

# Plant a Seed Watch it Grow...

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#### 2013-14 Annual Appeal

Your gift to Brethren Village's Annual Appeal directly impacts our Residents' lives who are in need of financial assistance. There is no price tag on comfort, security, peace of mind and hope. Your support helps us continue to enhance their lives and provide an environment of caring and concern in a community where our Residents can age in place.

Brethren Village anticipates unreimbursed costs in excess of \$2 million this coming year. Government assistance and supplemental insurance do not cover the full cost of providing day-to-day care to our Residents who have outlived their resources. With your support, they have peace of mind knowing that Brethren Village will continue to provide them with the uninterrupted quality care and services they need.

...it will do more good than you'll ever know.

## Did you know...

- 40% of Residents living in The Courtyards receive supplemental, benevolent care?
- 25% of Residents living in Village Manor Personal Care require care and services which they cannot fully pay?
- The Village anticipates unreimbursed costs in excess of \$2 million this year alone to provide housing and services to Residents in financial need?

The Brethren Village Annual Appeal is an opportunity to provide for our Residents in financial need. Can we count on your support?

For more information on ways to give, contact Joanne Stehr at 717.581.4316 or visit: www.bv.org/giving

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Our Vision
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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Registration does not imply endorsement.

### Brethren Village Provides Mexican Day Care with Necessities

In September the Spiritual Life Commission, in the spirit of Matthew:25 "If you do so unto the least of my brothers, you do so unto me," sent Dana Statler, BV's Associate Pastor, to Mexico with Pastor Gilbert Romero of Bittersweet Ministries to purchase shoes for 100 children at a local day care center. The shoes were purchased with funds collected this past Spring from the fifth Sunday offering. Dana also took Yolanda, director of the day care center, to purchase a gas range that will be used to cook meals for the center. The total amount raised from the fifth Sunday offering was approximately \$1,900.

Two churches and a few private individuals from the Brethren community sent Dana with additional funds to purchase a refrigerator, stock the shelves of the daycare center with food and supplies, and maintenance the vans that Bittersweet Ministries uses to transport the children. Dana also took several reusable grocery bags, prayer shawls



Some of the children of the day care center with their new shoes.

made by a BV Resident, and hot pads made by the ladies in the BV creative arts room. Once there, Dana had the opportunity to take the children to a local shoe store and help them purchase new shoes. They were so delighted to receive such a simple gift! Thank you to everyone who made this possibility a reality for the children and staff of the day care center that needed our help.



#### BV's 23rd Annual Golf Tournament

Thanks to all who supported our Golf event this year! We had the highest number of golfers ever (236) and raised \$32,574 for the Good Samaritan Fund. Congrats to the winning foursome: Joe Vasillo, John Piergalline, Nick Paolucci and Joe Paolucci. Mark your calendar! Next year's golf tournament will be held at Foxchase on Sept. 11, 2014.

#### BV'S 3RD OPEN HOUSE EVENT A SUCCESS!

Thank you to the 400+ guests that visited BV's campus Oct. 18–19th. We had gorgeous fall weather and a large number of future residents interested in the Village. Guests were treated to specialties from our Dining Services as well as tours of Residential Living, Personal Care and other amenities across campus. Marketing staff were on hand to answer questions from guests and provide additional information. For more information on the county-wide open house event, visit: www.ExploreRetirementLiving.com



#### BV Unveils a Brand New Website!

Be sure to check out www.bv.org in early December as Brethren Village launches a brand new website! Our new site features captivating photos, new videos and more intuitive navigation as well as updated information. We are so excited to share it with you.

Also be sure to "Like" Brethren Village on Facebook to stay up to date on all of our news and announcements!



# BV Resident Celebrates 110<sup>th</sup> Birthday

On Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> Ellen (Dolly) Barber celebrated her milestone 110<sup>th</sup> birthday surrounded by family and her caregivers at The Courtyards on BV's campus. Dolly is one of 13 BV Residents who are 100<sup>+</sup> years young!





# Village Townhouse Dining Room Conversion Complete

Brethren Village is always looking for ways to improve its operations. A good example is the recent conversion of the Village Townhouse Dining Room into two apartments. About a year ago it was decided that the Village



View from the kitchen into the dining/living room of the new Village Townhouse two-bedroom apartment Townhouse Dining Room space could be put to better use since only two meals a day were being served there After consulting with an architect, the space was redesigned into both a one-bedroom apartment and a two-bedroom apartment. Demolition of the dining room space began in July of this year (thank you to the Village Townhouse residents who endured the noise and inconvenience!) and construction of the apartments was completed at the end of October. New residents now occupy these apartments. The final step in the construction process is to build a new gathering space for all Village Townhouse residents to enjoy the beautiful gardens in their courtyard.

#### An Important Year-End Reminder

Chuck Few, Planned Giving Counselor



2013 is drawing to a close. So, before the year ends, here is a financially related, planned giving reminder well worth your timely consideration.

IRA Charitable Rollovers are set to expire on December 31, 2013. To date, Congress has renewed IRA Charitable Rollovers each year since their inception in 2006. For the time being, though, we will have to wait and see if they do so or not for 2014.

IRA Charitable Rollovers are a powerful way to give and Brethren Village has been the recipient of several such gifts. They are a win-win way to give to the Village while providing significant tax advantages to the giver. Here are the basics:

- The donor must be at least 70½ years old.
- The gift cannot exceed \$100,000 per individual (\$200,000 per couple) in a given year.
- Transfers must be made from the IRA Administrator directly to the charity.
- It must be an outright gift and not used to fund a Charitable Gift Annuity or Charitable Trust.
- The donor cannot receive any goods or services for making the donation.
- The money cannot be made to a donor advised fund or to a supporting organization.

If this type of gift is of interest to you, please don't wait until the last minute. Specific actions are required in order to complete the gift correctly.

The generosity of IRA Charitable Rollovers has helped greatly in providing quality, essential services to residents in need of supplemental and benevolent care. We would be honored to help you explore the advantages of an IRA Charitable Rollover before this year is over.

Please contact Chuck Few, 717.581.4274, cfew@bv.org, or Joanne Stehr, 717.581.4316, joannes@bv.org, in our Development Office.

Let's talk! We can help.



## **Putting Contest Winners**

On September 19th, 37 Residents participated in BV's first putting and chipping contest hosted by the Wellness Department. The winners for the women were: 1st Place – Corinne Nissley, 2nd Place – Jean Smoker, 3rd Place – Arlene Stauffer, Top Chipper – Jean Smoker. The winners for the men were: 1st Place – Ralph Moyer, 2nd Place – John de Perrot, 3rd Place – Ken Nye, Top Chipper – Dennis Snovel. Door prize winners were Bill Groff and Lucy de Perrot.

Congratulations to all of the winners and

thank you to all who participated!

# CALENDAR of EVENTS

Wed/Nov 27th — Thanksgiving Service in the Chapel, 2:00 PM

Wed/Dec 4th — Advent Communion, Chapel, 2:00 PM

Fri/Dec 6th 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM • Sat/Dec 7th 9:00 AM - 12 Noon — Annual Holiday Bazaar and Christmas Cookie Sale, Wolfe Auditorium.

Wed/Dec 11th — BV Choir Christmas program, Wolfe Auditorium, 7:00 PM

Fri/Dec 13th — Holiday Favorites, FC Great Room, 2:00 PM

Mon/Dec 16th — AARP Chorus, Wolfe Auditorium, 2:00 PM

Tues/Dec 17th — The Gentle-Men from Masonic Village at Elizabethtown, Wolfe Auditorium, 2:00 PM

Tues/Dec 17th — Lebanon Valley Brethren Home Concert, Wolfe Auditorium, 7:00 PM

**Thurs/Dec 19th** — Evolution of the Trumpet, Wolfe Auditorium, 2:00 PM

Tues/Dec 24th — Christmas Eve service, Chapel, 2:00 PM

Sun/Feb 9th — BV Performing Arts presents Trio Caprice Elizabethtown College, Wolfe Auditorium, 3:00 PM



Rufus Faison, Fieldcrest, formerly of Lititz Judy Mellinger, Cottage, formerly of Manheim

of Landisville

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East Petersburg

Shirley Rowe, Fieldcrest, formerly of

#### **SEPTEMBER**

of Smoketown

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Elmer & Charolite Ruhl, Village Town House,

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Pierre Lesage, Village Garden, formerly

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