What Will Be Your Legacy?

Since I’m a minister in the United Church of Christ, from time to time I preach in local congregations. I chose as a title for a recent sermon, “What Will Be Your Legacy?”

It was prompted by my attending a memorial service for the father of two RHF team members. As I read the obituary and heard the remarks, I understood why his children had turned out so well.

He was born in the south, graduated high school, worked there, and then relocated to California. He had several jobs and then his own auto body shop, and eventually rose to work for an oil company and retired as superintendent of safety equipment. He and his wife and children would go on camping, hunting, and fishing trips.

His father had introduced him to scouting, and he went on to become an Eagle Scout and Scout Master just like his father had been. He also introduced his sons, nephews, and numerous other children to scouting.

At his memorial service, there were resolutions read from the scouts and the church and also from the Governor of West Virginia. I thought, an ordinary man, never went to college, worked until his retirement, and had taken his interest in scouting and the outdoors to provide a good life for his family and enriched their lives as well as those of friends, fellow church members, and neighborhood children.

That’s quite a legacy.

Consider our three founders, Rev. Clark Harshfield, who passed away in 2005 at the age of 90; Steve Pilibos, who was a rancher and farmer from Fresno, California, who passed away in 2014 at the age of 102; and Rev. Reiny Klein who is still very active. They began with $7,000 and their legacy now is celebrated with 182 communities in 28 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. Because of their initial step in 1961, more than 20,000 people have a safe, secure, and affordable place to live.

I think about legacy, too, when reading many of the stories in the newspaper. We read stories of people who have made a positive impact on America and on the lives of their friends and their neighbors. Then we read about the negative legacy left by those who commit murder and a variety of crimes.

But you don’t have to be a story in a headline to leave a legacy. People who are kind to one another, who share their resources, who try to make life better for others – all of us have the opportunity of leaving a legacy. The members of the RHF team providing care and services leave a positive legacy. Also, those who live in an RHF community have a positive legacy with their friends and neighbors. After all, it’s not so much what we do for ourselves that is remembered, it’s what we do for others.

Dr. Laverne R. Joseph
Sonata at Riverpark Breaks Ground
Oxnard, California

RHF celebrated the beginning of construction for Sonata at Riverpark with civic leaders and business partners at a May groundbreaking.

Sonata at Riverpark will be a 52-unit, tax credit community for low-income families, with one, two, and three bedroom units in its design.

The shared areas of this community will feature a central courtyard with recreational space for children and sitting areas for the residents and a community room (for social activities) accessible from the courtyard, and office space for on-site management staff. Laundry facilities and locked mailboxes are also amenities in this community.

Individual apartments have an “open plan” concept in the common areas to maximize the space and feel of the unit. The kitchens are generously sized with plenty of storage space and will feature Energy Star appliances.

Sonata at Riverpark is not currently accepting applications, but it is taking names of people who would like an application when they are made available. The last affordable family community that RHF opened in the Los Angeles area received more than 1600 applications for its 60 units. Early interest in this community indicates that this community will also receive a large number of applications.

Financing for the development and construction of Sonata at Riverpark has been provided by the Angelus Trust, the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee, the City of Oxnard, California Community Reinvestment Corporation and Wells Fargo Bank.

Starting Off Where It All Began
Mayflower Gardens Retirement Community
Lancaster, California

RHF will be celebrating its 55th Anniversary in February. Traditionally that means that over the next two years (or so), every RHF community throughout the country will host local celebrations.

It seems only fitting that the first community RHF ever sponsored kick off these events in conjunction with its own 50th Anniversary celebrations.

In 1965, the Saturday Evening Post cited Mayflower Gardens Retirement Community in an article it wrote called “Thistles In Paradise - The Truth About Retirement Housing.” The Developer who had received funding to build Mayflower Gardens defaulted on its HUD loans and stopped construction on the 65 acre, 500 apartment community. The founders of RHF felt they could take over the project, finish construction and rent up the community - and they did. It was the beginning of a relationship with HUD (The Department of Housing and Urban Development) that has resulted in more than 180 communities and counting.

More than 500 residents, staff and guests braved the upper desert heat of Lancaster to listen to community leaders speak and be entertained by community dance groups and singers.
What’s Happening

All Because of One Conversation
Mesquite Gardens/Crescent Manor
Mesquite, Texas

Mobility impaired residents of Mesquite, Texas will be getting around town a little easier, and it is all because of one conversation the residents of Mesquite Gardens and Crescent Manor had with their Deputy Mayor.

Mesquite Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Al Forsythe visited Mesquite Gardens and Crescent Manor in May to honor the residents with a proclamation, thanking them for their community service and the vital role that plays in making the community a better place to live. Before he left, residents voiced their concern about an unsafe condition for anyone who relied on getting around town in a wheelchair or scooter.

Residents with mobility issues couldn’t get to the local post office without traveling on a very narrow and busy city street.

The next day Forsythe returned with pictures of the problem and sat down with residents to come up with a solution. That meeting led to more meetings with officials from various city departments which has resulted in making the sidewalks and curbs over a number of city blocks more easily accessible for mobility impaired Mesquite residents, including those living in RHF communities.

While most of the needed improvements have already been accomplished, work will be completed by October 1.

Participating in the Democratic Process
Sacramento, California

One of the nine goals in RHF’s strategic plan is “RHF will continue to advocate with public and private decision-makers on matters that concern the well-being of older Americans, low-income families and persons with disabilities on matters pertaining to affordable housing and healthcare.”

Part of that goal includes encouraging staff, residents, national and local board members and all volunteers to advocate as well.

On June 10th, RHF residents from affordable communities in northern California attended a day-long meeting in Sacramento, hosted by LeadingAge California.

Residents and staff registered and received informational packets upon arriving around 10:30. Leading Age speakers greeted everyone and informed the group about AB 1335 and AB 35. Both legislative bills are in support of funding affordable senior housing.

Small groups then attended scheduled appointments with state senators or their aids in their Capitol offices. They also toured the state capitol, seeing the Rotunda and the Senate chambers.

After individual meetings, many participants met for discussion on their meetings and what they could do next to ensure the passage of these important bills.
In Our Communities

Summer Basketball
RHF The Whittier
Los Angeles, California

At RHF The Whittier, RHF’s newest family community, they created a program called Summer Basketball for the kids living at the community. While it did feature playing basketball, there were other activities to allow the kids to play in a safer environment, away from inner city gang influences.

More than 15 children participated in this summer sports program that saw area businesses sponsoring an end-of-camp BBQ and the presentation of trophies and awards. Even members of the LAPD found the time to shoot some hoops with them!

A New Resident with a Little Bit of History
Courtenay Springs Village
Merritt Island, Florida

Courtenay Springs Village welcomed a new resident, Mary Wester, who has a little bit of history with the community.

In 1981, while employed as a marketer with a wealthy investor, Mary was part of the “ground breaking event” at Courtenay Springs Village. The property was a piece of vacant land where the investor wanted to create the “New Lifestyle” of the times, a senior community.

Her husband, James Wester, shown in the photo with Mary, was an engineer on the project.

Once the building was completed, the investor sold it to a management company that went bankrupt. In 1987, RHF purchased the building. Mary’s early ties to RHF go even deeper. Her father lived at one of Courtenay’s sister communities, Bishop’s Glen, in Holly Hill, Florida.

When Mary looks back at the piece of history she shares with Courtenay Springs Village, she says “I look around and I just can’t believe I’m living here now”!

Hail to the King!
Southpointe Villa
Rialto, California

Congratulations to Southpointe Villa resident Aurelio Rodarte for being crowned Prom King 2015 at the Senior Prom held annually by the Rialto Senior Center.

Here you can see Aurelio proudly displaying his certificates from the senior center and the City of Rialto.

Aurelio has been a resident of Southpointe Villa for 20 years. He greatly enjoys his daily walks to the Rialto Senior Center where he shoots pool and has lunch with his friends.
Community News

A Healthy Hobby for Our Residents

**Grace Place - Norfolk, VA**

Grace Place residents attended several gardening classes sponsored by New Walk Medical Center and Norfolk Master Gardeners.

With the knowledge and skill they gained, the Grace Place residents have grown gardens of their own and are happy to report that they are thriving.

The residents are all extremely proud of their accomplishments and are finding this experience very rewarding.

**Anciano Tower - Montrose, CO**

The residents of Anciano Tower are the recipients of the collaborative efforts of two non-profits in Montrose who have partnered to tackle their need for fresh fruits and vegetables at a price they can afford - free!

LiveWell Montrose Olathe and Grace Community Church teamed up to build and stock two raised gardens that will be tended by nine Anciano Tower residents.

Service Coordinator Michele Gad thought that having a garden is a great way for residents to access healthy food and enjoy getting out of their apartments during the day.

What makes these gardens special is that they comply with accessibility standards from the Americans with Disabilities Act so everyone can enjoy them.

**Harvest Pointe - Loveland, CO**

Each year all Harvest Pointe residents have a chance to share the community garden space. Each Spring they have their annual garden meeting and many residents comment on how they look forward to the meeting, knowing spring time is coming and it’s something fun to do.

This year we have 15 gardeners who enjoy tending their spots. They plant a wide variety of items including various flowers, strawberries, rhubarb, parsley, basil, tomatoes (LOTS of them!), squash, green beans, & more. Many happy hours are spent tending the soil, watering the plants, and worrying about the occasional hail storm.

It’s a great place to sit on one of the benches and enjoy the sun and mountain views. We are truly blessed to have this magical space!

(For more information about how some of these projects are funded, turn to page 18)
Maple City Square - La Porte, IN

Gardeners at Maple City Square have been busy. After a long, wet spring and early summer things are a blooming. Judy Shepherd is the flower lady at Maple City Square. She has a prep area and transplants as needed. Her blooms make a colorful addition to the community.

Cindy Jesus has only lived at Maple City Square since the beginning of the year, but she is already putting down “roots.” Her first garden attempt is a success. She had trouble keeping the deer and bunnies at bay until maintenance man Steve Pearce built the fence around her plants. She has been sharing her squash and soon a basket full of tomatoes will be ready.

Everyone gets to enjoy the colors and tastes of their efforts.

Guadalupe Senior Apartments - Denver, CO

In July, Denver Area Boy Scout Troop 69 gathered material donations and gave their time to build three raised vegetable and herb gardens for the residents of Guadalupe Senior Apartments.

Feed Denver: Urban Farms and Gardens, and Timberline Gardens and Nursery donated most of the plants, while individuals linked with the Boy Scout troop donated the garden fill, herbs, and lumber.

Follow Us On YouTube

Visit Retirement Housing Foundation’s YouTube channel for a chance to get to know some of our residents and hear their stories.

Like Us On Facebook

Do you want to hear what is happening in RHF communities? Go to these community Facebook pages to keep in touch with the latest that is going on at RHF:

Retirement Housing Foundation
Auburn Ravine Terrace
Bixby Knolls Towers
Colonial Heights and Gardens
DeSmet Retirement
Gold Country Retirement and Healthcare
Mayflower Gardens Retirement Community
Plymouth Square
Sun City Gardens
The Gateway

Angelus Plaza
Bishop’s Glen Retirement Community
Cloisters of Deland (The Cloisters)
Courtenay Springs Village
Gaslight Apartments
LaFontaine Center Apartments
Park Place Assisted Living
St. Catherine Retirement Community
The Carolinian
Westminster Village
Happy Birthday To You, Happy Birthday To You . . .

300 Main - Estacada, Oregon

(Celenia) Sally Garcia celebrated her 100th birthday in July. She was born in Puerto Rico and moved to New York as a young child. She has lived at 300 Main for 11 years. She walks to the Community Center, rain or shine, everyday. If raining heavily, she will ride the community bus. Sally loves her monthly casino trips & BINGO here at 300 Main. Her favorite color is pink. God & walking have let her live to be 100.

Bishop’s Glen - Holly Hill, Florida

Bernard Waller was born in June of 1914 in Cologne, Germany. He went to Business School and worked in sales all his life. At the age of 24, he fled the impending Holocaust (where most of his family perished) first to Bolivia and then to Santiago, Chile. Bernard immigrated to New York in 1972. Bernard and Estelle were married in 1978 and moved to Daytona Beach after he retired in 1986, then to Bishop’s Glen in 2009. He became an American Citizen in 1999. Bernard has two children, four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, all living in the United States. Bernard loves people and has a great sense of humor.

Irene McLendon lives in The Abbey Assisted Living community at Bishop’s Glen. She will celebrate her 103rd birthday in August. She was a homemaker and was married for over 50 years. She has one son and two grandchildren. Irene volunteered at church and led a very health conscious life. She has a love of music and played the piano, harmonica and organ. Irene is described by her son as being, “an absolutely amazing person who led an interesting and fun life.”

Bixby Knolls Towers - Long Beach, California

Marie Sander is 100 years old. She completed 12 notebooks of family genealogy. She served four years in the US Army during WWII. She has lived at Bixby Knolls Towers Six years.

Ruth Goldman is 102. She has lived at Bixby Knolls Towers six years. She loves to Knit. Ruth has 12 Great Great Grandchildren.

Eunice Kramer is 100 years old. She grew up in Boston & lived there until she was 90. She worked for Hallmark Cards. She climbed a mountain with her daughter when she was in her 80’s.
Eleanor Wolfe is 101. She lives at Bixby Knolls Towers with her cat. Eleanor was a homemaker; she has two children and three grandsons.

Westminster Village - Clarksville, Indiana

Eliza Compton celebrated her 100th Birthday in June. She attends a variety of group activities daily. She has a good time with her peers, family and staff at Westminster Village. Eliza looks forward to visiting with her daughter who comes to see her several times a week.

Whether it is hanging out with Santa at the community’s annual Christmas celebration, enjoying pie & coffee during the Mother’s Day activities or having a blast celebrating her 100th birthday playing Bingo with her peers, Eliza is always involved.

Eliza is always curious as to what is going on so you can find her wheeling herself up and down the hallways in between activities and meal times to make sure she isn’t missing out on anything.

La Mirada Vistas - La Mirada, California

Maria Luisa Martinez was born in June of 1915. She was one of sixteen children living on her family’s farm in Mexico. She immigrated to California in 1960 where she went to work at a fish cannery in San Pedro.

Her talents as a seamstress soon found her work, she could look at a picture of clothing and then replicate it. She also enjoys cooking and gardening. She is famous for her tamales and empanadas.

Maria had 5 children who blessed her with 19 grandchildren, 25 great, grandchildren and 1 great, great grandchild! She is currently sharing her home with a small, unruly chihuahua named Chapis and a fish named Alpha.

Pilgrim Tower East - Pasadena, California

Paul Peng was born in 1914 in Beijing, China and immigrated to Taiwan in 1949 to become a Professor of Social Science. Paul gained a lot of respect from his students and friends because of his acts of kindness without expecting anything in return.

After he retired, Paul moved to Chicago to be closer to family. He found Pilgrim Tower East by word of mouth from his friends and has been living there with his wife for almost twenty years.
Project H.A.N.D.S.® (Helping Angels National Donated Support) is the award-winning brainchild of Judy Shaw, RHF’s National Service Coordinator Manager.

It is created on a very basic premise... service to the community you live in... everyone has the ability to contribute to betterment of their community - if they want to.

**Personal Care Items Gathered for Those in Need**

Three Project H.A.N.D.S.® groups from RHF communities around the country have chosen to use their time to assemble bags and boxes of toiletries and other personal items to donate to programs that aid low-income families and homeless individuals.

In Prescott, Arizona, Casa De Pinos residents received donations from Maggie’s Hospice, ResCare, Granite Mountain Private Duty, Patti McCormick Insurance, and various residents to assemble hygiene bags for the Mountaintop Christian Fellowship. These bags, which contained bottled water, shampoo, soap, toothpaste and a toothbrush, bandages, lotion, and other personal items, will be distributed to homeless individuals in the area.

Residents from Benson Manor in Smyrna, Georgia collected donations of personal items and fabric to sew and fill 67 bags, with some containing items specifically for children, to donate to Must Ministries’ homeless transition center.

In Norfolk, Virginia, Village Pointe and Village Gardens residents have joined together to create what they call “The Shoe Box Project” to gather and assemble shoe boxes full of various items including books, school supplies, toiletries, gloves, scarves, and socks for distribution by the Norfolk Interfaith Partnership Mentorship Program, Inc. This program serves low-income households that are headed by single parents transitioning back into the workforce after a period of unemployment.

**Over 400 Blankets Lovingly Made in Mesquite, Texas**

The Project H.A.N.D.S.® groups from Crescent Manor and Mesquite Gardens joined together in an effort to bring a smile to the faces of patients at the nearby children’s hospital.

Thanks to the residents’ devotion to the project and the support of the local community, nearby churches, Mayor John Monaco, and Mesquite’s Police Department and Fire Department, what started as a vision of creating around 100 blankets turned into a collaboration that produced 440 blankets for the children. Though production has slowed a bit, the residents are still making blankets as more material comes in.
We are grateful to the following people or agencies that have volunteered, donated or participated in our Project H.A.N.D.S. program from 5/1/14 to 4/31/15. Though we strive to list every person involved, this list may not be all-inclusive:

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  - Olga Rosario
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"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."

Mahatma Gandhi
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Residents from Vistas in Van Nuys, CA meet every Friday to knit and crochet sweaters, mittens, socks, scarves, blankets, slippers, and various other clothing items to give to homeless shelters.

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Responding To
A Natural Disaster

On April 25th a 7.8 magnitude earthquake struck Nepal causing significant damage and destruction in Kathmandu and surrounding areas. That earthquake, the worst to hit Nepal in over 80 years, also triggered a deadly avalanche on Mount Everest. In the weeks that followed, Nepal had several strong aftershocks, the largest measuring a 7.3 magnitude on May 12th.

RHF responded by conducting a fundraising campaign to assist the victims of those earthquakes. RHF matched donor contributions dollar for dollar. $11,394.37 was contributed from individuals, RHF communities, and UCC congregations. At the United Church of Christ General Synod held June 26th-30th in Cleveland, Ohio, a check for $22,788.74 was presented to the United Church of Christ’s Disaster Relief to support essential on-the-ground relief efforts.

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Residents at Valley View Apartments in Manitowoc, Wisconsin are enjoying a new hobby within their community: Gardening. Thanks to a grant from The Ruth St. John and John Dunham West Foundation, Inc. secured by RHF Foundation, Inc., Valley View has four new raised garden beds on-site. These new ADA compliant garden beds will bring a variety of fresh vegetables, fragrant herbs, and beautiful flowers to all the residents of Valley View Apartments. Materials, supplies, and new plants were donated by the local community.

“Gardening allows me to get out and socialize with other residents who share the same interests while putting fresh, healthy vegetables into my diet,” says Valley View Apartments resident Joseph Castro.

Our staff members perform important daily duties to make shelter and service a reality for the people we serve. Staff members who additionally choose to voluntarily support RHF through monetary donations are contributing to the fiscal health of our mission. We are extremely grateful for their optional financial commitment as well as the investment they already have made with their hearts, lives and careers.

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