

ST. PAUL'S

SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY

2017 marked the anniversary of our sesquicentennial. The year was filled with special events and activities to honor our rich history and to celebrate the opportunities in our future. The year began with a kickoff celebration. Residents, family members, staff and friends joined in to toast to the upcoming year. Senator Michele Brooks issued a citation marking the beginning of a year of commemoration.

Our anniversary theme – “Enriching Lives for Generations” spoke to the very heart of our mission – providing richness and meaning to the lives of those we serve. Throughout our history we served countless children through the St. Paul’s Children’s Home and thousands of older adults through our Senior Living Community and continuum of care.

Today, our mission focuses on the lives of older adults providing opportunities to LIVE YOUR LIFE through significant relationships and meaningful activity all while receiving the support and care you may need.

Last year we announced a campaign to raise funds to construct porticos at the entrances of our three main buildings. In April 2017, St. Paul’s kicked off the “Raise the Roof” fundraising campaign with a goal to raise \$500,000 for the project. By November, that goal was surpassed (total raised was \$537,000). Construction began the first week in May with a target for completion in August, 2018.

In 2018, St. Paul’s volunteers and members of St. Paul’s Auxiliary hosted the Annual Craft Show and Bake Sale. This year was another great success raising \$10, 093.35. Thank you to everyone who supported this event in any way. During 2017, Auxiliary fundraisers raised a total of \$25,867.95. The proceeds from these fundraisers support the Garden of Love – a courtyard located at Jones Serenity Circle – our secured neighborhood for individuals with dementia. Payment for the project will be complete this year. The Auxiliary’s new project is the purchase of a wheelchair accessible van for residents. All Auxiliary projects are designed to enhance and support resident life at St. Paul’s.



Pictured (top - left to right): Senator Michele Brooks and Chris Wright, CEO of St. Paul's at the 150th anniversary kickoff; alumni of St. Paul's Children's Home and Lois Eastlick at the anniversary Apple Fest; (bottom - left to right) volunteer crafters preparing for the annual Craft Show; and 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.

In April, St. Paul's recognized its volunteers who support the countless activities, events and services at St. Paul's. Interesting facts: 20,106 total hours were logged for volunteers in 2017. A total of 248 volunteers gave of their time and talents – 195 of them adults and 53 students. Their time is valued at \$485,358.84- equal to 10 full-time employees. Thank you to our Penn West Conference friends who dedicate their time and talents to serve our residents through volunteering.

Since 2009, Pastor Nancy Dunmire and volunteers from St. Mark's United Church of Christ in Knox, Pa. have been delivering hand-made blankets to the residents of St. Paul's to be given as Christmas gifts. The group delivered 144 blankets on October 25, 2017. Since the project's inception in 2008, the group has donated more than 900 blankets to residents of St. Paul's. Each blanket takes about 2 hours to make, measures 60" x 90" and is made from 5 yards of anti-pil, fire retardant winter fleece and tied with 450 knots. That is more than 1,800 man-hours, 4,500 yards of material at an average cost of \$5.50/yard totaling nearly \$25,000 and 407,000 knots! Each blanket is complete with an embroidered tag that reads, "Made with Tender Loving Care by St. Mark's UCC.

It's been a year full of activity at St. Paul's. Residents, staff, family members and friends have enjoyed remembering and celebrating our heritage. Penn West Conference is and always will be an integral part of this heritage and we are grateful to those who support St. Paul's in so many ways. If you aren't currently connected to St. Paul's - we invite you to come and be part of life at St. Paul's. You'll wonder why you didn't come sooner!



Raise the Roof Groundbreaking. Pictured in photo from left to right: St. Paul's CEO Chris Wright, key donor and board member Doug Anderson, lead donor Richard Jones, board member Larry Redfoot and board chair David Reeves.

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