



2016-2017 mark significant milestones for St. Paul's. In July of 2016, St. Paul's bid farewell to its longtime leader, G. Bryan Oros. Bryan served St. Paul's for 38 years, most of them as the President and CEO. Under his leadership, St. Paul's experienced tremendous expansion through added facilities, services, programs and staffing. During his tenure, Bryan was instrumental in the development of The Villas, a state of the art nursing facility that today offers long term care in a beautiful home environment, as well as short stays for individuals needing therapy and nursing care to get back to their home elsewhere on campus or in the community. Other additions included expanded personal care residences featuring a neighborhood for individuals with dementia; St. Paul's Without Walls – private duty home based services for residents living on campus as well as in the community; and expanded options in The Colony – St.

Paul's independent living community. St. Paul's is grateful for Bryan's leadership and dedication to serve our residents, families, friends and employees. He is forever in our hearts and his legacy lives on in countless ways.

Chris Wright is the new President and Chief Executive Officer. Chris joined the St. Paul's team in 2012 as the chief financial officer and then served one year under Bryan Oros as the chief operating officer before taking the helm in August 2016. Chris is deeply rooted in the culture of St. Paul's; he is committed to the mission of the organization and serving our residents and their families. Chris recognizes the constant changes in health care and prioritizes positioning St. Paul's to face changes head on.

During 2017, St. Paul's celebrates its sesquicentennial – 150th anniversary.

OUR HISTORY - The Pittsburgh Synod of the Reformed Church dedicated St. Paul Homes on December 10, 1867 in Butler, PA, as a home to care for destitute orphaned children. The Home was moved to Greenville, Pa., on February 24, 1909 in new facilities constructed through contributions from the Reformed Church congregations of Western Pennsylvania.

Health care services for the aging began in Greenville in 1927 at a leased house on Eagle Street. Later, this house and another were purchased for expanded care of the aging. The Greenville facilities were moved from the center of town to a site adjacent to the Children's Home on September 7, 1946. This site was the 46-acre estate of Senator Frank Fay and was purchased through contributions from the Reformed congregations in Western Pennsylvania. In 1939 the merger of the Evangelical and Reformed Churches brought the Dorseyville Home for the Aged into the Synod. The administration of the Dorseyville Home and St. Paul Homes was merged into a single corporate structure in 1955. The children's home was closed in 1971 and total emphasis was placed on caring for the aging. In 1974 the Dorseyville unit was closed and its remaining residents were transferred to the newly expanded Health Center of St. Paul Homes.

Today St. Paul's encompasses 622 acres of beautiful rolling farmland less than one mile from the Borough of Greenville. The Villas, a state-of-the-art facility that opened in April 2005, cares for 192 nursing residents offering nursing care and comprehensive rehabilitation. Located behind The Villas is The Ridgewood, an aging-in-place facility built in 1995 featuring 40 studio style apartments. The Ridgewood combines private living accommodations, independent living with services, and personal care services for those residents who need daily assistance. The Colony, established during the 1970's, provides an independent lifestyle in a neighborhood located on the north end of the campus including Estate homes, apartments and newly constructed Woodland homes. The Heritage opened July 2006 and is also an aging-in-place residence that features 80 studio style or one-bedroom apartments. The Heritage combines independent living with services and personal care services for individuals who need some assistance with daily activities. In 2015, The Heritage added a special care and secured neighborhood for individuals needing memory support services. It is home for 24 people.

In 2015, The Meadows neighborhood in The Villas transitioned to a short-stay neighborhood for 24 residents and provides rehabilitation and nursing care for individuals who will return to their homes.

In 2012, St. Paul's reached out into the community by introducing its home and community based services – St. Paul's Without Walls. Today, Without Walls (WOW) employees more than 100 staff members and cares for nearly 200 clients in the Greenville and Shenango Valley areas. Services include companion, care partner and private duty nursing as well as Philips Life-line products and On-The-Go-Dining services.

In 2009, St. Paul Homes began doing business as St. Paul's – A Continuing Care Community. This name better represents the large community in which St. Paul's has evolved. Today, St. Paul's is home to nearly 500 people and it employs more than 500.

St. Paul's values the human spirit and life at St. Paul's is filled with choices, meaningful lifestyles, valued relationships,



Pictured (left to right) are: Chris and Hilary Wright and Kathy and G. Bryan Oros.

and much more. The mission of St. Paul's formed and sustained by the Judeo-Christian faith, and historically related to the United Church of Christ, is to provide meaning, richness of life, health care, and other support services, while maintaining and enhancing the dignity of human life. We value and uphold security, compassion and person-centered care. Its vision is to create a sense of belonging and purpose by providing a nurturing environment in a place you call home.

In April, St. Paul's launched a "Raise the Roof" fundraising campaign with the goal to construct porticos outside the main entrances of The Villas, The Heritage and The Ridgewood. "Greenville gets its fair share of bad weather and with St. Paul's location on the hillside; we get a lot of wind. Right now, there is no protection from rain, snow and wind when you exit our buildings," said St. Paul's Vice President of Charitable Giving Diane O'Brien. "This is a concern for us when it comes to the comfort and safety of our residents, staff, volunteers and visitors."

Upon completion of the porticos, visitors will be able to drive up to the main entrance under roof to drop off or pick up passengers.

The dream for the portico project grew out of the planning committee for St. Paul's 150th anniversary, which is being celebrated this year. The group was evaluating future needs at St. Paul's, and the porticos were identified as a project that would positively impact a large number of people.

The campaign goal is to raise \$500,000 to construct all three porticos. St. Paul's hopes to begin construction in 2018. For more information about the Raise the Roof campaign at St. Paul's, contact O'Brien at 724-588-9613 ext. 1237 or dobrien@lifeatstpauls.org.

Each year, we appreciate this opportunity to thank the Penn West Conference United Church of Christ churches that support the mission of St. Paul's. Your support enhances the lives of our residents in many ways and we are grateful. This past year we hosted St. Paul's Day and many of you joined us for a day in the life at St. Paul's. Thank you for taking time to visit our residents and enjoy our beautiful community.

We also appreciate and thank our 130 plus members of The Auxiliary of St. Paul's. Throughout the year Auxiliary members support fundraising efforts that support many resident initiatives including the current one – The Garden of Love – a courtyard enhancement program for Jones Serenity Circle, a secured neighborhood for residents with memory support needs. The courtyard project cost \$98,000, all of which was covered by donations from The Auxiliary. During its rich history, The Auxiliary has raised more than \$500,000 towards initiatives. Their support of resident life at St. Paul's is priceless and fueled by immeasurable care and compassion.

In closing, we invite you to join us on October 1, 2017 for our anniversary celebration. We are tapping into our roots by hosting an apple festival and we're excited to celebrate our rich history and our bright future. We are privileged to have served countless children and adults throughout the years and to have partnered with Penn West Conference churches throughout our history to enrich many lives throughout many generations.



Pictured is the portico rendering for The Villas at St. Paul's.



Pictured are: members of St. Mark's United Church of Christ, Knox, Pa. with their annual blanket donations for the St. Paul's Craft Show and for Christmas gifts for residents (top left), Auxiliary members preparing for the Annual Craft Show (top right), a resident and staff member enjoying The Garden of Love courtyard (bottom left), and participants in St. Paul's Day (bottom right).

