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With Heartfelt Appreciation We Say Goodbye to Board Chair, Barry Shaw

It is with mixed emotions that I announce I'm stepping down as Chairman of the Board of Directors. At this time, I need to invest my energy on business demands and spending more time with my family. Over the past 20 years as a member of the Board I've had the pleasure of seeing Brethren Village through significant growth and had a hand in embarking on new endeavors. I've grown as an individual and learned to truly appreciate the mission of Brethren Village.

Reflecting on my years of service, my most significant accomplishment as Chairman was the hiring of John Snader as President and CEO. Even though I was not Chairman from the beginning of the major redevelopment of Brethren Village in 2008-09, it was a major accomplishment that I was heavily involved in. I'd also like to note the successful completion of the first major capital campaign in 20 years which allowed Dr. & Mrs. Wolf, and others, an opportunity to express their commitment and gratitude towards Brethren Village. During my tenure on the Board, we changed the Corporate By-Laws which improved the ownership structure of Brethren Village. These are just some of the reasons why we can all be proud of what Brethren Village stands for today. I would have to say my biggest challenge was following



Barry Shaw

the tremendous job Henry Gibbel did as Board Chairman for 17 years.

Brethren Village is committed to providing an excellent experience to our Residents, their families, our Team Members and our community partners. It is very clear to me the incredible amount of passion and energy that perpetuates everything we do and the creative ideas that are generated when people come together. Brethren Village has its eye on the future and is doing the right things and has great leadership to improve the future of the Village.

I thank each of you for your support during my years of service, Brethren Village will always be a special place to me.

Barry and Barb Shaw have pledged a special gift

to commemorate their family's longstanding affiliation with Brethren Village. Their gift toward BV's Short Term Rehabilitation Center will greatly enhance Brethren Village's ability to offer a true, high-end, short stay, rehab experience in a modern, stand-alone Medicare-licensed facility on site. Further, the gift will allow Brethren Village Residents who need short term skilled care to remain on Brethren Village's campus. "Our gift represents an extension of our gratitude for our own family's experience at Brethren Village, and my personal appreciation of the strategic direction that was cast during the last few years of my service as Board Chair," noted Barry Shaw. He continued, "My hope is that this gift represents my endorsement of the direction of the current board and executive management of Brethren Village."

The Shaws are making their gift public with the hope that it will encourage others who value Brethren Village's mission to consider their own support for this project or other special projects. John Snader, Brethren Village President & CEO, noted his gratitude, "in serving alongside Barry on the board, and working under his supervision as the CEO, this gift confirms the generosity of Barry's deep affinity for the Village, and affirms the place of Brethren Village in Barry and Barb's hearts."

Please see the Short Term Rehab article on page 3.



BV Golf Tourney on September 17

Brethren Village's 25th Annual Golf Tournament will be held rain or shine on Thursday, Sept. 17, 2015 at Foxchase Golf Club. The tournament will include an AM and PM scramble, with registration beginning at 6:30 AM and 12:30 PM. Registration fee includes greens fees, cart, meal, and complimentary gift pack.

Proceeds benefit the Good Samaritan Fund which supports the current benevolent needs of the Village by providing financial assistance for those Residents who have exhausted their financial resources.

Reservations are currently underway and sponsorship opportunities at various levels are still available. If you would like additional information on ways to support this event, please visit: www.bv.org/golf or contact Teresa Rineer, Development Associate & Special Events Manager, at (717) 581-4478 or email trineer@bv.org.

Reserve your foursome today!





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Enriching each life touched by our ministry at Brethren Village.

Our Mission

Rooted in the tradition of service within the Church of the Brethren, the mission of Brethren Village is to provide a continuum of services and Christ-like care to support the aging process and to enhance the spiritual, physical, social and emotional wholeness of Residents, Team Members, and community.

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Meet Steven Faus, Chair of the BV Board of Directors

Steve Faus takes the helm as Board Chair as a seasoned member of the board with deep ties to the Brethren Village Community. Serving on the board since 2002, most recently as Vice Chair, Steve is personally invested in the mission and vision of the Village and seeks to further the strategic goals and initiatives set forth by the Board. Barry Shaw notes that under Steve's leadership, "The Village has a promising future. He has my full support." Supporting Steve are the following Board Officers: Carol Hess, Vice Chair; Douglas Deihm, Treasurer; Alan Over, Secretary; and J. Eric Brubaker, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer.

"I am humbled and honored to serve as Chair of the Board of Directors and advance God's ministry of Brethren Village. Over the years, I've had relatives, fellow church members, and friends reside at the Village. I have volunteered in Founders Hall, helped with the community barbecue,



Steven Faus

sang and taught in the Chapel, eaten at various campus venues, and shopped in the Thrift Shop and at the Christmas Cookie Sale. I have always felt a close connection to the campus. Serving on the board, and now as Board Chair, seems like a natural progression to my connection. I'm excited for the future of BV and my role in shaping it."

Steve is president of the Hess Agency, a family owned insurance agency in Manheim, and a member of Chiques Church of the Brethren. He and his wife Dina have four children and reside in Elizabethtown.



BV Residents Joanne Liggat, Joan Keesey & Louise Arvidson at the Good Samaritan Banquet

Good Samaritan Banquet Raises \$54,481

Thanks to those whose generosity made the event a success! When you give to the Good Samaritan Fund, you are supporting BV's ministry of providing care, housing, and services to Residents who have exhausted their financial resources. Annually, Brethren Village provides in excess of \$2 million in benevolent care.

We'd love to share our special video, "Give from Your Heart & Help Make a

Difference," which premiered at the Good Samaritan Banquet on May 7. Nearly 300 guests were inspired by the compelling stories told by Residents and family members sharing their personal thoughts about the power of the Good Samaritan Fund. The video is now available on the Brethren Village website. We invite you to view it here: <http://www.bv.org/news/video-gallery.asp>

Are You a Follower? Be sure to follow Brethren Village on Facebook, Twitter and YouTube for the latest news and events!



BV Welcomes Seth Beaver & Renny Magill

Seth Beaver, PE, joined BV as Director of Facilities. Seth oversees the maintenance, renovations, security, grounds, and housekeeping/laundry teams. Seth previously worked as an engineering consultant for Century Engineering in New Cumberland. Seth holds a BS degree in Chemical Engineering from the University of Pennsylvania and a Master Degree in Environmental Engineering from Pennsylvania State University.

"I'm excited to be a part of the BV team. This position gives me great opportunities to interact with many Residents and Team Members. My varied experience will serve me well in executing the upcoming projects that will expand and grow Brethren Village's foot print. I enjoy working with the dedicated Facilities Team Members who further the mission of Brethren Village every day," said Seth. Seth and his wife reside south of Morgantown on a 10-acre horse farm and are avid equestrians, as well as serving on the board of the French Creek Equestrian Association, a local non-profit equestrian club.

Renny Magill serves BV as Director of Development. Renny comes to Brethren Village from Tel Hai Retirement Community where he served as Vice President of Development.

Renny is a graduate of Asbury College in Wilmore, Kentucky and Pennsylvania State University, where he earned a Masters in Fine Arts. He is a Certified Fund Raising Executive and is a member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

"As I'm getting settled in at Brethren Village, I am very appreciative for the warm welcome that I have received from Residents and Team Members. It's clear that philanthropy is deeply embedded in the DNA of Brethren Village's mission, and I am greatly anticipating working with all of the constituents that have supported, or will support, the organization's mission of providing benevolent care and funding special capital projects," said Renny.

Renny is a member of Akron Mennonite Church, and serves as Stewardship Chair for the congregation. He and his wife reside in Akron with their children.



Seth Beaver



Renny Magill

Short Term Rehab at BV

Construction has begun to transform the Garden Spot building (next to The Courtyards) into a 20 bed, Medicare-licensed short term rehabilitation facility. Residents, or members of the community, who are recovering from surgery or an injury can be cared for at our dedicated rehab center. The on campus short term rehab will complement the care administered at The Courtyards by separating those who need recovery care from Residents requiring long term nursing care. Additionally, the short term rehab building will house inpatient/outpatient therapy with a separate entrance and its own signage. All rooms are private with the anticipated length of stay being 20 days or less. One aspect that makes BV's short term rehab unique is that our Choice+ support services team will make an at-home visit to each discharged Resident/patient to ensure their needs are being met. The projected grand opening is January 2016, when we look forward to offering you even more choices!



Resident Room Concept

New Residents

FEBRUARY 2015

Naomi Wrede, Fieldcrest, formerly of Easton, PA

Donald & Lois Kautz, Fieldcrest, formerly of Leola, PA

Jean Frysinger, Oakwood House, formerly of Lancaster, PA

Richard & Lillian Ramsay, Fieldcrest, formerly of Seabring, FL

MARCH 2015

Elwood & Marian Schwartz, Village Townhouse, formerly of Denver, PA

Priscilla Hess, Fairview Meadows, formerly of Milton, FL

Martha Stauffer, Village Townhouse, formerly of Lancaster, PA

Lloyd Nuss, Village Townhouse, formerly of Lancaster, PA

APRIL 2015

Levi & Helen Ziegler, Village Townhouse, formerly of Manheim, PA

Richard & Linda Peacock, Cottage, formerly of Lancaster, PA

Janice Karuza, Fieldcrest, formerly of Harleysville, PA

MAY 2015

Melvin Shumaker, Village Townhouse, formerly of Lititz, PA

Anna Deschler, Fieldcrest, formerly of Lebanon, PA

Lowell Weaver, Oakwood House, formerly of Lancaster, PA

Evelyn Shumaker, Village Townhouse, formerly of Lititz, PA

Mildred Long, Fieldcrest, formerly of Elizabethtown, PA

Winifred May, Village Townhouse, formerly of Lancaster, PA

Donald & Kathryn Wolgemuth, Fieldcrest, formerly of Manheim, PA

Daniel & Mary Bridy, Fieldcrest, formerly of Lancaster, PA

Irene Rowe, Village Townhouse, formerly of Lancaster, PA

Barbara Swartz, Fieldcrest, formerly of Cumming, GA

Janice Martin, Village Townhouse, formerly of Lancaster, PA

Dorothy Buckwalter, Oakwood House, formerly of Paradise, PA

Luis Rosa Bultron Honored as the 2014 Team Member of the Year

Luis Bultron, a housekeeper, has received many Servant Heart Awards in his 22 years at BV. BV's Servant Heart Award recognizes Team Members who exemplify outstanding service in one or more of BV's core values of Caring, Integrity, Stewardship and Excellence. Luis was chosen by a committee from all of the Servant Heart of the Month honorees because he demonstrates excellence in everything he does. Specifically, his friendly approach as well as his desire to consistently go above and beyond, is appreciated by Residents and Team Members alike. Comments from those who nominated Luis include:

"Every time I see you there's a broom in your hand and a smile on your face. Thank you for your hard work and great attitude!"

"Luis cleaned my carpets recently and had quite the task ahead of him (trust me!) Not only did he do an impeccable job, but he did it with a pleasant, respectful attitude. He is a faithful and humble worker and I really appreciate his work."

"Luis caught a Resident when he fell in the dining room. He stayed by his side, talking calmly and reassuring him until help arrived."

Luis mentioned in his acceptance speech that he considers the Residents part of his family, and the Residents feel the same way about him. We are proud to have Luis as a member of the Brethren Village community. Thank you, Luis, for everything you do for our Residents and your colleagues.



Luis Bultron

Servant Heart Awards

Recent Servant Heart of the Month Awardees:

January 2015

Carolyn Frederick, Home Care

February 2015

Anne Loeffler, Home Care

March 2015

Sandra Allen, Housekeeping

April 2015

Linda Krofcheck, Affordable Housing

May 2015

Tricia Gruich, The Courtyards



"To me, Brethren Village is Heaven on earth. I moved here in January 2015, after waiting 7 years, and I have never been this happy in my life. I thank God every day for my being here. You have everything you could ever want and the people are so friendly and loving as are the staff. Thank you for giving me my chance to live in Heaven on earth!"

— Juanita Elaine Jessen, BV Resident

You Don't Need To Be Wealthy To Leave A Legacy Of Your Values



Have you thought about how you will be remembered when you are no longer living? My wife and I recently updated our wills and powers-of-attorney so, yes, the thought has been on our minds. During the process, an obvious question was who gets what, and what will this say about what we value to the recipients?

Like many of the readers of the Villager, we are also concerned about outliving our financial resources. We hope our efforts at good stewardship and healthy lifestyle, combined with the grace of God, allow us to continue paying our own way until our passing. With today's rising costs and longer lives, however, that can be a tough one to nail down.

There also was the question of leaving a legacy of some sort. We haven't made world changing discoveries like Jonas Salk or Alexander Graham Bell nor are we philanthropists like Bill Gates or Warren Buffett. Will anyone remember us 100 years from now? Probably not. Still, it would be nice to know that we made some sort of a difference that carried forward, even in a small way.

What legacies will we leave behind and how do we assure that will happen? Well, for starters, model a good work ethic, integrity, caring, stewardship, healthy lifestyle and good humor. Whether we realize it or not, those values get passed on from generation to generation.

There also is the time, talent and money we give to charitable organizations. That same spirit of benevolence can become a lasting legacy by making a designated gift in our wills to a favorite charity. A final gift is lasting proof that we have been here and that we have made a difference. Have you remembered the benevolent work of Brethren Village in YOUR will?

Need help getting started? Give me a call. Let's talk.

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There is no charge for confidential consultations. Always consult a qualified attorney about any legal matter.

The Gift of Music

By Jason Landis

Having a daughter who is an accomplished musician in a world renowned orchestra certainly makes a mother proud and brings a family many opportunities; but sometimes the chance to hear her play at home is just as rewarding.

Meet Jane and Shelley Showers. Jane has been a Resident of Brethren Village for 6 years. Her daughter Shelley, a member of the Philadelphia Orchestra, recently had a chance to perform in Lancaster with the Allegro Chamber Orchestra. Being a Lancaster native, Shelley was invited to premiere the work of local composer Ralph Lehman, a concerto for horn and orchestra. She was excited to return home. "It is great to come back to Lancaster to play. I don't often have this opportunity!" It was also a unique opportunity to play the solo for a world premiere. "It's thrilling to learn a new piece that has never before been performed," she says of preparing for the concerto, and adds "it's also nice to have the input of a living composer." She described the piece as fun to play and very expressive, contrasting the lyrical abilities of the horn with passages that showcase its bravura nature. "I'm honored and delighted to be chosen [by Allegro]," Shelley says, "While many times I have played an orchestral piece with the composer present, I have never in my career had the privilege of performing a horn concerto premiere in the company of the composer."

It was a long journey to winning an audition for the prestigious Philadelphia Orchestra, but Jane still remembers the early days of Shelley's playing. "I didn't have to tell her to practice because she enjoyed playing. I was amazed that she knew how to use her lips to produce sound! I could only help her with notes and timing but the rest she did on her own." Shelley chose the horn when she began playing in 4th grade because that was what the school orchestra needed. It turned out to be a good fit.



Shelley & Jane Showers

Since joining the Philly Orchestra Shelley has travelled the world with her music, and in 2000 Jane had the opportunity to travel with her on a European tour. The orchestra performed in twelve cities in nine countries over 21 days. "What a thrilling experience," Jane recalls, "I was able to attend the concerts and see the beautiful concert halls in all these countries. It is an experience I treasure and will never forget. I was so impressed with the orchestra members who, after all the traveling, were able to perform so beautifully!"

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Jane is also thrilled to have her daughter in Lancaster again. "It was a real treat to see Shelley play with such a fine local group," she said of the Allegro performance. "We thank God for the beautiful gift of music that He gave Shelley." The Allegro Chamber Orchestra will perform again in July and August at the Ware Center in downtown Lancaster. Discounts are available for senior citizens and kids under 18 are always free, making Allegro's casual and playful performances a great way to introduce the grandkids to classical music. More information on the organization and their events can be found by visiting their website allegrochamberorchestra.org, or by phone at (717) 560-7317.

Jason Landis recently completed an internship with Allegro, and is a recent graduate of Millersville University with a degree in Writing Studies.



Barbara Music, Courtyards Resident, delights in painting one of 300 wooden tulips created by the Workshop.

Workshop volunteers

were asked to use their talent to create 300 wooden tulips for Residents in Personal Care and The Courtyards along with children at the UGro day care. The Residents and children were encouraged to use their imagination and paint the tulips to their liking. The special project which touched many hands will grace the hallways of Village Center.

Dr. Otis Kitchen Receives Lifetime Achievement Award



Dr. Otis Kitchen

BV Resident Otis Kitchen was honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Phi Beta MU International Bandmasters Fraternity. The award came as a surprise to Otis, who is the only recipient in Lancaster County to ever receive the prestigious award, which is voted on by colleagues.

Otis has an international reputation as a music director, conductor and performer. He is Professor of Music and Director of Bands Emeritus at Elizabethtown College where he taught Conducting and Instrumental methods until his retirement in 1996. He is also Conductor Emeritus of the Lancaster Youth Symphony and Organist Emeritus at the former St. Paul's United Methodist church.

He has served as Musical Director and Conductor in 35 states and in 25 nations including assignments with the London New Year's day parade and concert festival in Royal Albert Hall, as well as Moscow, Beijing, Vienna and at St. Peters in Rome with Pope John Paul II in attendance.

Otis is an elected member of the prestigious American Bandmasters Association and has held membership in numerous state, national and international music organizations. In addition to the Lifetime Achievement Award, Otis is a recipient of the Bridgewater College Distinguished Alumni award, the Elizabethtown College Centennial award, and the Citation of Excellence from the National Band Association.

"I truly believe the greatest reward for me is seeing my students excel far beyond what I ever did," Otis said. That's truly the statement of a remarkable educator.



July 8 • 3:00 PM Dementia Support Group in Terrace Crossing 2nd floor conference room

Friday, July 10 • 6:45 PM Outdoor Concert: Temple Ave on the lawn in front of the Welcome Center

Friday, July 17 • 2 PM Fred Bender performs in Wolfe Auditorium

July 29 • 2 PM Summer Communion, BV Chapel

July 30 • Elite Bus Trip to Brandywine Valley with behind the scenes tour of QVC Studio, lunch at the lovely Brandywine Prime Restaurant in Chadds Ford, followed by a tour of the Brandywine River Museum of Art. Cost: \$75.00 pp. For more information, contact Holly Began at (717) 581-4251.

Friday, August 7 • 6:45 PM Outdoor Concert: Barbershop Quartet on the lawn in front of the Welcome Center

August 9 • 3 PM Performing Arts presents Korean Voice Students from Seoul University in Seoul, Korea, Wolfe Auditorium

Thursday, August 27 • 2 PM Bonnie Koons performs in Wolfe Auditorium

Friday, September 4 • 6:45 PM Outdoor Concert: The Octagon Band on the lawn in front of the Welcome Center

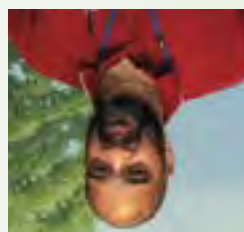
September 17 • 25th Annual Golf Tournament at Foxchase Golf Club

September 20 • 3 PM Performing Arts presents Walter Xun-Pan, pianist & Simon Maurer, violist, Wolfe Auditorium

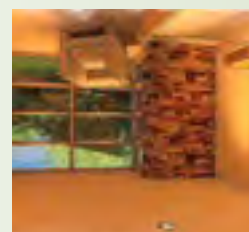


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