in our care

A celebration of the lives of our residents
who have passed away.



About 130 people attended a memorial service held at the Baptist Homes Chapel on Saturday, January 29, 2011. Baptist Homes Society's Chaplain, Reverend John Reynolds, organized the prayer service to remember all Baptist Homes Society residents who passed away during 2010.

Some family members brought photos of their loved ones to display in the chapel

during the service.

Staff members read the names of the deceased at intervals throughout the service and joined the families and friends of the departed in prayer and song.

Small tea lights with the names of the deceased were presented to family members at the end of the service and a reception was held in the Activities Room. 🌿

Baptist Homes Society's 101st Annual Meeting

Baptist Homes Society welcomed three new Board members to its Class of 2013 Board of Directors. Elected at the October meeting were **Thomas Ague**, **James Broadhurst** and **Cally Jamis Vennare**.

Tom Ague recently retired as Executive Vice President of St. Clair Hospital and has extensive experience in all phases of hospital operations. He is a registered pharmacist and serves on the St. Clair Health Corporation subsidiary board of directors.

Jim Broadhurst is Chairman of Eat'n Park Hospitality Group. He is a member of the National Restaurant Association and the Pennsylvania Restaurant Association. Jim serves on the boards of several local and regional Boards including Children's Hospital, the Pittsburgh



Thomas Ague



*Cally
Jamis Vennare*



James Broadhurst

Foundation and the Executive Advisory Council of Special Olympics.

Cally Jamis Vennare is president of Cally Jamis Vennare Communications and has a broad range of experience in public relations, marketing and communications for area arts and non-profit organizations. She is an active volunteer, serving on boards and committees including the Women's Leadership Council Committee of the United Way.

At the meeting, **Valerie Faeth**, **Brian Gongaware**, **Worth Helms**, **John Rowland**, and **Deborah Smith** were also elected to serve on the board.

Baptist Homes Society is grateful to these individuals and all board members for their generous contribution of time, talent and resources. 🌿



Golfing for a Great Cause

Be a part of this important event that benefits the Samaritan Fund for Resident Assistance

The success of the Baptist Homes Foundation Charity Golf Invitational is in part due to the great prizes, the wonderful golfing venue and the camaraderie on the course. Its real success, however, is in the difference it makes in the lives of the seniors in our care. Through your participation as a sponsor, donor, or golfer you help Baptist Homes Foundation provide care to those who might otherwise not be able to afford to live at Baptist Homes. Co-chairs Irene Clark and Deb Smith, both members of the Baptist Homes Society Board of Directors, invite you to join us for this important tradition. Become a sponsor, make a donation, or golf! Sponsorships range from \$150 tee signs to the \$10,000 Double Eagle sponsor and can include golf foursomes, advertising, and prizes.

The Baptist Homes Foundation Charity Golf Invitational on May 16, 2011 at the Pittsburgh Field Club is a complete day of golf, food and fun. Following lunch and golf on the beautiful course, guests will enjoy hors d'oeuvres and dinner at the stately club house. The four-person shamble format offers skill prizes, special challenges and a hole-in-one prize opportunity.

You can register securely online at www.baptisthomes.org (VISA, MasterCard, Discover, or American Express) or call Carolyn at 412-572-8302 to have an invitation mailed to you. Golfer ticket includes: driving range, 18 holes with cart, prizes, lunch, on-course refreshments, hors d'oeuvres, and dinner. All funds raised by this event support benevolent care for residents of all faiths at Baptist Homes Society. Please join us.

18th Annual Baptist Homes Foundation Charity Golf Invitational

MAY 16, 2011

Pittsburgh Field Club

121 Field Club Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15238

FOUR-PERSON
SHAMBLE FORMAT

REGISTRATION

10:00 A.M.

BUFFET LUNCH

11:00 A.M.

SHOTGUN START

12:15 P.M.

HORS D'OEUVRES

5:30 P.M.

DINNER

6:30 P.M.

SKILL CONTESTS

HOLE-IN-ONE PRIZES

INCLUDING A

2011 AUTOMOBILE

AND CASH

USE THE APPLICATION ON
THE NEXT PAGE.

Questions?

Contact Carolyn Falk at

412-572-8302

or e-mail

cfalk@baptisthomes.org



REGISTER SOON: This Invitational will sell out quickly!

CREATE YOUR OWN SPONSORSHIP

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Select your contribution level, and mark the sponsorship opportunities you'd like to include.

(For example, the \$10,000 Double Eagle could include two foursomes at \$1,300 each, the dinner sponsorship at \$2,000, and a \$5,400 cash contribution.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Beverage Stand Sponsors | \$ 500 | <input type="checkbox"/> Cash or Prize Donations | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shootout Sponsors | \$ 500 | We welcome any cash or prize donation you wish to make | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Meal Sponsors | \$ 500 | TOTAL AMOUNT \$ _____ | |

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- 489 Castle Shannon Blvd., Pittsburgh PA 15234-1419, or
- FAX (412) 572-8294, or
- register and pay online at www.baptisthomes.org

No refunds for cancellations after May 9, 2011

**Golfer ticket includes: driving range, 18 holes with cart, prizes, lunch, on-course refreshments, hors d'oeuvres, and dinner.*

Funds raised by this event support benevolent care for residents of all faiths.

What's New at

Baptist HOMES



Home for the Holidays

Baptist Homes bustled with activities throughout the holiday season. The annual “Home for the Holidays” took place on the evening of December 9. Luminaria lit the driveway for visitors who came to be with family and friends to hear jazz trumpet player, David Wells, and his band. Following the concert, guests moved to the dining room for a cookie and punch reception.

On December 14, it was the residents who took the stage to entertain family, staff, friends and fellow residents. The chime choir led several holiday songs while the wheelchair dance troupe, “Puttin’ on the Ritz,” performed their routines. Volunteer Will Luck conducted a sing along of well-known Christmas carols and musical director, Marilyn DiMatteis, directed the performers.

The Baptist Homes Christmas season tradition also includes an Employee Christmas Meal. This event, which has been celebrated



(from top left): Mrs. Hadinata talks with musician David Wells following his Home for the Holidays performance; Administrative staff members Rossella Minniti, Al Allison, Diane Mickail, Eric Rebholz and Kevin Santora get ready to serve lunch during the Staff Christmas Meal; Members of the chime choir, Ruth McDonald, Barb Johnson and Dorothy Rosleck, perform for residents, staff and guests during the Christmas concert.

for decades, was held in the Activities Room on December 21, and was again a real treat for employees. Baptist Homes Dietary department prepared a wonderful meal. Administrative staff helped serve employees to thank them for their hard work and dedication all year.

A reception was held on December 17 that enabled residents to meet and mingle with employees and personally exchange holiday greetings. This is a new tradition we hope will continue for years to come.



A group of Baptist Homes residents worked hard to create a gingerbread version of the Baptist Homes Chapel as the submission to the PPG Place gingerbread house competition this Christmas season. The Baptist Homes gingerbread house took second place in the adult category of non-profit! This is the second year in a row the Baptist Homes submission has won. 🍪

You're in Steeler Country

At both Baptist Homes Society communities, residents took their Super Bowl preparations seriously and cheering on the 'Black & Gold' took center stage as February 6 approached. There were pep rallies, tailgate parties and other celebrations. The personal care residents of Baptist Homes on Castle Shannon Boulevard initiated their own friendly competition with residents of Odd Fellows Home, a senior living community in Green Bay, Wisconsin. Janet Wasko, the Personal Care Administrator at Baptist Homes said, "Our seniors are BIG Steelers fans, and when we saw that Odd Fellows Home promoted its 'big screen TV to watch Packers games' we knew we found our rivals."

Residents practiced Steeler cheers and songs, and held a tailgate party on Friday, February 4 in the Baptist Homes Activities Room. The event was videotaped and a DVD was sent to Green Bay.

With a Steelers win, Odd Fellows Home would have sent Baptist Homes residents Seroogy's Chocolate, an Odd Fellows Cook Book and, of course, cheese. Janet said, "Sadly, we'll be sending *them* a gift, but it is good Pittsburgh stuff: Pierogies, Heinz ketchup and mustard, and some Pittsburgh pretzels wrapped in a Terrible Towel."



(left) Activity Director Dionne Rose shows off Spirit Finger gloves to Elizabeth Morgavo; (above) Margaret Dice takes part in "The Wave."

The Way to Wellness

It was only 2007, but it seems like eons ago that Baptist Homes Society adopted its commitment to being a smoke-free campus. That was just one of many major wellness initiatives that have been put in place in the past several years as part of Baptist Homes Society's commitment to wellness.

Baptist Homes Society focuses on six elements of wellness: physical, emotional, spiritual, social, intellectual and community. Through these elements, our goal is to make life the best it can be for our residents as well as for our families and staff.

This spring, for the first time, both Baptist Homes Society campuses will hold Wellness Fairs. Designed to provide education and information to residents and staff, the Fairs will feature guest speakers, health experts and learning opportunities.

The events will include health screenings, chair massages, memory and balance evaluations, information about activities and clubs, and presentations by area health experts and by our own skilled dining, wellness and fitness staff. This is the first of what is planned to be an annual event. 🐦

BHS Wellness Fairs

7:30 am - 4:30 pm

*Celebrating our
commitment to wellness*

Friday, April 1, 2011
Baptist Homes Chapel
and Activities room

Friday, April 8, 2011
Providence Point
Chartiers Room

Christmas at Providence Point

Life at its best throughout the continuum

Providence Point is a unique and exciting place at any time of year. As Pittsburgh's premier continuing care retirement community, the opportunity to experience life to its fullest is evident throughout the continuum of care. Residents can participate in many cultural and social activities.

Whether they are

enjoying life in the independent living apartments

or living within the Healthcare Residences, they are beneficiaries of the Baptist Homes Society's commitment to wellness, which always includes fun!

Events throughout Christmas and into the end of football season demonstrated just how fun and diverse "the best Point in your life" can be.

The independent living residents held the annual Christmas party on December 6, 2010. Beautiful arrangements of appetizers and desserts made it easy for guests to mingle and munch prior to dinner. The evening ended with a perfor-

mance by jazz trumpet player David Wells in the Chartiers Room.

Throughout the Personal Care and Skilled Nursing areas, the holiday season was celebrated with parties and entertainment as well. Wonderful decorations throughout the community added to the holiday atmosphere.



Even after Christmas, the doldrums

of winter were nowhere in sight, thanks to Black and Gold fever.

Pep rallies, activities, and tailgate parties were held throughout the community as the road to the Super Bowl continued for the Steelers. And though the Steelers didn't win, Providence Point residents and staff had a great time cheering them on.



From Top: During the Christmas party, the Washington Room was filled with tantalizing desserts. Tammy Rile, Robert Brimmer, Wendy Lawson, and Sarah Gross pose with Santa in the Commons. A family of snowmen greeted people at the entrance to the Personal Care residences throughout the holiday season. The road to the Super Bowl was festive at Providence Point and residents (including Viola Kammerzell,

Antoinette Bacco, Elizabeth Mooney and Amy Robinson) enjoyed the Pep Rally with entertainer Frank Lavelle leading the cheers.

Staff participate in giving campaign in big way



Benevolence has always been a vital part of Baptist Homes Society's legacy of quality senior care. About \$2 million in benevolence is provided every year to Baptist Homes Society residents. Baptist Homes Society employees can demonstrate their support of the Fund through contributions to the Many Hands, One Heart campaign. In February, staff could give to the campaign through the purchase of hearts that were then displayed in the staff dining areas.

More than 100 employees contributed to the Samaritan Fund for Resident Assistance through this effort this year. "It's not impossible to imagine reaching 100 percent participation by staff given the high level of participation so early in this new campaign," said Mary Frances Dean, the Vice President for Development.

Serving up fitness



Some community members start off the day with a lively game of water volleyball in Providence Point's indoor swimming pool.

In Providence Point's Wellness Center, the pool isn't the only thing that is heated. The competition during the men's pool volleyball game can also get quite fierce as well. The residents started the volleyball games just a few months ago and continue to build participation. The pool isn't the only area where team competition has taken root either. Providence Point residents have started lessons and competitions in billiards, Wii bowling, and there's now talk of golf tournaments using the indoor golf simulator.



Meet & Greet builds involvement

Members of the Baptist Homes Society Board of Directors stopped in to the Providence Point personal care residences in January to talk with residents and provide information about the Baptist Homes Society and Board activities. It was one of a series of "Meet & Greets" scheduled for the various living areas of both Baptist Homes and Providence Point so that Board members and residents can achieve fuller understanding of our mission and scope of services. Shown are board members Irene Clark and Brian Gongaware and introducing themselves to residents.

The Samaritan Fund for Resident Assistance ensures care

By Mary Frances Dean, Baptist Homes Foundation Vice President of Development

Everyone at Baptist Homes knew “Harry.” Harry stood in his doorway every day and chatted with anyone who came up or down the hallway. His only relative, his nephew, came to see him periodically, but Baptist Homes was Harry’s home.

Harry’s movements were a little slow, but deliberate. He was sometimes a little confused, but always pleasant. For every meal he dressed as if going out to a restaurant. Though staff assured him he was not going outside, Harry insisted on wearing his coat and hat.

Harry was very content at Baptist Homes. He knew the staff, and enjoyed taking part in many of the activities offered. At meal times, Harry would wait by his door for his next door neighbor, John, and together, they would head for the dining room. The people of Baptist Homes—both staff and residents—were Harry’s family.

One day, Cathy Land, the Director of Personal Care at Baptist Homes at the time, got a phone call from Harry’s nephew alerting her that Harry was running out of funds. He was worried Harry might have to move, and concerned about the impact it would have.

Fortunately, because of the

Samaritan Fund for Resident Assistance, Cathy was able to reassure Harry’s nephew that his uncle would not have to move.



Thanks to the Samaritan Fund, hundreds of residents through the years continued to live at Baptist Homes, content in familiar surroundings with people who cared about them, for the rest of their lives.

The Samaritan Fund for Resident Assistance would cover Harry’s costs for the remainder of his life.

The Samaritan Fund was created to support residents like Harry. Responsible growth and stewardship of that fund is the primary focus of the Baptist Homes Foundation. Donations from residents, their family members and friends, from churches and philanthropic organizations support the fund. You can help, too. For example, you can make a gift using the envelope included with this newsletter, designate Baptist Homes through your United Way or Federal Campaign contribution, transfer stock, or make the Foundation a beneficiary in your will or life insurance policy.

As Cathy Land pointed out, “Thanks to the Samaritan Fund, Harry (and hundreds of residents through the years) continued to live at Baptist Homes, content in familiar surroundings with people who cared about him, for the rest of his life.”

If you would like more information about the many giving options available, please call the Vice President for Development of Baptist Homes Foundation, Mary Frances Dean, at 412-572-8220.

Leadership Transition Update

By Board Member Brian Gongaware, Chair of the Transition Team



Following Todd Swortzel's resignation in October, 2010, a team comprised of members of the staff, board of directors, and residents, began making plans for his replacement. This Transition Team is working diligently to assure that all aspects of the Baptist Homes Society's mission, all areas of service and responsibility, and future goals and objectives of the organization are considered as it progresses with the search for a new President/CEO.

In December, the transition team reviewed proposals from search firms around the country that were interested in working with us. In January, a Pittsburgh-based consultant was selected to lead the search. Representatives from the firm have since visited our campuses and introduced themselves to various staff to gain fuller understanding of our organization, the functions of the position, and the qualities, talents and experience we seek.

We are excited about the opportunities that lie ahead and invite you to call our Marketing and Public Relations Director Marilyn Walsh at 412-572-8258 if you have any questions or would like further information.

Meet the Staff

Baptist Homes Society welcomed Sue Lauer to the staff this fall. Sue is the Community Liaison and is responsible for building relationships with service providers and customers for both communities, and for introducing Baptist Homes Society's mission and services to the seniors in our region. Sue has worked in the senior health care field for many years, previously as a primary care specialist and marketer for Care for Seniors. 🌿



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Vision Statement

We will be the premier organization in Western Pennsylvania that delivers the highest quality of senior living in an independent or supportive environment, while always uplifting one person at a time.

Congratulations to our MVPs

During the year, our outstanding staff members are recognized monthly for their contributions to Baptist Homes Society. The Award, called the MVP, stands for Mission and Vision Personified. Congratulations to the following staff members for their dedication and commitment to excellence:

Baptist Homes Monthly MVPs

November - John Conrad, Maintenance
December - Sandy Barrett, Housekeeping
January - Bill Hensch, Maintenance



Providence Point Monthly MVPs

November - Bob Bozik, Housekeeping/Projects
December - Linda Venturella, Executive Assistant
January - Karen McQuiston, Call Center Coordinator



Memorial and In Honor Gifts

November 1, 2010 – January 31, 2011

Gifts in Honor

Bette Bearinger

Mrs. Marsha G. Hays

Mr. & Mrs. Lou Botka

Mr. Tihamer S. Revak

Christman & McMichael Family

Mr. & Mrs. Robert A. Christman

Chase Samuel Clark

Mr. Tihamer S. Revak

Elizabeth Derr

Mr. & Mrs. Rick Derr

Mary Jane Gault

Ms. Miriam R. Holden

Emma O. Hotze

Mr. Tihamer S. Revak

Evelyn Markley

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Betty Overend

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Margaret Pankratz

Mrs. Karla Ray

Cindy Pratt

Mrs. Velma H. Pratt

Mr. & Mrs. Bernie Revak

Mr. Tihamer S. Revak

Dorothy Salera

Mr. John Scanlon

Becky Surma

Mr. & Mrs. David E. Berry
Mr. M. Dean Mosites

Shahood Tony

Ms. Cindy Luck

Rose Tropiano

Ms. Renee M. Storck

Gifts in Memory

All residents who have passed in 2010

Ms. Kathleen Kovka

Mary Akerly

Mr. & Mrs. J. Robert Koehnke

Eileen Dooley Askin

Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Dooley

Anthony Baccaro

Mrs. Dolly Baccaro

Rosemary Bahr

Mr. Francis J. Hensler

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Alice Baltos

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Norman Beer

Mr. Tihamer S. Revak

Helen Beisel

Mr. & Mrs. William A. Beisel

Margaret Bennett

Ms. Samantha Bennett

Stanley Berg

Mrs. Susan Boyd

Ursula Bickar

Mr. & Mrs. William Reich

Paul E. Blick

Mrs. Augusta M. Blick

Gertrude Buehler

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Mrs. Geraldine Kennedy Cooper

Major General Edwin A. Coy

Mr. Tihamer S. Revak

Gertrude L. Crow

Mr. & Mrs. Donald G. Barker

Grace Cupples

Mr. Joseph K. Cupples

Rev. William E. Davies

Rev. & Mrs. Robert B. Inhoff

Michael Denucci

Mr. Tihamer S. Revak

Luella F. Drake

Mr. & Mrs. Clarence J. Betzler

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Mr. & Mrs. Carl M. Simler

Amalie Ehr Gott

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