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Connections

In Memorium

*Sister
Ruth Roland*

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Leadership



Dear Friends:

We lost a dear friend last month. Sister Ruth Roland died, ending her faithful earthly mission to serve, first the young, and then - later in her career - the elderly. All that we are today as a senior care organization is due to her vision more than three decades ago. You'll read more about Sister Ruth on pages 4 and 5 as we honor her life.

As we celebrate 30 years of service, the fall issue of *Connections* brings exciting news about life at Catholic Eldercare and the important role you play in this faithful mission, as we look ahead.

In this issue, we introduce you to the 'new' *Catholic Eldercare Chapel*, an historic place of worship that has served the spiritual needs of people in this area since 1849.

We share our new vision for enhancing rehabilitative care for the growing number of older adults who enjoy a greater quality of life thanks to many medical advancements.

You'll read about six centenarians who enjoy life at Catholic Eldercare. And, several friends and supporters, speaking from the heart, will share why they support Catholic Eldercare with their financial gifts.

In serving older adults, we make our community a better place. And we need you to carry out this mission. Your support is so important. Our prayer is that your altruism - born of a giving heart - is as meaningful to you as it is to us and those we serve.

As you read this issue, we hope you are moved and motivated to join with us to do even more.

Sincerely,

Thomas Beck
Chair, Board of Directors

Dan Johnson
President and Chief Executive Officer

Catholic Eldercare provides the care, housing and services needed by older adults to continue living fully – with dignity – in an intentionally created community.



P.S. If you have a FACEBOOK account, we encourage you to 'Like' Catholic Eldercare.



So much happens between the spring and fall newsletters, FACEBOOK is a great way to stay informed about the engaging activities and programs residents enjoy.



Warm Words from Generous Friends



Jim and Ann Marie Zellmer

St. Anthony Village residents Jim and Ann Marie Zellmer have a special place in their heart for Catholic Eldercare. Ann Marie's late mother Cecilia (Cele) Indrehus lived in the nursing home for 18 months until her death at age 100. "She was a hard worker, a true homemaker who loved her family and loved the Lord," Ann Marie says.

Cecilia lived in her own home until age 92, then moved to a senior apartment. When her care needs grew, the Zellmers chose Catholic Eldercare because of its reputation and close proximity to their home. "We really liked the consistency of the devoted staff," Ann Marie explains. "They had a very good understanding of her needs," Jim says. "They called her 'Grandma' and loved her. And when she slept late, the staff would have breakfast ready for her, on her schedule, so they were very accommodating," he adds.

As Cecilia's health declined, the Zellmers were grateful the staff was very responsive and kept them fully informed. "When she was fading near the end," Ann Marie says, "I asked her how she felt and she said, 'I feel safe.' That said it all."

The Zellmers continue to honor Cecilia with their charitable gifts to Catholic Eldercare. "We are very selective in who we support, and Catholic Eldercare is one of our choices.

Giving where you work

Sandy Summerfield, an employee in the laundry and housekeeping department, has a real heart for seniors and the Catholic Eldercare mission. A nearly five-year employee, Sandy does her charitable giving through the employee deduction program. "I love the residents and the people I work with, so I want to be there to help when it's needed," she explains. "The seniors have done so much for us, it's our turn to do what we can for them," she adds.

Sandy especially likes the convenience of payroll deduction. "I don't miss the money, it's just out of mind, but I'm helping do something that really matters."

Sandy enjoys staying busy, so she waitresses part-time. But her heart belongs to those friends she sees every day at Catholic Eldercare. "I get a good feeling from sharing, and it's nice to help provide the extra activities that make the difference in the lives of the residents."

For more information on giving opportunities, please contact Director of Development Kristine Smyth at 612-362-2494.



Sandy Summerfield

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Coming Up in the spring issue of Connections: Meet Minneapolis business owner Jack Spillane, a generous supporter and a volunteer member of Catholic Eldercare's important Development Committee.

Sister Ruth Roland, In Remembrance

"Well done, good and faithful servant."

Matthew 25:21

Catholic Eldercare founder and long-time board member Sister Ruth Roland died October 12, 2013. She was 91.

"Sister Ruth is one of four founders of Catholic Eldercare and was the driving force behind our beginning," said CEO Dan Johnson. "Since leaving Catholic Eldercare in 1997, she continued to be our greatest supporter, always cheering us on. We will miss her."

A Minneapolis remembrance service for Sister Ruth will be held Tuesday, November 19, 2013 at 2:30 p.m. at the Chapel at Catholic Eldercare.

Perhaps seeing a match made in Heaven, it was Archbishop John Roach who in the late 1970s introduced Sister Ruth Roland to three others with a similar vision, co-founders Al Hofstede, Tom Glodek and Bob Hannah. Together, the like-minded team planned and persevered - against substantial odds at the time - to rally support and establish a much needed, faith-based nursing home to care for and minister to Northeast Minneapolis seniors.

"As people age, they need the church probably more than they ever did," Sister Ruth said in a 2003 interview, reflecting back on the senior housing needs in the early 1980s. "It seems to me that people at this time of their lives, and their families too, are just wide open to God's love, and to the working of the Spirit in their lives. So this is a wonderful ministry."

Co-founder Al Hofstede, who served as board president for more than two decades, said the founders were driven by the serious human need they saw in Northeast Minneapolis. "Some homes still had dirt floors; that's just how some people lived," Hofstede explained. "Seniors were living longer and didn't have much to live on so the community had a responsibility to help care for them. Their kids tried to take care of them, but their kids had big families and were struggling, too. It's hard to imagine how that atmosphere existed not so long ago. We've come a long way."

Hofstede remembers the early challenges as the Catholic Eldercare project moved from blueprints to brick-and-mortar reality. "Looking back it was a very tough struggle, it was uncertain. We faced 18 percent interest rates when we first started, and everybody said it couldn't be done. But Sister Ruth always said 'trust God,' and we did. We went forward and from that everything blossomed," Hofstede said.





Sister Ruth Roland with the first nursing home resident, August 1983.



Sister Ruth and cofounder Tom Glodek at the dedication ceremony.

"We received our first significant six-figure gift after businesswoman Rose Totino heard Sister Ruth speak at a local parish," said co-founder Tom Glodek. "We had discussed a gift with Rose, but it was Sister Ruth who closed the deal with her powerful message of faith and hope."

Catholic Eldercare opened its doors in August 1983 and was at full occupancy by year-end. And next door was a church - St. Anthony of Padua, named after the patron saint of the elderly.

Sister Ruth Roland memorials may be made to:

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817 Main Street NE, Minneapolis, MN 55413 or
online at www.catholiceldercare.org – Click on Donate.

A New Calling

Sister Ruth Roland's first calling was as a teacher and principal. Later, as administrator of the Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters' St. Dominic Villa, Sister Ruth encountered "a tremendous mountain of loneliness" among elders while visiting her own mother in a nursing home. It was a defining, epiphany moment that galvanized Sister Ruth's commitment to offer elders an engaging life, surrounded by faith, family and friends.

That early experience informed her thinking as she and the other co-founders developed Catholic Eldercare and its nonprofit mission to provide loving, dignified care, with self-determination, as well as engaging programs, with diverse connections across the wider community, to make the later years as fulfilling as possible. There was a big focus on self-determination - seniors having a say in their care and how they live.

In the bible story of Ruth, one of Sister Ruth's favorites, biblical Ruth demonstrates her loyalty and dedication by telling her mother-in-law Naomi, "Wherever you go I will follow you." Those words resonated across time and rang true with Sister Ruth who lived out that biblical passage. "We believe elders must direct their own lives, to pursue life to the fullest," Sister Ruth said. And with a play on the biblical verse, "Wherever they want to go, we will follow."

In this work, Sister Ruth modeled how her own faith community incorporates the older members of the Sinsinawa Dominican Order. "Ruth shared this idea of Catholic Eldercare being both home and community, a joining of elders, family, volunteers, staff, and donors to create this rich and diverse day-by-day experience," said friend Mary Broderick, a former CEO of Catholic Eldercare. "A place where people are called by name, where there are opportunities to give and to help, where interesting things are going on. A place where physical, social and spiritual needs are addressed. A place where people will help you and allow you to contribute."

These were powerful ideas that became part of the fabric of what Catholic Eldercare is today.

Sister Ruth retired in 1997, but remained on the board of directors. Later, she made her home at the Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters' residence in Southwestern Wisconsin, among the rolling glacial hills overlooking the Mississippi river and the community of Dubuque, Iowa beyond.

In an interview conducted in 2004, Sister Ruth related a prayer that remained in her heart throughout her years of faithful service. "We Dominicans say a special prayer every day together: Providence can provide, Providence did provide, Providence will provide. Catholic Eldercare is clearly God's creation, through God's providence."

Over the past 30 years, Sister Ruth's vision has grown into five senior residences on three campuses serving 425 residents, clients, and their families.

Thank you!

11th Annual Celebrate Lifelong Living Luncheon Inspires

Five hundred friends turned out to celebrate and support the Catholic Eldercare mission September 19.



Together, people can accomplish so much more than we can alone. This truism was again evident September 19 when 500 friends and supporters attended the *Celebrate Lifelong Living Luncheon*. They came together for one amazing hour, to celebrate and support the Catholic Eldercare mission. Nearly \$130,000 in gifts, pledges, and sponsorships were donated by generous friends.

"We express our heartfelt gratitude for this great community of friends. They recognize the duty we have to support the needs of the elderly in our lives," said Director of Development Kristine Smyth. Financial gifts support the annual fund which plays an important role in funding the meaningful programs at the heart of daily living: Pastoral Care, Therapeutic Recreation, Pets With a Purpose, and the Volunteer program.

Susan McGuire shares her family's gratitude

Luncheon guests were moved by the heartfelt comments of Susan McGuire whose mother, Bertha Williams, resided at Catholic Eldercare for a decade. Bertha first attended the Adult Day program and quickly sought out the role of *Juice Lady*, serving juice and snacks to the other seniors, a function she had filled years earlier as a volunteer at another nursing home. "She was delighted with her new sense of purpose," McGuire explained. "The staff was more than happy to accommodate her wishes. They helped her feel needed and appreciated."

Later, Bertha enjoyed life at MainStreet Lodge. "My mother, a deeply spiritual person, also loved the chapel and the excellent chaplain who served there." Once Bertha was diagnosed with Alzheimer's, she moved down the hall to the nursing home. Through all of the care transitions, McGuire said the staff was attentive to the needs of her mother and the entire family. "It gave us such peace of mind to know she was lovingly and professionally taken care of by the Catholic Eldercare staff. Each person was genuinely caring and kind to our mother. They would listen to our concerns, laugh with us and even cry with us."



Susan McGuire

McGuire closed with a quote by Abraham Heschel, a polish-born philosopher who said individuals who love and care for the elderly are the "true gold mines of a culture."

"For ten years, I witnessed the truth of this at Catholic Eldercare," she explained, "a true gold mine" in Northeast Minneapolis with a staff who is a blessing to all with their loving-kindness."

Care Needs for the Next 30 Years

Noting Catholic Eldercare's 30th anniversary, CEO Dan Johnson shared the organization's strategic vision for the future care of older adults. Citing the aging baby boom generation and the life-enhancing care made possible by medical technology, Johnson said there is a great need for more rehabilitative services (see related story on p. 8). "Making this happen, requires a collaboration with you, the larger community. It's about being *present* and being *helpful*...giving unconditional love," Johnson said. "It is about our community coming together to boldly meet the challenges ahead with fresh eyes and superb stewardship. We are not a huge organization with deep pockets. But, we *are* a group of people with big hearts who want to *be there* for seniors."

"When a family faces a care crisis, they need to know who to call - Catholic Eldercare. We want people engaged and happy, not alone and isolated because no one calls, no one comes, no one cares. As we face growing needs, we remain true to our values forged by our founders so long ago," Johnson said.

The popular luncheon event concluded with Catholic Eldercare supporter Jocelyn Hovanec taking over the role her father, John, had filled so ably for eight years explaining the ways to financially support the mission. Twenty-four program sponsors, 51 table hosts, and their guests, made the 2013 luncheon a success.

Thank You Luncheon Sponsors!

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"Catholic Eldercare's staff is a blessing to all with their loving kindness."

*Susan McGuire,
family speaker*



Dan Johnson, CEO



John and Jocelyn Hovanec

The new Catholic Eldercare video, which premiered at the luncheon, is available for viewing at www.catholiceldercare.org; click on About Us.



Addressing Community Needs

Enhancing Rehabilitation Services to Better Serve More Seniors



A temporary Rehabilitation Services staff, from partner Benedictine Health System, is in place until permanent staff therapists are hired.

Catholic Eldercare is beginning the process of enhancing its Rehabilitation Services Department to more comprehensively serve the nursing home residents, and to extend care to assisted-living residents and those living independently who may require rehabilitation services in order to function as independently as possible.

“People who live with us or near us,

should not have to go across town to recover and receive the rehabilitation services they need to get better,” says CEO Dan Johnson. “Their first call should be to Catholic Eldercare, so we are stepping up to address growing needs.”

Planning includes future development of a Post Acute Care Unit (PACU), a skilled care section or wing where patients stay two to three weeks to recuperate, regain strength and receive the therapy needed to return home.

“Older adults face significant debilitation when ill or hospitalized. They lose strength and mobility. At some point, they will leave the hospital, but they may not be ready to go home and live independently. These individuals are often candidates for a PACU,” says Johnson, who worked as a physical therapist earlier in his career.

The new direction for rehabilitation services, as envisioned by Catholic Eldercare leadership, will also be better aligned with the direction of healthcare overall. “We asked one of our partners within Catholic Senior Services - Benedictine Health System - to provide management services to the Rehabilitation Services department,” Johnson says. “Benedictine brings deep experience in this critical area of care and will be integral to the building of our program.”

This partnership enables Catholic Eldercare to provide the best quality care while maintaining good fiscal stewardship. A significant first step is the addition of a temporary team of rehabilitation professionals who will provide physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy services until a permanent staff is hired.

Growing Outward

There is a growing need locally for rehabilitation services. Medical advancements enable hip and knee replacements and unprecedented demand for these treatments will drive a need for more rehabilitation services. Joint replacement has the highest quality of life improvement per health care dollar spent. Perhaps equally as important, participation in an effective rehabilitation program means a quicker (and more certain) return to an active life, enabling the individual to continue contributing to society in meaningful ways.

In an active society where much of our life is dependent upon mobility, the thought of being debilitated due to traumatic injury or chronic disease is an unwelcome one. So, as individuals live longer, a corresponding rise in chronic disease and degenerative joint disease will drive the need for additional rehabilitation services. For example, four out of ten U.S. baby boomers – an estimated 31 million people – will eventually require an orthopedic implant. During the later years is when wear and tear on the joints becomes evident. Others will face cardiovascular disease, neurological conditions and trauma, conditions that benefit from rehabilitation services.

Seeing this growing healthcare need, Catholic Eldercare is assuming the leadership to ensure these community needs are fully met, through enhanced rehabilitative care. The result will be healthier, more active older adults living independently for as long as possible. And just imagine the benefits: less painful, more active years for walking and enjoying golf, tennis, skiing or time with family.

“While we have operated at full capacity in the therapy services area for several years, providing care for nursing home residents exclusively,” Johnson says, “our current planning will ensure we can expand that capacity and provide all we serve with the best care possible.”

This strategic vision is well timed. Every single day more than 10,000 baby boomers - who comprise the largest generation in human history - reach age 65 nationally. So the need for rehabilitation services will only grow. “Meeting that need is why we are here,” Johnson adds.

“People who live with us or near us, should not have to go across town to recover and receive rehabilitation services to get better, so we are stepping up to address growing needs.”

Dan Johnson, CEO

Catholic Eldercare Chapel

A New Name, Same Faithful Mission



CEO Dan Johnson welcomed parishioners to the new chapel.



Archbishop John Nienstedt presided at an August Mass service at the Catholic Eldercare Chapel with an outside reception following the service.



Effective July 1, Catholic Eldercare acquired the St. Anthony of Padua Church. The renamed Catholic Eldercare Chapel, located adjacent to the nursing home in Northeast Minneapolis, will continue serving in the Catholic tradition as the historic place of worship has done so beautifully since 1849.

To commemorate the change, Archbishop John Nienstedt presided at the August 25 Mass.

The acquisition of the property is a natural extension of the Catholic Eldercare mission to serve the faith needs of older adults and their families, and to provide enriching experiences that include the wider community. "The chapel continues as the cornerstone of Catholic Eldercare's pastoral care program for residents and families, as it has since 1983. All are invited to join us, as parishioners and volunteers, as we address the spiritual care of residents, clients, and their families," said CEO Dan Johnson.

For 164 years, the church has been a spiritual presence on the land now adjacent to Catholic Eldercare. Father Augustine Ravoux built a mission church here in 1849, on land donated by Pierre Bottineau, the French voyageur and guide who had a faithful vision for a wooded plot of land near St. Anthony Falls. The church was initially named for St. Anthony of Padua, a patron saint for the elderly, the poor and oppressed. During its earliest years, the church acted as a mission station served by the French missionary priests stationed in Mendota. And ever since, it has well served the spiritual needs of generations who marked their important family events here, the many thousands of births, baptisms, confirmations, marriages and funerals.

How can I support the Chapel? To continue financially supporting this historic chapel and its ongoing preservation, please make your offering gift to Catholic Eldercare and note 'Chapel' on your check or envelope. If you wish to include the Chapel in your planned giving, please contact Kristine Smyth at 612-362-2494.



Thank You!

The quality care and services Catholic Eldercare provides seniors and their families are possible thanks to the generosity of many supporters. We acknowledge their friendship, support, and ongoing commitment.

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Sister Ruth Roland Society

An estate or inheritance gift is a popular option many people choose to leave a legacy and make a difference in the community. A percentage of your estate can make a significant impact for Catholic Eldercare's future stability. We invite your participation in the Sister Ruth Roland Planned Giving Society, which recognizes donors who support with their deferred or life-income gifts the spiritually-enriching pastoral care and other engaging programs. Your legacy gift, in the form of a will bequest, living trust or gift annuity, is a wonderful final act of generosity.

For more information on planned giving options, please contact Director of Development Kristine Smyth at 612-362-2494 or visit www.catholiceldercare.org and click on Giving.

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Please let us know if you have included Catholic Eldercare in your will. We would like the opportunity to thank you for your generosity.

The official legal bequest language for Catholic Eldercare Community Foundation is:

"I, [name], of [city, state, ZIP], give, devise and bequeath to Catholic Eldercare Community Foundation, 817 Main Street NE, Minneapolis, MN 55413, [written amount or percentage of the estate or description of property] for its unrestricted use and purpose."

Your Donor Gift

Catholic Eldercare is blessed with wonderful, generous friends like you.

Your generosity brings a special zest to the lives of seniors every day. Donor gifts support a pastoral care program that is vital as seniors live out the final seasons of this life and prepare for life eternal. Your generosity also supports the fun, engaging therapeutic recreation and art activities, and the popular volunteer program that builds friendships and supports elders. Donor gifts also support the Subsidy Fund for seniors whose financial resources may be depleted while they are living at Catholic Eldercare.

Thanks to you, Catholic Eldercare can fully fund the programs elders enjoy, even as costs rise and government reimbursements decrease or remain flat.



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Thank You Volunteers!

Great friends, terrific food, and a fun time. The annual Volunteer Luncheon is always a well-attended gathering. Volunteers are part of the heart and soul of Catholic Eldercare, offering a listening ear and a kind word, and always helpful in so many ways. Catholic Eldercare's 240 volunteers donate thousands of hours of their time annually to brighten the day for residents.

"We could not do what we do, we could not be what we are, without you," CEO Dan Johnson told the volunteers.

For more information on volunteer opportunities, please contact Volunteer and Outreach Manager Diane Lucas at 612-362-2492.



Centenarians Celebrated

In 1913, the federal income tax took effect, Woodrow Wilson was President, and the post office began parcel post deliveries. It was a special year because three Catholic Eldercare residents were born with a promise of longevity, and three others already were exploring the world as youngsters, likely unable to fathom ever living to see another century.

All six were honored at a Catholic Eldercare Century Club summer party for being a centenarian or turning 100 during the calendar year. The 2013 centenarians are Mary Marino (106), Agnes Richter (105), Elizabeth Wally (104), Alvina Bartylla (100), Fern Violette (100), and Ruth Kron (100).



Centenarian Agnes Richter, left, is 105 years young.



Alvina Bartylla turned 100 last July.



Centenarians Mary Marino (106), right, and Fern Violette (100)

Quick Click to Give

By visiting www.catholiceldercare.org, you can quickly access comprehensive information on the various ways to support the mission.

1. Go to www.catholiceldercare.org
2. Click on "Giving."
3. Select from a comprehensive list of resources from online annual fund giving to planned giving options.



The Catholic Eldercare Community

includes these residences and programs

1101 On Main

The newest residence in the Catholic Eldercare community has 52 one or two-bedroom condominium-style luxury rental units for independent adults. Located just one block from the main Catholic Eldercare campus, 1101 On Main addresses a growing need for rental housing in Northeast Minneapolis. For more information, please call 612-378-8814 or visit www.1101onmain.com.



Adult Day Program

This program offers care and programming for the elder who may require modest assistance when a spouse or other loved ones are unavailable to attend to their needs. Adult Day also serves as a respite for family caregivers who may find it increasingly challenging to care for an older adult all the time. The weekday program is affordable and flexible. Clients may be eligible for financial assistance. Transportation can be arranged. Located at 817 Main Street NE in Minneapolis. 612-362-2405.



RiverVillage East/ RiverVillage North

This inviting 107-unit senior campus, located adjacent to St. Hedwig's Church in Northeast Minneapolis, offers subsidized, market rate and memory care apartments. Located at 2919 - 2921 Randolph Street NE. 612-605-2500.



MainStreet Lodge

This assisted-living residence, located at 909 Main Street NE in Minneapolis, includes 51 assisted-living units in a warm, comfortable atmosphere. 612-362-2450.



Catholic Eldercare on Main

A 150-bed skilled nursing residence, with dedicated memory care floor. Located at 817 Main Street NE in Minneapolis, the nursing home is physically connected to The Chapel at Catholic Eldercare for ease of worship and socialization opportunities. 612-379-1370.



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Upcoming Events

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RiverVillage**December 17***MainStreet Lodge Christmas Party for residents/family members.*
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