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Normal Life Interrupted

As spring 2020 approached, most of us were expecting things to go a certain way. Residents from all over the Wesbury Community were looking forward to more outings after the winter kept us mostly indoors. Wesbury staff was planning their spring and summer vacations. The Wesbury travelers were getting ready to take an epic trip to Italy. Wesbury Life Enrichment was planning its Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon, and The Wesbury Foundation was preparing for its annual Sunset Auxiliary Key Person Luncheon. By mid-March, everything changed, and all of those things were either put on hold or cancelled.

It was Friday, March 13th when Wesbury restricted all visitations to Cribbs Residential Center and Grace Rehabilitation and Health Center to protect residents and staff from the extremely contagious coronavirus (COVID-19). The restrictions included visitations from residents living on the Wesbury campus at Thoburn Village. No one could gather for activities, go on group outings, or meet with their loved ones. Immediately, we had to look for different ways to do the things we would typically be doing.

Keeping families and their loved ones in communication was paramount. Family members want to see for themselves that their loved ones are safe and doing well, so we started planning for ways to make that happen. Wesbury's Information Technology Department set up iPads for activities staff to make appointments and assist residents with Skype and FaceTime visits. Next, a protocol was created to allow for "Window Visit" appointments where family members could go to a designated window and visit by using a phone while seeing each other through a glass partition. We were able to do this until the PA Stay at Home Order did not allow for the visits, but opened them back up as soon as the order was lifted for Crawford County.

We began using Wesbury's Channel 900, our in-house cable channel, to do programming like daily exercise, weekly devotions, and live virtual activities. Through the distribution of our Campus

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Thank You!

Brian S. Nageotte
Wesbury President/CEO

Rhonda K. Thomas
Wesbury Foundation V.P. of Stewardship & Development

Please note:
To be more environmentally conscious and good stewards of the donations that are so graciously made to Wesbury, we continue to condense our annual report listings. For a complete listing of donors and sponsors please visit *www.wesbury.com*.

Thank you once again for your continuous support of Wesbury residents.

It is our pleasure to share last year's Annual Contributors Report in this edition of the Wesbury Window. We offer our deepest gratitude to our friends and supporters. Your gifts, love, and prayers made a huge difference in the lives of our residents this past year!

Wesbury's 2019 was as busy as ever. Event highlights included our Chicken Run, BBQ and Craft Fair, Golf Scramble, and Senior Tribute Banquet, along with numerous bake and rummage sales. In addition, our trips to Alaska and Gettysburg created wonderful lifetime memories. Besides being great fun, all of these activities served a higher purpose – along with our appeal letters and Crawford Gives Day, they raised critical funds that helped Wesbury to provide benevolent care to residents in need. They enabled Wesbury to fulfill a core value: to give those who call Wesbury "home" peace of mind, safe in the knowledge that they will ***always*** receive the care they need.

In 2020, things look a lot different. March 13, 2020, marked a first at Wesbury: we closed our doors to personal visitation, one of the many changes on campus and around the world which occurred due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This year, our events, trips, and sales will not be held as usual. We are moving some event dates and are envisioning how other events may look in the near future. Regardless, we know our fundraising endeavors will fall short of previous years. At the same time, our residents continue to rely on us.

Yet, in many ways, 2020 has been an incredibly rich year. As you read the following pages, you'll learn how our residents have been our inspiration to rise up and meet these new challenges. You will also see how fortunate we have been as our friends have rallied to our aid, with donations of personal protective equipment and funds to support our COVID efforts. Many of these gifts arrived with touching messages of thanks and encouragement.

Through all of this, we realize that we are truly blessed by our associations with great individuals and organizations: board members, donors, employees, friends, residents, and volunteers who help the Wesbury community, no matter what. Thank you for your continued gifts, love, and prayers.

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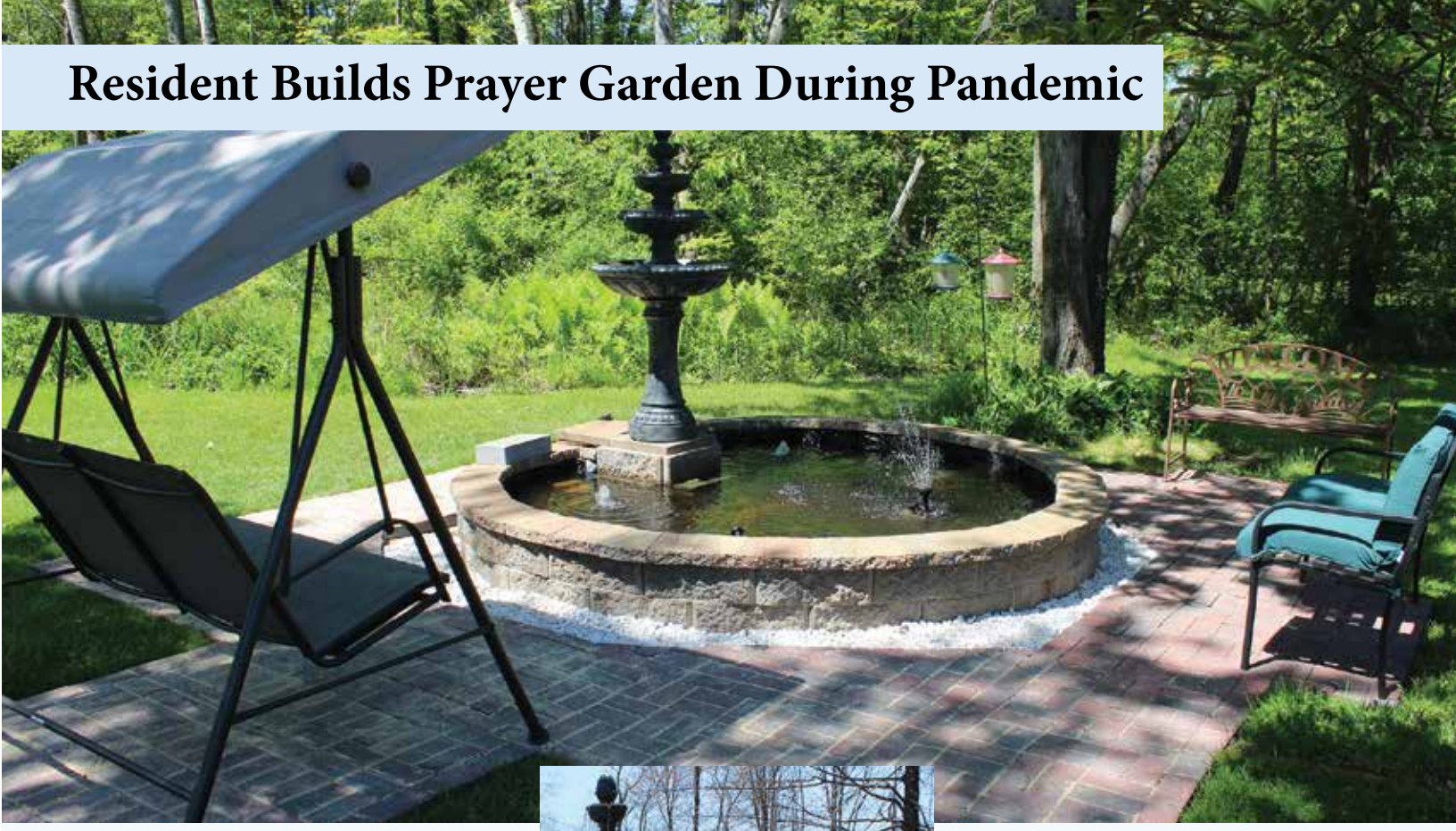
Resident Builds Prayer Garden During Pandemic



Retired Methodist Minister, Tom and his wife Carolyn Montgomery had long-term plans of moving to Thoburn Village from Syracuse, NY. To familiarize themselves with the community, they began taking trips with the Wesbury Travelers. In 2018, after being on the waitlist, they received a call for a villa that would become their new home. With renovations to the villa underway, the Montgomery's decided to join a Wesbury adventure through the Finger Lakes region. While touring the Seward Mansion, Tom looked out of the back window at the beautiful fountain and jokingly said to Melissa Porter, VP of Sales and Marketing, "Do you think Wesbury will put something in like that for us?" Although in jest at the time, the idea of a fountain and prayer garden burned in Tom's mind as they settled into their new home.

The Montgomery's had a prayer garden in the backyard of their home in Syracuse and had planned to make a similar one at their Thoburn Village villa. With the PA Stay at Home Order in place, Tom thought it was the right time to design his vision, a "Fountain of Life Prayer Garden" that would mark their second anniversary of moving to Wesbury. When their stimulus money came, Tom figured the right thing to do was to put that money back into the economy, so he went to Home Depot and got the ball rolling by purchasing the fountain and block materials to build the pool.

After a couple of weeks, neighbors and others walking by began to see the fruits of Tom's labor. The fountain is now flowing, the pool is full of water, the bricks are in place, and seating for a place of prayer and meditation have been added. Tom says, "There is something soothing about sitting and just listening to the water, especially during this unprecedented time."

Because of all that has been happening around the world, Tom and Carolyn decided they would like to dedicate their prayer garden to the glory of God in honor of their Wesbury family, especially the administration and staff who they feel have kept them and their fellow residents safe through this challenging time.

The Montgomery's welcome everyone to use their "Fountain of Life Prayer Garden," as a holy and sacred space for prayer, whenever they feel the need. The Montgomery's also promise that whenever they see anyone reflecting in the prayer garden, they will also pray for God's blessing on them.

The COVID-19 Ripple Effects

Every organization should have a crisis plan, a well thought out document that spells out how to respond in an emergency, and usually includes occasional drills and training. One always wonders if it will ever be used, and prays it won't. As the year began and word of the virus began to spread, little did we know that COVID-19 would quickly become a worldwide pandemic affecting even rural Pennsylvania.

On March 13th, with positive case numbers rising around the country, a national shortage of protective equipment, and concern for health care facility's ability to manage infection control, Wesbury Leadership made the tough proactive decision to close to visitation and all non-essential personnel. Only 24-hours later, the Pennsylvania Governor mandated this closure, and soon after, the PA Stay At Home Order went into effect. It was time to enact the crisis plan and respond to COVID-19 prevention and preparation.

(Pictured Left to Right) Three members of the COVID-19 Crisis Team: Alishia Stevenson - Director of Nursing, Autumn Ferringer - Assistant Director of Nursing, and Sheila Bundy - Director of Healthcare Service, VP Quality and Compliance.

The first few weeks were fast and furious. Leadership immediately formed a COVID-19 Crisis Team, set up a Command Center, and began implementing the daily guidance coming from our regularity authorities. Meetings were held reviewing "what if" scenarios with every department, and new policies for every aspect of what we do, as well as a specific COVID-19 Outbreak Crisis Plan, had to be thought through and written.

With stories of the virus spreading through nursing homes in other states, we were determined to be ready to prevent spread should it make its way into the Wesbury Community. To prepare to care for our

Staff being screened and having their temperature taken prior to starting their shift.

resident's potential needs, a 15-bed Isolation unit was developed by modifying the therapy suite into a well-designed specialized unit with exterior entrances where all aspects of resident care can be fully provided in an area completely separate from non-affected residents. The unit is also equipped with separate areas for staff to enter, don and doff their personal protection equipment (PPE), take breaks, and shower before going home. Dedicated staff bravely prepared to be "at the ready" should we have a sudden need to activate the unit. Fortunately, Wesbury has not experienced any positive cases among staff or residents, but we are ready if that changes.

With the close to visitation, everything immediately looked different. All events were canceled, entrances shut down, and only Grace can be entered by staff for their work shift, who must be screened and have their temperature taken upon their arrival. Every aspect of what we do had to be looked at differently. To prevent the chance of spread, we could no longer permit group activity, communal dining, shared items, or deliveries, and the admission and hiring processes had to be changed.

The Clubhouse closed, non-essential transportation stopped, and the list goes on. All the while, the staff has been dedicated and creative. Staff from all areas

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The COVID-19 Ripple Effects *(Continued from page 4)*

are stepping out of their normal roles and pitching in to help each other support the residents. Technology has been a saving grace using telemedicine, video chat options, and video broadcasting on the in-house TV channel. To keep everyone informed, a Coronavirus Regulations and Guidelines page was added to the website (*www.wesbury.com*). An informational phone "hotline" also went into effect where residents, staff, and families can call in, listen to recorded updates, and leave a message if they have questions. The number for the hotline is 814-332-9015.

Reverend Sam's service being recorded for broadcast on Wesbury's channel 900.

Additionally, we have been posting uplifting moments and important information on Wesbury's Facebook page (search for "Wesbury Retirement Community" to like our page). A mass communication system has also been put in place that allows us to send out a timely and consistent message to all staff, board members, Help at Home clients, Care Cottage, and on-campus residents for all areas and their emergency contacts within minutes if we should have an emergency or announcement. We are using the internal PA system and in-house TV channel to broadcast a campus-wide community prayer where we can all pause for strength and renewal twice-a-day led by Reverend Sam, who is also sending out regular devotionals for staff.

As we look ahead, like everyone, we are unsure how the rest of the year will play out and what restrictions we will remain under. While the state goes from yellow-light status to green-light and beyond, long term care facilities must follow separate guidance from the PA

Window visits are scheduled for family members and their loved ones.

Department of Health and other regulatory authorities. The COVID-19 Team meets daily to review and respond to the continual updates and changes as our nation sorts through ways to find a balance between keeping the economy moving, and keeping

Activities are being shown on Wesbury's channel 900 for residents to participate.

the residents safe. "It's been difficult, but it has also been rewarding," notes President Brian Nageotte. "We understand but struggle with visitation restrictions placed on Long-Term Care Facilities that limit a critical element of wellbeing for the residents, and yet we are so proud and grateful for how the staff, residents, and families have supported Wesbury over the past few months. Its times like this that you really see and appreciate the strength, commitment, and compassion in those around us."

Thank You Donors - Hyatt M. Cribbs Society

The organization that would become Wesbury began in Conneautville, PA during 1918 when Hyatt M. Cribbs offered his farm home to the Erie Conference of the United Methodist Church as a place for those in need. The Ida M. Cribbs Methodist Home was officially born out of that gift which included 22.75 acres of farmland. Today, The Hyatt M. Cribbs Society is a family of distinguished individuals, groups, and organizations who are committed to continuing in Wesbury's benevolent tradition.

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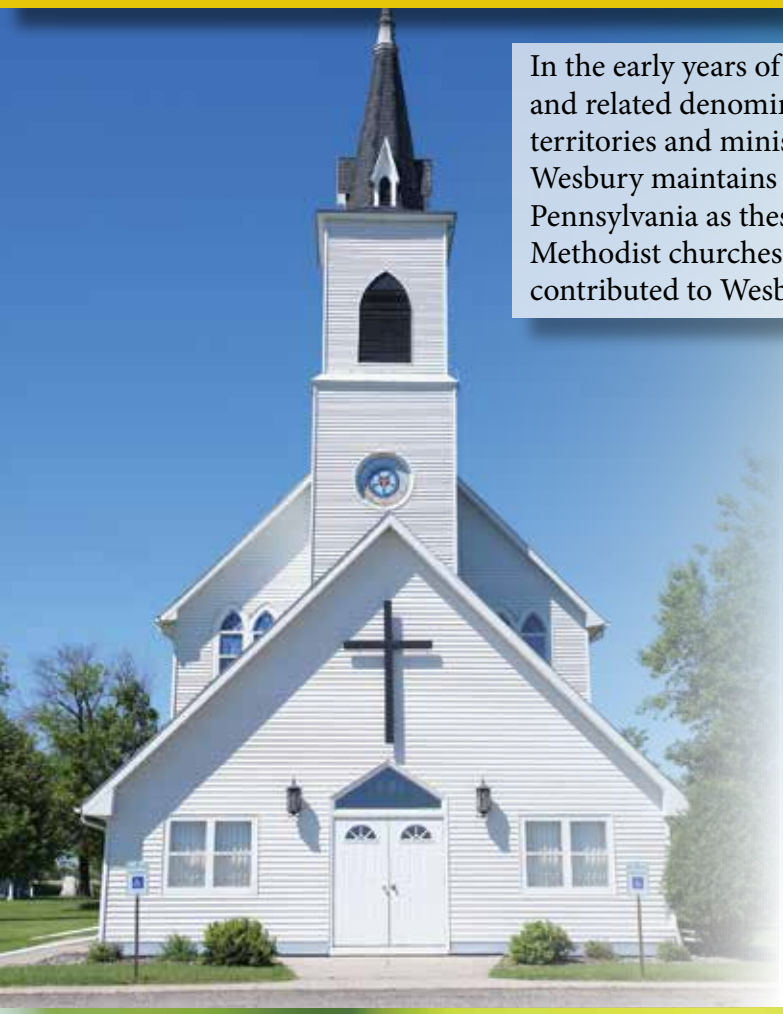
Thank You Donors - Circuit Rider Society



In the early years of the United States, clergy in the Methodist Episcopal Church and related denominations were assigned to travel to specific geographic territories and minister to congregations. They were called "Circuit Riders". Wesbury maintains a strong relationship with churches throughout Western Pennsylvania as these connections are a cornerstone of Wesbury's foundation. Methodist churches and church groups listed in the "Circuit Rider Society" have contributed to Wesbury directly and through the Sunset Auxiliary.

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Mark Your Calendar!

Rescheduled for Friday, July 31, 2020

Wesbury's
20th Annual Charity
Senior & Friends Golf Scramble

For details contact
The Wesbury Foundation
at 814-332-9712 or
foundation@wesbury.com.

Thank You, Meadville Rotary

The Lingo Dining Room is a multi-purpose room located off the main dining room at Cribbs Residential Center. It serves as a regular dining room throughout the year, accommodating resident parties and holiday gatherings, and also hosts weekly meetings of area civic organizations and other outside groups. These gatherings almost always have guest speakers or presentations, which creates a need to have quality audio/visual equipment in the room, a feature the space was sorely lacking.

Thanks to a $2,000 grant from the Meadville Rotary Club, who meets in the room every Tuesday, Wesbury's Information Technologies Department has installed a new drop ceiling HD projector on an electric lift which can be used by any device with an HDMI plug-in, Bluetooth speakers, and a new large screen. The projector is also connected to cable TV so that residents can watch television specials, movies, and sporting events.

Thank you, Meadville Rotary, for considering Wesbury as one of the organizations you support through your fundraising efforts.

Rick Slagle, Director of Information Technology (left) and Ashley Theiss, PC Maintenance Technician install new audio/visual equipment in Wesbury Cribbs Lingo dining room.

"We intended to update the Lingo Dining Room so that it could be used for more activities and events for residents, staff, and public organizations. We are grateful that The Meadville Rotary Club made that possible." says Ashley Theiss, Wesbury PC Maintenance Technician.

Staying Safe – A Community Effort

As you can imagine, the Wesbury Community's environment changed quickly as cases of COVID-19 increased around the country. Every senior care organization found they were going to need an influx of more personal protection equipment (PPE) to have available should they have an outbreak. Using our social media and website, we put out a call to the community for support that was answered by many individuals and businesses from our region, and we couldn't be more grateful!

We received over 2,000 handmade face masks, and numerous donations of fabric and supplies to make more masks from people near and far. With over 400 staff required to wear masks daily as well as a need for masks for residents who are able to wear them, they were all quickly put to use, and thankfully, we continue to receive these much-needed donations! Please keep them coming.

Various PPE and N95 masks were donated by businesses. Some examples include the over 400 3-D printed face shields made by Pymatuning Fabrication Lab. Andover Christian Church helped by providing space to Pymatuning Fabrication Lab for production of these faces shields. We received hand sanitizer made by Conneaut Cellars Winery, and numerous other donations from organizations and businesses for the residents' use and enjoyment. Additionally, we are grateful for the monetary support we received for our COVID Care Fund, which was established to cover the unusual expenses we are experiencing to maintain a safe environment.

Words are not enough to express our thanks for your answering our call in a time of need. We are fortunate to have such wonderful friends and neighbors.

The Chicken BBQ - Take Out Style

Over the past 30 years, the Wesbury Chicken BBQ and Craft Fair has grown from a simple event to a summer tradition that brings thousands of people to our campus. Last year, Wesbury staff prepared and served a record-breaking 2,772 chicken and rib dinners to the estimated 3,000 plus people in attendance!

We want to keep this summer tradition rolling, so we are going to have to do Chicken BBQ differently. This year, we will not be able to have our local crafters and vendors, live entertainment, nor the Sunset Auxiliary's rummage, used book, and bake sale fundraisers. For this year's 31st annual Chicken BBQ, we are offering drive-thru take-out meals only on Sunday, July 19th.

For the event, we are planning to serve meals on a first come first served basis starting at noon until 4:00 p.m. or until we run out. The meal includes our delicious BBQ baked chicken (smothered in Gena's house-made BBQ sauce), house-made vinegar coleslaw, rolls, BBQ baked beans, pie, and bottled water. The cost is $10.00; we will not be offering a kid's meal.

On July 19th, please follow the signs on campus for directions to drive-thru pick up. Please keep in mind, due to the unknown nature of things at this time, there is the possibility we may have to cancel the event at the last minute, so stay tuned for any additional updates at *www.wesbury.com* and on our Facebook page.

The changes to this year's event will have a significant impact on the fundraising efforts of the Sunset Auxiliary. For now, please send your donations to The Wesbury Foundation and be sure to mark your calendar for Sunday, July 18, 2021, for the 32nd annual Chicken BBQ and Craft Fair!

Consider Wesbury for Your Cardiac Rehab

"I absolutely LOVE this program. I renewed my ACLS (Advanced Cardiac Life Support) certification specifically for this program," says Rebecca Wilson, RN, Town Square Nurse Manager. "Just like anything new, it had its bumps in the beginning, and now it's running smooth."

In 2017, Wesbury's Grace Rehabilitation and Health Center was named one of St. Vincent's Cardiac Centers of Excellence within the Allegheny Healthcare Network (AHN). At that time, the Wesbury Nursing staff on Grace's short-term rehabilitation neighborhood was trained for the program's implementation during the summer of 2018.

Almost two years later, the program has been very successful, and those AHN cardiac patients are receiving excellent care. The training also extends to those residents who are not within the network.

Upon admission, there are phone meetings with the CRNP (Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner), where medications and other assessments are discussed. This ensures that all proper medications and dosages are appropriate. Things that occurred while the patient was in the hospital are also considered among the team.

Once rehab begins at Grace, telephone meetings occur three times per week, and the other two days, email communication is used. This direct line of communication is so helpful to the staff and cardiac rehab residents. Wesbury Medical Director, Dr. John H. Bailey III, is also working along with this program and has been involved with monitoring the condition of the patient, medications, and labs. There is a direct line of communication with him that also allows quick response to situations.

AHN has recently added more to the program so the nursing staff can now monitor post-coronary artery bypass patients as well as those with congestive heart failure, and/or have had a heart attack. Quite a few of these patients have also had valve replacements and/or stent placement.

Thorough assessments on cardiac rehabilitation residents are done every morning, which includes listening to heart sounds and rhythm, lung sounds, swelling, etc. Nursing staff monitor the resident's weight daily and make comparisons. This monitoring allows early detection and intervention if the patient's condition changes.

To find out more about Wesbury's cardiac rehabilitation programs and services, contact Gwen Smith at 814-332-9233 or email admissions@wesbury.com.

Your Will Power!

Feeling bored, unmotivated, and powerless? Are you fretting about the future? We're all feeling a little (or a lot) at sea, but here's a suggestion for an important project that could spark your interest, give you a reason to act, and help you to reclaim your power…

Create or update your will!

We know it's a tricky task, one that some people prefer to avoid - and there are plenty of creative reasons for doing so. Let's take a look at two common justifications for not writing a will and try to debunk them:

- Nothing personal against the legal profession. You probably know some nice, highly competent lawyers, but consulting with attorneys isn't exactly fun. They ask all types of personal and financial questions, they want you to make important decisions, and sometimes they want to see documents that are located….errr…where did you store them?

  Our view: Your will doesn't have to be completed in record time; small steps are fine. Just imagine the sense of accomplishment you'll feel when it's done – now that's willpower in action.

- You're trying to follow your heart, be fair, and do the right thing, but what if your decisions upset family members?

  Our view: Well, regardless, would ***you*** rather decide how to handle your assets, or would you prefer to leave it to state law and an unknown probate judge? The latter is likely to create even more distress among relatives, whereas the former – ***you***, using your willpower to leave the legacy of ***your*** choice – is the noblest course of action.

Essentially, your will is a reflection of who and what you love and believe in; it's to benefit family, friends, and organizations that you care about.

Wesbury has been blessed with many estate gifts. Without the forethought and planning of these benefactors, it wouldn't be the great place it is today. If Wesbury is among the things that you value, please consider including it in your will. Your generosity will make a powerful difference in the lives of our residents who depend on us for charitable care.

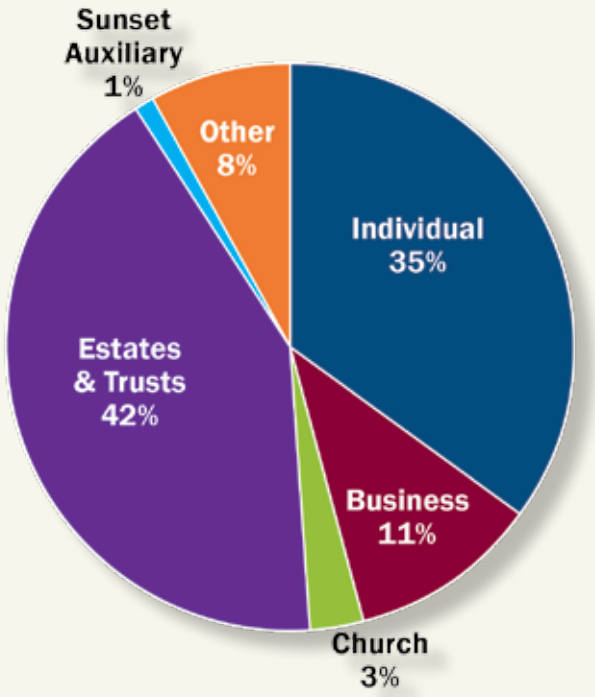
Your Will, *Your* Power…..Making a powerful difference!

This article is intended to provide general gift planning information. Our organization is not qualified to provide specific legal, tax or investment advice, and this publication should not be looked to or relied upon as a source for such advice. Consult with your own legal and financial advisors before making any gift.

2019 Financials

Wesbury donations are allocated to support benevolent care.

The Wesbury Foundation Sources of Funds



As you can see, a large share of our gifts come from thoughtful people who have named The Wesbury Foundation in either their Will or as a beneficiary of a trust. Please consider leaving a legacy of compassionate care for people in need by including Wesbury in your estate plans. For more information, please contact The Wesbury Foundation at 814-332-9264.

The Wesbury Foundation Promise

The Wesbury Foundation promises to use your gift carefully and wisely, never to ask for money that is not needed, and to abide by all generally accepted accounting practices.

The Wesbury Foundation Mission

The Wesbury Foundation is dedicated to advancing the Christian mission of Wesbury United Methodist Community through promoting the needs of seniors, encouraging charitable contributions, and prudently managing philanthropic donations to and assets of the corporation.

The sponsors listed below partnered with Wesbury for all 2019 fundraising events. We would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for their very generous support of Wesbury!

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Vernon Square Apartments are Under Construction!

It's official, construction for the first phase of 16 apartments at Vernon Square is underway. While construction had to stop during the PA Stay at Home Order, it has resumed, and we are hopeful to have units ready for move-in by early winter if there are no new interruptions to the workflow. The project will include one and two bedrooms apartments, which are furnished with all appliances, including washer and dryer. Some will have a balcony or patio.

As fall approaches, our current plan is to contact those on the interest list and send out applications to those who are ready. Construction will continue in accordance with demand until the project is complete. These apartments are for ages 55 and over. Rental rates are estimated to be between $1000 and $1200 per month. Rates include use of the pool, fitness room, common areas, and outdoor parking as well as all utilities except phone, cable, and internet. Pets will be permitted, and there will be outdoor areas for walking. Those interested should call 814-332-9009, and ask to be added to the interest list.

The Start of a Rewarding Career

(Pictured Left to Right) Instructor Vanessa Nicols, Ashley Cline, Jenny Thomas, Tammy Cline, Morgan Ashley, Amanda Shannon, and Cari English.

Congratulations to Wesbury's Spring 2020 Certified Nurse Aide (CNA) Graduates! They are referred to as "The Corona Class" because their entire class took place during the COVID-19 Pandemic. What a historic time to start a career path in healthcare!

If you are someone you know is looking to start a career in healthcare as a CNA, go to *www.wesbury.com* to find out when classes are starting.

We Want Your Senior Tribute Nominations!

For over a decade, we have asked the public to share the names of individuals or groups making a difference for area seniors for our Annual Senior Tribute Banquet and Auction held in October. Because of recent events, in real-time, we have been experiencing the best of humanity as we see people stepping up to help their neighbors in need. Our communities are filled with people who amaze us by sharing their time, their talents, their generosity, and their selflessness.

In 2020, whether their service relates to the pandemic or has been ongoing, help us find these extraordinary people and applaud their contributions to their communities. This event is truly inspiring. It not only spotlights these unsung heroes but also serves as a fundraiser for Wesbury's Benevolent Care Fund. At this time, we do not know if we will be able to hold a banquet as we have in the past. However, through the help of technology and media, we will find a way to celebrate them in October.

The Wesbury Foundation is now accepting nominations for the 2020 Senior Tribute. The deadline for nominations is July 31, 2020. Nomination forms can be found at *www.wesbury.com*, emailed to rthomas@wesbury.com, you can use the form at right, or simply write your nomination on a sheet of paper and send it to The Wesbury Foundation, 31 N. Park Ave., Meadville, PA. 16335. If you have any questions, please contact The Wesbury Foundation at 814-332-9712.

I want to Nominate:

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Name of individual or group

Reasons why:

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Wesbury Welcomes Dr. David A. Williams to the Medical Arts Center

Dr. David A. Williams, D.O., has been in private practice since he took over Dr. John Zinnamosca's practice when he came to Meadville in 2006. In April, Dr. Williams transitioned his practice's location from Grove Street to Wesbury's Medical Arts Center, located on Wesbury's campus, adjacent to Grace Rehabilitation and Health Center.

With this move, Dr. Williams will be absorbing Dr. Douglas Fronzaglia's Wesbury patients from Thoburn Village and Cribbs Residential Center; He will assist with the care needs at Grace Rehabilitation and Health Center, by taking on Wesbury Medical Director, Dr. John H. Bailey III's patients on the Village Center neighborhood and he will continue to see his current practice patients by relocating them to his new office location.

"I have practiced medicine in Meadville for 14 years. My passion lies in comprehensive primary care with a focus on prevention and continuity for long-term health and quality of life," says Dr. Williams. "My staff and I are excited to be working from the Wesbury campus, and are grateful for the warm welcome we have received."

David grew up in Chardon, OH, about 30 minutes east of Cleveland. He attended Grove City College, where he got his bachelor's in Molecular Biology. After graduation, David was accepted at LECOM (Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine), and then trained at St. Vincent's in Erie for his Family Medicine residency.

"Dr. Williams and I have been colleagues at both Meadville Medical Center and Wesbury for the past 14 years and I have found him to be an excellent colleague. He is well-trained, conscientious, reliable and friendly." says Dr. John H. Bailey III. "As Medical Director at Wesbury, I welcome David to our campus and look forward to working with him for many years to come."

Dr. Williams has been married to his wife, Lisa, who is also Office Manager of his practice, since 2001, and they have three daughters; Rachel, Briana, and Lauren.

Wesbury Recognized for Wound Care Excellence

(Pictured Left to Right) Front row: Tom Harmison, Paula DeMaison, Dr. Amy Miles D.O., Jessica Brown, and David Gill Back row: Alishia Stevenson, Sheila Bundy, and Autumn Ferringer.

This spring, Wesbury Grace Rehabilitation and Health Center became certified by Vohra Wound Physicians as a Center of Excellence for Wound Management, a designation that only 10% of Vohra's skilled nursing facility partners have achieved. This certification was created to highlight facilities that have developed a superior wound management program. It is a yearly distinction, and facilities must meet all criteria that include:

- Having less than 1% wound-related hospitalization rate
- Regular wound care team meetings focused on Quality and Process Improvement (QAPI)
- Having a designated Vohra wound care certified nurse available seven days per week.

For close to two decades, Wesbury's Wound Care Team has been at the forefront of successfully treating residents with acute and chronic wounds. Our multidisciplinary team approach to wound healing includes the wound team, floor staff, the personal care physician, the Vohra physician, physical therapists, our dietician, as well as our nursing leadership.

Wesbury's Vohra wound physician, Dr. Amy Miles, D.O. visits weekly and provides bedside treatment for skin conditions, wound care, and procedures without residents having to be sent out to a wound center or hospital.

"I am incredibly proud of our team's achievement in being recognized as a Center of Excellence in Wound Management by Vohra Wound Physicians. This Certification shows an acknowledgment of our team's dedication to providing outstanding wound care and healing outcomes to our residents. I am honored to be part of such a hardworking and committed Team at Wesbury" says Jessica Brown, RN, WCC, Wound Team Coordinator.

Wesbury is committed to staffing a dedicated team of wound nurses to ensure the highest quality of care. Wesbury's top-quality care and excellent outcomes remain our highest priority, and our designations such as Cardiac and Wound Care Centers of Excellence reaffirm this.

"I am very proud of Wesbury United Methodist Community for achieving this award," says Dr. Miles. "Wesbury has excelled in wound prevention and wound care. They exceed best practices and do an excellent job of providing the best of services."

Wesbury is Participating in the 2020 Crawford Gives Event

The Crawford Heritage Community Foundation's inaugural Crawford Gives day was held on October 2, 2019. This special one-day fundraising event, driven online by social and digital media, allowed generous people and businesses the opportunity to support Crawford County nonprofit organizations that are helping meet the needs of our local communities. The day was a huge success! One thousand seven hundred fifty-two total gifts were received totaling $162,704 for area nonprofit organizations. Wesbury received a total of $7,022 from 52 gifts and matching funds from The Crawford Heritage Community Foundation on Crawford Gives day. These numbers gave us sixth place in the total giving and seventh place in the gift count category.

For 2020, the Crawford Gives event will take place on August 10 and 11, 2020. Crawford Gives provides a platform for participating nonprofits to share their stories, connect with new donors, and is a gateway for people to connect to causes doing good work in areas they care passionately about.

We hope you will consider supporting Wesbury in the 2020 Crawford Gives event. To find out about all the nonprofits participating, visit *crawfordgives.org*. All around us, we see people rise up and come together during this unprecedented time, and area nonprofits need your support more than ever!

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Connections newsletter, we provided residents of Cribbs and Thoburn Village with Bingo cards so we could play "Credit Bingo." As activities staff pulled bingo numbers live on 900, residents could call in with their wins and ultimately build up credits for prizes at the end of the month.

Grace Life Enrichment team sending out a special thank you to the Wesbury Foundation team for helping them schedule family window, FaceTime, and Skype visits.

Grace Rehabilitation and Health Center's Life Enrichment took to social media in creative ways that were recognized throughout our local media. They put up posts on Wesbury's Facebook page of residents holding a whiteboard and sharing humorous messages that went viral. Some of the photos had residents saying they wanted to trade snacks for toilet paper or to send more wine, while others had heartwarming messages of being okay and missing their family. The first posts were shared more than 30,000 times and reached more than two million people worldwide. We received messages of "thanks for brightening our day" and "we want to connect with you" from as far away as Australia and Tunisia.

Grace resident Dolores Reichel's talents for being a quilter and seamstress are well-known at Wesbury. Her whiteboard photo featured Dolores asking if Joann Fabrics delivered. Her message was received by Lori Campbell-Lewis of Clarksville, Tennessee, who saw the post saying it "tugged at her heart." Lori sent Dolores a care package of fabrics she bought at a Joann. Dolores promptly made masks to send back to Tennessee.

For residents of Thoburn Village, things were much different. They live independently and are a social group who like to get together for pot lucks and games at the Clubhouse, which has been closed since this all began. For them, it was easy to suddenly feel isolated, but their area Good Neighbors tried to alleviate those feelings as much as possible by making calls to check on their neighbors to offer help or just chat.

At one point, residents came out of their villas and apartments to find little garden gnomes on their patios, mysteriously placed overnight by someone just saying we are thinking about you. The residents found this gesture to be so cute; it was shared with the Meadville Tribune, who reported it as some good news during the coronavirus pandemic. Thanks to the new dog park and some better weather, residents have been able to meet up outside while socially distancing themselves.

For staff, it was different, and many had to step outside their regular work duties. Transportation, Pharmacy, and Help at Home staff were now screening and taking temperatures of employees coming to work every day. Marketing and Dietary helped to make sure Cribbs residents were six feet apart, got on the elevator, and cleaned all the railing and chairs as residents made their way outside for a walk and some fresh air. Staff from the Foundation and Beauty Shop helped out by cleaning the common areas of Grace Rehabilitation and Health Center, and many employees from across the spectrum volunteered to be trained to help with feeding residents at Grace who could not feed themselves.

The most inspiring parts of spring 2020 were Wesbury residents and staff coming together in the face of something unprecedented to any of us. It was a true test of how we react when life hands us lemons. Wesbury did its best to make that lemonade.

Yes, I'd like to learn more about Wesbury.

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The Chicken Run is On!

The 5th Annual Wesbury 5K Chicken Run/Walk scheduled for Saturday, July 18th has been rescheduled for Saturday, August 22nd. The race will either be held on campus or turned into a virtual race. In the event of a virtual race, you can run, jog, or walk on the road, on the trail, on the treadmill, at the gym, or from any location you choose. You get to run your own race, at your own pace, time it yourself and still support a great cause! Then, you submit your time to the race's virtual location, and your medal will be shipped directly to you.

The entry fee is $20.00 if pre-registered by August 3rd (a t-shirt is included with all pre-registrations). The entry goes up to $25.00 after August 3rd.

Wesbury employees created the annual Chicken Run event to raise money for the Wesbury Foundation's Benevolent Care Fund. This fund supports residents who have outlived their financial resources allowing them to continue to receive care they need. If you are interested in supporting the event by participating or becoming a sponsor, please visit *https://wesbury.com/news-events/chickenrun/* for future updates and details.

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Upcoming Events

Wesbury's 20th Annual
Senior & Friends Golf Scramble
Friday, July 31, 2020
10:00 a.m. shotgun start. Continental breakfast, boxed lunch and picnic buffet dinner included. Call The Wesbury Foundation at 814-332-9712.

Wesbury's 5th Annual Chicken Run
5K Run/Walk and 1 Mile Walk
Saturday, August 22, 2020
Registration begins at 8:15 a.m.
Runners start at 9:00 a.m. Walkers start at 9:05 a.m. Located on Wesbury's campus.
Call 814-332-9022 for more information.

Wesbury's 31st Annual Chicken BBQ
Drive Thru Take Out Meal Pick-up
Sunday, July 19, 2020 from noon until 4:00 p.m. on Wesbury's campus.
Call The Wesbury Foundation at 814-332-9712.

Crawford Gives Event
August 10 and 11, 2020
Call The Wesbury Foundation at 814-332-9381.

Wesbury's Senior Tribute
Dinner & Auction
Thursday, October 8, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.
Iroquois Club - Conneaut Lake.
Call The Wesbury Foundation at 814-332-9712.

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