

ST. ANN'S COMMUNITY NEWS

SUMMER 2023



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FROM OUR PRESIDENT & CEO

"If I have seen further, it is by standing on the shoulders of giants."
– Isaac Newton

That quote came to mind as I contemplated an awesome milestone: This year, St. Ann's Community celebrates the 150th anniversary of its founding. Think about that...150 years of compassionate care for, as we are fond of saying, "the most important people on earth."

In 1873, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Rochester laid the foundation for an organization that would set the standard for care across generations. What began as a haven for young immigrant women transitioned to St. Ann's Home for the Aged in 1904, and we've been growing ever since.

Remarkably, there have been only three CEOs of St. Ann's Community. Sister Marie Michelle Peartree served from 1963 to 1997 and, among numerous other milestones, oversaw the development of St. Ann's Community at Chapel Oaks. From 1997 to 2014, Betty Mullin-DiProsa provided stellar leadership which included (again, among other landmark moments) the creation of St. Ann's Community at Cherry Ridge.

I am humbled to stand on the shoulders of these giants. Their vision and that of the Sisters of St. Joseph are the foundation upon which we continue to build. Most recently we completed the renovation of our Leo Center for Caring, our dedicated hospice floor. This would not have been possible without our philanthropic donors who provided \$1.5 million in support for this initiative.

I hope you enjoy reading about the history and growth of St. Ann's in this newsletter. I am confident, given the dedication of our staff, the inspiration of our elders, and the tradition of service we continue to honor, the next 150 years look to be simply magnificent.



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Annual giving is crucial to the success of St. Ann's Community. The generosity of our donors

shape and transform the lives of our elders every day. Gifts provided through annual giving are the cornerstone to ensure the best quality of life for all who call St. Ann's their home. It also helps position us to continue to provide high quality care for elders now and in the future.

It was with this in mind that the 1873 Society was established to recognize donors who provide a gift of \$1,873 or more to St. Ann's Foundation annually. Our inaugural class of donors includes 139 individuals, families and corporations who are making a remarkable difference in how we deliver on our mission and places a priority on creating a lasting impact.

Jack Doyle, President & CEO of Doyle Security serves as Honorary Chair of the Society. He said, "I was honored when asked to serve in this capacity. I am deeply grateful for this generous community of like-minded donors who understand the importance of philanthropic support and commitment to St. Ann's Community."

GIFTS FROM GOD: CELEBRATING THE FOUNDING SPIRIT OF THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH

BY: MARY LOU MITCHELL, SSJ, PH.D., R.N. | *Director, Pastoral Care | St. Ann's Community*

Have you ever felt like you didn't belong? Like you no longer knew your place in the world?

That was the feeling one of St. Ann's elders was experiencing when I met with her not long ago. She had lived her life as a faithful Catholic but no longer felt part of the church community. For various reasons she felt alienated, and it upset her so deeply that it brought us both to tears.

As we shared this experience, I realized it was Divine Mercy Sunday, the Second Sunday of Easter that calls us to celebrate God's loving mercy toward all people. I reflected that ours is a God of mercy who wants us all to feel loved, to feel peace. This concept resonated with her and helped her regain a sense of belonging in God's love.

As a Sister of St. Joseph, my role is to be a loving presence to the "dear neighbor" (like the elder mentioned above) and to build relationships between neighbor and neighbor and between neighbor and God. That is the foundation on which the Sisters of St. Joseph established the precursor to St. Ann's Home in 1873, and it remains the guiding principle of our ministry to this day.

For example, our commitment to providing the highest quality of person-centered care—with its focus on eliminating loneliness, helplessness, and boredom among our elders—bears witness in the 21st century to what the Sisters desired for this community 150 years ago.

St. Ann's is blessed to have one of the largest Pastoral Care departments in Monroe County among acute and long-term care providers.

Spiritual guidance and comfort are always available to our elders. As part of our team, I'm honored to be one of three Sisters of St. Joseph serving St. Ann's today:

- Sr. Karen Dietz is a staff member in Pastoral Care with a tremendous ability to support vulnerable individuals in a most compassionate way.
- Sr. Mary Ann Sutera is a longtime volunteer whose dedication to our elders finds her serving in multiple capacities.

Both do a wonderful job carrying on the tradition of compassionate faith-based care that our order is known for.

The mission and spirit of the Sisters of St. Joseph are gifts from God. At the heart of these gifts is a deep desire to meet the unmet needs of those around us. In my seven years of ministry within St. Ann's Community, I find that these gifts are the very essence of the service given by every member of this community. It is the lived reality of our daily interactions, and it truly sets us apart. I can honestly say, with more than 40 years of professional experiences, that St. Ann's is the kindest place I have ever worked.

As I shared with my neighbor who was feeling alienated, the concept of Divine Mercy focuses on the merciful love of God and the desire to let that love and mercy flow through our hearts toward those in need. That is the spirit which brought St. Ann's into being 150 years ago and which can still be felt in abundance across our community today.

Would you like to learn more about how you can become an 1873 Society member?

Contact Cati Pulver, Director of Development, at 585-697-6320 or scan the QR code to find out more.



SISTERS OF SAINT JOSEPH
OF ROCHESTER





1873



Sisters of St. Joseph founded The Home of Industry on Edinburgh Street, Rochester to provide shelter and to teach a trade to young immigrant women who had no families, so they could support themselves.

2005



St. Ann's launches a second campus in Webster. St. Ann's Community at Cherry Ridge is situated on 41 acres offering 55 cottage homes, 75 apartments along with 51 assisted living and 24 memory care suites.

St. Ann's becomes one of the largest senior healthcare and housing systems in Rochester.

2012



Wegman Care Center opens and is Rochester's first freestanding rehabilitation facility.

Leo Center for Caring opens, offering dedicated hospice and palliative care services.

St. Ann's Care Center opens on its Webster campus, allowing Cherry Ridge to provide a full continuum of care.

2014



Michael E. McRae becomes President and CEO. Under Michael's leadership, St. Ann's has strategically repositioned services on two campuses.

St. Ann's partners with Rochester Regional Hospital to open the only Advanced Wound Healing Center in a Skilled Nursing facility in New York State.

1904



The Home of Industry formally changed its name to St. Ann's Home for the Aged.

To meet the increasing needs of the Rochester Community, St. Ann's turned its focus to become a residential care facility for the elderly and moved to the Lake Avenue location.

1963



Sr. Marie Michelle Peartree becomes President & CEO of St. Ann's Home for the Aged. With nine stories and 354 mostly private rooms, it becomes one of the largest nursing homes in Rochester.

Sr. Marie Michelle was elected the first-ever woman President of the National Association of Homes and Services for the Aging.

1973



Chapel Oaks retirement community opens on Irondequoit campus with 120 luxury apartments, dining and housekeeping services.

Betty Mullin-DiProsa becomes St. Ann's first lay person to hold the position of President & CEO.



With its distinctive shape and 19 stories, The Heritage boasted 239 apartments and served as a premier retirement community of its day.

2019



St. Ann's Home launches a \$40 million renovation project with a focus on bringing person-centered care to each and every resident. The options for retirement living also grew in 2019, offering seniors additional choices of where to live.

2022



The renovation of St. Ann's Home is completed, offering additional places to gather, larger resident living areas and private rooms, enhanced heating and cooling systems, and updated finishes to make every day more comfortable.

ST. ANN'S OF GREATER ROCHESTER, INC. BOARD MEMBER PROFILE: JOE WESLEY

You might say Joe Wesley has a top-floor perspective on St. Ann's Community.

As a teen, he delivered newspapers to St. Ann's Home and to elders of The Heritage, the 19-story tower that was an iconic feature of the Irondequoit campus for many years.

"I'd take the elevator to the top, then take the stairs to make my deliveries," says Joe. "It was a great workout!"

It was also a great way to meet people. Joe got to know many of the elders and enjoyed hearing about their lives and families.

"Hearing about their life experiences, I couldn't help but get attached to them," he says, fondly recalling his customers decades later. "My parents always said, 'Respect your elders.' Well, that was easy to do."

That long-ago connection with people his grandparents' age contributed to Joe's decision, many years later, to join St. Ann's of Greater Rochester, Inc. Board of Directors. (His connection goes even deeper: his mother was a shift supervisor at St. Ann's Home while he was growing up, and he and several siblings had part-time jobs there.) It stemmed from a suggestion by longtime Board Member Jim Leo, a colleague of Joe's at Wegmans where Jim served as Chief Financial Officer.

"I've known and been friends with Jim for years," says Joe, who serves as Director of Government Relations & Strategic Initiatives for Wegmans. "He knew my connection to St. Ann's and asked me about joining the Board. It seemed like such a natural fit – it was an easy sell for Jim!"

Since 2020, Joe has brought his extensive business experience to St. Ann's Board and its Human Resources sub-committee. He says that St. Ann's Community and Wegmans share a common approach.

"If you do right by your employees, they'll do right by your customers, or in St. Ann's case, your elders," he explains. "St. Ann's practices that philosophy and places value on taking care of its employees. That translates to exceptional care for those who live there."

In addition to St. Ann's, Joe serves on several other boards including Lifetime Assistance, Greater Rochester Enterprise, and Yamtep, which provides manufacturing training for young people. With a background in accounting and finance, he also manages the Wegman Family Charitable Foundation.

Being part of St. Ann's Community, he says, is an extension of how he viewed the older adults on his paper route years ago.

"In this fast, throw-away world, it falls on us to make our elders as happy and comfortable as possible. You don't realize it as a kid, but one day we'll be in their shoes," Joe says. "I'm proud of what goes on at St. Ann's and proud to be part of such a caring community."

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2022 MARTIN F. BIRMINGHAM LEADER IN PHILANTHROPY AWARD: ANTHONY R. PALERMO

In 1974, St. Ann's welcomed Anthony "Tony" Palermo as a member of the Board of Directors and had the great fortune of his service for 25 years. He remains an Emeritus Board Member to this day.

It was during Tony's tenure on the Board that the original idea for Chapel Oaks was born. Tony is a retired Of Counsel to the law firm, Woods Oviatt Gilman LLP, and served as legal counsel to St. Ann's. The leadership that Tony provided during his many years of service to St. Ann's, and as one of the visionaries of Chapel Oaks, continues to this day through his philanthropic support of St. Ann's.

Now living at Chapel Oaks himself, there are few people in the Rochester community who truly understand what a vital role St. Ann's plays and has played in the lives of so many elders and their families than Tony, who once served, and is now served himself by St. Ann's Community.

*The **Martin F. Birmingham Leader in Philanthropy Award** recognizes leadership, dedication, and philanthropic commitment to St. Ann's Community.*

2022 PARTNER IN PHILANTHROPY AWARD: HEATHER REIFF

Heather is the Environmental Services Manager for St. Ann's Home, Wegman Care Center and Leo Center for Caring. She has served as a Champion for both the annual Employee Campaign to support St. Ann's Foundation, as well as our annual United Way Campaign to support the Rochester Community. She consistently encourages both new and increased donors for both activities. Heather herself is a loyal donor to St. Ann's and the United Way.

Heather is always there to assist St. Ann's Foundation in any way she can, including supporting the preparations for all events, such as the annual Employee Scholarship Program, donor dedications, anniversaries, and campaign celebrations. St. Ann's Community and the Foundation are fortunate to have such a great partner in advancing philanthropy within the organization.

*Established in 2004, the **Partner in Philanthropy Award** recognizes St. Ann's Community employees who demonstrate an exceptional level of support for those we serve through their personal and professional commitment to philanthropy.*



Heather Reiff, Partner in Philanthropy Award recipient and Tony Palermo, Martin F. Birmingham Leader in Philanthropy Award recipient.

BY THE NUMBERS

In 2022, our donors had tremendous impact on *Caring for the Most Important People on Earth*.



PHILANTHROPIC SUPPORT:
\$2,031,216



STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS, PROGRAM GRANTS & DISTRIBUTIONS:
\$1,939,350

EXPENSES

REVENUE
\$86,556,240



NET ASSETS
\$84,156,012

TOTAL: \$95,187,116

**2022 audited financial data*

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ST. ANN'S HOME SPECIAL CARE UNIT



PASTORAL CARE



WORKFORCE INVESTMENT



ANNIE'S ANGEL FUND



LEO CENTER FOR CARING



LIFE ENRICHMENT



MUSIC THERAPY



EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION & SCHOLARSHIPS



ST. ANN'S CARE CENTER BACKYARD

LIVES SERVED BY SERVICE AREA

2022 TOTAL: 3,160

235

ADULT DAY SERVICES

107

ASSISTED LIVING

327

GERIATRIC PRIMARY CARE (PILLAR MEDICAL)

402

INDEPENDENT LIVING

25

LEO CENTER FOR CARING (HOSPICE CARE)

987

OUTPATIENT WOUND CARE

566

SKILLED NURSING CARE

511

REHABILITATION & TRANSITIONAL CARE

**10,523
HOURS**

GIVEN BY VOLUNTEERS

**4,924
HOURS**

OF LIFE ENRICHMENT
SUPPORT

**3,400+ HOURS
OF STAFF
EDUCATION**

13,000+
BINGO GAMES PLAYED

**92,581
VISITORS**

1,500+
DONORS

300+
PROGRAMS
BY OUTSIDE ENTERTAINERS
AT ST. ANN'S HOME

**64
STAR
AWARDS
PRESENTED**

**1,152
MUSIC THERAPY
SESSIONS**

**24
EMPLOYEE
SCHOLARSHIPS
AWARDED**

**15,000+ PASTORAL
CARE VISITS**

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We are extremely grateful for your many gifts in support of the elders of St. Ann's Community in 2022. You have made it possible for us to make life full of choice, independence, and fulfillment for each of our elders.

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ANNA AND LEN STEIN AWARDS: 2022 RECIPIENTS

The Anna and Len Stein Award recognizes a direct care partner in skilled nursing who, as a frontline worker, exemplifies selflessness to benefit the elders of St. Ann's Community. The award is to provide ongoing recognition of outstanding members of the nursing staff who exemplify St. Ann's mission and values of excellence.

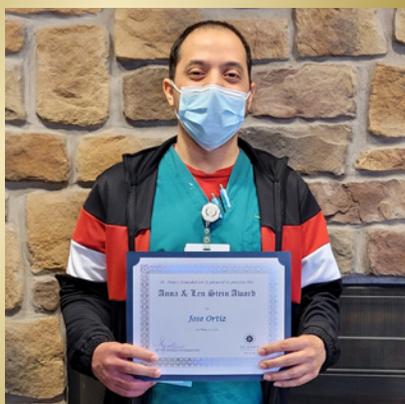
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St. Ann's Care Center
8 Years of Service



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26 Years of Service

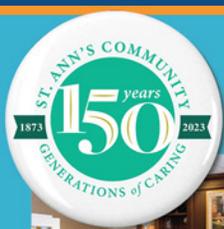


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9th Floor (Rehab), St. Ann's Home
14 Years of Service



Established in 2020, the **Anna & Len Stein Award** recognizes outstanding members of St. Ann's Nursing staff.



Award winning retirement living throughout Monroe, Ontario, and Genesee County



St. Ann's Community at Chapel Oaks is nestled on 14 lush acres in Irondequoit, and features spacious one and two-bedroom apartments with private patios, plus a heated pool, fitness center, and luxury dining options.

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St. Ann's Community at Cherry Ridge is located on 41 wooded acres in the heart of Webster, and offers modern cottage homes and apartments, as well as assisted living and memory care services.

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St. Ann's Community at The Greens features one and two-bedroom patio apartments, and is located just outside of the charming village of LeRoy, steps from town center shopping and fine dining.

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St. Ann's Community has recently partnered with Quail Summit, and is proud to now offer spacious one and two-bedroom senior living apartments in the Finger Lakes Region.

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STAR PROGRAM AWARDS: THANKING EXCEPTIONAL STAFF

“We’ve seen other senior communities and they just aren’t as involved in the elders lives as they are at St. Ann’s Community.”

That’s the consensus of the Fortman family, who nominated Cherry Ridge staff members for a STAR Award in August 2022. Richard and Anna Fortman called Cherry Ridge their home for 10 years and were well known for their active involvement in the community. Richard, who organized countless bocce tournaments and other events over the years, passed away in 2022.

Their active lifestyle was supported by the entire Cherry Ridge staff, says daughter-in-law Mary Fortman.

“The staff was always there for them,” she says. “I can’t think of anyone who didn’t say, ‘Yes, I can help you with that’. And my father-in-law always had a lot going on!”

The Fortman family collectively made a gift to the STAR Fund in recognition of Cherry Ridge staff across multiple departments including Case Manager **Kelly Cantaben**; Life Enrichment Assistant **Katina Tasker**; Lead Mechanic **Ron McMahon**; Mechanics **Tom Eneedy**, **Andy Sikes**, and **Ramon Ubiera**; and Communications Coordinator **Tess Conderman**.

In addition to Richard and Anna, also contributing to the STAR Award were Richard’s children Kathy, Margaret (Joe) and Jerry (Mary).

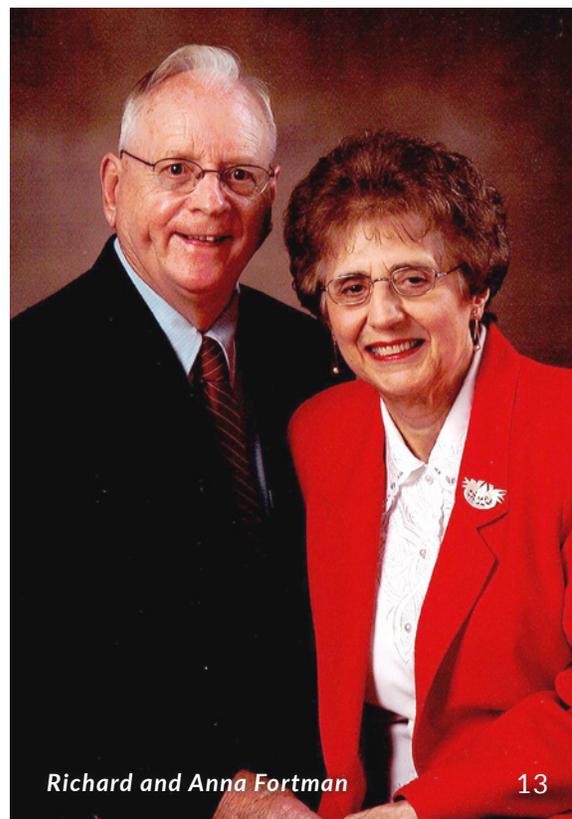
“We really appreciate all that everyone did for them while they were living at Cherry Ridge,” Mary says. “They were very happy there and loved the extra service the staff provided. Everyone was kind, friendly and helpful. They were always willing to do whatever Dick asked and to help him accomplish his many ideas.”

The STAR Program allows family members and independent living residents to thank the exceptional staff caring for the most important people on earth. Gifts to the STAR Fund support a variety of recognition activities designed to thank all of St. Ann’s employees. A donation of \$35 or more allows you to recognize a specific employee or an entire team.

To nominate someone for a STAR Award, visit stanscommunity.com/star-award or scan the QR code.



Kelly Cantaben; Tom Eneedy; Ron McMahon; Andy Sikes; Tess Conderman; Katina Tasker; and Ramon Ubiera.



Richard and Anna Fortman



BEQUESTS ALLOW FOR REFRESH OF ST. ANN'S CARE CENTER BACKYARD

There is nothing like a beautiful day spent relaxing in the backyard with a lemonade in hand. Thanks to funding from several bequests that donors directed to St. Ann's Foundation, the greenspace behind St. Ann's Care Center received some TLC in the form of landscaping, leveling, and leisure equipment. In addition, the ground was re-graded allowing our elders to easily navigate it. To ensure elders' safety, a fence was added to the perimeter of the yard. And, for those sunny summer days, a new canopy will provide a shady retreat. These improvements make holding outdoor group activities more enjoyable for our elders, and more manageable for Life Enrichment staff and Care Partners.

The elders of St. Ann's Care Center waited patiently throughout the winter to enjoy the sunshine and warm weather in their upgraded backyard. They can now get their hands in the dirt of the newly added raised garden beds, which are wheelchair accessible. Or, if they prefer to relax,

elders can use the accessible garden swing, which allows for a loved one to sit and swing with them. Life Enrichment Coordinator, Regina Dennis, says she looks forward to lemonade socials, gardening club, and picnics in the backyard. She noted elders are especially looking forward to doing some planting, and said, "Having the ability to take care of plants provides opportunities for the elders to care for something, rather than always being taken care of themselves."

Rene Barnes, St. Ann's Care Center Administrator added, "With the nice weather here, our elders are enjoying the backyard. We are thankful that the generosity of those who chose to remember St. Ann's in their estate will allow our elders to safely utilize and enjoy this space."

If you are considering including St. Ann's in your estate, please contact Elizabeth Roach, Director of Development, 585-697-6338.

CORPORATE PARTNER PROFILE: SPECIAL CARE SYSTEMS



For Ann Kowal, it felt like fate. Early in her career, Ann a trained optician, began providing optical clinics for the elders of St. Ann's. During the clinics she would fit/fix elders' glasses on a regular basis, and as she became acquainted with the staff and elders Ann found that the culture of St. Ann's matched her own values. As Ann said, "As I got to know the people and organization, and saw how gentle and kind the staff was, it was clear St. Ann's aligned with my own faith and beliefs."



It was this affinity for St. Ann's, that would eventually open the door for Ann and her husband, Myron, when they established Special Care Systems. In the early days of the business, Ann continued to work as an

optician and provide optical services at St. Ann's. It was through this connection, and the unexpected repair of an administrator's glasses, that Ann was able to make contact about Special Care System's turnkey nurse call system. That fortuitous encounter spurred a long-term relationship between Special Care Systems and St. Ann's Community. A relationship that Ann is forever grateful for and proud of, "St. Ann's took a chance on us. It was one of the first, and largest projects, Special Care Systems had at the time, and we knew as soon as we were able that we'd start supporting St. Ann's with an annual gift."

They've been doing just that for 16 years. Their philanthropic giving is simple, "It's what St. Ann's has meant to me and done for us, and the people who are a part of St. Ann's Community. The genuineness of the care teams, administrators, etc. really lives up to the motto 'Caring for the Most Important People on Earth'."

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: DON AND FAITH KEELEY

Faithful, committed, consistent. As volunteers go, Don and Faith Keeley, are exceptional.

"WE ARE EXTREMELY GRATEFUL FOR THE WORK THAT DON AND FAITH DO. THEY GO ABOVE AND BEYOND; AND WITH THEIR HELP WE CAN PROVIDE PASTORAL/SPIRITUAL CARE TO MORE ELDERS."

St. Ann's is an important piece of their lives: Faith's mother was served here, Don and Faith choose *The Walter and Barbara Parkes Family Chapel* at St. Ann's as their place of worship, they are philanthropic donors, and Faith even found

her calling as a nurse when she was employed as a nurses' aide early in her career. Five years ago, after retiring, Don and Faith decided to 'answer the call' as volunteers at St. Ann's Community as well.

Our Pastoral Care team, who work closely with the Keeleys, had this to say about Don's and Faith's volunteerism, "We are extremely grateful for the work that Don and Faith do. They go above

and beyond; and with their help we can provide pastoral/spiritual care to more elders." In 2022 alone, Don and Faith provided over 230 volunteer hours serving the spiritual needs of the elders of St. Ann's Home.

If you'd like to learn more about volunteering, please contact our Volunteer Services Manager, Colleen Holcomb at **585-697-6523** or fill out a **volunteer application online at stannscm.com/apply-now**. There are many ways to support our elders and bring joy into their lives.





ANN & PATRICK MCCORMICK SCHOLARSHIP

Many of us dream of furthering our education. Not everyone, however, is able to do so.

Ann and Patrick McCormick wanted to do something about that.

“We both had many opportunities to take our education as far as we wanted,” says Ann. “Other people don’t have that. We wanted to help give them the opportunities we had.”

That was the thinking behind the *Ann & Patrick McCormick Scholarship*, which was endowed for St. Ann’s employees in 2009. As a St. Ann’s Board Member from 2005 to 2017 (and now an Emeritus Board Member), Ann knew of the organization’s commitment to its employees.

“It makes sense,” said Ann, a retiree of the real estate development firm Home Properties, where she served as Executive Vice President and General Counsel for 28 years. “You want your employees to be as loyal as they can be, and you do that by showing your appreciation for them. St. Ann’s does that extremely well.”

“It’s not a huge amount, but it’s meaningful to the recipients,” she says. “It’s also recognition that the

organization values them and sees a future for them at St. Ann’s. That means a lot.”

Ann and Patrick have been generous donors to St. Ann’s for almost 20 years. Ann’s service on the Board, sparked by a friendship with former CEO Betty Mullin-DiProsa, was a perfect fit.

“It was right in line with my experience in housing,” she says. “Unlike some boards where it’s basically an honorary role, St. Ann’s truly relies on its Board Members for their expertise. They never failed to call on me with questions related to my background and I appreciated that.”

Having a longstanding relationship with St. Ann’s, the couple was confident their financial support of the Employee Scholarship Program would be used wisely.

“St. Ann’s has always been a good shepherd of our gifts,” Ann says. “So when we wanted to do something that would enhance employees’ education and be around for a while, we knew the scholarship was the right thing to do.”

“It’s very gratifying to hear how the scholarship makes a difference for them,” she said.

EMPLOYEE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT: TERESA IVES

She worked hard to earn her bachelor's degree, but Teresa Ives did not want to stop there.

"I like what I do and want to further my education so I can keep getting better at my job," she says.

Her degree in Health Information Management (HIM) enabled Teresa to obtain a job at St. Ann's Community. She's been an HIM Technician for three years, handling complex medical coding that ensures elders' medical records are up to date, they're billed properly, and everything complies with medical law.

As the latest recipient of the *Ann & Patrick McCormick Scholarship*, Teresa is able to pursue

her educational goals. The funds make it possible for her to earn additional coding credentials, broadening the areas she's certified in.

"It's a huge help. Getting the additional credentials isn't covered by student loans, so it's out-of-pocket," she explains. "This scholarship makes things easier. Just keeping up with day-to-day expenses is a challenge, so this is a huge relief both mentally and financially."

"It allows me to keep doing the work I love that benefits our elders and their families," Teresa says. "I'm so appreciative and I want to thank the donors who make it possible. They have no idea how helpful their support is."



Teresa Ives

SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE PROGRAM,
OVER \$425,000
HAS BEEN AWARDED



Congratulations to all 2022 Scholarship recipients!



ST. ANN'S ANGELS CELEBRATE 20TH ANNIVERSARY

The St. Ann's Angels celebrated their 20th anniversary in 2022, with a special lunch at Chapel Oaks.

Through fundraising activities and volunteerism, the St. Ann's Angels support Annie's Angel Fund, which provides our financially limited elders with the means to enjoy life's simple pleasures, such as lunch out with friends, a new pair of pajamas or a trip to the hair salon.

Since its inception in 2002, the Annie's Angel Fund has received more than 25,000 gifts from 3,000 donors and has raised over \$900,000. Projects and activities supported by Annie's Angel Fund include holiday celebrations and gifts for Christmas, New Year's, Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Mother's and Father's Day, as well as "Dude Parties", portable medical equipment, raised garden beds, renovations to St. Ann's Home, summer activities, and parties – just to list a few!

St. Ann's Community is blessed to have the support of St. Ann's Angels and would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the Annie's Angel Fund over the last 20 years.



Scan the QR code to make a gift to Annie's Angel Fund.



LEAVING A LEGACY AND GIVING BACK TOM RILEY AND BARBARA KELLEY

As longtime supporters of St. Ann's, Tom and Barbara consistently demonstrate their leadership through philanthropic gifts and volunteering time and expertise to St. Ann's. Tom served on the St. Ann's of Greater Rochester, Inc., Board of Directors for 36 years.

"Our association with St. Ann's goes back to the early 1950's (when Tom was a paper boy for the original Lake Avenue facility!). Through his decades of service on the Board, we have remained supportive of St. Ann's evolving commitment to a continuum of compassionate care for our community's seniors. St. Ann's will always be part of our lives and our legacy."

Established in 2003, the Hogan Legacy Society recognizes individuals who have funded a life-income gift or included St. Ann's Foundation in their estate plan. Do You Have A Plan for the Future? Download your free guide at www.mystanns.legacygift.com.

To learn more about becoming a Hogan Legacy Society member, please contact Elizabeth Roach, Director of Development, 585-697-6338.



LEO CENTER FOR CARING: \$1.5M RAISED FOR RENOVATION

COMPASSIONATE HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE AT ST. ANN'S COMMUNITY

In 2022, Leo Center for Caring celebrated its 10th anniversary with a renovation. Thanks to our philanthropic donors who together raised \$1.5 million in support of our Leo Center for Caring Renovation Initiative, we are bringing a new level of care to our elders – one that matches the compassion and sense of calm that our staff has provided since 2012. We are proud to have completed the following renovations:

- Addition of a full-service kitchen and upgraded dining area where families can gather and share meals, and aromas of home cooking can stimulate appetites.
- Updates to the outdoor terrace to encourage time spent enjoying fresh air and sunshine.
- Relocation of the meditation space provides an easily accessible, peaceful setting to find tranquility.
- The addition of two individual rooms allows us to care for more people in need of hospice.
- The creation of family suites to rest and recharge, while remaining close to their loved one.

DEDICATED SPACES

Meditation Space

In memory of Antoinette 'Shirley' Gallina, Father Michael 'Vincent' Guglielmelli, Dolores 'Dora' Guglielmelli by Jim and Flower Leo

Individual Rooms

- In memory of Albert & Mary Ellen Burke by Patrick C. Burke
- In memory of Eleanor C. Leo by Jim and Flower Leo
- In memory of John A. Leo by Jim and Flower Leo
- In honor of Adolfo and Mary A. DiProspero by Betty Mullin-DiProsa and Frank DiProsa
- In honor of James F. and Margaret A. Mullin by Betty Mullin-DiProsa and Frank DiProsa
- In honor of Leo Center for Caring Team Members by Palmer Food Services, Inc.

Family Suites

- In honor of St. Ann's Angels
- In memory of Mary Morphet by The Kathleen B. and Charles R. Walgreen III Foundation

If interested in supporting the Leo Center for Caring or learning about dedication opportunities, contact Jodi Revill, Vice President of St. Ann's Foundation at 585-697-6516.





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