



SUNSET RETIREMENT
COMMUNITIES

ENRICHING INDIVIDUAL LIFE JOURNEYS

THE UPDATE

JANUARY, 2016

CAMPAIGN FOR THE FUTURE

Sunset Retirement Communities' annual appeal is currently underway. Most likely, you have received our request in the mail. But if you haven't or it has become misplaced, it can be found on our website, www.sunset-communitites.org/campaign

This year we've offered several options for targeted giving; including the Artists & Residents programming, the Pet Fund, Life Enrichment, as well as the Residents' Assistance Fund.

We hope you will take a few moments to make a donation to help in the area that has the greatest meaning for you. Each gift, no matter the amount helps Sunset provide a purposeful life for our residents.

If you did not receive an envelope, but would like to make a donation, please contact Dorothy Mockensturm at 419-724-1225, ext 2309 or you may safely and securely donate on line at sunset-communities.org/give

We thank you in advance for your generosity!

AND THEN THERE WERE TWO.....

It's bittersweet as 2015 draws to a close, so does my time as Director of The Woodlands.

It seems like only yesterday when on an unusually warm December day, we were helping unload trucks and placing furniture in various parlor areas, setting up offices and scheduling residents move in dates! Our kitchen wasn't open as we were waiting on our license that would come two weeks later. The entire staff worked long hours every day for weeks in preparation. It had to be just right! Many of us we were devoted employees of SRC who were hand selected "cream of the crop" so to speak to care for the "castle". We took that sense of responsibility seriously and all staff owned their positions and worked endlessly and without complaint. Excitement continued to build and our family continued to grow as residents we courted during construction began moving into their new homes. We were now complete and our role as caregivers, cooks and activities began to blossom. Not many days would go by that you didn't hear laughter coming from somewhere in the building.

AND THEN THERE WERE TWO..... (continued)

The residents would often comment on how everyone seemed to enjoy coming to work and they would often participate in some of our "shenanigans!"

It was and is with a heavy heart that I decided to step down as director but it was also important to me and most assuredly to the organization, that my replacement have the same values and high expectations with a keen eye for detail. Janet is a wonderful asset

to The Woodlands and I couldn't leave it in any better hands!

It's said a leader is only as good as their staff. I have always been blessed to have a wonderful staff that cares deeply and understands the importance of delivering high quality services. They'd interact daily, engaging residents in meaningful and sometimes playful conversation, provide personal care services and most importantly provide the security and comfort as first responders in emergency situations.

Chris, Julie and I are the 3 original "amigos" to open the Woodlands but the average length of stay of employees is 8 to 10 years. That certainly indicates, they love what they do and they love where they work. I am blessed to have been a part of this amazing team of individuals!

I want to send out a huge thank you to Vicky for giving me this opportunity and to all my staff who made me look so good.

Much love and appreciation—

Diana Hoffman



The Woodland's original three Amigos from L-R : Chris Ritchie, Diana Hoffman and Julie Rainsberger



SUNSET VILLAGE

CLOTHING

If your family member received new clothing as gifts during the recent holidays, and Sunset Village does their laundry, please make sure to have them labeled. Stop by the front office for assistance with labeling.

GUEST MEALS

Beginning January 1, 2016 the price for guest meals will be \$8.00. Holiday meals will remain at \$14.00 only. This is effective for Sunset Village and Sunset House only.

CONSTRUCTION

Please be advised due to construction on the Sunset Village campus, it is necessary to use the Allen Road entrance, rather than the main entrance off Sylvania Metamora Road when visiting. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

NEW REHAB CENTER

A new rehab center has begun at Sunset Village! The Foundation has been marked out and the rehab pool has also started taking shape. Look for more information and updates on this exciting project, as we anticipate opening in the Fall, 2016.



THE WOODLANDS

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS FROM

THE WOODLANDS TEAM!

- Diana**—To be kind to my husband during my retirement!
- Janet**—To work very hard to fill the HUGE boots Diana left! I know each day is a gift and I will look to find laughter, hope and joy in each day!
- Julie**—To give and receive more Love!
- Chris**—To cook more for my Mom and Dad!
- Alyne**—To be more “understandable”.
- Edna**—To learn how to “drive”.
- Lois**—Count my blessings more!
- Kim**—I want to give more than receive, and to love and respect more.
- Joan**— Eat healthy and exercise more.
- Shawn**—To try and be healthier and to spend more time with family.
- Lilly**—To eat more chicken treats!!



SUNSET HOUSE

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If one of your New Years resolutions is to volunteer more, Sunset House Activities can use your help!

If you have some time to spare, please consider helping with activities and outings. We’ll be grateful for your help, wherever your talents may be!

Contact Miriam Wagoner 419/536-4645, for more information.

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FIELDSTONE VILLAS
AT SUNSET VILLAGE

RAISE THE ROOF!

Fieldstone Villas at Sunset Village construction is well underway, roof trusses, walls and all! Out the twelve villas, six are already reserved. Expected completion date is Summer, 2016 It’s not too late to lock in introductory pricing! If you would like more information about Fieldstone Villas please contact Felice Wolff, Senior Villa Advisor at 419-386-2686.



ASHANTI HOSPICE

There are many benefits to becoming an Ashanti Hospice Volunteer, including thorough orientation and training, an opportunity to meet new people, learn new things, and be an integral part of a caring and compassionate team.

Volunteers are a vital part of the Ashanti team, offering a variety of services to our Ashanti clients and their families. Services can include, but are not limited to:

- Companionship
- Respite visits
- Bereavement support services
- Office and clerical support
- Other caring support

We invite you to visit our website or call the Ashanti office to find out more about how you can help make someone’s last moments their best moments.

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