

Celebrating

50

years

1959 - 2009



The Village at Kelly Drive
A Lutheran Social Services Community

Event Schedule

Friday, September 18

Noon

A Luncheon Celebration

4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

A Celebration of Compassionate Care

Saturday, September 19

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Family and Community Celebration

Sunday, September 20

2:30 p.m.

A Celebration of Faith



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*This booklet is dedicated to the
early visionaries who met
to establish what was to become
Lutheran Social Services.*

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A Message from the CEO...

As I reflect on The Village at Kelly Drive's first half century of service, it is easy to understand why so many people have such great affection for the community. From its early years as a "home for older persons" to today when it is home to people of varying needs and circumstances, as well as offices of several community outreach services, The Village at Kelly Drive helped shape our vision and core values.

Founded as a partnership between Lutheran Social Services of South Central Pennsylvania (LSS) and the York Conference of the Central Pennsylvania Synod, Kelly has created a Lutheran presence reaching far beyond its physical boundaries. Traveling throughout central Pennsylvania, I am gratified to encounter a significant number of people who speak so highly of Kelly. For many it is the first place where they volunteered, or a home away from home where they visited their mother or father. It is a warm memory of singing with their youth group or of finding hope through a community outreach service based in Kelly Manor.

Kelly has been a place of smiles and laughter, hope and comfort, friends and friendship. It is a place where people have found not only a home but caring friends with whom they can share their lives – where staff and residents have become family and where hope has replaced despair. The Village has seen 50 years of service, growth and change, yet has held fast to its core values. Its rich heritage exemplifies the good that can be accomplished when persons of faith and commitment come together to serve one another in witness to the Gospel.

On behalf of the LSS Executive Cabinet, congratulations to the staff and those who have partnered with LSS to make the first 50 years at The Village at Kelly Drive a great success.

With deep appreciation,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. L. Rundle".

Robert L. Rundle

A stylized, handwritten number "2" in black ink.

A Message from the Chair...

More than 50 years ago, persons of faith and commitment came together with a vision for ministry. That vision ultimately found expression in the bricks and mortar of a "home for older persons" dedicated in York in 1959.



We are grateful to those dedicated visionaries who created a strong foundation upon which to build and expand. When it opened 50 years ago, the "York Lutheran Home for the Aged" accommodated 94 people. In 2008, the community known today as The Village at Kelly Drive served 206 individuals. Over the years, thousands of people have been served at Kelly, and thousands more touched in some way by its tradition of compassionate care.

The mission of Lutheran Social Services as an agency of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America is to witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ through acts of serving and caring. Guided by our core values of Heritage, Service, Integrity, Dignity and Stewardship, we strive to follow our Lord's teaching that, "As you have cared for the least of these, so you have cared for me." Truly, The Village at Kelly Drive stands today as a living testament to the fulfillment of our mission and dedication to the values that inspire and sustain us.

Mindful of those faithful visionaries who came before, the Board of Directors of Lutheran Social Services is pleased to congratulate The Village at Kelly Drive on its 50th anniversary.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a series of loops and curves, representing the name John B. Ferra, Jr.

The Rev. John B. Ferra, Jr.
Chair, Board of Directors

"We are not yet what we shall be but we are growing toward it. The process is not yet finished, but it is going on. This is not the end, but it is the road." - Martin Luther



A Message from the Bishop...

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead. – James 2:14-7

Lutherans, spiritually centered on the doctrine of salvation by grace through faith, have always read the words of James with some discomfort. Taken alone, they seem to lift up the necessity of works-righteousness. But in the larger context of the life of faith, they ring true. Saved by grace through faith, our faith is revealed in our way of living; in the way we treat others. In short, authentic faith calls forth good works of thankfulness and praise.

The ministry of Lutheran Social Services to address the needs of the elderly in the establishment of "a home for older persons" 50 years ago and the ongoing work of that facility today bear witness to the truth that faith calls forth good works. As I congratulate you on these 50 years of social ministry, I pray that it is but a good beginning and that the future will see continued growth in ministry, witness and service for the sake of Jesus Christ in south central Pennsylvania.

Yours in Christ,

† B. Penrose Hoover

Bishop, Lower Susquehanna Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

A Message from the Executive Director...



The Village at Kelly Drive has been “home” and meant so much to so many for 50 years. I have had the pleasure of leading this special community for what seems to be only a moment, a mere “blip” in the five decades since the first resident moved into Kelly. As successor to so many exceptional leaders who have come before, I am privileged to share in this joyous celebration. It is truly a gift to be here to mark this 50 year milestone.

I have been blessed to share in the daily lives of residents, volunteers and staff whose sincere caring for one another has created a genuine family. On behalf of the entire Kelly family, I thank those whose legacy of community, faith and care endures and inspires our commitment to excellence.

Congratulations and Happy Anniversary to The Village at Kelly Drive! May the village continue to serve the south central Pennsylvania region for many more years to come.

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History of The Village at Kelly Drive

York Conference Plans a Home for Older Persons

By a unanimous vote at convention, the York Conference of the Central Pennsylvania Synod approved a recommendation September 19, 1955, "that we proceed with plans for the establishment of a home for older persons." This decision was the culmination of an impetus that had been building for decades, especially after the establishment of Lutheran Welfare Service in 1951.

A site on Kelly Drive in York was approved and building plans to accommodate 60 residents were adopted January 30, 1956. A fundraising effort began the following Sunday. The project gained momentum and the Groundbreaking Service was held June 30, 1957. The Rev. George E. Whetstone served as guest speaker.

Growing indications that the need for care for older persons was larger than first anticipated caused a revision of plans. As a result, the capacity of the home was increased to accommodate



(L-R) Maurice Grass, Chair – Building Committee, lays the corner stone to the delight of The Rev. Dr. Gordon Folkemer, The Rev. Franklin Patschke, The Rev. Ralph Robinson, The Rev. Kenneth Ehrhart and The Rev. Russell Shilling.



Dr. Arthur
Blair Shatto

94 residents, 20 of whom could be infirm patients. Around this time Mrs. Agnes Coreda Shatto of St. Petersburg, Florida made a thrilling announcement. She was giving a \$90,000 gift in memory of her late husband, Dr. Arthur Blair



Mrs. Agnes
Coreda Shatto

Shatto, a former York physician. This wonderful gift made possible the provision of the infirmary area of the home to care for the sick and the infirm.

Birth of the Auxiliary



The Rev. Dr. Gordon E. Folkemer, President-Board of Directors, Lutheran Social Services, accepts an American flag for York Lutheran Home for the Aged from Congressman George Goodling (L) in June 1962.

An organizational meeting was held June 12, 1958 at St. Matthew Lutheran Church in York. The Rev. Gordon E. Folkemer, president of the Home's Board of Directors, challenged the women present to enlist 10,000 members. Their first project, under the leadership of Mrs. Howard O. Walker, general chairperson, and Mrs. Thomas P. Heath, temporary secretary, was to supply linens for the Home. Since that time the auxiliary volunteers have supported the

village financially through numerous projects. Alternating between The Village at Kelly Drive and The Village at Sprenkle Drive, the Auxiliary celebrates its history and service at a Founders' Day celebration each year.

York Lutheran Home Dedication

From the time of its groundbreaking ceremony the York Lutheran Home had attracted wide interest. Despite heavy snow and treacherous driving conditions, a large crowd, including Governor David L. Lawrence, assembled for the Dedication Service, April 12, 1959.



The Rev. Russell Shilling greets first residents and good friends Miss Clara Olp and Miss Iva Hershey.

The Necessity for Expansion



The Rev. Ralph C. Robinson

In the mid 1960s, Lutheran Social Services, formed from a merger of Lutheran Welfare Services and Lutheran Inner Mission of the Western Pennsylvania Conference, recognized a growing need to provide care for non-ambulatory residents. In response to that need, the Board of Directors made the decision to add an "infirm wing" to the existing building.

New Infirmary Wing Dedication

The dedication of the new infirmary wing at Kelly Drive took place May 17, 1970.

This new wing was fully equipped and furnished to give "cheer, comfort and loving care to all who resided there." The expansion also increased capacity to 166 residents.



Volunteers (L-R) Tom Heiland and Michael Herr spruce up flowerbeds.

Major Building Renovations



Perennial garden pleases the senses.

In 1994, the year after the skilled care center at The Village at Sprenkle Drive in York opened, renovations were made to The Village at Kelly Drive. The former infirmary was replaced with apartments and rooms for personal care/assisted living. Renovations were made again in 1995 and 1998. The Phase II renovations were dedicated June 23, 1998.



Roses bloom at The Village at Kelly Drive.

The Village at Kelly Drive Today

The “home at Kelly Drive,” now named The Village at Kelly Drive, includes 45 independent living cottages, plus 15 independent living apartments and 80 assisted living rooms in what is known as Kelly Manor. It is one of six continuing care retirement communities of Lutheran Social Services of South Central Pennsylvania.

Community Outreach Services

Throughout its 50 year history The Village at Kelly Drive has been the center of a far-reaching ministry. Its faithful, compassionate staff members, assisted by hundreds of volunteers, have



Photo by Sue Masenheimer

Frederick Royer uses the videophone at the Deaf Center in Kelly Manor.

carried blessings not only to village residents, but also to those in the greater community.

In addition to providing residential living, Kelly Manor houses these Lutheran Social Services community outreach services:



(L-R) Kelly resident Regina Peters shares a moment in the library with Lois Baker, her Senior Companion.

ADVANCE –
A domestic abuse and battering intervention program offering non-violent alternatives for those who have been abusive.



The tranquility of the pond at Kelly Manor provides solace for residents.

Deaf Center –
A program to link the deaf and hearing communities through interpreting, technology and other services.

Senior Companion Program – A program to match volunteers aged 55 and older with other older adults to provide companionship.





Stephen Ministry – A training program for church leaders interested in providing ongoing Christian care to people experiencing life needs or crises.

Touch-a-Life – Services for those of any age with specific short-term needs for support—including companionship, errands and transportation.



Construction of York Lutheran Home for the Aged nears completion.



Lutheran Social Services

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A Celebration of Faith

Worship Service

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Established in 1951, Lutheran Social Services of South Central Pennsylvania (LSS) provides residential and assisted living, nursing and rehabilitation services in six continuing care retirement communities (CCRCs), community health services and a range of community outreach services. LSS, working in partnership with local organizations, congregations, volunteers, donors, education providers and the business community, provides services in York, Adams, Franklin, Fulton and portions of Cumberland counties in Pennsylvania, as well as State College, PA and Carroll, Washington and Frederick counties in northern Maryland.

Core Values

HERITAGE

We honor our Lutheran heritage to reach out in love to those in need recognizing no one is outside of God's mercy.

SERVICE

We commit ourselves to the total well-being of those who place their trust in us.

INTEGRITY

We hold as a sacred trust each life we touch.
We honor our promises and act ethically in all we do.
We dedicate ourselves to excellence in all we do.

DIGNITY

We respect and honor the uniqueness of all God's children.

STEWARDSHIP

We celebrate that all gifts are entrusted by God.
We dedicate ourselves to being good stewards of these gifts.

Mission Statement

Lutheran Social Services, an agency of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, witnesses to the Gospel of Jesus Christ through acts of serving and caring.



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