



Extraordinary MOMENTS

“THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ORDINARY AND EXTRAORDINARY
IS THAT LITTLE EXTRA.” - JIMMY JOHNSON

2024 IMPACT REPORT

A Message from Chris

Hello, St. Paul's family!

2024 brought some extraordinary moments to Western Pennsylvania—from a total solar eclipse in April to the stunning Northern Lights in May and October. If you were lucky enough to have caught all three, congratulations! You experienced a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

But not all extraordinary moments are that rare. In fact, we witness them every day at St. Paul's, which is why they are the theme of our 2024 Impact Report.

Extraordinary moments don't just happen by chance—they are created by ordinary people who put in extraordinary effort.

In 2024, our 400+ team members put in a lot of extraordinary effort! They upheld our focus on St. Paul's core values of **Compassion, Person-Centered, Respect** and **Security**, making a noticeable impact on our culture.

They created campus-wide events that brought staff and residents together as one St. Paul's family, like the Color Me Happy 5K and the St. Paul's Olympics. Check out the many photo galleries on our website to see the extraordinary fun that was happening all year.

Together our team members and residents put in the extraordinary creativity to become social media stars! With more than 250K followers around the world on TikTok, Facebook and Instagram and millions of video views, we are changing the perception of aging and long term care today.

Extraordinary moments wouldn't be possible without the more than 800 donors who put in extraordinary effort to generously support benevolent care, life enrichment and other vital funds at St. Paul's, despite a challenging economy.

Your generosity makes a difference and is vital to our mission to provide meaning, richness of

life, health care, and other support services, regardless of an individual's financial situation.

The donor stories in this report highlight just a few of these extraordinary individuals. You'll read about a family whose support has spanned generations (see pg. 6) and two sisters joining the St. Paul's Legacy Society together (see pg. 11). You'll learn about some of our business partners (see pg. 7 & 24), who not only provide us with quality services and products, but also generously support our charitable mission.

Speaking of our mission, there wouldn't be one without the extraordinary helping hands of St. Paul's 100+ volunteers (see pg. 19). From transporting residents to the beauty shop to providing entertainment to serving sweet treats, you are making extraordinary moments possible every day.

At St. Paul's, it takes more than a little "extra" to go from ordinary to extraordinary—it **takes you**. I hope this report inspires you to get more involved, whether you decide to move here, apply for a job, or join our monthly giving club to provide steady support for a mission you believe in.

Thank you for being a part of the St. Paul's family and standing with us through the challenges, the hard work, the fun times and the extraordinary moments.

With gratitude,



Chris Wright, President & CEO



Teresa

Dawn

Vicki



CHARITABLE GIVING OFFICE

Have a question about giving or memorial opportunities? We'd love to chat with you! Stop by our office in the Keifer Building or give us a call at 724-589-4667.

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Extraordinary Donors

TOTAL
DONORS

808

NEW
DONORS

209

AVERAGE
GIFT SIZE

\$162

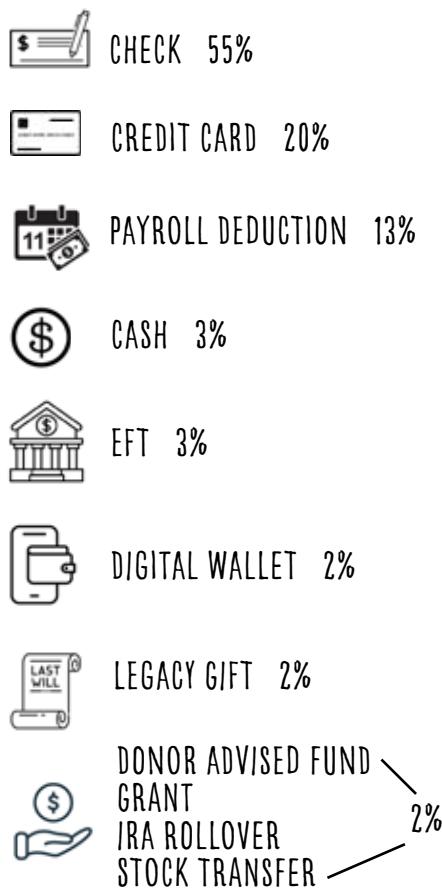
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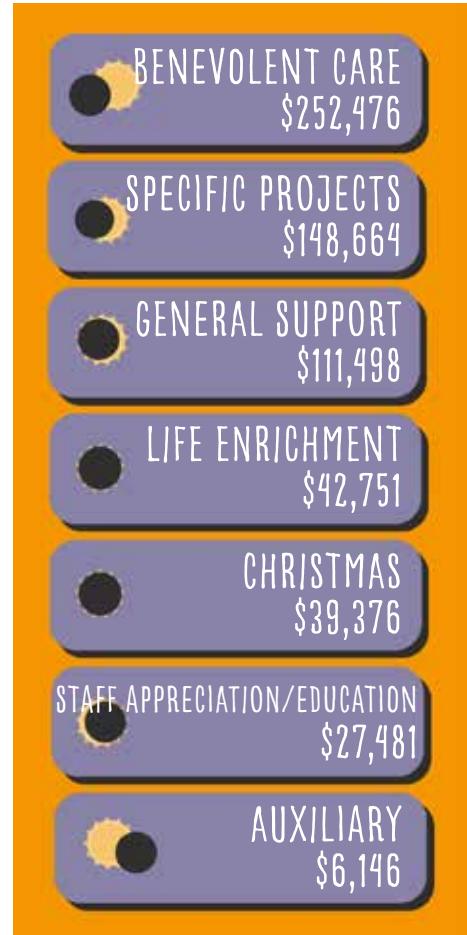
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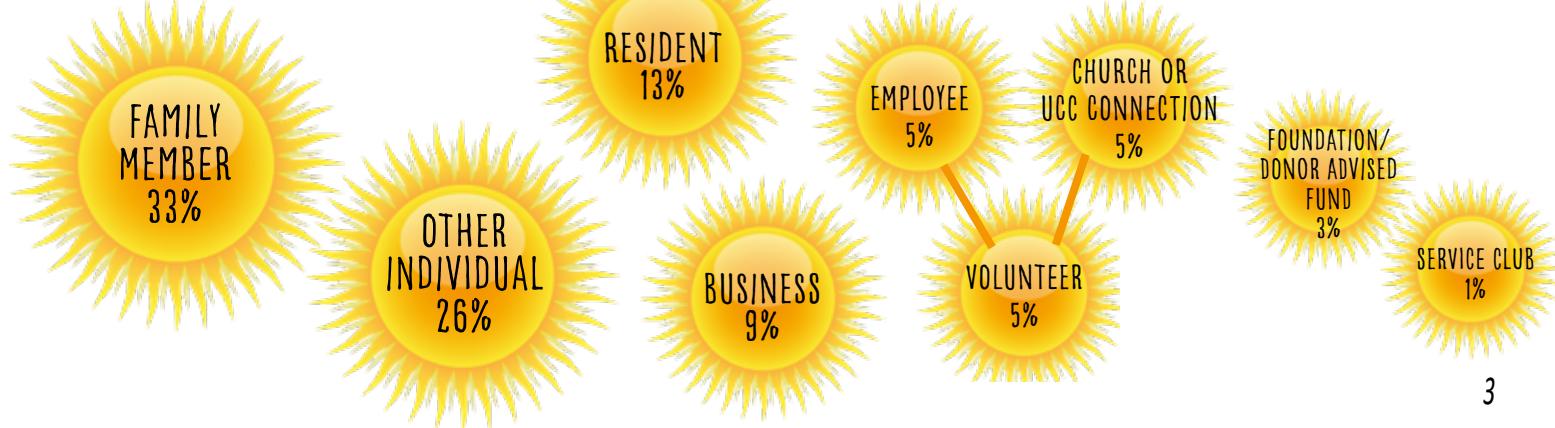
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WHERE YOU GAVE



WHO YOU ARE



Extraordinary People at St. Paul's



Bill & Bertha Zimmerman
Colony Residents & Volunteers

"What I find extraordinary about St. Paul's is the ability to enjoy life without the burden of caring for the property. From the lawn and gardens to the public areas, everything is beautifully maintained. There is an abundance of social activities to choose from, and the office and life enrichment staff are dedicated to enhancing our lives with opportunities to enjoy our senior years. Additionally, there are various opportunities to volunteer and bless others in many ways. I'm so thankful that God led us from Central PA to our home at The Colony at St. Paul's."



Nadine Buchanan
Auxiliary Member &
Team Member at The Villas
Pictured with her husband Frank

"What truly sets St. Paul's apart is its unwavering commitment to living the values of compassion and respect, which are evident in every interaction and aspect of care. Each level of service reflects a profound understanding of individual needs and a genuine desire to support residents with dignity and warmth. The conscientious employees at St. Paul's don't just work here – they are deeply invested in maintaining the highest standards of care, creating an environment that feels like a caring family. It is this approach of personalized care, and a genuine commitment to human dignity, that makes St. Paul's truly extraordinary."



Samantha Winner
Personal Care Attendant at The Heritage
Pictured with Kathy Martorelli

"I love working with my coworkers and taking care of my residents. St. Paul's cares about the appearance and the cleanliness of the facility. They also care deeply for their residents, making them feel safe, happy and loved. Making it homier overall. They care about their employees, they also care strongly about the core values. Here at St. Paul's is a wonderful place to work and to be. I don't see myself working anywhere else."

WE ASKED A FEW OF OUR WONDERFUL RESIDENTS, STAFF & VOLUNTEERS, “WHAT DO YOU FIND EXTRAORDINARY ABOUT ST. PAUL’S?”



Heidi Emerick, RN
Staff Education Coordinator

“What do I find extraordinary about St. Paul’s? The easier answer would be what DON’T I find extraordinary about St. Paul’s. Our residents don’t just live here, they thrive here. There is always something happening to be involved in. Staff take time out of their own lives to spend extra time with our residents on a regular basis. Our work environment promotes family; not only residents and their families, but residents becoming part of our own family.”



Sandy Stainbrook
Ridgewood Resident

“St. Paul’s has it all! It has a caring, helpful staff, clean and pleasant living quarters, entertainment, and many activities. I have wonderful neighbors who are always willing to share. I truly feel like I am part of a loving family here. I couldn’t ask for a better place to live; it’s absolutely wonderful.”



Mike Allen
Director of Life Enrichment

“What I find extraordinary about St. Paul’s are the people. The staff members are incredibly dedicated and go above and beyond every day to provide the best care possible. The residents make it easy to care for them because of the warmth and kindness they show to the staff and each other on a daily basis. The family members are always more than willing to help us help their loved ones when we have a question or concern. When out in public with the residents, I’ve been told by passersby that we seem like family, and that’s how it really feels!”



Dr. Victor Colaiaco
Board Member
Pictured with his wife Andrea

“What I find extraordinary about St. Paul’s is that there is a culture of caring throughout the organization which is present both in communications and actions. You can see that every day through St. Paul’s employees, but it is also true of the administrative staff and the board. Having been involved with St. Paul’s as a physician, board member and resident I know first-hand the wonderful work St. Paul’s does for the Greenville community and its seniors.”

Extraordinary Connection

The story of the Pritts family from Mount Pleasant, Pa., and their connection to St. Paul's is an extraordinary one that has spanned generations.

William "Bill" Eugene Pritts was an active member of the First United Church of Christ in Mount Pleasant, where he served as a deacon and an elder.

Whether it was Reverend Bob Peoples' influence, who was his best friend, or just St. Paul's long-standing connection to the United Church of Christ, Bill was recruited to serve on the board of directors at St. Paul's in 1965 and did so faithfully until 1982. For 17 years, he made the nearly four-hour round-trip drive for board meetings.

Bill was Chair of the Farm Committee and was



St. Paul's board of directors in 1981. Bill Pritts is in the second row, second from the far right.

instrumental in converting the operation at St. Paul's from dairy cattle to beef cattle and crop farming.

He also led St. Paul's through some periods of dramatic transformation with the closing of the orphanage in 1971, the opening of The Colony independent living neighborhood, and the construction of the Health Center.

His sister Ferne Pritts later became a resident of the Health Center, making their family's connection even more personal.

Ferne never married, and Bill took care of her until she needed more care; then he relied on St. Paul's. His grandson William "Willy" Douglas Pritts can recall making the long trip to St. Paul's as a child to visit Aunt Ferne.

When he retired from active board service, Bill was honored as a board member emeritus and remained so until he passed away in 2007 at the age of 96, the oldest living board member at that time.

Bill and his wife Leona had one child William E. Pritts II. Named after his father, Bill II and his wife

Ellen, who live in Fort Myers, Fla., are some of St. Paul's longest-giving donors today.

"My giving was stimulated by his long term board membership," said Bill II. "I do it in honor of him and his service. And because St. Paul's does a fine job."

In addition to their mutual support of St. Paul's, father and son also shared a similar work ethic, though they took different career paths.

Bill established Pritts Feed Mill in Mount Pleasant in 1940 when he purchased the old O.P. Shupe Flour Mill and converted it to feed production.

He was still co-owner of the mill and working alongside his grandson Willy at the age of 96 when he passed away.

"He carried many, many farmers through tough times," said Willy. "One would say he was very kind, helped many people along his journey in life. Although he was a quiet man of few words, he had many strong and kind actions."

Bill II studied management science at Case Institute of Technology (now Case Western Reserve University) in Cleveland, Ohio and had a successful career in business, retiring as the President and CEO of Physicians Data Corporation in 1999.

Both father and son were community-minded, serving several community and philanthropic organizations.

Aside from St. Paul's and his church, Bill served as past president of the Mount Pleasant Chamber of Commerce, a longtime member of Rotary International and a supporter of the Laurel Highlands YMCA.

Bill II is a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity and longtime supporter of United Way. He served as a board member and past president of Shadow Wood Country Club and was a member of the Case Advisory Board from its inception.

St. Paul's is so grateful to the Pritts family for sharing an extraordinary connection with St. Paul's that has lasted for generations.



Bill II & Ellen Pritts at their home in Fort Myers, Fla.



St. Paul's achieved an incredible milestone at the end of 2024, surpassing \$1 million raised for the "Bridging the Gap" campaign. This project will improve safety and accessibility by constructing a pedestrian bridge over Williamson Road and paved walking trails that will connect all four neighborhoods at St. Paul's: The Villas, The Heritage, The Ridgewood and The Colony.

Fundraising will continue in 2025, even as plans to begin construction move forward. It's not too late to make your donation. Donors of \$3,000 or more will be recognized on a campaign plaque, location to be decided. Pledge payments can be made over a three year period for larger gifts.

For more information, please contact Dawn Hartman at 724-589-4611 or dhartman@sp1867.org. Donations can be made on our website at www.stpauls1867.org/bridge.



First National Bank

We would like to take this opportunity to recognize First National Bank, who is our top corporate supporter for the "Bridging the Gap" campaign and helped us exceed the \$1 million raised milestone.

Founded in Greenville, Pa., in 1864, just three years prior to St. Paul's, FNB has been one of our longest standing partners.

In 2005, FNB supported the largest construction project in St. Paul's history with the building of The Villas and the renovation of the old Health Center into The Heritage. Over the years, they've also been a major champion of our benevolent care program for residents who exhaust their financial resources.

"Our shared history and commitment to Greenville ensures FNB's long partnership with St. Paul's is a successful one," said Frank Krieder, Executive Vice President of Community Commercial Banking and President of FNB's Northwest Region. "By making St. Paul's a safer, more accessible space for its residents, the Bridging the Gap project aligns with FNB's mission to enhance quality of life for everyone in our communities."

Thank you, First National Bank!

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING GENEROUS DONORS WHO MADE A NEW PLEDGE OR OUTRIGHT GIFT FOR THE "BRIDGING THE GAP" CAMPAIGN IN 2024!

\$25,000

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\$5,000

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\$2,999 and below

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of Christ

Orchard Monthly Giving Club

At St. Paul's, we feel truly blessed by the unwavering support of our donors, whose generosity helps us fulfill our mission to care for those in need. Your contributions ensure that all of our residents can live with dignity and purpose, regardless of their financial situation, age or abilities. With your help, we can continue to provide exceptional care and maintain a vibrant community for those who call St. Paul's home.

Whether you're a long-time supporter or are considering giving for the first time, we invite you to explore the benefits of becoming a member of The Orchard Monthly Giving Club and expanding your impact.

Bud Hetrick, resident of The Colony, is a monthly recurring donor and has been supporting St. Paul's for over 12 years. "I make monthly donations to St. Paul's because of the outstanding care and support given to those staying in the facility," said Bud. "I have had three of my immediate family members stay a total of 15 years at St. Paul's."

By becoming a monthly donor, you can provide consistent support throughout the year. You can direct your monthly gift to a specific fund, wherever it's needed most, or contribute to the ongoing campaigns you care about for benevolent care or life-enriching activities for the residents.

Bud directs his monthly donations to the Good Samaritan Fund to support benevolent care. "I know of several individuals at St. Paul's who are no longer financially able to support their care, and I feel blessed that I am able to help," said Bud. "For what they do and what services they provide, the entire staff at St. Paul's should be complimented."

Many of our residents, like Bud, are deeply connected to the mission of St. Paul's because of their personal experiences with the care we offer. By joining The Orchard Monthly Giving Club, you're not only helping provide essential care for those in need, but also supporting a community that fosters meaningful relationships, where each resident feels valued and loved every day.

Your monthly support ensures we can continue to provide the best care for our residents, no matter

what challenges arise. You are helping to maintain the quality of life that makes St. Paul's such a special place for everyone who calls it home

Monthly giving offers benefits to you, too. It simplifies the donation process with

an easy, one-time setup on our website or through the Charitable Giving Office, allowing your contributions to be automatically processed each month. We offer a variety of payment options to suit your preferences, including payroll deduction for St. Paul's staff, credit card, ACH transfer from your checking or savings account, Apple Pay, Google Pay, PayPal and Venmo.

Monthly giving also helps reduce environmental impact by eliminating the need for checks, envelopes and postage. Additionally, the automated process lowers administrative costs, ensuring more of your gift directly supports our mission and has the maximum impact.

Lastly, monthly giving is budget-friendly because it spreads your contribution out over time. While a one-time gift of \$500 may feel out of reach, a manageable monthly donation of \$50 adds up to \$600 by year-end, making it easier for you to give more and help even more residents in need.

Thank you for considering monthly giving and for being part of the St. Paul's community! If you are interested in joining The Orchard Monthly Giving Club, simply scan the QR code to get started. For assistance, please call Teresa Findley or Dawn Hartman at the Charitable Giving Office at 724-589-4667.



Teresa Findley, Director of Annual Giving, pictured with Bud Hetrick at the 2023 Colony Christmas Dinner.



IF I GIVE MONTHLY:	\$10	\$25	\$50	\$75	\$100
MY ANNUAL GIFT WILL BE:	\$120	\$300	\$600	\$900	\$1200

David & Christine Abell
Doug & Lori Anderson
Lyle & Susan Anderson
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Paul & Mary Blattner
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Diane O'Brien Webster
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Thomas "Chip" & Shirley White

NEW MEMBERS

In 2024, St. Paul's welcomed five new members to the 1867 Society—James Grove Jr. & Barbara Grove, Dr. Bonnie Barr, Nina Hillery and Janet Walther.

James & Barbara Grove are from Sharon, Pa. They made their first gift to St. Paul's in 2013 while Barb's father Bernard Songer was a resident at The Ridgewood. He lived there from 2012-2014 and then at The Villas until he passed away in 2015. The Groves were so pleased with the care he received, they have given faithfully ever since.

Dr. Bonnie Barr moved to The Colony in 2022 from Grove City, Pa. She is a graduate of Grove City College and taught science at all grade levels K-12 and then as a college professor. Bonnie jumped right into life at St. Paul's, getting involved as a donor, Auxiliary member and volunteer. She serves as one of the librarians for the Keifer Library, a member of The Colony Welcome Committee, and helps with special events. She also started a resident speaker series in The Colony.

Nina Hillery is from Akron, Ohio. Her aunt Mary Symbala lived in The Colony from 2015-2017 and then at The Ridgewood until 2023 when she passed away. Mary also was a donor and a member of the

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- *Exclusive updates about St. Paul's*
 - *Invitations to special events*
 - *1867 Society membership gifts*

St. Paul's Legacy Society. Nina made her first donation in 2018 after joining her aunt and Ridgewood residents on an excursion to the Hartville Kitchen. She attended the annual Legacy Society Luncheon each year with her aunt and has continued to give faithfully, particularly in support of benevolent care.

Jan Walther moved into The Colony in 1990 with her husband Jim, making her the longest-residing resident today at 35 years, but "not the oldest" as she's quick to point out. She also holds another record for going through the construction process twice, first with their home on Stoyer Drive in 1990 and then with a new home on Woodland Way in 2004. Jan has been an Auxiliary member and active volunteer since she moved in, most notably serving as the head librarian for the Keifer Library that entire time. She is also a member of St. Paul's Legacy Society.



Jan Walther (center) receives her membership certificate from Dawn Hartman (left) and Teresa Findley at the annual reception.



We celebrate the members of our Legacy Society and the extraordinary moment they made the decision to set up a legacy gift for St. Paul's. Thank you for supporting our mission, vision and values into the future!

A YEAR IN REVIEW

In 2024, seven new members were welcomed to St. Paul's Legacy Society—Nancy Little of Fredonia, Pa., Christine Bayuk, Dr. Mary Ellen Bayuk, Pat Donner, Mimi Milheim, and Rev. Glenn & Arlene Sadler, all of Greenville, Pa. This brings the total living Legacy Society members to 59. The annual Legacy Society Luncheon was held at The Heritage on May 21, 2024 with 35 members in attendance.



Teresa Findley & Dawn Hartman welcome new member Nancy Little at the annual luncheon.



**New members
Rev. Glenn & Arlene Sadler**



Dr. Irv & Mimi Milheim at the annual luncheon.

CURRENT MEMBERS

Doug & Lori Anderson

Lyle & Susan Anderson

Anonymous Members (5)

Christine Bayuk

Dr. Mary Ellen Bayuk

Becky Beck

Don & Rita Clemente

Dale & Barbara Deist

George Donner

Pat Donner

Gordon & Rev. Julia Fraser

Margie Hays

Marjorie Heppner

Sandra Hittle

Jean Hodge

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Patty Marantis

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G. Bryan & Kathy Oros

John & Dorothy Rust

Rev. Glenn & Arlene Sadler

Dr. James & Lucy Shaffer

Terry Starry

Nancy Stevenson

Gloria Trapasso

Bretton & Stacey Walberg

Janet Walther

D. Michael & Barbara

Walton

Rev. Dr. Paul Westcoat Jr.

Jim & Jackie Weyman

IN REMEMBRANCE

These Legacy Society members passed away in 2024. Their generosity and support of St. Paul's will never be forgotten.

Jerry Hodge 4/14/24
Paul Evans 9/25/24
Judy Hodge 11/26/24

HAVE YOU SET UP A LEGACY GIFT?

Please let us know by
scanning the QR code or
contact Dawn Hartman at
724-589-4611 or
dhartman@sp1867.org.



Sisters United

As sisters, Mary Ellen and Christine Bayuk are quite different. Mary Ellen is quick to make decisions, Christine takes more time. An ideal day for Christine is in the peace and quiet of the outdoors. Mary Ellen is more talkative and thrives among the hustle and bustle of people and activities.

However they are united when it comes to these foundational traits—a deep love and commitment to their family and to St. Paul's.

Their parents John and Helen Bayuk were born and raised in Greenville in large families of 12 and 8 children respectively. When it came to raising their own family, there was no better place than Greenville, supported by their longtime church St. Michael Roman Catholic Church and a village of extended family.

Mary Ellen is the oldest and Christine the youngest of four siblings. Both left Greenville to pursue their education and careers and have now returned after 40+ years away.

Mary Ellen was the first to move to The Colony at St. Paul's. She was getting ready to retire from the Registrar's office at Penn State Behrend and was in Greenville to take her mother to a doctor's appointment when she decided on a whim to check out The Colony. She put a deposit down the same day, and moved in one day after she retired in 2014.

She isn't the first Bayuk to live at St. Paul's though. "There is a long history in our family and in our lives with St. Paul's," said Mary Ellen, adding with a laugh. "Just about every Bayuk has been through this place."

In recent years, their parents both had short stays here. Their dad's brother Paul Bayuk, his wife Joyce and son Stephen all lived at The Villas until they passed away.

The pandemic brought Christine to St. Paul's earlier than she intended. In March 2020, her job at the Department of Human Services in quality assurance and risk management switched to working remotely. Needing reliable internet, she came to stay with Mary Ellen and got a taste of life in The Colony.

When an apartment became available in 2021, she decided to take it and continue to work remotely until she was ready to retire. After many moves over the years, Christine felt such relief knowing this was the last move she was planning on making. "This is my home now. It's a beautiful campus, and I always feel safe here," she said. "I have freedom and that's very important to me."

Both women became members of St. Paul's Legacy Society in 2024. Christine added St. Paul's as a

beneficiary of a 457(b) retirement plan simply by filling out a form. Mary Ellen opted to set up a charitable gift annuity to benefit St. Paul's and to provide herself with additional income.

Mary Ellen joked that she made the decision to join the Legacy Society because she heard Christine was and thought, "I'm not letting her do that first!" In truth, it was Mary Ellen's intention all along, given her family's history with St. Paul's and how much she loves living here.

"What I love about living at St. Paul's is the knowledge that I'll be taken care of for the rest of my life, no matter what," said Mary Ellen. She also loves that there is plenty at St. Paul's to keep her busy. She participates in many activities, is an active volunteer and Past President of The Auxiliary, and serves on St. Paul's board of directors, which has given her a unique view. "The people on the board truly care and are truly invested in what's best for the residents and for St. Paul's," she said.

Christine also loves living at St. Paul's and thinks the culture is what really sets it apart. "God is reflected here. There is a sense of that," she said. "The core values really permeate the atmosphere."

In addition to their own experience at St. Paul's, they were also inspired to become Legacy Society members by their cousin Stephen Bayuk, who had special needs and spent his final days at The Villas.

"This was a place that allowed him a measure of freedom for the first time in his life, to be safe, to grow into a person he'd never gotten to be before," said Christine with tears in her eyes. "The kindness he received, the compassion, the acceptance. This is a gem of a place. It made sense to give here."

Both found the process of setting up a legacy gift very simple. For more information about setting up your own legacy gift, please contact Dawn Hartman, Director of Strategic Giving at 724-589-4611 or dhartman@sp1867.org.



Christine (left) & Mary Ellen Bayuk



Christine & Stephen at The Villas Snowflake Ball in 2018.

Tribute Gifts

IN HONOR OF

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See story below.
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MARILYN JOHNSON

Robert & Jill Murrin

BILL & JUDY JONES

Diane Caruso

BOB & JEAN FAGLEY

When Jean Fagley passed away in July 2024, there was an outpouring of love from family and friends in the form of memorial donations to St. Paul's, including a group who sponsored a tribute bench in honor of Jean and her husband Bob, who still resides at The Heritage.

Bob grew up in Sligo, Pa., and Jean in nearby Cullsville. They both attended Sligo High School and were high school sweethearts, marrying shortly after graduation in 1952. In 2024, they celebrated 72 years of marriage.

Right after high school graduation, Bob enlisted in the Air Force and shipped out to serve 38 months in the Korean War. Based on Oahu at Hickam Air Force Base, Bob was a medic, flying on countless missions to evacuate

injured soldiers. After his tour was done, Bob returned home to Jean and their growing family and began working in the coal fields like many others in the area.

However, determined to chart a better course for his family, Bob took advantage of the GI Bill and enrolled in Clarion University. At that time, librarians were in high demand at schools across the country. Taking summer courses and full credit loads, he completed his degree in library science in just three years.

During that time, Bob was working part-time at a grocery store in Cullsville. He was about to graduate when a delivery driver recommended Bob to the principal at Greenville High School, who was his brother-in-law.

After interviewing Bob and

watching him play on the college baseball

team, he offered Bob two jobs as school librarian and a coach.

Over his 36 year career at Greenville, he coached boy's & girl's basketball, baseball and track. He retired in 1993.

Jean was a homemaker, lovingly raising their five children. Once they were older, she worked in the offices of eye doctors Dr. Gary Roberts and Dr. John Reimold.

Even before moving to Greenville, Jean had a connection to St. Paul's. She grew up attending Grace United Church of Christ in Cullsville. St. Paul's is historically affiliated with the United Church



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of Christ and continues to be a mission partner today. The pastor at Grace UCC served on St. Paul's board of directors as did Jean's father Ray Shook. When Bob & Jean moved to Greenville, they became members of Zion's Reformed UCC, which also had a longstanding commitment to St. Paul's.

"She felt she was coming full circle by coming here [to St. Paul's]," said daughter Barb Johnston. "We are very happy with the care here."

Because of that connection, Bob & Jean had already expressed their desire for memorial donations to go to both Zion's and St. Paul's before Jean passed away.

The Fagleys both spent time in The Villas for short stay rehab

in 2019 and 2020. Jean was in The Villas for a second time recovering after a hospital stay in June 2024, when she and Bob made the decision to move to The Heritage.

Bob moved in on July 2. Jean was just about to be discharged to The Heritage when she had a stroke and passed away at 91.

Although their time at The Heritage did not go as expected, Bob and his family are very glad he is here.

"I don't think I could be in a better place," Bob said. "It's not home, but it's the next best thing."

This summer he looks forward to sitting outside in his favorite spot in the fountain courtyard and seeing firsthand as people enjoy the outdoors on the Fagley's tribute bench.

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BERTHA HECKMAN

Bertha (Bert) Heckman's life was defined by love, service and devotion. On November 23, 1945, she married her beloved Stanley, and together they embarked on a journey filled with happiness and adventure. Stanley, who passed away on August 18, 1984, was not only her husband but also her closest companion. The love they shared remains a beautiful chapter in the story of Bert's life.

Born on December 19, 1920, in South Attleboro, Mass., Bert grew up with a passion for helping others. She graduated from Attleboro High School and pursued her calling in nursing, receiving her Registered Nurse (R.N.) certification from Pawtucket Memorial Hospital School of Nursing.

Her dedication to the care and well-being of others led her to serve as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Nurse Corps during World War II. Bert's contributions were invaluable, particularly as she worked in the European Theatre and was involved in the 112th Evacuation during the Rhineland-Central Europe Campaign.

After the war, Bert continued her career in nursing. She worked as an RN at Greenville Hospital and later retired as the Director of Nursing at St. Paul's, where she served from 1966 to 1975.

Her commitment to excellence in healthcare was evident in the countless hours she dedicated to her role, shaping the future of nursing at St. Paul's. She was involved in the interior design of the new Health Center building

as part of the Interior Furnishings Committee and also served on the Medical Care Committee of the Board. Bert was known for going above and beyond, traveling on her own time to other institutions and gathering knowledge that would benefit St. Paul's residents, especially on the topics of drug costs and nursing services.

Bert was the proud mother of two children: son Alan and daughter Rebecca (Heckman) Clark. She also had four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, who were blessed to know her and be touched by her gentle spirit.

Bert's dedication to helping others extended beyond her professional life. She was an active member of Zion's Reformed United Church of Christ in Greenville and a long-time volunteer at St. Paul's, giving back to her community in every way she could.

In November 1985, she moved into The Colony, where she continued her life of service and was a friend to many.

"She ended up living in The Colony for longer than she had lived anywhere else in her life," said her daughter Becky Clark. "The staff and administrators enabled her to live a carefree, pleasant life for almost 40 years. She continued to be active, volunteering and taking blood pressures of residents in the skilled nursing units, knitting squares for baby blankets, and was on a committee for writing a book about St. Paul's with some of the kids—now adults—who lived there when it was also a children's home."

In December 2021, Bert made the move to The Ridgewood,



Bert with her son Alan (left), daughter Rebecca and son-in-law Robert Clark at her 99th birthday.

where she continued to share her wisdom, kindness and warmth with those who were fortunate enough to meet her.

"The staff there loved her and treated her with care, compassion and humor. She also made lovely new friends there," said Becky.

On November 7, 2024, at 103 years young, Bert passed away, leaving behind a legacy of compassion, dedication and love that will forever be cherished by her family, friends and all who knew her.

After Bert's passing, her family directed that memorial gifts be made to St. Paul's. "We love St. Paul's," said Becky. "So the decision to allocate memorial donations there was a no-brainer."

In Bert's extraordinary life, she showed an unwavering commitment to family, country and community, and her memory will continue to inspire generations to come.

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CECILIA KETTERING

Cecilia Kettering was raised on a small farm in Dunlo, Pa., just outside of Johnstown, where country living shaped her caring and strong spirit. After graduating from Adams Township High School, she moved to Pittsburgh with her older sister following the end of World War II.

In Pittsburgh Cecilia worked as a secretary at an optical store before meeting her future husband Kenneth. They met at a dance at the old West View Amusement Park and married in 1950. Together, they built a home in the North Hills, where they raised their four children: Sue, Janet, Kenneth and Lois.

Cecilia was the heart of their home, not only as a devoted mother but also as an incredible gardener. Her daughter Sue Weiner fondly recalled, "Her tomatoes were legendary. Her plants would grow in overwhelming amounts, necessitating shelves of canned tomatoes."

Cecilia had a special way of nurturing everything in her life, from her plants to her children, creating a home where love thrived.

Sadly Kenneth passed away while their children were still young, but Cecilia, with her fierce determination and loving dedication to her family, supported her

children through those difficult years. She worked various temp jobs before following her heart and becoming an LPN at Passavant Hospital, where she touched many lives over the years with her kind and gentle spirit.

In 1988, Cecilia sold her house in North Hills and moved to Woodbine Drive in Greenville to help her daughter Lois, who was divorced with two school-aged children and a full-time job as a nurse anesthetist at the local hospital.

Cecilia's selflessness knew no bounds, as she offered her love and support to her daughter and grandchildren during a challenging time. After the children grew up and went to college, Lois tragically passed away from lupus in 2005. Cecilia's strength became even more evident as she navigated through the sorrow of losing her daughter.

Cecilia made another big move in 2008—this time, just down the street to St. Paul's. She called her daughter Sue to share that she had visited St. Paul's, put down a deposit for Room 223 at The Heritage and was preparing to sell her home. Sue said her mom was "on top of her game," remaining independent and proactive as she planned this new chapter.

When Cecilia passed away in



Cecilia celebrating her birthday with her granddaughter, Lisa Young.

July 2024, her family, ever grateful for the love and support she had received at St. Paul's, designated memorial donations to Life Enrichment at The Heritage, where she had spent the last 16 years of her life. Cecilia had a keen sense of independence and joy for life, often participating in Bingo games and taking St. Paul's bus trips.

"Our family is extremely grateful for all the people, staff, and residents who made her life enjoyable and worth living," said Sue. "At one point, I had hired a social worker in Rochester to find the best local senior living center so I could entice mom to move closer to me. My mom would have none of it, she wanted to stay where she was known and happy. We couldn't think of a more fitting place for memorial donations than to those who made her life so content."

BILL WEST

Bill and Delores (Dee) West moved to The Colony at St. Paul's in November 2006, and it became a home where they found not just comfort, but a true sense of community. It was here, surrounded by friends and neighbors, that Bill spent many happy years of his life. He peacefully passed away at The Villas in June 2024 after a brief illness, leaving behind a legacy of love, kindness and cherished memories.

Born on May 24, 1936, Bill grew up in Grove City, Pa., where he graduated from Grove City High School in 1954. His work at the Social Security office in Oil City and New Castle kept him busy for 30 years, but it was his love for the simple joys of life that truly defined him.

Bill had a heart for the things that brought people together, whether it was cooking hearty soups with the ladies of St. Paul's, tending

to his garden or spending time at the bowling alley with friends. He always found happiness in these small acts of connection.

As a dedicated member of Calvary United Methodist Church, a former member of the Greenville Lion's Club, and a volunteer on the board of the Good Shepherd Center, Bill believed in serving others. But it was his family that he loved most of all. Bill married Dee on July 6, 1957, and together they raised three children—Robert, Daniel and Cynthia. They also were blessed with many grandchildren and great-grandchildren who brought endless joy into his life.

Dee was so complimentary about the love and care Bill received while at St. Paul's that she directed memorial donations to St. Paul's.

"St. Paul's has been so good to us," said Dee. "When Bill was in The Villas, the nurses and aides treated him like he was their father. They couldn't have been better to him. When he passed, the nurses came



Bill and Dee at St. Paul's 2018 Colony Christmas dinner.

into the room and cried right along with us. Their care meant the world to us."

Bill adored St. Paul's. He found peace sitting on the front porch of their home in The Colony, chatting with neighbors and watching the neighborhood dogs go by, each of which always brought a smile to his face. The simple moments like these were what mattered most to Bill, and his presence is missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him.

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St. Paul's volunteers come in all ages from high school students learning the value of community service to retirees looking for a meaningful way to spend an afternoon. They come from different backgrounds with a wide range of skills and serve in a variety of roles such as:

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- Resident transport to/from the beauty shop, fitness center, church services and activities
- Care of neighborhood pets (cats and birds)
- Play cards/games with residents
- Label resident clothing
- Deliver mail
- Visit with therapy animals
- Paint nails
- Assist with office work
- Visit one-on-one with residents
- Do personal shopping for residents
- Assist with campus events

Whether you are bingo calling, ice cream scooping or reading a book to a resident, volunteers play a vital role in creating extraordinary moments at St. Paul's.

If you are interested in learning more about volunteer opportunities at St. Paul's, please contact Cindy Yeager at 724-589-9613 ext. 1312.

AUXILIARY COMPLETES PROJECT

The Auxiliary at St. Paul's is a special group of



From left: Members Margie Hays, Nancy Reinhardt, Kathy Anderson, Jane Hogan, Gail Maycher & Nancy Hoffacker enjoy a Dairy Queen Fundraiser.

Membership Drive, Uniform Sales, Bake Sale, Dine to Donate Fundraisers at Greenville Dairy Queen, the annual Mum Sale, the annual Craft Fair and Bistro Gift Shop sales during the holiday season.

Their extraordinary efforts in 2024 funded new porch furniture for the Bistro patio, which will arrive in spring 2025. They also contributed to Volunteer Services' 50th Anniversary Celebration in April 2025.

Thank you to The Auxiliary for your dedication to enhancing the lives of our residents!

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A DONATION ON THE MOVE

It could be said that Paul Evans was a poster child for The Colony's marketing slogan *Come to Live*. He was one of the most active residents in The Colony, right until he passed away in September 2024 less than a week after his 90th birthday.

Paul's life was full of extraordinary moments. He bowled in the cold months and golfed in the warm months. He volunteered at St. Paul's (most recently selling raffle tickets at the annual Sporting Clay Shoot for the fourth year in a row), the Greenville Lions Club and was a life member of the Greenville VFW Post 3374. He loved cheering on his favorite Pittsburgh sports teams, the Pirates and the Steelers.

Paul attended most Colony activities and outings, and he enjoyed getting together with his large family and many friends to play games or just to visit.

Paul was always on the move. He truly embraced and celebrated life and all it had to offer right up until the end.

Therefore it was very fitting that he included a bequest in his will, donating his maroon 2018 Honda CR-V to St. Paul's so his friends and neighbors can get wherever they need to go.

The vehicle is being used by Transportation Services to take residents at The Villas, The Heritage, The Ridgewood and The Colony to medical and other off-campus appointments.

"We are so grateful for Paul's donation of his vehicle," said Transportation Coordinator Kelly Bell.

"It came at a time that we really needed a new transportation vehicle to take residents to off-campus appointments. It's been a wonderful addition."

Paul and his wife Ann moved to The Colony in 2011. Paul was the manager at the Jamesway department store in Greenville for a number of years. He and Ann had five children, 13 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

They relished their years at St. Paul's, both staying active and connected. "We have enjoyed our experience

here at The Colony very much," said Ann in a past interview. When asked about what he liked about living at St. Paul's, Paul said, "Everything! I like the people, the atmosphere, the safety and security of being here."

That was true in the good times and in the hard times, like when Ann passed away in 2019 after 52 years of marriage.

A few years later, Paul began spending more time with Gerry McElree, a fellow Colony resident and widow herself.

Neither thought they would fall in love again at this point in life, but that's exactly what happened.

Paul and Gerry became best friends, enjoying each other's company and the fun activities they did together. They also shared a common interest in helping their fellow residents, both serving as volunteers, Auxiliary members and faithful donors.

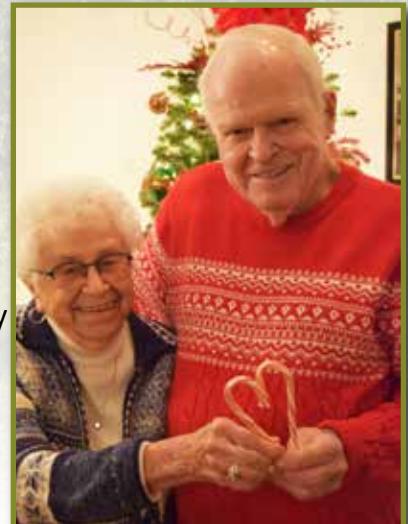
Thanks to the provisions Paul made in his will, his help continues at St. Paul's today.

When you see a maroon Honda CR-V driving around St. Paul's campus or out in the surrounding area, take a moment to remember Paul Evans, an extraordinary, generous and kindhearted man who lived life to the fullest in The Colony.

If you are interested in donating a vehicle to St. Paul's like Paul did or in setting up another kind of legacy gift, please reach out to Dawn Hartman, Director of Strategic Giving at 724-589-4611 or dhartman@sp1867.org.



Transportation Attendant Sue McConnell takes Sandy Stainbrook, a resident at The Ridgewood, to visit her husband Ronald at The Villas in the donated vehicle.



Paul Evans & Gerry McElree at The Colony Christmas Dinner in 2023.

Photo Gallery

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Glenn Nelson & Eleanor Harkins enjoying Santa land at Kraynak's.



Dawn French, Bonnie Shaw & Lilia Vosler enjoy The Ridgewood Christmas Tea.



Esther Harriger with Gayle & Raeann Cowan & Heidi Hause at a Villas Eden Picnic.



Nancy Williams enjoying a visit with Santa at The Villas.



Sandy Stainbrook & Elaine Wilkins at a Ridgewood Eden Picnic.

Kathy Williams & Dorothy McDonald at a Heritage Eden Picnic.

Ruth Ann Miller enjoying Halloween at The Ridgewood.

Janeen Denmark from The Villas won big during St. Paul's Olympics.



Jan Walther enjoying a visit from miniature horses at The Colony.

Delores Leffler & Shannon Chriswell at a Heritage Eden Christmas party.

Anna Mary Patton and Carla Flannery at The Heritage Christmas Tea.

Richard Bouvia & Ian Miller enjoying candy making at The Villas.

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PARTNERING FOR PURPOSE

For more than 40 years, a partnership has endured between St. Paul's and Sodexo Seniors, one that has been rooted in shared values and a commitment to enhancing the lives of others. This collaboration held special significance in 2024 as Sodexo Seniors became one of the top sponsors of our 4th annual Sporting Clay Shoot, a milestone event that supports benevolent care at St. Paul's. That support is slated to continue in 2025 as they take on the role of Presenting Lead Sponsor.

When our partnership began, Sodexo Seniors operated under a different name, but its mission has always focused on care, service and improving quality of life for those in senior living communities.

Sodexo Seniors is renowned for its comprehensive services, including dining and hospitality, nutrition and wellness, facilities management, and environmental and cleaning services, all centered around a person-focused approach to meet the unique needs of older adults. Their impact on St. Paul's over the years has been immeasurable.

Our partnership began in our dining services department, where Sodexo and St. Paul's staff work together to provide delicious food and personalized nutrition plans to support residents with chronic conditions and enhance their well-being. Today, the program is led by Dining Manager Keven Shedlock, whose commitment to Sodexo spans more than 14 years.

Keven's journey with Sodexo began in 2003, and after a brief hiatus, he returned in 2022, taking on a full-time role at St. Paul's. "It's great to have such an incredible and collaborative work family," said Keven. "No matter how tough the day, there's always someone here who can lift your spirits and make things feel a little brighter. It's truly heartwarming to be surrounded by such caring, thoughtful people who lift each other up and create an atmosphere where everyone feels valued and appreciated."

Sixteen years ago, the partnership between Sodexo and St. Paul's expanded to include facilities management—another critical element to the well-being of St. Paul's residents. Leading the charge in this area is Kurt Buchheit, Vice President of Facilities, who has been with Sodexo for 25 years. "I like working for St. Paul's," said Kurt. "I really enjoy the residents and the people here. I've been lucky to have been working

here for as long as I have."

This partnership goes beyond business, representing a collaboration of shared values. "It is an honor to support St. Paul's Sporting Clay Shoot Fundraiser," said Dea Tomsic, Sodexo's District Manager for St. Paul's. "Our collaboration represents more than just an event but the opportunity to align with St. Paul's mission of benevolent care that reflects our own values at Sodexo, enhancing the lives of others and working to nurture an environment where both staff and residents thrive."

St. Paul's 4th annual Sporting Clay Shoot was held on Saturday, September 14, 2024 at Sandycreek Conservancy in Polk, Pa., and raised more than \$42,000. The funds raised directly support benevolent care, ensuring that residents never have to leave or adjust the level of care they receive due to financial hardship.

At St. Paul's, we believe every individual deserves exceptional care, regardless of their ability to pay. In 2024, St. Paul's provided \$4.5 million in unfunded and benevolent care, which is why fundraisers like these are so important.



Advertising Sponsor Jake Mohr from Mohr Well Drilling, Inc. takes aim for St. Paul's Sporting Clay Shoot in 2024.



Keven Shedlock, Dining Manager, posing with one of Sodexo's signs for the 2024 Sporting Clay Shoot.

This popular event has sold out every year. Sandycreek Conservancy, with its 16 shooting stations, offers participants the opportunity to shoot a total of 100 clays, all while fostering camaraderie and friendly competition. The event is not only a fun-filled day but also offers the chance to win top shooter prizes, participate in raffles, and enjoy door prizes, all in support of a worthy cause. Whether you choose to be a sponsor, shooter, or volunteer, there's a place for everyone at this meaningful event.

For more information or to get involved in the 2025 event, please contact Teresa Findley, Director of Annual Giving, at 724-589-4778 or tfindley@sp1867.org.

Thank you to Sodexo Seniors for your extraordinary partnership with St. Paul's! Your support of the annual Sporting Clay Shoot, along with several other dedicated sponsors, is helping us make a lasting impact, ensuring everyone at St. Paul's receives the care they deserve.

YOU CAN CREATE *Extraordinary Moments*



If you find yourself inspired by the people in this Impact Report, join in and help create extraordinary moments for the residents at St. Paul's.

APPLY

St. Paul's is always looking for individuals with an extraordinary heart to join our team in a variety of roles. See current openings and apply at www.stpauls1867.org/join-our-team.

VOLUNTEER

Are you looking for a meaningful way to spend your free time? We have a wide variety of volunteer opportunities that can turn an ordinary day into extraordinary moments.

DONATE

Every gift helps to ensure that St. Paul's can continue to provide extraordinary care for you and your family into the future. Check out the easy ways to donate below:

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Cash, check or money order made payable to St. Paul's.

WEBSITE

Visit www.stpauls1867.org and click the Donate button on the top right. Payment options include credit card, ACH transfer from a checking or savings account, Paypal, Venmo, Apple Pay and Google Pay.

RECURRING GIFT

If you'd like to give regularly, become a member of The Orchard Monthly Giving Club. Set it up once and forget about it! It's the easiest way to give. (See pg. 8).

IRA DISTRIBUTION

If you are 70 1/2 or older, you can donate directly from your IRA to St. Paul's. You'll be donating money that has never been taxed, completely tax-free. It's a great way to meet your annual Required Minimum Distribution.

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Include a provision in your will or trust to donate a set dollar amount or percentage of your estate to St. Paul's. *See sample language below.*

- **Life Insurance**

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- **Retirement Account**

Name St. Paul's as a beneficiary of all or a portion of your retirement fund. Since IRAs are the most heavily taxed assets for your heirs, they make an excellent option for charitable giving.

- **Charitable Gift Annuity (CGA)**

Establish a CGA with a gift of \$10,000 or more. You will receive income for life, and the remaining funds will benefit St. Paul's.

- **Charitable Remainder Trust**

Set up a trust with a gift of \$100,000 or more. It provides you (or a beneficiary) with income for life or a set number of years, with the remaining principal going to St. Paul's.

SAMPLE BEQUEST LANGUAGE

I bequeath the sum of \$__ (or __% of my estate) to St. Paul Homes, a not-for-profit organization, Tax ID# 25-0773080, located at 339 E. Jamestown Rd in Greenville, PA, 16125.

Extraordinary Service

Betty (Defibaugh) Pennington's life has always revolved around serving others, whether it was the people she loved or the places she cared about.

Raised in Quarryville, Pa., she met Rev. L. Collins Defibaugh, a kind man who shared her values of love, faith and service. They married in August 1954 and soon after started their family, raising four children: Debra, Barbara, Stephen and Jeffrey.

Rev. L. Collins Defibaugh, born on July 31, 1927 and educated at Lancaster Theological Seminary (Class of 1954), was a man with extraordinary vision. After graduating, he took on many roles, eventually serving on the Board of Directors at St. Paul's. He was appointed the successor to Rev. Morris H. Cooper in June 1970 and served as Executive Director-Elect under Rev. Cooper until his official retirement on December 31, 1971.

The years spent in Greenville, where St. Paul's played such a central role in their lives, were truly special to Betty. Within their first year at St. Paul's, the board made the difficult decision to discontinue the children's program after 104 years of service, focusing the organization's efforts solely on the aging population.

Following the closure of the orphanage, the organization's name changed to "St. Paul Homes," marking the beginning of a new chapter. The Defibaughs supported this change, understanding the need to adjust to the community's evolving needs.

As Collins led St. Paul's through this transformative period, he and Betty witnessed the expansion of

services that would shape the future of the home.

She stood by her husband's side through the challenges, from the rebuilding of the Keifer Building after a devastating



St. Paul's Health Center opened in 1975 under the leadership of Rev. L. Collins Defibaugh.

fire in 1973, to the development of independent living in the Cottage Colony in 1974 to the opening of the new Intermediate Care facility known as the Health Center in 1975. Betty's devotion and service to St. Paul's remained unwavering, and her personal

connection to the people she met here was a source of joy.

The next decade saw more changes at St. Paul's with the board voting to phase out farm operations in October 1986, after 77 years, due to the rising costs.

Three years later, on May 21, 1989, the Defibaugh Alzheimer's Therapy Unit was dedicated at the Health Center, making St. Paul's the first facility in the area to offer specialized care for Alzheimer's patients.

On July 31, 1989, after 19 years of extraordinary service, faithfully supported by Betty, Collins announced his retirement, and G. Bryan Oros, the Assistant Executive Director and Health Center Administrator, was elected to succeed him in this important role.

When Collins passed away in June 2003, Betty moved back to Quarryville to be closer to her family, especially her sister who still lived there. There she reconnected with an old friend, Jim Pennington. Their friendship blossomed into love, and they were married. They shared seven wonderful years together before Jim too passed away.

Looking to start a fresh chapter, Betty moved to Florida to be closer to her daughter Barbara. She's made her home there ever since, and just celebrated her 90th birthday in May—a milestone in a life filled with love, dedication and service.

Despite the changes in her life, Betty's support of St. Paul's has remained. She's been a donor for more than 40 years and still speaks fondly of her time here. "I loved being at St. Paul's," said Betty. "It was a great time in our life. Our children spent most of their school years there. I volunteered there and really enjoyed being with the residents. I enjoyed the town, the Country Club and Thiel College. Those were the best years of our life. I was really active in the community. The small town of Greenville was so homey where everyone felt like family."

Today Betty's ongoing support for St. Paul's serves as a testament to the many years of fulfillment that she and Collins shared in service here. The legacy of their work at St. Paul's continues, honoring the vision they both helped bring to life.



From left: G. Bryan & Kathy Oros with Rev. L. Collins & Betty Defibaugh (Pennington).

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St. Paul's is grateful to have a dedicated group of volunteers on our board of directors, who put in the extra effort by sharing their skills, leadership and resources to ensure every day at St. Paul's is full of extraordinary moments now and in the future.



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