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Bill and Johanna Diephuis

“We’re so grateful!” Trudi & Paul Ippel tell you why

“We find that making an annual contribution from our IRA account is an easy way to show our appreciation for Holland Home and Faith Hospice, as well as, gratefully remembering our parents.” The Ippels have faithfully given to both organizations for fifteen years.

More and more supporters ages 70 ½ and older give directly to us using a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from their individual retirement accounts. For those who qualify, IRA gifts offer a convenient, cost-effective, and powerful way to fulfill our promise to those we serve.

“We are so indebted to Holland Home and Faith Hospice for the care my mom received,” declared Trudi. “She moved directly into assisted living from her condo several years after my dad passed away. When her funds were depleted Holland Home was there to help.”

Trudi’s parents, Bill, and Johanna Diephuis moved their family from California to Grand Rapids in the mid 1950s and lived near Fulton Manor, a former campus of Holland Home. Johanna worked as a nurse, and Trudi’s two younger sisters as teenagers, worked at Fulton Manor. Bill taught history and Bible at Seymour Christian School.

The connection to Holland Home is strong. Trudi said, “When my dad retired, he became a night security guard at Raybrook Manor. He loved that job. Later our daughter, Rachel, worked as a nurse at the Raybrook campus. Paul’s parents, Henry and Marian, also lived at Holland Home. It’s always been important to our family.”

“My mom’s last few days were spent at Faith Hospice Trillium Woods. This was the most beautiful experience for our family,” Trudi shared with emotion in her voice. “They treated mom with such dignity. Honestly, it was a holy time!”

Support our mission through your IRA — contact the
Holland Home Foundation at 616-235-5125 or
foundation@hollandhome.org



Paul and Trudi Ippel



Mid-summer celebration at Breton Woods Park

Thank you to all who have supported this effort in raising \$1.1 million toward campus improvements.

The campaign is part of a comprehensive program to update the Breton Woods campus over a five-year period. All told, Holland Home will invest \$16 million in sixty projects campus wide.

Nearly 150 residents joined in a mid-summer Ice Cream Social to celebrate reaching 90% of the fundraising goal.

“The transformation of the Terrace is wonderful as we serve current and future residents” declared Holland Home CEO, Troy Vugtveen. “Now that the Terrace Café, lobby, and Centre Place have reopened, we see residents enjoying meals and gathering for fellowship and fun.” Additional projects will improve Breton Ridge, Breton Homes, campus lighting and energy efficiency.

You can support BretoNext now by contacting the Foundation office (616)235-5125, foundation@hollandhome.org, or by using your smartphone camera with this QR code:



Ladies-Only Dinners

In early May, the foundation team hosted Ladies Only Dinner events on the Breton and Raybrook Campuses. Sixty-four female residents and loved ones enjoyed a punch reception featuring a piano serenade, followed by a delicious dinner.

The evenings featured a presentation by Barnabas Foundation Director of Planning Lindsay Canan, J.D. titled “You, Your Loved Ones, And Your Future.” Lindsay shared “Don’t Worry ≠ Don’t Plan” noting that while the Bible commands us not to worry, there are also verses that tell us to plan.

Many attendees and others have scheduled free and confidential personal appointments with Lindsay to have their plans reviewed or to talk about next steps in creating a will or trust. Through Holland Home’s partnership with Barnabas Foundation, you can meet with Lindsay or one of her colleagues. Contact Keith Meyering at 616-235-5460 or Sarah DeYoung at 616-235-5462 for more information.

“The plans of the diligent lead surely to plenty, but those of everyone who is hasty, surely to poverty.”

Proverbs 21:5

“A good man leaves an inheritance to his children’s children.”

Proverbs 13:22



Faith Hospice's Garden & Prayer Walk

At Faith Hospice's Trillium Woods campus, we have created a haven for patients and their loved ones—a serene garden and prayer walk that opened in September 2024. Nestled outside the Van Andel Hope and Healing Pavilion, this sanctuary offers solace and tranquility to those navigating hospice and grief journeys. The garden features a prominent cross at its center, walking paths, ornamental plants, and an open lawn area. For more information, call Gina Schulz at 231.944.9332 or visit faithhospicecare.org/foundation/garden-prayer-walk/.

Join Faith Hospice as a Volunteer

Our volunteers are the heart and soul of our mission to provide compassionate care and support to patients and their families. These dedicated individuals offer their time, skills, and kindness, making an immeasurable difference in the lives of those navigating the challenges of end-of-life care.

Our volunteers engage in a variety of meaningful activities, from providing companionship to patients and offering respite to caregivers, to assisting with administrative tasks and making treats for families

at Trillium Woods. Each act of service, no matter how small, contributes to the overall well-being of our patients and their loved ones, creating an atmosphere of comfort and peace.

We invite you to join our team of compassionate volunteers and make a lasting impact. Whether you have a few hours a week or just a couple of days a month, your contribution can help bring hope and comfort to those who need it most. To learn more about becoming a Faith Hospice volunteer, please call (616) 356-4835.

Faith Hospice Wish List

We also welcome donations of specific items that enhance the care and comfort we provide. Your generous contributions of these items will directly support our volunteers' efforts in assisting our patients and their families. Items may be dropped off or sent to: **Faith Hospice, Volunteer Office, 8214 Pfeiffer Farms Dr, SW Byron Center, MI 49315.**



Bird Seed



Individually-Wrapped Store-Bought Snacks
(granola bars, cookies, candy, trail mix, etc.)



Body Wash



Bath Towels
(dark colors)



Hand Towels & Washcloths
(any color)



Lip Balm



Lotion
lavender or unscented



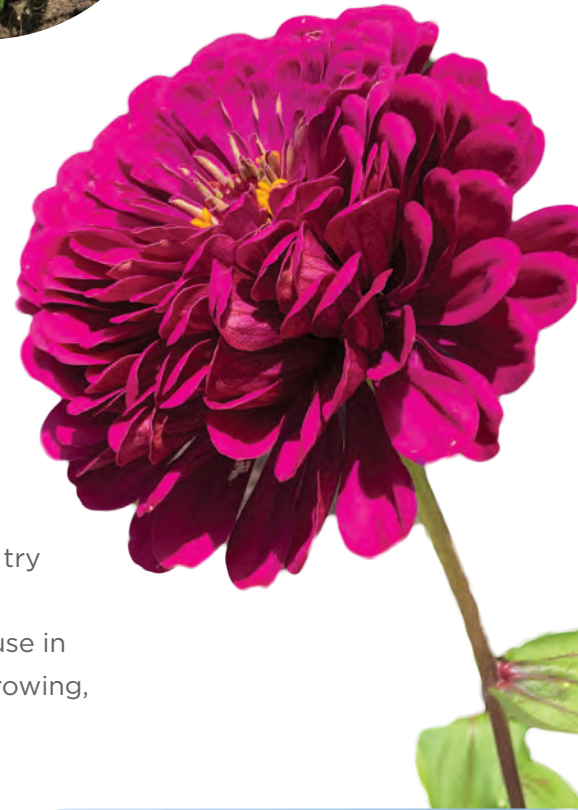
Poly-Fill



Bringing Veggies, Flowers, and Joy to Residents

Each quarter, Holland Home's Life Enrichment staff who serve in all levels of care, can request funds to purchase items that will enhance the quality of life for residents. A multi-disciplined committee of staff votes on and approves appropriate requests which are then funded through the Vibrant Living Grant Fund. This fund is supported through an annual appeal and other sources. Over the years dozens of items including exercise equipment, Grief Share group supplies, weighted blankets for residents living with dementia, and cooking equipment and supplies have been purchased and utilized allowing residents to try new things and engage with staff and peers in new ways.

In 2023 the Vibrant Living Grant Fund purchased two raised flower beds for use in the Mol Courtyard on the Raybrook Campus. Residents are enjoying planting, growing, caring for, and cultivating flowers and vegetables.



1892 Society Members Enjoy BBQ, Flowers, and Gospel Music

Holland Home celebrated the 1892 Heritage Society members at a special event held at the charming Wildwood Farms, honoring those who have generously made planned gifts. Guests enjoyed a delightful evening featuring flower cutting and arranging, refreshing Italian sodas, a delicious BBQ dinner, and uplifting Southern gospel music performed by the Skylight Quartet. The event was blessed with beautiful weather, making it a memorable event for all.

If you would like information on becoming a member of the Holland Home 1892 Heritage Society, please contact us at 616-235-5125.



WHAT A DAY!



Winning Teams

OPEN: Kool Auto Group

SENIOR: Renew Family Dental

MIXED: BCBS

Picture perfect weather, 226 golfers, 50 volunteers, record sponsorship dollars raised, and a whole lot of fun had by all.

This year's Holland Home Foundation Annual Golf Outing broke another record in raising over \$113,000 in proceeds for the Holland Home Foundation which supports the Resident Assistance Fund!

A heartfelt THANKS to all who supported and golfed.





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Questions? Call 616-235-5118.

It's a Wonderful Life!

Join us at the 2024 Keeping the Promise Dinner as we celebrate the gift of God's Son and reflect on the theme of friendship, community and generosity as demonstrated in the beloved holiday story, It's a Wonderful Life. This event is always a highlight of the holiday season. Every event contribution directly benefits the Holland Home Resident Assistance Fund ensuring that individuals are cared for even if they outlive their personal resources.

 **FaithHospice™**

ANNUAL FUNDRAISING LUNCHEON

Wednesday, October 2, 2024

12:00-1:00 PM

Cascade Hills Country Club



It's a Wonderful Life!

Monday, December 16, 2024

DeVos Place

featuring singer & songwriter Francesca Battistelli

For information on any of these events please contact the Holland Home and Faith Hospice Development Office at 616-235-5118 or marcia.timmerman@hollandhome.org