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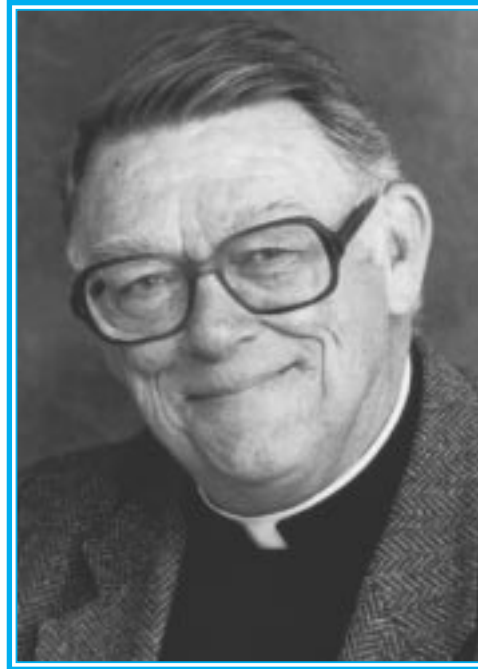
FRIENDS CLUB

February is the time of year to renew your membership in **Father Blaney's FRIENDS CLUB** and what a fitting time to do so since we celebrate St. Valentine's Day and our friendships. Watch your mailbox for your Friends Club membership renewal cards which will arrive mid month. Membership remains at \$30 for the year. Funds raised from the **FRIENDS CLUB** have been vital to our success in the past and your support is very important for the continuing development of Sharing Meadows.

You will receive two membership cards, one for your renewal and one for you to share with a friend so that they can join our special club with you. **If each one of our friends would recruit just one new friend to join, we would double our members and accomplish twice as much!**

As a member of the Friends Club, you will receive our monthly newsletter, the **Good News**, and will be entered in a drawing each month to win one of two gift certificates worth \$75 to your favorite restaurant. A Hidden Winner is also chosen each month and their name is hidden somewhere in the newsletter. If you find your name as the Hidden Winner, call or e-mail us at the office before the end of the month and we'll send you \$30!

Father Blaney has always counted on his friends for help and they've never let him down. Please renew your membership in the **FRIENDS CLUB** and recruit a friend. Thank you, FRIENDS, for helping Share Foundation!



FROM THE DESK OF FATHER BLANEY..

When I was starting to visualize Sharing Meadows, several people, some in authority spots, tried to push me to not have it in the country. Independence meant (for them) living in an apartment downtown where they could walk to many places and have a great social life. When we had our first village at Sharing Meadows, some of these same people came out for a look see. I showed them big piles of gravel, mulch, lumber, etc. and pointed out that these were given by the CEO's of their companies. And they all had one thing in common. No – they were not all Catholic. But they all lived and enjoyed living in the country! I'm afraid it went right over the visitors' heads. Sharing Meadows is not an institutional setting sheltering the other abled from society and social activities. This is a quiet place nurturing of peace and a sense of well being. They enjoy each other, most of the time. And there are lots of social activities on and off the campus. A few weeks ago on a Friday morning they went to the Russian Ballet on ice in the morning and a Winter Solstice play at night – even got to mingle with the actors and actresses afterwards. Saturday they went bowling with some others in the afternoon and then attended the monthly dance at our camp building that evening. We have a very exciting D.J. and about eighty people attending. That is real social. You should see the fun! I've never regretted being in the country. More importantly, our Villagers truly enjoy the rural living and each other.

THOUGHTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

By Kathleen Kelly

Last year, Karen Callaway, the photographer from the Northwest Indiana Catholic came to Sharing Meadows to do a photo essay for the newspaper on our residential program. She spent many hours over a period of several months, observing and photographing the Villagers and stewards at home, at work and during leisure activities. During her visits, Karen got to know the people in our community and the end result was a beautiful, four page photo essay she titled "A Place to Call Home."

Karen's project began as yet another assignment but soon became a true labor of love. As she visited in the homes, sharing meals and conversations, she felt the joy that fills Sharing Meadows and experienced the Villager's unconditional love. The Villager's faces would light up and they would run to her when she arrived to give her a hug and tell her about their day. It was heartwarming to see and certainly obvious that Karen enjoyed their presence as much as they enjoyed hers.

As part of the venture, each Villager was asked to share their feelings about living at Sharing Meadows. All of the thoughts were meaningful because they came from their hearts. The one that was used in the newspaper was written by one of our lady Villagers. She simply stated, "I am happy. God loves me a lot to let me live here." I was moved when I read her words because that captures the essence of our community.

Recognizing God's love for them enables the Villagers to love others unconditionally and gives them happiness. We need to be able to recognize God's love for each of us in order to experience that same peace and happiness. I realize that God loves me a lot to let me work here and be loved by the Villagers and campers.

Take time this Valentine's Day to tell your loved ones you love them and especially take time to realize that God loves you! Come to Sharing Meadows and allow the Villagers to love you the same way God does - unconditionally!

NAP CREDITS

A limited number of NAP credits remain from the ones awarded to Share Foundation by the State of Indiana's Department of Commerce. They are available on a first come, first served basis and can be applied to your 2003 state tax return. In return for your donation in support of our residential program, you will receive a state tax credit equal to one half of your contribution to be applied to state taxes owed during the year the gift was made. To request a NAP donor form, call Kathleen Kelly at 219-778-2585.

YEAR-END RECEIPTS

We are happy to provide you with a statement of your contributions to Share Foundation in 2002 so that preparing your income tax form is a bit easier. Simply call Candy at the Share Foundation at 219-778-2585 and she will send it to you.

SHARE FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Share Foundation Board member Tony McCrovitz and his wife, Amanda, celebrated Christmas in a special way with the birth of their first child, a son named Anthony Michael, who was born on Christmas Day. Welcome to the world, Anthony, and may God bless you always! Congratulations, Tony and Amanda! May your son fill your hearts with joy!

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FEBRUARY 2003 FRIENDS CLUB WINNERS

Chris Yagelski
Michigan City, IN 46360

Dorothy & Jack Tobin
Munster, IN 46321

Winners receive a \$75 gift certificate to their favorite restaurant.

CONGRATULATIONS FRIENDS!!

SPRING LUNCHEON

The forecast calls for snow, it's 20 degrees outside and there's *still* another month and a half until spring arrives! However, there is hope for warmth and sunshine in the days ahead and you can look forward to attending the 12th Annual Spring Luncheon, hosted by the ladies of the Share Foundation Service League. The Luncheon will take place on Wednesday, April 9th, at 11:30 a.m. at the Halls of St. George in Schererville. A fabulous spring day awaits you, featuring delicious food, wonderful prizes, and good company all for the price of \$25! The dedicated members of the Service League promise another great event that you will be sure to enjoy.



The Service League relaxes for a picture at the end of last year's luncheon & now they are hard at work planning the next one.

The Service League is looking for new members to join them in planning this event. If you are interested in joining this one-of-a-kind group and live you Lake, Porter, or LaPorte County, please contact Shirley Ladendorf at 845-3291, Anne Franz at 662-1536 or Share Foundation at 778-2585. Your membership in the Service League entails three meetings to plan the event (which includes meeting for lunch!) and just *FUN* – and fun is good! No dues are required of your membership and no officers are involved. By joining the Service League, you are performing an outstanding service to Share Foundation and the many other abled adults we serve.

Mark your calendars for April 9th and plan to attend this wonderful day that supports Share Foundation. Luncheon tickets are available from any of the Service League Members. Call one of the members in your area and reserve your ticket today and invite your friends! We'll see you at the Luncheon! Hidden Winner: William & Mary Mason, Michigan City, IN

Chairperson –

Shirley Ladendorf	Hammond	845-3291
Rose Ann Nagy	Hammond	845-0116
Joan Collins	Munster	972-2158
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Pat Fischer	Munster	923-6184
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Anne Franz	Crown Point	662-1536
Jean Pickett	Crown Point	663-8515
Theresa Codespoti	Merrillville	980-3038
Harriet Szafranski	Hobart	947-3518
Share Foundation	LaPorte County	778-2585



Guests helped themselves to the fabulous buffet.

ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION

Next month we celebrate the feast of St. Patrick and our very own special celebration will take place on Sunday, March 16th at Sharing Meadows. Father Blaney will celebrate mass at 1 p.m., followed by a mouth-watering feast of corned beef and cabbage with all the trimmings prepared by the Irish Chef himself. An old-fashioned Irish Ceili will then take place, to include the Best Irish Joke Contest.



Mary Smolen, Jean Chiki, Emily Pers & Barbara Pers gathered at Sharing Meadows to celebrate St. Patrick's Day & Barbara's birthday.



Tom Parcels, a villager at Sharing Meadows, shares a smile with his mother, Fran Lysaught at the 2002 celebration.

The offering for this celebration is \$10 for adults including beverages. Please call Maria at 219-778-2585 to place your reservation or send a check for \$10 per adult and return it to us in the envelope provided in this newsletter. Put on your Irish green, bring a hearty appetite, polish up your favorite Irish joke and join us for the festivities!

LIVING MEMORIALS

Happy 60th Birthday, Keith Attar! Int. Grandma

In honor of Mary Ann & Frank Badalli, Sr. on their 50th wedding anniversary, int. Mr. & Mrs. Frank J. Badalli
Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Keilman
Mr. & Mrs. George Panchisin

Special thank you to God & for a special intention, int. Ray & Lois Bobin

For Ann Cieslak – To the greatest Mother on her 84th birthday! int. Your loving daughter and family

In honor of Mary V. Cronin, int. Patrick & Kate Townsend

Health & God's Blessings in the New Year for Mike & Kristie Edwards, int. Janet Edwards

Good Health for Kathy Fesenmyer, int. Ed Fesenmyer

Congratulations Eugene & Patricia Homrich on your 50th Wedding Anniversary, int. Sue & David Breu

In thanksgiving, int. Vince & Kate Kanney

Congratulations and Happy 40th Wedding Anniversary to Ed & Mary Ann Karwatka, int. Anne, Tom, & Dottie Topolski

In honor of Mr. & Mrs. Steve Kyriakides as a Christmas gift, int. David & Marie Newbolds

Christmas wishes for Ralph & Marge Lies, int. John, Sue, Kristin, and Andy

Congratulations & best wishes to Hank & Julie Lisak, celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Feb. 9th, int. Mick & Barbara McDaniel

In honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of Buzz & Laura Mallonee, int. Sue DeGan

In honor of Dawn Ruge, int. Mark Ruge

Happy Birthday, Bernie Segler! int. Jeanette Lisak-Phillips

God's blessings to my brother, Leon Siorek, for good health, int. Sophie Wojciekowski

Honoring in the New Year, the Sweeney/McHale Families, int. Jane McHale

For Blessing received, int. Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Steffus, Jr.

Wishing Lucille Stiglich a very Happy 90th Birthday and many more! int. Lou & Ann Kresich

DECEASED MEMORIALS

In loving memory of our Mother, Theresa Allie, int. Emily Allie
Bill & Lil Yeater

In remembrance of Florencia Arroyo, int. Greg & Aggie Grimmer

Remembering Thomas Baker, int. Jeffrey Spychalski

In remembrance of George Balady, int.

Mariam Shikany Abraham
Toofe Abraham & Tillie Shikany
Beverly Arnett
Lori & Ken Aston and Family
Juli & Norm Bafunno and Family
Tom & Vivian Callan
Rob & Mary Chalhoub and Family
Louise Cusick & Family
Susan Cusick
Marilyn Eddy
Judy Edson
William & Margaret Espar
Mr. & Mrs. Louis Esper
Philip & Diane Faroh
Mrs. Charles Haddad
Mary Haddad
Thomas & Helen Hathoot
Mia Herbert
Pat & Chuck Herro
Gene Jacobucci
Tony & Joanne Kleem
Jack & Janet Kniola
Margaret & Clem Kniola
Joe & Jenn Kobos
Mariam & Julie Kobos
Robin Kohn
Fred & Judy LaBorn
Liddell Family
Ralph & Margaret Mahaffey
Melanie Mansour
Verna Muckway
Suhayl & Norma Nasr
Michael & Marge Nasser
Maryruth K. Nivens
Joseph & Barbara Ott
Mr. & Mrs. James Papineau
Michael & Jeanne Perkins
Richard Rudnick
Margaret Saddy
Bob Shikany
Charlie & Kristin Shikany and Family
Michael & Jill Shikany
Jane Shuger
Dave & Sandy Sobecki
Staff of the Michigan City Public Library
Technical Service Staff – MC Public Library
Vicki & Rich Strader and Family
Tadros Family
Sylvia Thomas
Bill & Kathleen Weber
Bill & Souhaila Wendt
Mary Wendt
Nora & Carl Werner
Paul & Katie Werner
Annette & Gene Wienke
Bill & Lil Yeater
Edward & Anna Marie Zaknoen
Tom & Linda Zeese

In memory of Madeline Balady, int. Lori & Ken Aston and Family
Juli & Norm Bafunno and Family
Margaret Saddy
Charlie & Kristin Shikany and Family
Vicki & Rich Strader and Family

With treasured memories of our beloved daughter, Molly Broderick Barnett, int. Tom & Eileen Broderick

Remembering our 8th grade classmate, Gusty Bartowski, int. Angeline Vacendak
Marian Walczak

In memory of Ray Basanda, int. Patricia R. Fischer
Edward & Rae J. Gozdecki

In loving memory of my dear Mother, Agnes Bechinski – 44th anniversary in Heaven, January 19, 2003, int. Daughter, Rose Frisk

Remembering Helen "Pia" Bell, int. Patsy Ryan & Bob Ayres

In memory of Harold Bennitt, Sr., int. Marie Kramer

In memory of Helen Beres, int. Mary Hluska

In remembrance of my uncle, Msgr. Paul Bogovich, int. Paul P. Bogovich

Remembering Stanley Boncela, int. Dolores Bialon and Family

In remembrance of the deceased Edward Bowen Family members, int. Mr. & Mrs. Edward Bowen

In loving memory of Max Boyan, int. Jack & Irene Baker

Irene & Leonard Brown
Dorothy M. Budzik
Jean Chiki
Paul & Virginia DiCento
Frank & Carol Drost
Stanley & Rita Grzych
Theresa Michna
Stanley & Irene Oboj
LeRoy & Lucille O'Donnell
Rose Perisho
Sol & Ida Polito
Wilma Przybylinski
Irene Saksa
Ron & Joann Schmitt
Anne Sperko
Agatha Toth

Happy Valentine's Day in Heaven, Max Boyan, our dear one, int. Wife Evelyn, children & grandchildren

Remembering my friend, Mary Lou Buick, int. Theresa Michna

In memory of Dolores O. Carrabine, int. Regina P. Barack

For Stanley Cieslak on your tenth anniversary in heaven, int. Your Loving Daughter

For Stanley Cieslak – We miss you on the 10th anniversary of your death, int. Your loving wife and family

In remembrance of my friend, Anne Colbath, int. Sally Voss

In memory of Fr. J. Conlevy, int. Joe & Eloise Janostak

In memory of Rev. Patrick J. Connolly, int. Joe & Donna Nicksic

In remembrance of our beloved son, Joseph Dennis Corns, int. Joseph B. & Lorraine Corns

In loving memory of our dear friend, Irene Cox, int. Mr. & Mrs. L. Gonzalez
Mr. & Mrs. D. Gough
Mr. & Mrs. R. Klenoski
Eileen McKern
Mr. & Mrs. Joe Nicksic
Grace Ragonese
Mr. & Mrs. M. Sangerman
Mr. & Mrs. J. Torres
Mr. & Mrs. A. Wartman

Remembering Larry Cox, int. Jim Cox

In remembrance of Daniel T. Daly, int. Jim & Marlene Giannini

Treasured memories of my wife, Joann D. Danielson, int. Marvin Danielson

In memory of Arthur Dewes, int. Jerome & Rosalee Hoffman

In loving remembrance of our brother-in-law, Edward DiMichele, int. Ron & Madelyn Toth

With loving memories of Anthony DiPaolo, int. Johnny & Rosemarie D'Amore

With cherished memories of my wife & sons, Gladys, Dan & Bob Domsic, int. Andrew Domsic

Remembering Genevieve Doolin, int. Jim & Marlene Giannini

In loving memory of my husband, Don Edinger, int. Wife Eileen

In memory of Victor Falbo, int. Della & Lawrence "Casey" Stayback

In memory of Herb Fischer, int. Greg, Nate, & Jon

Remembering Genevieve R. Franks, int. Mr. & Mrs. Chester Szyndrowski

In memory of Marie Gallenberger, int. Jim & Marlene Giannini

In loving memory of my dearest husband, Joseph Gasper – Thinking of you & missing you more and more. I love you, Joe. int. Wife Magdalene

In loving memory of Marge Gauthier, int. Dick Gauthier

In memory of Marie Gehr, int. Linda Gehr
Richard Gehr
Renee & Max Glantz

With cherished thoughts of Arthur & Virginia Geleta, int. Sandy & Gina Geleta

Remembering Robert Giarraputo, int. Phyllis & Ray Rovai

In loving remembrance of Carrie S. Glick, int. Your family: Ken & Anne Glick (Parents), Scott (Brother), Kim, Katharine, & Allison (Sisters), Allan (Brother-in-law), Elsie Glick (Gramma), Austin (Son), Jocelyn (Niece), Dennis & Joanie Wahl, Mike & Lorraine Dreske, & Jim Glick (Aunt & Uncles), Michele & Tony "AJ" Dreske, Clark (Cousins)

Remembering Amy Gorman, int. Joe & Erin Tomaszewski

In memory of my husband and soul mate, John E. Grams, I love you, int. Wife Delores Grams

In loving memory of Michael Gray, int. Tony & Frank Novak

In remembrance of Beulah Greathouse, int. Joyce & Chris Choncoff

Remembering Norbert C. Grzybowski, int. Timothy & Patricia Smith

In memory of Michael Allen Guzik, int. Joe & Donna Nicksic

In loving memory of my husband, Jim Hackett, on his 1st anniversary in heaven – Forever in our hearts, int. Wife Dolores and Family

In loving memory of Ignac and Ann Hodakowski, int. Bernice Hodakowski

In remembrance of Jeanette Hoffman, int. Jerome & Rosalee Hoffman

In loving memory of Richard Hohenberger, int. Al & Pat Adzia
Chester & Dorothy Conway and Family
Patricia R. Fischer
Kathleen Kelly
Mrs. Dorothy Smitley & Family

In memory of my husband and best friend, Donald Homan, int. Wife, Margaret Homan

In loving memory of Alfred E. "Al" Horner, int. Steve & Margaret Buchanan
Louis & Louise Henrich
June & Paul Johnston
Adeline & Stanley Kowalski
Kathy & Dale Shamra
Frances & Arthur Schuck
Marge Tadras
Louis & Irene Vedron
Arthur & Virginia Weiler

Remembering William Hosinski, int. Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Fedder

In memory of Norman Houseman, int. Sharon Weiler

In loving memory of my dear sissy, Martha Hoyda, int. Delphine Murzyn

In loving memory of my uncle, Joseph F. Hruskocyc, int. Janice Speaks

In memory of Mrs. Mary James, int. Mr. & Mrs. Steve Bandura

Remembering all deceased members of the Jankowski – Hayduk Families, int. Thaddeus & Eileen Jankowski

In memory of Melvin "Mel" Johnson, int. Leila Glosser
Sharon & Ron Shroyer

Remembering Robert Johnson, int. Jeannine Kupec

In remembrance of Louis & Rafka Joseph, int. Mary R. Joseph & Family

In memory of Elsie Juidici, int. Angela Torrenga

With cherished memories of my dear husband, Edward M. Kaminsky, int. Loving Wife, Ann

In memory of John Kansky, int. Jim & Marlene Giannini
Elizabeth Sedey

In loving remembrance – Magdalen T. Kaspar on Feb. 4th – 5th anniversary in heaven, int. R.W. Kaspar, husband

In remembrance of Henry J. Kawecki, int. Jessie Garback
Michael Gussman
Tuesday Nite Bingo Boys
Lucille Wojasinski

Remembering Louis J. Keen, int. Julia Cernel
Bill & Eleanor Rist
Skwiat Post 451
David & Sandy Sobecki
Marge Tadras

In remembrance of Roseann Keilman, int. Joe & Dorothy Kruczek

In memory of Frank J. Keleminic, int. Helen Vukobratc

In loving memory of Mary Kelly, int. Kelly Kids Klub

In loving memory of William and Harriet Kelly, int. Kelly Kids Klub

In remembrance of Alton "Sonny" Keppen, int. Peggy, Yosh, Barb, & Gail

In loving memory of our beloved daughter and sister, Beverly Knish, who passed away, May 21st, 2002 – Rest in Peace, int. Mother, Sophie Benfield and Sister, Sharon Sheppard

In memory of Jake Kochis, int. Jim & Marlene Giannini

Remembering Elizabeth Koelln, int. Mary Haddad
Mrs. Charles (Mary) Haddad
Patricia & Patrick Lee
Janice Magee
Jim & LaVerne (Noveroske) Pacholke
Terry & Mike Post and Family
Ken & Lorraine Noveroske
Ted Skibo
Marilyn Yarsa

In memory of Joseph T. Krueger, int. Mrs. Helen Drehmel

In remembrance of Andrew Kusbel, int. Helen & Joseph Furto
The Kusbel Family
Phil & Sue Mateja

In loving memory of my husband, Dennis Kwiatkowski, at Christmastime & always, int. Joan Kwiatkowski

Remembering Gene Lauerman, int. Gene & Ann Kingston

In remembrance of William Last, int. Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Burns

In memory of our good friend, Mary Lesniak, int. Diane, John, Jennifer, & Jill Embry

In memory of Mary Lesniak, int. Terry & Carole Bushnell

In remembrance of Patricia Levendowski, int. Tina & Larry Beaver
Susan Cusick

In memory of Walter Macocha, int. Joanne Connelly and Family

In loving memory of Melanie Mailander – We love you, int. Aunt Denise

Birthday blessings to Anthony Malecki, gone but not forgotten, Dad, int. Sharon & Phil Hagenow and family

Remembering Leonard Malotte, int. Skwiat Post 451

In tribute to Mark A. Markovich, int. Tony & Donna Maicher

In remembrance of Robert Markovich, int. Angelo & Joann Tancredi

In memory of William Maslowski, int. Walter & Helen Stiles

Remembering Walter S. Mason, int. Helen & John Kolas

For Walter Mastey, int. Virginia Andrews

In loving memory of George J. Mattie, int. Helen T. Mattie

In remembrance of my beloved wife, Phyllis McCampbell, int. Ralph McCampbell

Remembering Dolores McClean, int. Ed & Jeanette Krol

With cherished memories and loving thoughts of my husband, Jim McHale – miss you, int. Wife Ginny

Happy Birthday to my dearest husband, our father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Dominic P. Miccolis, on his 84th birthday on Valentine's Day – We miss you so much and nothing is the same without you. int. Your Family – all 29 of us

In loving memory of my husband, George P. Mihalo, int. Wife, Bernadette Mihalo

In remembrance of Jean Millar, int. Jenny Spychalski

Donald (Don) Miller – Lovingly remembering you on Valentine's Day – miss you very much, int. Norma Wellnicki

In memory of Edward Moskalick, int. Evelyn H. Osterman

With cherished memories of my Dad, Edward Mulligan, int. Eileene Mulligan-Kras

In remembrance of Edward Mulligan, int. Janice Speaks

Cherished memories of dear husband and dad, Streaky Murzyn, int. Wife Delphine and Family

In memory of my beloved wife, Millie Opat, int. Fred Opat

Remembering Ivan Ovanin, int. Joe & Elaine Rizzardo

In loving memory of Irene, George & Angeline Pastove, int. Dave & Nancy Schiesser

In memory of Cynthia Patena, int. Mrs. Helen Muskoski

In loving remembrance of Louis & Theresa Paunicka, int. Dolores J. Callahan

Cherished memories of Mom & Dad – Mr. & Mrs. Gligor Petroff, int. Peter Petroff

In remembrance of Juanita Pfister, int. Marie E. Kavanaugh

I love you, Joe Pieters, int. Wife Joann

In loving memory of John M. Polis, int. Joan Polis

In remembrance of Emilee Rose Pollet, int. Ed Lebryk

In memory of our beloved daughter, Catherine Porsoska, int. Mom & Dad

In loving memory of my devoted wife, loving sister, caring aunt and dear friend, Katherine "Kate" Powalski, int. Frank Powalski, husband

Mr. & Mrs. John Adrian
Bielski Family
Mike & Dorothy Bobis
Bill & Frances Brown
Charlotte Grecco
David & Diane Hack
Dolores Hackett
Marion, Rick & Randy Henckel
Helen Hines and Family
Jim & Judy Kovalcik and Family

Bruce & Sally Powalski
Mrs. Sylvia Petrosky
Mrs. Angie Rizza
Scurlock Family
Glenn & Joan Sheblosky
John & Linda Smith
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Sobecki, Tom & Betty,
Mike, Jim & Tina, Chad, Jeanette &
Randy, Angela & David, Lisa &
Dennis and Kids
Mr. & Mrs. Bob Stella
Felix Stella
Frank Stella
Red & June Urbach
Lou & Elaine White
Ann Marie Yeakey
Don & Karen Yeakey

Remembering Anthony "Tony" Puntillo, int. Jim & Marlene Giannini
James R. Potesta
Joe & Sally Rivich
Fran & Agnes Scheidt

In remembrance of Solomon Puntillo, int. Cecilia Segreto

In memory of Walter Prusiecki, int. Fran Rokita
Irene Saksa

In memory of Nusrat Razvi, int. Joe, Erin, & Colm Tomaszewski

In memory of my beloved husband, Leo F. Reinhart, int. Barbara Reinhart

In remembrance of the Ryan, Lax, and Ayres Family, int. Patricia Ryan

In memory of Thomas J. Ryan, loving husband, father, son, brother – "Safely Home", int. Leone & Des Ryan

With cherished memories of Lou, Louie Jr., & Tony Salvatore, int. Helen Salvatore

In memory of deceased friends and relatives, int. Bernice Sarwacinski

In loving memory of Lawrence & Marie Schiesser, int. David & Nancy Schiesser

Remembering Herbert Schutz, int. Lorraine J. Wesley

Remembering Peter Senderak, beloved husband & father, on Feb. 17th – birthday & 20 year anniversary of death, int. Wife & Daughters

In loving memory of Lundy Sepiol, int. Barbara Sepiol
Jennie Sepiol

In memory of my brother-in-law, Lundy Sepiol, int. Florence Sepiol

In remembrance of Stephanie Shocilic, int. Joe & Elaine Rizzardo

In loving memory of Ted V. Sidor – Always in my heart, int. Dolores

Remembering Norman Smith, int. Jerome Pizarek

In memory of Regine Snook, int. Mary & Gil Scheidt

In loving memory of Marilyn & Thomas Starr, int. Starr Girls & Families

In remembrance of Genevieve Stopczynski, int. Della & Lawrence Stayback

In memory of my friend, Mildred Strejc, int. Lorraine C. Vasek

Remembering in the New Year, the Sweeney/McHale Families with love and prayers always, int. Jane McHale

With memories of Anna E. Tkacs, int. Edward & Rae J. Gozdecki

In loving memory of Ethel & George Tomaszewski, int. Ken, Sue, Rich, and Families

Remembering my friend, Marge Trella, int. Alice Ryfa

In remembrance of Bennie Walter Trzaskoma, int. Rita DeRolf

To my Mom, Edie Urbanik, on her birthday, int. Love, Linda Urbanik Johnson

With cherished memories of Gregory Walters, celebrating your 4th heavenly birthday, Feb. 25th – Love and miss you, int. Mom

In remembrance of John Warieka, int. Charles & Catherine Pfister

In loving memory of Tressa Warshol, int. Edna Petrovich
Mark & Sherri Sanders

In memory of Walter Wegrzyn, int. Mr. & Mrs. Steve Zaborski

In loving memory of Josephine Weis, int. Irene Ketchum
Rita Rosen

Remembering Elizabeth L. Wimmer, int. Timothy & Patti Smith

In loving remembrance of Marge Winterlin, int. Dolores Winterlin

In loving memory of C. William Wohler, int. Mary Kochis
Marcella Paluch
Mrs. Alice Wohler

In remembrance of John Wojciechowski, int. Mr. & Mrs. Harry Dudeck
Edmund Kaplan
Benny Kazmierczak
Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Kazmierczak
Bob & Jan Rudnick
Etta Semala and Sons
Art & Eva Sobieski
Julie Sobieski
Irene Sprowls
Della & "Casey" Stayback
Pat Wozniak
Hilda Zakrzewski
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Zolvinski

In loving memory of my husband, Florian (Nick) Wojcik, on his 9th anniversary in heaven – Daily thoughts of you, Nick, int. Wife, Irene Wojcik

In remembrance of Raymond A. Wolak, int. Agnes Chervenak

Remembering Antonette Wozny, int. Della & Lawrence "Casey" Stayback

In memory of Dorothy Zimmer, int. Marian Fairbairn

In remembrance of Frances Zupevec, int. Vincent & Betty Kolish

In loving memory of Aurel "Bill" Zura – Thinking of you on your birthday, January 13th, int. Love, Barb & Family

Remembering Emily Zygowicz on her birthday, Feb. 6th, int. John & Bernadine Kulesa

ANNOUNCING NEW WAYS TO SHARE

The Friends Club. The Founders Club. Blarney Stones. Many of you have heard of these opportunities for making donations to the Share Foundation, and many more of you have supported us over the years through one of these clubs. We owe the success of the Friends Club, for instance, to that initial group of Father Blaney's friends who recognized power in numbers: \$30 a year, from a circle of friends like ours, can make a huge difference in the lives of our Villagers! All you have to do is look around at the handcrafted items, or taste the wonderful raspberry applesauce, to know that our other abled friends are up to positive things made possible by the generosity of our long-time friends. Or perhaps you or someone you know would be interested in joining the ranks of our Blarney Stones. A more recently established gift club, the Blarney Stones are business owners who make an annual commitment of \$1 a day, \$365 per year, to fund programming for developmentally disabled individuals.

And maybe you aren't familiar with these opportunities at all, but would like to know more?

Beginning January 1, 2003, Share Foundation will launch a recognition program, *The Circle of Sharing Society*, designed to unify all levels of donations and giving to the organization. *The Circle of Sharing Society* is our way of more clearly defining our needs, while at the same time recognizing the specific ways our supporters contribute to the growing success of Sharing Meadows. We chose the name, *Circle of Sharing*, to represent the unending commitment to other abled people that the Share Foundation has stated at the core of its mission. Providing a safe and secure environment that nurtures self-sufficiency for the other abled is our express purpose. We have endless testimonies that show we are keeping our promise: our Villagers are engaged in projects that allow them to produce valuable goods, and more importantly, help them see and feel that they are doing God's work; our Villages have reached capacity—until we are able to build more homes, we cannot accommodate any more full-time residents.

Our greatest challenge now is to preserve the dream of Sharing Meadows for all of eternity. Now that we have created such a peaceful and thriving environment, it is our responsibility to make sure that Sharing Meadows can always be a reality for the other abled people who need just such a place.

With your help, the Circle of Sharing will allow us to realize this goal. Regardless of the size of a particular gift, the Circle reminds us that to continue our dream of providing a safe and secure environment for the other abled requires the unconditional love of every member of the Share Foundation family. Supporters of the Share Foundation may make contributions at the following levels:

President's Clubgifts totaling \$25,000 or more over a lifetime

Director's Clubgifts totaling \$10,000 or more over a lifetime

Futures Clubannual contributions of \$2000-\$9,999

Fellowship Clubannual contributions of \$100-\$1999

Friends Clubannual contributions of \$30

Just like life at Sharing Meadows, the Circle allows us to appreciate the beauty that each individual brings to make the total of our experience that much greater! Most importantly, the Circle symbolizes Share Foundation reaching the goal of securing a place for the Villagers for eternity. You see, by allowing us to build an endowment, the Circle of Sharing will cement the future of Sharing Meadows and guarantee that your loved ones will always have a place they can feel safe, a place they can call home.

In fact, you can even specify a contribution directly to the endowment fund. Contributions to the **1982 Society** (\$500-\$2499), so named because that was the date Share Foundation was incorporated, or the **1991 Society** (\$2500 and up), signifying the date of the Sharing Meadows land purchase, last into perpetuity. That means that once you specify a gift for the endowment fund, the principal amount of the gift will never be touched, and income from the fund will not be distributed until the fund reaches a certain amount. The endowment means our Villagers will never have to worry about the security of their homes because of the steady income stream from the secured fund.

Questions about the Circle of Sharing Society should be directed to the Share Foundation Office. Membership in the Circle of Sharing Society is not retroactive.

SHARE FOUNDATION CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Spring Mini Camp Weekends

March 7 – 9

April 11- 13

May 16 – 18

Tuesday, March 4th

Griffith Knights of Columbus

Spaghetti Dinner

Griffith, IN

Sunday, March 16th

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Sharing Meadows

Wednesday, April 9th

Annual Spring Luncheon

Halls of St. George

Schererville, IN

Monday, June 23rd

Share Classic Golf Outing

Innsbrook Country Club

Merrillville, IN

Summer Camp Weeks

June 15 – 20

June 22 – 27

June 29 – July 4

July 6 – 11

July 13 – 18

Sunday, August 3rd

9th Annual Leprechaun Hunt©

Sharing Meadows

Friday, November 7th

9th Annual Gala & Silent Auction

Center for Visual & Performing Arts

Munster, IN

SPAGETTI DINNER

Does the thought of a steaming plate of freshly cooked spaghetti warm you up? If it does, then you will want to bring the family to the 10th annual Fat Tuesday Spaghetti Dinner on Tuesday, March 4th from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m., hosted by the Knights of Columbus Marquette Council #3630 of Griffith. You will indulge in a delicious dinner of spaghetti covered with meat sauce accompanied by toasted garlic bread and tossed salad prepared by Chairperson Jim Fitt and his fellow knights. The Knights will not charge a specific amount for the dinner but will accept free will donations, which will benefit Share Foundation!

Directions to the Knights of Columbus Hall are as follows: Go south on Broad Street, 14 blocks south of downtown Griffith and look for the hall on the right (west) side of the street. The Knights of Marquette Council have shown their dedication to Share Foundation's mission since 1994 by hosting this dinner. Show the Knights your dedication to Share Foundation by taking your family out for a home-cooked meal before the start of Lent. For more information, call Jim Fitt at Spitz & Miller Insurance at 219-924-8700 or Maria at the Share Foundation at 219-778-2585. We hope to see you there!

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