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New “Loving Tribute Program” at St. Leonard

Inspired by compassion for friends and neighbors, residents serving as St. Leonard Foundation Ambassadors have developed a “Loving Tribute Program” to help keep the Benevolent Care Fund growing for the future. This special fund assures St. Leonard residents will remain at St. Leonard even if they outlive their financial resources, rather than being forced to move out at a truly vulnerable time of life.



Guided by the Franciscan values of Reverence, Service, and Stewardship, St. Leonard Franciscan Community provides a caring home to residents of all faiths. Donors have an opportunity to provide peace of mind for older adults who have taken care of others throughout their lifetimes as mothers, fathers, grandparents, friends, and other loved ones.



Along with experiencing the joy of giving a Benevolent Care gift, donors to the Loving Tribute Program may reserve a black granite plaque by a tree or bench near the new Memory Support Center (for a gift of \$1,200 by a bench, \$1,000 by a tree). What a lasting way to honor a cherished loved one with an “In Honor” or “In Loving Memory” inscription!

The resident Foundation Ambassadors believe so strongly in their community, they joined together to make the first Loving Tribute gift for Benevolent Care. Their plaque will be placed by a tree near the north entrance of the Memory Support Center. For more information about Loving Tribute gifts and to reserve a plaque at the location of your choice, contact Jill Harris, 937-436-6382, harrisj@stleonard.net.



Supporters Make 2011 Legacy Golf Tournament a Success

Thank you to the 100 golfers and dozens of volunteers, sponsors, and donors who made our October 3rd event at Dayton Country Club a great success! With \$62,000 in net proceeds for 2011, generous donors have contributed \$402,000 over the 10 years of this charity golf tournament to benefit St. Leonard's mission. Members of the Legacy Golf Committee and Chair Joe Lunne recognize our 2011 Major Sponsors with gratitude:



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"Campaign Leaders" and "Lifetime Leaders" Honored at Stewardship Reception

The Franciscan Center at St. Leonard, the community's new wellness facility, was the site of a special August 25, 2011 reception for St. Leonard Foundation donors who committed \$10,000 or more for the *Building on Compassion Campaign* or have given \$10,000 cumulatively as faithful supporters over the years. These leadership donors toured the new building and sampled delicious food from the Station House restaurant before The Franciscan Center's grand opening on September 15, 2011.

The new Donor Honor Wall displayed in The Franciscan Center atrium will be duplicated in St. Leonard's Memory Support Center which is opening in January 2012.



'Tis the Season for Compassion

A special type of gift during the holiday season is one that touches someone's life in a compassionate way. St. Leonard's mission continues every day of the year, enhancing not only the lives of 750 residents, but also their loved ones who are grateful for this not-for-profit, faith-based community. During the holiday season, consider giving a gift from the heart to "St. Leonard Foundation" to support the people served by St. Leonard's mission:

Responding to the Gospel of Jesus,
St. Leonard assists seniors of all faiths
to achieve their highest level of independence.

You will touch the life of an older adult with your year-end gift; simply indicate your choice of either:

- The Benevolent Care Fund provides peace of mind for residents who may outlive their resources, knowing they will not be asked to leave the community they call "home".
- The Greatest Need Fund provides for programs that assure compassionate care and promote all dimensions of wellness for St. Leonard residents.

Secure on-line giving is available 24 hours a day at www.stleonard.net.

If you would like St. Leonard Foundation to notify someone of your *"In Honor"* or *"In Memory"* gift, please include the information and we will send a special note card.

Blessings to you and your loved ones during this season of compassion!



"The Cantic of the Praise" mosaic is in the atrium of The Franciscan Center at St. Leonard. This is one of several mosaics created by Sr. Jane Mary Sorosiak, OSF, a Sister of St. Francis of Sylvania, Ohio (sponsors of St. Leonard).

"Greatest Need Fund" Gifts Touch Lives

If you ask a family member of a loved one who receives services in St. Leonard's Alzheimer's area about the groundbreaking BBET (Behavior Based Ergonomics Theory) program, you will likely hear heartwarming stories about the resident's enhanced quality of life. Dr. Govind Bharwani of Wright State University and his consultant daughter, Meena Bharwani, have implemented this nationally recognized initiative at St. Leonard, and donors are helping.

Greatest Need Fund donors have all had a part in this compassionate program, as their gifts have been instrumental in funding the BBET resource centers. Caregivers now have resources and memory "prop boxes" to meet the individualized needs of each resident. Meena Bharwani explains "Prop boxes are invaluable aids. They contain special items from a resident's past that are furnished by the family members - photo albums, magazines, stuffed animals. All these things can give comfort during stressful times." Residents are able to enjoy now what they know and love from their past.

St. Leonard Executive Director Tim Dressman says, "I'm excited that St. Leonard is a pioneer in this personalized approach for Alzheimer's care, which aligns well with our commitment to person-centered care. Part of our mission statement is to try to keep people as independent as we can for as long as possible. We believe our residents are enjoying an enhanced quality of life through this program."



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Core Values:
*Reverence
Service
Stewardship*

St. Leonard Foundation
is the **charitable** entity
serving St. Leonard,
a Franciscan Living
Community.

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Benevolent Care, The Heart of Our Mission

St. Leonard Foundation donors continue to understand the importance of the Benevolent Care Fund to residents, their loved ones, and the greater community. Not abandoning residents if they outlive their resources is consistent with St. Leonard's faith-based mission and Franciscan values. Donor generosity continued this year, with \$119,000 contributed to the charity care need of St. Leonard. Gifts do "Bring the Mission to Life" every day!

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to all who notify us of an estate gift commitment to
St. Leonard. No other information is necessary.*



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St. Leonard to enhance its mission.*