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Italian Vistas - Your Dream Trip Awaits in 2024!

This Trip is Sold Out
We Are Accepting Waitlist Inquiries

If you have ever dreamed of touring Italy – this trip encompasses the best of its history, culture, and cuisine! In 2020, we had to cancel our Italian adventure which was to depart just as the pandemic broke out. Since then, we have been repeatedly asked when we might reschedule. Today, we are excited to announce that we have booked a dynamic itinerary for 2024 that will venture across Italy on a spectacular 13-day Italian getaway with multiple-night stays in Rome, the charming coastal town of Sorrento, Florence, Venice, and Stresa in the Lake District. This trip of a lifetime checks all the boxes!

Discover the treasures of Classical Rome, including an in-depth tour of the Colosseum and view the Parthenon. Walk in the footsteps of the ancients at the ruins of Pompeii. Take a boat to the enchanting Isle of Capri or a trip along the Amalfi Coast. See the gems of the Renaissance in Florence's Academy Gallery, including Michelangelo's magnificent David. Marvel at the Leaning Tower of Pisa and stroll through the streets of Verona, the backdrop for *Romeo and Juliet*. Stop at a Tuscan winery and farm for regional cuisine specialties and wine. Relish la dolce vita as you take in the view of the Bay of Naples from Sorrento's cliffs. Savor traditionally produced macaroni at a family-owned pasta factory. Taste balsamic vinegar, olive oil, and local wines at a family-run wine shop in Stresa. Tour Venice and its spectacle of engineering feats, built on 118 small islands crossed by its world-famous canals, and take a walk through the Castello district. Embark on a boat trip to Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration.

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The cost for this Italian adventure is $5,999.00 per person (double occupancy) and includes the following:

- Pre-Trip informational reception at Wesbury.
- Roundtrip transportation from Wesbury to the Airport with Free parking at Wesbury.
- Roundtrip air to Italy with 11 nights hotel accommodations.
- 17 Meals -11 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 4 Dinners
- Wesbury hosts, Collette Tour Manager, Local Guides, and motorcoach transportation.
- Rome - 3 nights with a guided tour and free time with Colosseum in-depth "skip the lines" tour.
- View *la dolce vita* and the Bay of Naples.
- Explore the Ruins of Pompeii.
- Savor traditionally produced macaroni at a family-owned pasta factory.
- Sorrento - 2 nights with guided tours and free time.
- Choices on tours to the Isle of Capri OR along the Amalfi Coast.
- Tuscany's vineyards, local farms, and olive groves.
- Florence - 2 nights with a guided tour and free time.
- Academy Museum in Florence with Michelangelo's statue of David.
- Visit the Leaning Tower of Pisa.
- Stroll the streets of Verona – the backdrop for *Romeo and Juliet*.
- Venice - 2 nights with guided tour, free time, boat trip to Murano Island.
- Stresa - 2 nights in the Italian Lakes District. Taste balsamic vinegar, olive oil, and wine.
- Boat across Lake Maggiore to Borromeo Palace OR cross into the Swiss Alps to Simplon Pass.
- Ask about optional pre and post-night packages and excursions.

Thank You for Your Support!

Brian S. Nageotte
Wesbury President/CEO

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

Dear Friends,

As we reflect on this past year, there is so much for Wesbury to be thankful for! Above it all, you, our donors, are most valued and appreciated. We are truly blessed and thankful to have your ongoing generosity and support!

Throughout this past year, it has been refreshing to see our volunteer numbers on the rise, our Sunset Auxiliary back in action, and our fundraising trips back in full swing. As Wesbury progresses forward, we focus on new business growth, rebuilding census, and new relationships. We are excited to see what 2023 brings.

As you read through your copy of the 2022 Contributors Report, you can see just how blessed we are. We hope you are comforted in knowing that many people share your interest in caring for and supporting others and that Wesbury will be here if you or your loved ones are ever in need.

Thank you for always believing in us, what we do and who we serve. On behalf of our residents, their families, our Board of Directors, and staff, thank you for your kindness, faithful service, and many blessings you continue to provide!

With much appreciation,

Brian S Nageotte Rhonda K. Thomas

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Enjoy the magic of the Italian lakes district in the captivating resort town of Stresa. Cruise to Isola Dei Pescatori, one of the scenic Borromean Islands and take a deep dive into Italian history and culture as you visit some of the world's most beautiful and iconic locales.

Starting with free parking and transportation from Wesbury, your Wesbury Hosts will guide you along the way to ensure a wonderful fulfilling experience.

The complete Itinerary:
April 6: Your trip begins with transportation from Wesbury to the Airport for an overnight flight to Italy.

April 7: Arrive in Rome to be greeted by a tour guide and transported to the hotel. Enjoy a special welcome dinner featuring regional delicacies and Italian wines.

April 8: Classical Rome - Discover the city on a locally guided tour passing by the Baths of Caracalla, the Circus Maximus, and an in-depth visit to the Colosseum. Meander through the Renaissance district, and visit the Pantheon and Piazza Navona. The afternoon is free. Consider an optional dinner, where talented performers entertain you with folk songs and arias.

April 9: Rome - Enjoy a full day at leisure to explore. Your Tour Manager will offer suggestions. Consider an optional trip to Vatican City to tour the Museums and St. Peter's Basilica. Stroll the Borghese Gardens for views of the city's skyline or the bohemian Trastevere district.

April 10: Rome, Pompeii, Sorrento - Journey to the Bay of Naples, where charming villages are built into hillsides above the sea. Soak in 2,000 years of history at the ruins of Pompeii. Continue to the resort town of Sorrento. The afternoon is free to explore independently, visit the Romanesque cathedral with inlaid woodwork or simply relax.

April 11: Sorrento, Choice on Tour - Today, you have two tantalizing options. Sail to the Isle of Capri on a panoramic cruise passing by the steep cliffs, small caves, and the famous Faraglioni rocks. Spend time in Capri town with its piazzetta, chic boutiques, lush vegetation, and outdoor cafés OR journey along the Amalfi Coast for a morning in the colorful village of Positano, a maze of streets and stairways winding around pastel houses and draped in lush flowers and make your way to Positano's pebble beach offering a 'bottom to top' view of the village.

April 12: Sorrento, Florence - Head through the Tuscany landscape of vineyards and olive groves. Experience the "Cradle of the Renaissance" and visit the Academy Gallery to see Michelangelo's sculpture of David. Tonight, enjoy regional Italian cuisine at a local restaurant.

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We Are Forever Grateful

"Don has been a valuable part of Wesbury over the years," says Brian Nageotte, Wesbury President and CEO. "It is hard to find individuals that are willing to give so much of their time to support the mission of Wesbury and we will miss Don's great perspective and ability to see into the future as we move forward."

Wesbury would like to recognize and thank Donald Burchfield for his contributions and leadership in guiding the Wesbury community. Last year, Don officially stepped down from Wesbury's Board of Directors after 27 years of service. Not only is Don a former chairman of Wesbury's Board of Directors, but he has also served on the board for the Annesley Foundation, Hillside Home, and The Wesbury Foundation.

In those years, Don's input was instrumental in the renovations at Cribbs Residential Center, the construction of the Memory Support Center, Barco Chapel, the Wesbury Medical Arts Building, Grace Rehabilitation and Health Center's total renovation, as well as the purchase and renovations at Vernon Square Apartments and more.

When we look at the records to see how long Don has been supporting Wesbury financially, his name goes as far back as The Wesbury Foundation records go in 1992. He was awarded Donor of Distinction in 2001. Don and his wife Ginny are sustaining donors, members of the Hyatt M. Cribbs Society, Wesbury-Hillside Home's Hiram Fuller Society as well as Lifetime Giving members.

Don says his history with Wesbury goes back to before the start of Independent Living at Wesbury's Thoburn Village. In fact, his father-in-law, Nobel Harned, built the first villa on the Wesbury campus in 1977. Don was also very involved with creating the Wesbury Nature Trail which opened in 1984.

The Burchfield's give to many area organizations including the Meadville Medical Center, Active Aging Board of Directors, and the Meadville Garden Club and Ice Park, which supports revitalization in Conneaut Lake. Don and Ginny journeyed on a few of the "Travel with Wesbury" fundraiser trips, including the first Wesbury trip to Alaska in 2000 and several other fun destinations. Proceeds from the cost of these trips go to Wesbury's Benevolent Care Fund.

Ginny also volunteered her time helping the Foundation at the Annual Chicken BBQ and Craft Fair as well as packing the auction baskets for Wesbury's Senior Tribute Banquet and Auction.

Together this dynamic team has had a tremendous and lasting impact on Wesbury, both for the success of the organization and its affiliates and for the enjoyment of those who call Wesbury home.

Don and Ginny (far right) participating in Wesbury's Annual Golf Outing in 2012.

Don and Ginny selling tickets at Wesbury's Annual Chicken BBQ in 2013.

Wesbury Achieves Seventh EAGLE Accreditation

During fall of 2022, Wesbury was notified by the United Methodist Association of Health and Welfare Ministries (UMA), a national network of health and welfare-related organizations, that we achieved EAGLE Accreditation for the seventh consecutive time. Consisting of more than 400 health and human service organizations the UMA provides its members with education, accreditation, networking, communication, and business services while keeping with the rich, historical, Wesleyan traditions and practices of the United Methodist denomination.

Wesbury Senior Leadership Team with EAGLE Accreditation plaque.

back row l to r: Rick York (VP of Human Resources), Joe Palmiero (CFO), Brian Nageotte (President/CEO), Rev. Sam Marchetta (Wesbury Chaplain), Sheila Bundy (Director of Healthcare & Community Based Services), and Larry Marsteller (Administrator, Cribbs & Thoburn Village)
front row l to r: Rhonda Thomas (VP Stewardship and Development), Vicki Bradshaw (Executive Assistant), Alishia Stevenson (VP Compliance, Risk, & Quality Management), and Melissa Porter (VP Sales and Marketing)

"As a Christian organization with a focus on excellence in achieving our mission, our EAGLE accreditation means a great deal to us. Although we do not strive for excellence because of EAGLE, it is a large part of our plan for trying to achieve excellence. Not only does EAGLE provide specific guidelines that continually push us to improve our processes and services, but it is also an unbiased assessment of the level of those services. One of my guiding principles in our organization is that we put monitors in place for all our policies and procedures so we can determine if we are doing what we intended. EAGLE is our gage for excellence. I would like to thank EAGLE, The Commission as well as all the UMA reviewers for pushing us to be more," notes Brian Nageotte, Wesbury President and CEO.

The Educational Assessment Guidelines Leading toward Excellence (EAGLE) accreditation is a quality enhancement program offered every five years to faith-based organizations providing care to older adults, children, youth, and families. The intensive self-assessment and peer review process encourages and recognizes excellence in Christian mission and ministry. EAGLE accredited facilities are stringently reviewed based on business practices, social principles as well as their Christian mission. EAGLE peer reviewers focus on an organization's relationships within its local community, on the persons being served, as well as governance and management.

Wesbury officially received recognition for their accomplishment at the annual Celebration of Excellence at UMA's 83rd National Conference, in Boulder, Colorado. Wesbury first received EAGLE accreditation in 1992.

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 once again for your continuous support of Wesbury residents.

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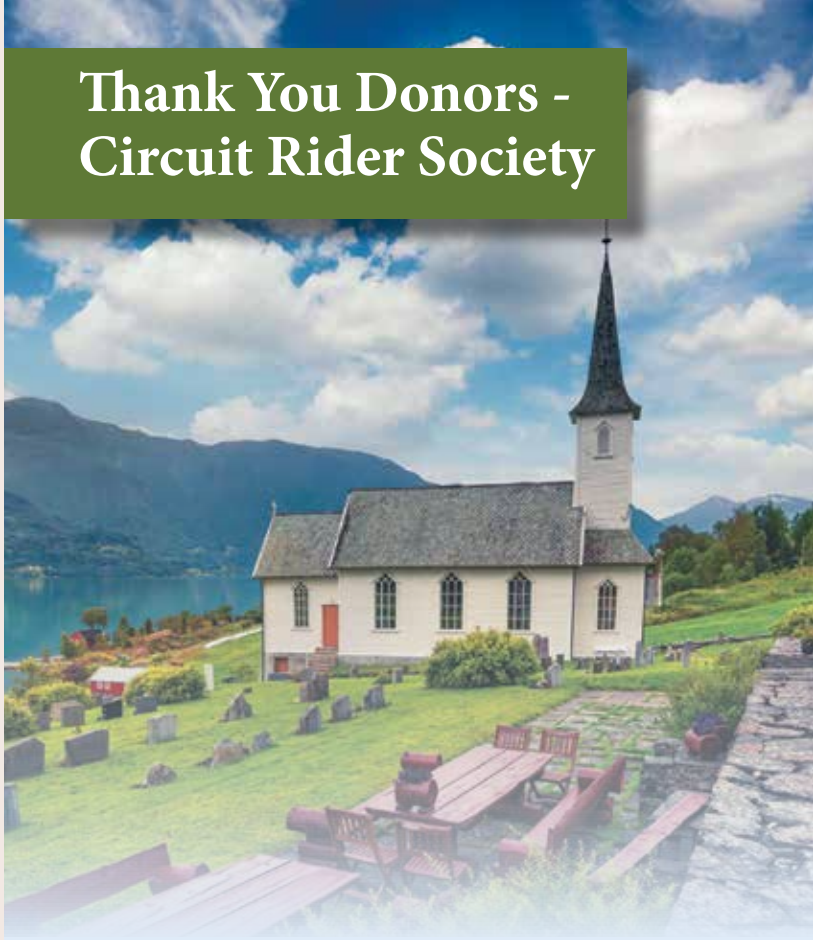

In the early years of the United States, clergy in the Methodist Episcopal Church and related denominations were assigned to travel to specific geographic territories and minister to congregations. They were called "Circuit Riders". Wesbury maintains a strong relationship with churches throughout Western 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.

Frances Asbury Circle ($2,500 +)
Grace U. M. Church, Oil City
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Donors ($250 - $499)
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Saegertown U. M. Church

Meet Our Sunset Auxiliary Officers for 2023

l to r: Jolene Tubbs, Bessie Kohler, Joann Clute, Joyce Jacobs, Margot Stoll, and Debra Hall

In an effort to raise funds for the needs of Wesbury residents, the Sunset Auxiliary was formed in 1954 by Mrs. Florence Braun, spouse of Methodist Home Administrator, Rev. George Braun. Florence's vision was to encourage members of area churches to pull together to support a mutual Christian Mission. This network of churches and individuals is still strong today and continues to provide incredible support to Wesbury's residents.

As we all know, good leadership is vital to the success of any organization, and we would like to introduce you to the Auxiliary's current leadership team.

Jolene Tubbs, the Auxiliary President, is from Conneaut Lake and has been working with the Auxiliary since 2008. She and her husband, Jim, a retired United Methodist minister, have two daughters and five grandchildren. Jolene worked for 40 years as a registered nurse and enjoys playing music. She is the pianist at Harmonsburg U.M. Church and plays lap dulcimer for a local folk band, The Pick-a-Longs. Jolene sees the Auxiliary goals as: purchasing items that enhance the lives of Wesbury residents; helping to finance resident haircare; supporting Wesbury staff appreciation efforts; and fostering great relationships, like the ones she has developed with numerous Auxiliary and Wesbury community members.

Vice-President, **Joann Clute**, has been involved with the Auxiliary for more than 15 years. She credits her husband, Pete, who has done much of the paperwork involved with Auxiliary membership and volunteers at Auxiliary events. The couple recently moved from Wattsburg to North East, PA, and they have two grown sons. Joann was a registered nurse in the USAF Nurse Corp before she retired in 1997. She then became a senior account executive for Healthcare Infomatics, retiring in February of 2022. Joann hopes to support the Auxiliary's needed and relevant projects to help elevate the lives of Wesbury residents. She also wants to emphasize engagement with area churches to help them achieve their charitable goals and commitments in this post-pandemic environment.

Joyce Jacobs is the Auxiliary's Treasurer and has been involved with the Auxiliary for more than 16 years. Joyce and her husband, Allen, live in Atlantic and they have two children and six grandchildren. She enjoys gardening, reading, sewing, cooking, and bowling as well as church involvement and attending her grandchildren's activities. Joyce looks forward to the Sunset Auxiliary helping Wesbury to secure its greatest needs, such as updates to facilities or new equipment. She would love to see as much done for the residents and staff as possible.

Bessie Kohler is the Assistant Treasurer of the Auxiliary. Bessie is from Meadville and has five children and eleven grandchildren. Her husband, Jack, is deceased. Bessie is proud of her 14 years working with the Auxiliary because its sole purpose is to help others, and volunteering is among her favorite interests. She also likes to travel, read, and do puzzles. Bessie wants the Auxiliary to continue its work with area churches and to find new ways to support the residents and staff at Wesbury.

The Sunset Auxiliary's Recording Secretary is **Debra Hall** of Atlantic. She has worked with the Sunset Auxiliary for over a decade. Debra and her husband, John, have two children and four grandchildren. She loves spending time with her family and friends, and she is very involved at her church. She also enjoys bowling and planting flowers. She looks forward to helping

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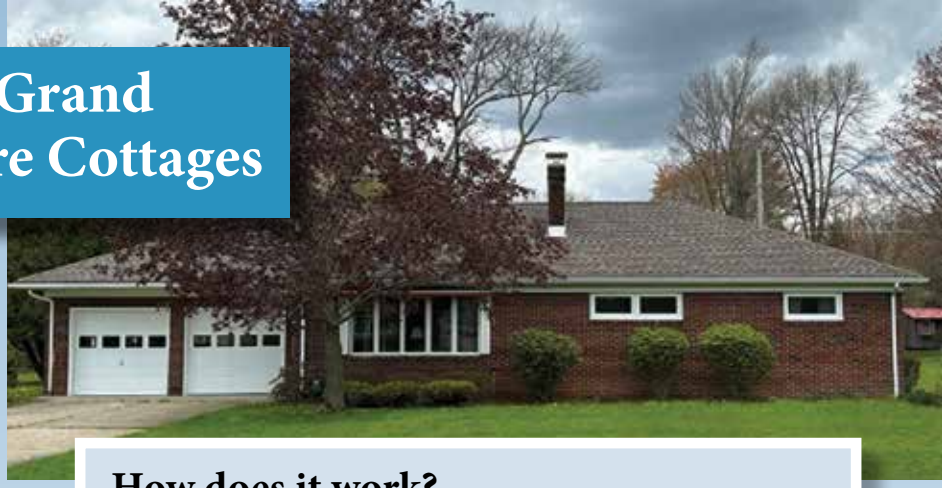
Wesbury at Home Hosts Grand Re-Openings of Area Care Cottages



At the end of March, Wesbury at Home's Titusville Care Cottage held a grand re-opening ribbon-cutting event with representatives of the Titusville Area Chamber of Commerce. The event was an opportunity for those interested in considering a move to a Care Cottage to take a tour and learn about the amenities, services, and costs. It was also a way for individuals that might like to work as a Cottage Caregiver to learn more about this unique and fulfilling work environment.

Wesbury at Home Care Cottages are private residential three-bedroom homes that offer a maximum of three residents housing, meals, assistance with daily tasks, and personal care services. Staffed twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week, the cottages offer a private room for each resident and a comfortable shared living space for enjoyment and daily activity. This wonderful option grew to include seven Care Cottages in Crawford County with locations in Meadville, Titusville, and Cochranton.

There are also great job opportunities available at Wesbury Care Cottages. Cottage Caregivers split the day into three eight-hour shifts. Caregivers provide personal care with three residents to one staff ratio in a private home and work independently. This is a great opportunity for those with a heart to serve who are seeking a consistent caregiver role outside of a hospital or facility environment. To find out more, contact Wesbury at Home by calling 814-332-9186 or emailing wesburyathome@wesbury.com.

How does it work?

Care Cottages are designed to provide safety and support for up to three residents who either qualify for eight hours a day of funds for care through the Community HealthChoices or "CHC" Waiver Program or can pay privately. Together, the residents share the cost of 24-hour caregivers. In addition, each resident pays an income-based monthly fee to cover room and board which never exceeds the resident's income and affordability.

How do I explore this further?

We will be having another open house event at the Cochranton location at 24147 Griffen Rd. on Thursday, August 17th from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Stop in to find out all about the Wesbury at Home Care Cottage Program. The friendly staff will be available to provide a tour, explain the financial parameters, review the application process, and assist you in how to apply for Community HealthChoices Waiver Funds when applicable. There will also be light refreshments.

According to Jackie Palmer, Wesbury at Home Care Cottage Coordinator, "Our Care Cottages provide the needed personal care to help residents maintain their independence and the pursuit of their interest. I love that our Care Cottages provide residents with a private bedroom while the shared spaces provide an opportunity for socializing, participation in activities, and family-style meals. Residents and families can have peace of mind knowing that cottage staff are available to assist as needed and ensure safety 24/7."

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April 13: Florence Tour - a locally guided tour highlighting the Piazza del Duomo and the Gates of Paradise on the Baptistery, the Piazza della Signoria, and the imposing Palazzo Vecchio. The rest of the day is yours. Consider a tour of the 14th-century Certosa monastery and dinner in a Tuscan restaurant.

April 14: Florence, Pisa, Venice - Discover the Piazza Dei Miracoli, the Duomo, and the famous Leaning Tower of Pisa. Visit a Tuscan winery and farm for lunch and sample local wines. Cross the Apennine Mountains to Venice, where 118 islands are connected by 150 canals and 400 bridges.

April 15: Venice, Murano Island, Venice - Take a boat trip to Murano Island for a glassblowing demonstration. See how the locals live as you explore the Castello district with a local expert. Walk canal by canal through the narrow streets to St. Mark's Square to admire the Basilica and Doge's Palace. The remainder of the day is at leisure. Consider an optional gondola cruise.

April 16: Venice, Verona Stresa, Lake Maggiore - Depart Venice for Verona and stroll the streets that were the backdrop for Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*. Arrive in Stresa located in the breathtaking Italian Lakes District and admire the beautiful views of Lake Maggiore.

April 17: Stresa and Isola Dei Pescatori - Today, it's your choice! Take a boat across Lake Maggiore to Isola Bella for a guided tour of Borromeo Palace OR motorcoach into Switzerland's Simplon Pass for a taste of the Swiss Alps, and admire the Simplon Hospice dominating the landscape. Tonight, travel by boat to Isola dei Pescatori for a farewell dinner and beautiful scenery.

April 18: Your Italian adventure comes to a close as we return to the airport and journey home.

The cost for this Italian adventure is $5999.00 per person (double occupancy). A deposit of $700/person plus optional cancelation insurance is due at booking.

Cancellation insurance is available at $449/person and allows cancelation for any reason up to the day before departure.

For information and reservations, call Stacey at 814-332-9712 or email her at steuta@wesbury.com

Book now or join us to learn more!

On July 26th at 6:30p.m. Collette Tours will be at Wesbury's Campus Community Center to give an informational presentation on Italian Vistas!

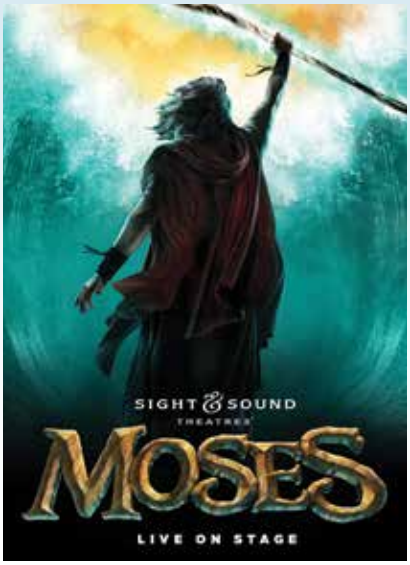
Join your Wesbury hosts and Collette District Manager, Matthew D'Eramo, for an enticing presentation, refreshments and the opportunity to reserve your trip.

RSVP by calling 814-332-9712.

Activity level – this trip is suitable for travelers who are comfortable standing for periods of time, using stairs, and taking moderately paced walking tours in hilly locations with uneven surfaces. Expect some longer days balanced with free time to recharge. This tour is not fit for those who require mobility assistance or assistive devices while in Italy.

2023 Adventures - Join Us!

Sight and Sound Theatre Presents "MOSES"



Travel with us to Lancaster, Pennsylvania, Sept. 18-19, 2023 to experience one of the Bible's most epic stories as "MOSES" comes to life with massive sets, special effects, and live animals in this original stage production. From the banks of the Nile River to the depths of the Red Sea, "MOSES" is a spectacular entertainment experience!

Set adrift as a baby, he is an unlikely hero until God calls him to lead His people out of Egypt and into the Promised Land. Journey with Moses as he ventures through the wilderness, encounters God at the burning bush, and ascends to the top of Mount Sinai.

We will also take time along the way to walk down memory lane at the Jimmy Stewart Museum, a definite must-see for film buffs and Jimmy fans alike located in Indiana, PA and we will stop to enjoy some local Amish food, crafts, and homemade goodies!

The cost for this overnight trip is $439.00 per person double occupancy. For information and reservations, call Stacey at 814-332-9712 or email her at steuta@wesbury.com.

A Gilded Age Christmas in Newport

Experience a magnificent "Gilded Age Christmas" as we tour the spectacular mansions of Newport, Rhode Island, Nov. 28 - Dec. 2, 2023. Originally built as "summer cottages" in the late 1800s, these cliffside mansions offer fascinating tours during the holidays when the halls are glittering in festive finery. We will also experience what the coastal cuisine has to offer at local eateries, walk the cobblestone streets, stay in a 1700s Inn, sample local wine, and enjoy a fun-filled dinner theatre show.

Our adventure begins as we journey to Stockbridge, Mass. There we step back in time for a night at the 1700s-era Red Lion Inn. This quaint, historic inn is famously included in Norman Rockwell's 1967 painting, "Stockbridge Main Street at Christmas (Home for Christmas)".

Upon arrival in Newport, we'll explore this picturesque seaside town with a guide in period dress who will provide an entertaining 19th-century narrated tour of the 10-mile loop and Newport City. From here, we will marvel at the opulence and unbelievable detail as we tour Newport's finest mansions in their holiday splendor to include "Rosecliff Mansion," famous for its "Gilded Age" parties; the dazzling "Marble House" built for Alva & William Vanderbilt at a cost of 11 million dollars; and "Breakers Mansion," the home of Cornelius Vanderbilt where meticulously decorated trees adorn every room.

Then it's off to Newport Vineyard for a tour and tasting before we top off the day with an exquisite dinner at Sardella's Restaurant.

Not to be missed is "Christmas at Blithewold!" Each year, this mansion celebrates the magic of Christmas in every room while the surrounding gardens become a glimmering winter wonderland! As we venture north to Sturbridge, Mass., we will enjoy lunch at "The Historic Publick House Inn," which was established on the eve of the American Revolution! As we journey home, our final stop is "Beardslee Castle." Built in 1860, we will experience a Christmas Murder Mystery dinner theater in this delightful Irish-style Castle setting.

The cost for this trip is $1,998.00 per person (double occupancy) and includes the following:

- Roundtrip Myers Motorcoach transportation from Wesbury with free parking
- 5 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 4 Dinners
- 4 nights hotel accommodations with baggage handling
- Christmas Murder Mystery at Beardslee Castle, Little Falls, NY
- All admissions and Newport Winery/tour/tasting.
- Wesbury hosts and Premiere Tour manager

For information and reservations, call Stacey at 814-332-9712 or email her at steuta@wesbury.com.

Travel for a Cause! All Proceeds Benefit The Wesbury Benevolent Care Fund.

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Making the Move to Cribbs: A Son's Story

Don Smock (left) and his son Ken

"This was not an easy decision," says Ken Smock when asked about his father's move to Wesbury's Cribbs Residential Center. Their family spent many days and hours discussing what direction to take when it came to his father's living arrangements. His dad thought he was not ready to move out of his house and downsize to a different environment.

Ken could see this needed to be brought up more often as he saw the difficulties his father was having in keeping his house going and living independently. He worried about Dad getting the chores done, maintaining a clean living space, and about his safety or falling while living alone in his house. And then there are the winter months, which offer a whole different level of worry for the loved ones of a senior living alone who needs to get to appointments or to get groceries.

On top of all that, there is maintaining a healthy lifestyle, and Ken says he stressed about his father doing the important, everyday things, like is he eating right, taking his medications correctly, as well as showering/bathing daily?

"We really felt Dad needed an environment where he could be helped around the clock when a need presents itself. We did investigate a few options locally, but when we got to Cribbs for a tour, there was a gamechanger," says Ken. His father is a retired veteran, and he lived his life in a regimented fashion. He likes set times to eat and an environment that can be structured. Cribbs can offer regular meal times and scheduled activities and outings, but when he saw how Wesbury recognized the vets living at Cribbs on the Veteran's Wall, his dad lit up. This was the game changer, and they began the process of moving to Cribbs.

Today, things are going great. Ken and his family have the peace of mind they were searching for and his dad loves living at Cribbs. This is the outcome they hoped for, but it's the reasons he loves Cribbs that makes them feel good about their choice. His dad is socializing more, whether it's meeting with his fellow vets or just relaxing outside, and there are always people around. Then there is the Wesbury staff, Ken says they cannot say enough about how great the staff is. "From bottom to top, top to bottom they are all working to support my dad," says Ken. "We appreciate knowing that if he stops at the nurses' station there is always someone there ready to help. It's the same with the housekeepers and dietary staff, all of those working at Cribbs are superheroes as far we are concerned."

Is your family in need of an environment change for a loved one? Let Wesbury and Cribbs Residential Center help you. To learn more call Melissa at 814-332-9009 or email us at info@wesbury.com to schedule a visit.

"My father has been living at Wesbury almost a year and still says the thing he loves the most are the people around him, his fellow residents and especially the staff, doing whatever they can to help him when he needs it."

Choose Wesbury and You Choose One of the Best

Wesbury is honored to be voted 2023's Best Nursing/ Personal Care Home and Best Home Health Care by The Meadville Tribune's 2023 Reader's Choice. Additionally, we want to congratulate Wesbury's Medical Director, Dr. David Williams, for being voted Best Physician in the 2023 Meadville Tribune Reader's Choice.

Wesbury also maintained its 5-star rating with the Centers for Medicare/ Medicaid as well as being ranked a top 20 best nursing home in Pennsylvania for 2023 by Newsweek Magazine.

For this year's Newsweek Best Nursing Home ranking, they identified the nation's top 475 facilities. The rankings are based on four criteria including a performance data score, a reputation score, and a COVID-19 score. For 2023, they have also added a score for facilities accredited by the Joint Commission International, an independent, non-profit healthcare standards organization that has been accrediting facilities since 1951.

These accolades and markers prove Wesbury is not only the exceptional choice for seniors in Northwest Pennsylvania but that individuals and families who turn to us for the highest quality programs and services will experience M.O.R.E.

Crawford Gives is Going Bigger in 2023

Celebrating its fifth year, Crawford Gives, the annual online giving event, is extending to a 72-hour window to make donations to Crawford County non-profits between Sunday, August 27th and Tuesday, August 29th. Last year, 158 charitable organizations participated in the event and raised nearly $700,000.

We are grateful to have been very blessed by donors and supporters from the start of Crawford Gives. We thank you and welcome your consideration in support during this year's event. When you donate to Wesbury, you directly support residents through our Benevolent Care Fund. Benevolent Care helps support people at Wesbury who have outlived their financial resources and require charitable care. We are very proud of our more than a century-long history of not asking anyone to leave because of a lack of money. Our Benevolent Care Fund makes that promise possible. To find out about all the nonprofits participating in Crawford Gives and to donate during the event, visit *crawfordgives.org*.

Rhonda Thomas (Wesbury Foundation VP Stewardship and Development) and Christian Maher (Crawford Heritage Community Foundation Executive Director) at the first Crawford Gives in 2019.

Wesbury "Cultivates Kindness" During National Skilled Nursing Care Week

Established by the American Health Care Association (AHCA) in 1967 and always beginning on Mother's Day, National Skilled Nursing Care Week (NSNCW), formerly known as National Nursing Home Week, provides an opportunity to recognize the role of skilled nursing care centers in caring for America's seniors and individuals with disabilities.

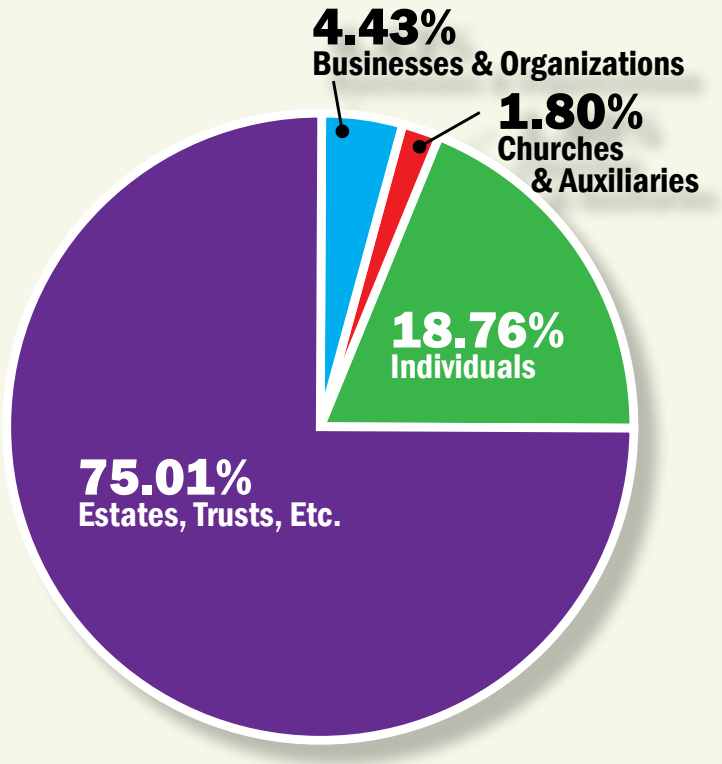
The 2023 NSNCW theme, "Cultivating Kindness," serves as a tribute to life's most significant events, relationships, and experiences that shape the unique perspectives of residents, families, staff, and volunteers in long-term and post-acute care.

This year, we kicked things off with carnations for purchase where staff, residents and visitors could purchase the flowers and write a special message for one another. The dollar cost for each flower supported Wesbury residents through the Grace resident Christmas Fund. Throughout the week, the activities staff had special entertainment planned for the residents' enjoyment which included a Wesbury favorite, Z-Praise, who entertained the residents of Grace Rehabilitation and Health Center and Cribbs Residential Center. Staff were treated to daily goodies served up by management as a thank you for choosing a career of service and always choosing to Be M.O.R.E. by continually providing Meaningful Opportunities and Rewarding Experiences (M.O.R.E.). This is in keeping with the week's theme of practicing compassion and kindness to not only improve health and well-being but also to strengthen our connections and bonds as a community.

2022 Financials

The vast majority of donations support the Wesbury Benevolent Care Fund.

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 a planned gift, such as a trust, annuity, or insurance policy. We offer our heartfelt thanks to donors who include Wesbury residents in their philanthropic goals. 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 2022 fundraising events. We would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for their very generous support of Wesbury!

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Enhanced Apartment Choices to Meet Your Preference!

Laying the cornerstone for Cribbs Residential Center in 1950.

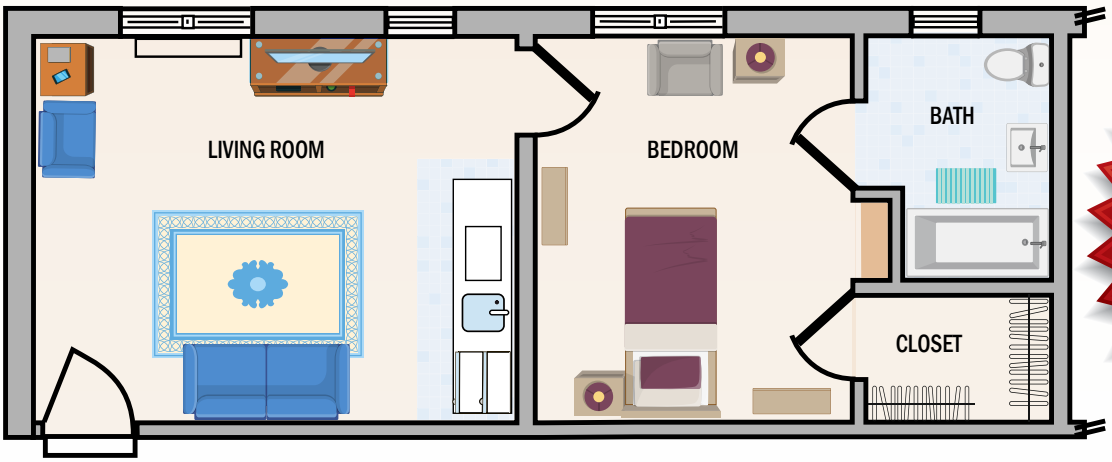
2023 Cribbs apartment renovations.

In the early 1950's when Cribbs Residential Center relocated from the farm in Conneautville and opened its doors in Meadville, the building was constructed of ample common areas and one room accommodations with shared bathrooms and balconies. At the time it was common for seniors to choose a move to Cribbs to rid themselves of home ownership and gain social engagement. It was an active environment where the focus was on enjoying the common space more than the size of the living space. But times have changed!

Today, while people still seek a move to Cribbs for the same reasons – no maintenance or isolation, more socialization and support - it is equally important that they have a private apartment where they can feel at home.

In order to meet a wide variety of preferences and budgets, Cribbs is enhancing existing apartments by adding kitchenettes and combining smaller units into well-appointed 2-room apartments with kitchenettes. This summer, with two of these combinations under construction, we look forward to announcing the completion of a new floor plan and will offer an open house to showcase them.

Cribbs is currently a 91 unit building. Our goal is to increase the number of larger floor plans to meet the growing demand. Because these enhanced living spaces are often preferred, we highly recommend that those considering a move to Cribbs should schedule a tour and join the waitlist. It is far better to do your homework and have a plan in place than to wait until the move is urgent and just start the process then. Planning provides the luxury of making the best choice and increases the likelihood that the apartment type of your preference will be available when the time is right. Call 814-332-9009 today to learn more!



Floor plan is an artistic rendition of new two room apartment. Actual plan may vary.

Join us for a Cribbs Residential Center Open House and see the new two room apartment. July 26, 2023 2:00 - 6:00 pm

"Thanks A Latte" to All of Our Wesbury Volunteers!

April is National Volunteer month, and it was very nice to see many of Wesbury volunteers together in one place for our annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon held in the Community Room at Cribbs Residential Center.

It really seemed like old times. During the long pause of the pandemic, we dearly missed every volunteer. According to Stacey Hoey, Volunteer Services Coordinator, "During this year's coffee-themed event, we are reminded how precious your time, talents, and energy are to us as Wesbury staff, but more importantly to Wesbury residents and their families."

In 2022, Wesbury volunteers provided 4,425 hours to the Wesbury community doing a variety of things. Volunteers have been a valuable and needed resource at Wesbury, assisting at mealtimes, activities, going on trips, helping with clerical duties, and running the Sunset Auxiliary Gift Shoppe.

The needs are real, and our volunteers are truly needed in so many ways. If you are considering volunteering, we would love to meet with you, and if you are a former Wesbury volunteer, we would love to see you back again. To find out where you can help, phone Stacey at 814-332-9280 or by email at shoey@wesbury.com.

Volunteer Statistics:
128 Volunteers serving in 2022 for 4,425 hours.
Total value of hours served in 2022: $131,776.50

Gifts of Love

Each year, Wesbury's Sunset Auxiliary uses the funds they raise annually through their sales from the Gift Shoppe located in Grace Rehabilitation and Health Center to purchase items that help to make the lives of residents and staff a little better and easier.

In their almost 70-year history, the Sunset Auxiliary has purchased a plethora of items from handrails to golf carts. When they asked where the need was for 2022, it was mentioned that an upgrade to the projection system in Barco Chapel would be a good place to look, as it is something that will serve the entire campus.

Constructed more than 20 years ago, the Barco Chapel is a gathering place for all kinds of events and services held in the Wesbury community. Staff use the room for training purposes, orientations, and educational programs as well as for holiday festivities. Residents use it for chapel services, activities, special movie nights, and more.

Thank you to our Sunset Auxiliary and all those who support them by shopping at their various sales during the year or by stopping by their Gift Shoppe. Your dedication to the Wesbury community is an asset we treasure, and we look forward to your support in the future.

"The purchase of this new projector is a gift that instantly upgrades whatever we are doing in the chapel and makes everything more efficient," says Rev. Sam Marchetta, Director of Pastoral Care. "We are also thrilled to have the technology in place for residents to have an enhanced experience by making it easier to see and follow along on our big screen during our church services."

Thanks for Choosing Wesbury

Congratulations to all 2023 Crawford County Career & Technical Center (Crawford Tech) grads! We are incredibly honored to have five graduates sign their letters of intent to start their post-graduation careers with Wesbury at the Crawford Tech Signing Day Ceremony. Thank you for choosing to be M.O.R.E. with us, and we can't wait to see you start your new career!

l to r: Michelle Potts-Sciallo (Wesbury Human Resources Specialist/Recruiter), Molly Jackson, Lexus Dechant, Chloe Hickok, Abigail Shiver, Arybella McCartney, and Yori Woodside BSN, RN (Wesbury DON).

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

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Meet the Sunset Auxiliary *(continued from page 8)*

support Wesbury through the Benevolent Care Fund and raising the money for other projects that enhance the lives of residents.

Margot Stoll is the Auxiliary's Corresponding Secretary. Margot and her late husband, Harry, came to Wesbury's Thoburn Village from Upstate New York. Harry was a retired United Methodist Minister. They have one son. Margot has worked with the Sunset Auxiliary since she moved to Wesbury 30 years ago. She enjoys reading, walking, and greeting the walkers who stroll through the Wesbury campus. Margot likes to support the Auxiliary because it helps the entire Wesbury community.

As well as its leadership teams, the Auxiliary has been blessed by the contributions of hundreds of volunteers who have helped the organization to thrive for almost 70 years. We would like to thank all these individuals for their selfless support!

As it moves forward, the Auxiliary is continuously striving to find new ways to evolve and raise funds. This year, its furniture sale netted almost $9,000, and it will be hosting its second annual Sunset Auxiliary Days Sale August 24-25, 2023. Please mark your calendars, pay them a visit, and help their cause!

Mark Your Calendars!

Sunset Auxiliary Days
Rummage and Used Book Sale
August 24-25, 2023

Wesbury United Methodist Community
31 N. Park Ave. · Meadville, PA 16335
814-332-9000 Toll Free 1-877-937-2879
www.wesbury.com

Upcoming Events

Bridges Memory Loss Support Group
3rd Wednesday of every month at 2:30 p.m. in Wesbury's Cribbs Residential Center Lingo Dining Room. For more information, call 814-332-9238. 2023 Schedule:
July - Open Sharing (Everyone)
Aug. - Available resources through Veterans Affairs and Active Aging (Everyone)
Sept. - Open Sharing (Everyone)
Oct. - Movie Month (Everyone)
Nov. - Preparing for the Holidays (Everyone)

Veterans Coffee Hour
1st Friday of every month at 9:30 a.m. in Wesbury's Cribbs Residential Center Lingo Dining Room. For more information and to RSVP, call 814-332-9280.

Seniors for Safe Driving
Basic Course (for new students) scheduled for August 15 & 16 from 5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Refresher Courses scheduled for August 15 and Oct 17. Times for these classes are all 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. All classes are at Wesbury's Campus Community Center. For more information call 800-559-4880.

Resident Family Chicken BBQ
Sunday, July 16th *(By invitation only)*

Cribbs Residential Center Open House
Come see our new 2-room apartment. Call 814-332-9009 for details.
Wednesday, July 26th from 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Resident Summer Concert Series
Aug. 7th - Flagship City Chapter Sweet Adelines
Aug. 14th - Erie Heights Brass Ensemble
Aug. 21st - Dan Hogan
Aug. 28th - Mike and Marie Miller
All concerts are from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. in the circle parking lot between Grace Rehabilitation & Health Center and Cribbs Residential Center on the Wesbury campus.

Cochranton Care Cottage Open House
Thursday, August 17th from 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunset Auxiliary Days Sale
August 24th and 25th
More details will be posted on our website and Facebook page.

Wesbury provides individualized proactive health care and life enrichment services to assist mature adults in maintaining their independence, dignity and spiritual wholeness in a secure, Christian environment.
- Mission Statement -