

Wings of a Dove



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“Take every day as a ring which you must engrave, adorn and embellish with your actions, to be offered up in the evening at the altar of God.”

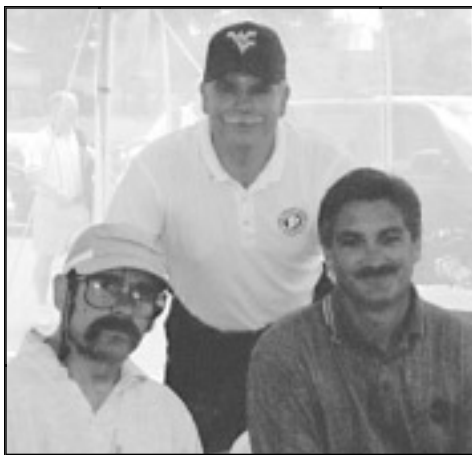
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Although the actions of my day are usually so ordinary, I will make a conscious effort to do them as well as I can for your greater glory, Lord. Every evening I will take a few moments to review my day and the resolutions I made.

St. Vincent 18th Annual Golf Tournament provided a great day for everyone

By David Sklan

Golf photos by Mary Wagner Shields



(l-r) David Sklan, Duke Haddad, St. Vincent Foundation and Greg Yust enjoyed getting to know one another and sharing their views of the golf outing benefiting St. Vincent New Hope.

Jim Van Dyke, executive director of St. Vincent New Hope, gave me the bottom line from this tournament. The figure came to the great amount of \$85,000, which will go for the specially equipped lift vans for our clients. As Jim has said in the past, his main objective is serving those whom with just some help can independently “stand on their own two feet.” He is proving that message every day.

Greg Yust, president of Sagamore Health Network and member of the New Hope Board of Directors, enjoys golf to the max. He has been playing for the past 25 years. He thinks, “Pebble Brook is a very good course.” He knows what he is talking about, as he likes Tiger Woods’ golf game but his all-time favorite golfer is Jack Nicklaus.

F. Duke Haddad, EdD, executive director, St. Vincent Foundation, plays in several tournaments every year. He stated that “The St. Vincent Foundation has made New Hope a priority for philanthropy. The foundation will do all it can do to support New Hope as it represents the mission of our healthcare ministry.” Duke thought the tourney was great: “More than 260 golfers played on a beautiful summer day. There was a wonderful spirit of friendship among the golfers.”

The St. Vincent Golf Tournament is really still quite excellent. Jim Abbott was “doing great” as the sun splashed gently across his face. John Merrick was “playing good” and Bill Tait was humming along, “so far so good.” Van Auken was having a good day too, as he still was “one under after two holes.”

I would like to thank every one of the generous sponsors, contributors and

players who made this annual event a success! See you next year, Aug. 28, 2003, at Pebble Brook Country Club!

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(l-r) St. Vincent Foundation Board Member Jeff McDermott, and Executive Director Duke Haddad, EdD, and St. Vincent Executive Vice President Deeni Taylor present the \$85,000 check to Mike Smith.

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Service of the Poor
Generosity of spirit for persons most in need

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Respect and compassion for the dignity and diversity of life

Integrity
Inspiring trust through personal leadership

Wisdom
Integrating excellence and stewardship

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Courageous innovation

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Affirming the hope and joy of our ministry

St. Vincent tees off



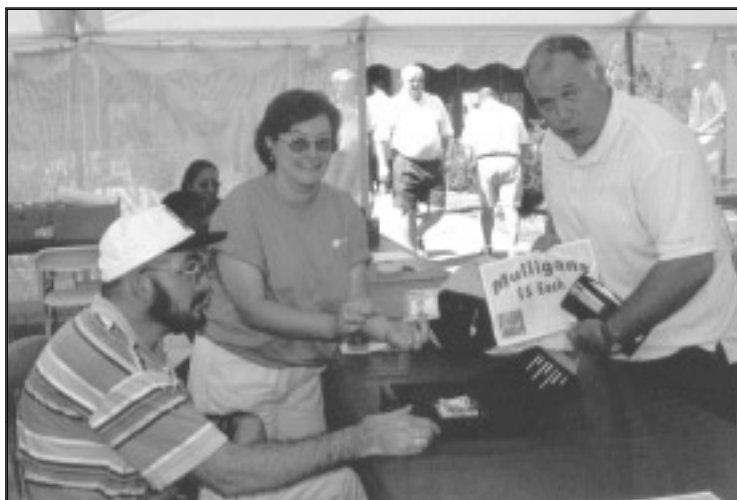
Chuck Lamar (left) models the St. Vincent golf jacket for Steve Barnes, CEO of Specialty Systems.



Sue Ricke, Workplace Enhancement, offered therapeutic chair massages to the golfers.



(l-r) Deeni Taylor and New Hope Executive Director Jim Van Dyke wait for the outing to begin.



(l-r) Jay Buethe and Desiree Tilton promote mulligans to Dr. Daniel Shull.



Let's play!



The New Hope volunteers welcome the players. Photo credit: Mary Wagner Shields.



The Victory Capital Management Team shows off their putting skills.

Parents' Corner

Editor's note: Recently, a parent of a New Hope resident came to New Hope with questions about her daughter's care. Following a meeting between the parent and Executive Director Jim Van Dyke, the suggestion was made to share these concerns with our readers. Parents are encouraged to submit questions of their own to Wings, and these will be published in future newsletters. Call Jim with your questions at 872-4210.

Why is New Hope expanding their services when we are so short of help at our houses?

First, let me say that we are short of help but things have improved over the past several years. In 1998, we had temp staff work 29,534 hours. In 2002, temp staff worked 403 hours. So, we've done a much better job of ensuring that New Hope trained associates are working at the sites.

We expand our services for three reasons:

1. There are many Hoosiers with developmental disabilities waiting for residential services (3,000 to 6,000 by various estimates). We assess our ability to provide quality services to these individuals, and we expand once we assure ourselves of our ability to take on additional clients.
2. We want to provide opportunities for our staff to take on new responsibilities, including promotional opportunities. I believe that one reason staff stay at an agency is the opportunity they see for using their skills in different jobs. We want to make those opportunities available to them.
3. We need the money that service growth provides. Each year our costs rise. We've never failed to give an annual merit raise to associates. Also, health insurance costs are rising precipitously, and New Hope is bearing a large portion of those premium increases to keep health insurance affordable for associates. In the eight years of our Supported Living program's existence, we've received two rate increases from the state totaling approximately 9 percent, far below the actual increase in our costs. We can make up this shortfall only by expanding our services.

Why can't our long-standing dedicated skills trainers be supervisors at some of our houses? Because they do not have a degree?

When I came to New Hope in 1999, we had a degree requirement for Team Leaders. That is one of the first things we changed. I agree that many of our skills trainers are excellent candidates for Team Leader positions and in the past few years a number of skills trainers without degrees have become Team Leaders.

The names listed as outstanding employees in your staff updates need to be updated; some of the names that appear are a joke.

I am not sure what updates you are referring to. In our newsletter, we occasionally recognize associates and clients for various achievements. We also have a quarterly Leadership Award we give to an outstanding supervisor and an annual award for an outstanding associate throughout all of New Hope.

The meals at some of the houses need to be monitored. The clients live on junk foods because the caregivers either do not cook or can't cook.

We take seriously the nutrition requirements of our clients. Part of each day in the homes should be utilized to help assist clients in making healthy food choices and preparing those foods. We contract with a nutritionist who can create healthy, balanced menus when we feel a need to establish menus at a given home. It is our expectation that these menus are followed for the most part and that fast food meals or prepackaged meals be the exception rather than the rule. Team Leaders monitor this expectation for each of their homes.

Parents want to know what rights they have regarding their loved ones.

This can get complicated. If the child is an emancipated adult, the courts say the individual can make decisions to determine what is in his or her best interest. However, we know that some individuals who do not have a guardian cannot make those decisions independently. At New Hope, we encourage family involvement in the lives of clients, including being in on decision making as to what is best for the client. We do support an individual who does not wish any family involvement. If and when we get into situations like that, New Hope tries to enlist an outside party to help the family and client come to some understanding that balances client rights and the need for the family to know what is happening with their loved one.

In dealing with medical problems, who has the final decision to take the necessary action when the client really cannot make the proper decision?

If the medical situation is significant, we would try to get a Health Care Representative for the individual, or if necessary, establish a limited guardianship to make a decision on a significant medical intervention if there is no family involvement. If the parents are available, we would certainly want them in on the information sharing and decision making surrounding any medical or health problems.

Welcome back to the Motherhouse of the Daughters of Charity in Paris!

By Sister Francine Brown, D.C.

As promised in my last article, I said we would spend some time together visiting our Chapel. From this picture you can see the view I have every morning and evening during prayers. It is here that I place your requests before God often through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of Jesus.



The Virgin Mary appeared three times before Sister Catherine Labouré in this chapel in 1830.

Historical Perspective:

When we moved to the Hôtel Châtillon in 1815 it did not have a chapel, as it was a private residence and estate. So in 1815 construction of a chapel, smaller than the one that exists today, was begun and completed. Some of the funding for the construction of the chapel came from a very interesting and ingenious source. The Hôtel Châtillon, being a private estate, and at one time the residence of Napoleon's mother, Letizia, was filled with exquisite parquetry, woodwork and filigree, and most of the walls were covered with mirrors. Mirrors were an indication of richness and opulence (just think of the Hall of Mirrors in Versailles!), and were not really in keeping with the lifestyle of the Daughters of Charity. Mirrors, as we know them, did not come into existence until the 1840s or so; therefore, these mirrors had a great deal of value. I bet you can figure out the rest: The mirrors were sold and the money became a large part of the funding for the chapel.

The chapel was a fairly typical chapel of the time and was solely for the use of the Daughters of Charity. But in 1830 this chapel became the site of a progression of extraordinary events that occurred in the greatest of secrecy. Beginning the night of July 18 into the early morning hours of July 19, then on Nov. 27 and again in December 1830, Sister Catherine Labouré, a 24-year-old novice, received three visits from Mary, the Mother of Jesus, "in flesh and bone" as described by Saint Catherine later in her private writings.

These apparitions of Mary came before those of Lourdes (1858) and Fatima (1917). Mary confided a mission to Catherine: have a medal made with the inscription "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you." The rest of this story will be the topic of another article!

Tourist Perspective:

Many people come to visit our chapel every day. They come here to pray and to ask Mary to present special favors to God on their behalf. In 2000, approximately 2,235,000 people came to visit and pray from every continent. In September 2001 alone, 34 different nations came to visit the chapel (group size can vary from 2 to 100). Here is a quick continent breakdown of visitor groups for September 2001: Europe - 99; Africa - 1; North and South America - 42; Asia - 24; Australia - 1. It is open to visitors seven days a week from 7:45 a.m.-7 p.m. (closed from 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. for cleaning).

As you can imagine it is a very busy place. But what is very interesting is that it is a very prayerful place in spite of the number of people coming and going, for they have come here to pray.



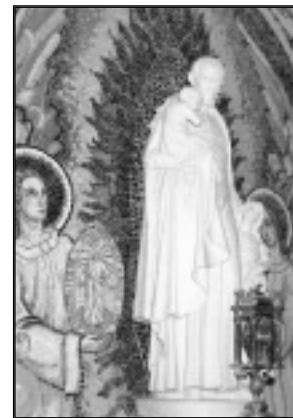
Remains of St. Louise de Marillac encased in wax figure

Incorrupt remains of St. Catherine Labouré



Also held in reverence in this chapel are the remains of St. Louise de Marillac, St. Catherine Labouré and the heart of St. Vincent de Paul (Gee, those names remind me of three New Hope Homes!). I know some are thinking, what, Vincent's heart - yuck! In former times, and the not too distant past, many felt that persons' goodness literally resided in their heart. Therefore the heart would be removed and looked upon as a vivid reminder of the goodness of that person.

Gold reliquary, at the base of the statue of St. Vincent, containing his heart



Vincent de Paul was well loved and revered during his day and continues to be in 21st century France. Many come here, and to Saint Lazare where Vincent is buried, to ask for his intercession with God. Others also come here to ask Louise de Marillac, patroness of Social Workers, and St. Catherine Labouré to intercede on their behalf as well. But generally, most people come to ask Mary's assistance and heed the words she said to St. Catherine in July 1830, "Come to the foot of this altar. Here, graces will be poured out on all those, small and great, who ask for them with confidence and fervor."

Accessibility Perspective:

I would have to give the chapel and the entranceway to the chapel an overall 90 percent on accessibility. The doors are not automatic but are very high and wide like most church doors. As you can see by the top photo of the interior of the chapel, the main aisle is wide and there is another wide aisle to the far right, but not seen in the photo. But you can also see in the photo that there are other small aisles that would not be accessible. Also in the photo you can note that there are steps that lead up to the altar area.



Entranceway from the street Rue du Bac to the Chapel

Along the entranceway there are some offices for visitor information as well as an area to obtain the medals requested of Saint Catherine by the Blessed Mother. All along this area is a sidewalk with a small curb of about two to three inches in height and a driveway for some staff cars and deliveries to enter. In some areas the sidewalk is flat with the roadway so it is not totally inaccessible!

There you have a very brief tour of the Chapel of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, as it is called today. You can be assured of my prayers for you in this Chapel! As we leave by way of this entranceway and make our way back into the hustle and bustle of the streets of Paris, you can just about see in the photo above that there is a statue above the open doorway. This statue is a little reminder that Mary will continue to watch over us and ask for God's blessings for us.

"I have been established guardian. God's protection is always there!"



Love and prayers,
Sr. F - your Paris and Chapel connection!

Gannett grant supports New Hope note cards

Five note cards, each designed by a St. Vincent New Hope artist, are now on sale with proceeds benefiting the New Hope Art Program. Thanks to a \$7,500 grant from the Gannett Foundation, New Hope will be able to print more note cards.

The cards feature renderings of five artworks:

- Colorful bears and bunnies, by **CeCe**
- Clay teapot by **Bill Samaras**
- Collage by **Linda Sheagley**
- A cross made by the entire art class as a gift to **Sister Francine Brown, D.C.**
- A vase by **David Sklan**

The cards are available in packages of 10 containing two of each card. The cards are \$10 and orders must be prepaid with check or money order. The cards are available in the St. Vincent 86th Street, St. Vincent Carmel and St. Vincent Hospice gift shops, the 86th Street Volunteer office, the Indianapolis Art Center, and New Hope reception and volunteer offices. Mail orders are \$1.50 extra. Simply use the order form below to place your order.

Custom holiday cards designed by New Hope clients are also available upon request for business use. For more information about the cards, call New Hope at 872-4210.



Bill Samaras' blue teapot is on one of the New Hope note cards.

New Hope note cards order form

Packages of 10 note cards are \$10; add \$1.50 for mail order requests.

Please send _____ package(s) of note cards to:

Name _____ Address _____

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Checks should be made payable to St. Vincent New Hope. Mail your order by inter-office mail or U.S. Mail to St. Vincent New Hope, ATTN: **Mary Pomprowitz**, 8350 Payne Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46268.

Thanks, Kiwanis!



(l-r) Larry Smolecki and Mike Hubble serve Darvin Kittrell at the annual Kiwanis Picnic.

For many years New Hope has been very fortunate to have not one, but two Kiwanis clubs involved in supporting the individuals. One of the clubs, Northwest Kiwanis, has helped in a variety of ways. The club provided an annual cookout for the people who resided in the large facility, but have continued this tradition with a yearly picnic for the individuals in group homes. This year's picnic was held Sept. 4 on a beautiful, sunny afternoon in the New Hope picnic shelter. The Kiwanis members, individuals and associates all enjoyed the delicious picnic fare, fun and fellowship.

Northwest Kiwanis has been supportive in other ways as well. The club recently gave a donation to the "Client Special Fund" through the St. Vincent Foundation, which helps to provide prescription glasses, clothing, adaptive equipment, etc. to individuals in need. In addition, the club funded the purchase of some patented new hearing devices, which enable children to hear themselves or others speak, encouraging verbal speech. The devices will be utilized in CYCS.

The Kiwanis Club of North Central Indiana has been involved with New Hope's monthly Bingo games for the past 10 years. In addition to providing volunteers for Bingo night, they contribute funds for Bingo prizes. Their financial support has greatly increased the quality of the prizes. The nice prizes have a lot to do with the continual popularity of the monthly Bingo games. Kiwanis Bingo has become a New Hope tradition, and New Hope really appreciates this dedicated group of supporters.

A round of applause and appreciation goes out to Northwest Kiwanis and Kiwanis of North Central Indiana for their generosity and longstanding involvement at New Hope!

And to Tracy Hemb, it looks like you are earning your antlers

By: Anthony Rogers, New Hope team leader

This article is part two in a series of three articles on the journeys of three new team leaders at New Hope. **Tracy Hemb** was the first contributor and **Anthony Rogers** is the second. One of the team leaders is no longer at New Hope so **Erron Fleshman**, another new team leader will conclude with part three in the winter issue.

So, those three deer in the headlights, where are they now? Sadly to say, one decided to tread in a different direction. It was great starting together, learning together and stopping in the hallway and asking each other about one's growth, challenges and just being able to share honest feelings with one another.

Being a team leader is something more than just clocking in. When you do clock in, you have to bring some-

thing with you besides lunch. It is patience, kindness, respect, vision and a backbone. This new job requires the ability to adapt to change in the lives of our clients, their health concerns and different regulations. As team leader, you are surrounded by an army of support such as skills trainers, families, behavior consultants, waiver managers, Sycamore consultants, nurse consultants, Crossroads, Hamilton Center,

Noble and many more that could be added to the list.

I welcome to the fold **Erron Fleshman** and **Selam Seyoum**, new team leaders for cluster 3, encouraging them to use the herd around them. This herd is experienced and they are the ones who have helped New Hope become a good place for those we serve. Keep asking questions and learning. It is challenging but rewarding work.

Friends of the Fox track visits—2002



(seated, l-r) Jim Hahn, Mark Robinson of Firestone, Maureen Broaddus and Jerry DeBaun (standing, right) watch the blimp as it prepares to take off.



Carrie Moore, Kelli Hillis and Dana Zunk enjoy Steak 'n Shake breakfast at the Friends of the Fox outing.



How did Joni get into the blimp? Bob Hill and Charlie carried her into it.



Carrie Moore's hat is autographed by Indy 500 driver Tomas Scheckter, Red Bull Cheever Racing. Photo credit: Kelli Hillis

More than 120 individuals served by New Hope had the chance to enjoy breakfast at Steak 'n Shake, tour Gasoline Alley, meet the drivers, visit the museum and enjoy all the fun associated with the track. This is the fourth annual Friends of the Fox outing for New Hope and everyone had a great time. Friends of the Fox would like to thank Steak 'n Shake for all the good food as well as Jean Dunbar, project manager-Motorsports at Bridgestone/Firestone, for their help with this year's event. St. Vincent New Hope would like to thank Jack Kerwin and all the Friends of the Fox Volunteers for providing this fun filled day for everyone.

Thanks to the Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana, which donated a van to Friends of the Fox.

Your Voices

Mission of Service

By Vicki Cole

I recently had occasion to talk to a waiver case manager, who has a very long history with one of my clients. This particular client's needs have gone through several drastic changes due to an increase in physical assistance needs and the psychological result of these physical changes. There are staffing changes and changes in his independence level. He has had to change many of his usual routines. The case manager is a staunch advocate and exceptionally diligent. She is conscientious as to what she feels is best for the client and freely lets us know it. It is for this reason that her comments are so meaningful.

In our conversation about the changes the client is going through she smiled in pleased recognition of the services provided by SVNH and said, "It is unusual for an agency to still be meeting the needs of a client even after all these years." That statement says a lot about the mission of service that shines in the SVNH staff, who continue to amaze case managers with their dedication, doesn't it?

Getting Around

By Cindy Wagner

TGIFriday's french fries are good and come in a bowl so they are easy to eat. The mushroom burger is big enough for two meals and the broccoli cheese soup is wonderful on a cold day. The vanilla bean cheesecake ought to be illegal...it's so rich! The parking is easy access and I was seated quickly at a comfortable table.

The Elbow Room has a pub atmosphere with friendly people and a relaxed setting. Getting in is close quarters with an uphill trip to tables that takes a helper because of the doors. The food is worth the effort that it takes to get in. Because it's downtown, parking is by meter so get your quarters ready!

Vicki Cole, SILP team leader, says, "Cindy has inspired increased attention of local restaurants to better identify ways of serving all of their diverse customers."

What it's all about

By Desiree Tilton

Editor's Note: As a part of the Community Outreach Department, one-on-one assistance is provided to children in school settings. Desiree Tilton is the team leader for these educational services.



Desiree (far left), John McCormick and band members wait to play for the community open house at John Marshall Middle School.

It is the middle of May. The school year is almost over and up to yesterday, I was shouting, "Hallelujah!" It has been a tough school year. We had a number of staff changes, illness, injuries, took on new kids and had others move on. It seemed as though every week brought a new problem. Then it happened. On May 15 while filling in with a child at John Marshall Middle School, the band director, Mr. Mantenband, informed me that the last band performance would be the

following evening. He also stated that he thought it would be nice for John (the child I was supporting) to participate since he had been in his class all year.

To most people this doesn't sound very special, but you have to know John to understand. John has CP, uses a wheelchair, is nonverbal, asthmatic and allergic to seemingly everything. In addition, he has behavior challenges. On the days that I filled in with John in the past, he would play the cowbell in class sometimes. Just the fact that the director invited him to participate was really great.

That afternoon I spoke with John's mother and told her how John has been making great progress at school with his educational mentor, Quiana Cospy. I also told her that if she wanted him to participate I would support him if Quiana were not able. Mrs. McCormick had mixed emotions. On one hand she never thought John would ever be in band, but on the other hand, she was afraid John would embarrass himself or others. After some thought and prayer, Mrs. McCormick agreed to allow John to try. The director was informed that John would be there.

The next evening I went to the school before John's arrival to work out the logistics. A student stopped me and asked, "Where is the kid in the wheelchair?" I explained that John was coming but I

needed to find out where his place was on the stage. The student stated that the director had told them where John would sit and proceeded to show me. When John arrived, his mother asked nervously, "Are you sure about this?" I assured her that if John could not handle it, he and I would make a discreet exit from the stage.

I have to admit the waiting was nerve-racking. John and I did the things he likes to do in the halls at school, such as go up and down the ramps really fast. In addition, I talked to him about what he was expected to do on stage. "Stay in your spot, play the bell and we'll leave the stage when Mr. M says we're finished," etc.

Finally, we went on stage. John was amazing! He played his bell for not one but two songs and sat quietly during the third song. He kept pretty good time too! In the hall afterward a number of other band members told John, "Good job!" John gave me a hug and signed, "Thank you."

It was that moment when it hit me...regardless of the trials and tribulations of this school year, that moment of John showing everyone what he CAN do, being accepted by a general education teacher as well as classmates, and the look of pride and amazement on his mother's face...that is what this program is all about.

My Gift

By Jeff Yeiter



Jeff Yeiter and Becky Maher enjoy the garden at St. Vincent Hospice.

I love to help out and to be able to make people laugh when they are down. I heard about Hospice and that they might need volunteers.

In 1992 I went to the hospice volunteer coordinator, Mary Jo, to talk about being a volunteer. Mary Jo needed somebody to put peoples' addresses in the computer and I got that job. I needed somebody to come with me and help with the papers. So I found someone, and on Tuesdays mornings Sue and I volunteered. I would put addresses in the computer, and Sue looked over my work. We volunteered on Tuesday morning from 9 a.m. to noon for two years.

I stopped working at Hospice in 1994

because there was no more work for me to do. I was sad when Mary Jo told me that I was out of work. By the end of November 1994, I had 121 volunteer hours.

I wanted to go back and volunteer at Hospice because I missed the nice people. I heard that hospice was moving to the New Hope building and I spoke with Becky, the Hospice volunteer coordinator, about volunteering again. I started back as a Hospice volunteer in May 2000. I was so happy. I am the "mailman" two days a week. I use my electric wheelchair, which I control with my head, to deliver mail around the Hospice building. I know all the staff members and other volunteers at the hospice.

Some people think it might be depressing to volunteer at Hospice, but I feel it is a gift to work there. The people who work at Hospice are so nice and caring. They will talk with me and are always there to give me hugs. They help me understand that at times I may get down in my life, especially around the holidays, and one day it will be okay.

Becky Maher's comments: "St. Vincent Hospice is very fortunate to have a volunteer and friend like Jeff. He is always eager to deliver the mail and see all the staff, volunteers and visitors along the way. Jeff may say that it is a gift to work at Hospice, but we say it is a gift to know Jeff."

Roses at Night

By Katherine Lozow

Roses at night
Are a wondrous sight!
They have an iridescent glow
Like little Hawaiian leis.
Tiny clusters of bright pink color
Clinging to the vine.
"Aloha" welcome home they say!

They have an iridescent glow!
So bright in the night
Like brilliant shooting stars against
A black velvet sky.
They have an iridescent glow!
Roses at night
Are wondrous sights!

WHO IS AMY?

By Amy Stant

Allow me to introduce her. She is very unique. She wears many different hats. She is a daughter, sister, an aunt, great aunt, volunteer and last but not least, a WONDERFUL friend and a wife.

However, do you know what Amy is? There is no hat for this person. She has all the emotions, wishes, dreams and desires like all the other people have.

Community Outreach... What Is It?

By Kathy Ballard

The Community Outreach Department has been awarded two grants. One grant, awarded through the Marion County Office of Family and Children, provides intensive home-based services to families headed by parents with cognitive delays. Through in-home services, par-

enting classes and community connections, we hope to support and stabilize families so that the children may remain at home. **Heather Shelton** and **Lonya Thompson** are therapists in this program, **Desiree Tilton** is a case manager and **Rashida Smith** is a family mentor. Another case manager will be added soon. We anticipate serving 60 to 70 families in Marion County through this grant.

We have also been awarded a grant through FSSA. This grant provides for

direct services to youth to prepare them for independence as they move out of foster care. This will be a pilot program serving 10 youth, with plans to expand the program in the next two years. Candidates are currently being considered for this position.

Community Outreach continues to provide Department of Education wrap-around services in Indianapolis Public Schools, Washington and Lawrence township schools. We are providing one-

on-one assistance to five students. We anticipate piloting a new transition program for Indianapolis Public Schools for students 18-21. This pilot will provide community-based services for students as they transition into adult life. In Indiana there are only two other programs addressing services in this specialized manner: One is at North Central High School and the other is in Bloomington.

We are excited about these new opportunities to provide service.

People

Congratulations to **Angie Cole**, recipient of the Quarterly Leadership Award.

New Hope welcomes **Erron Fleshman** as new team leader for 57th and 60th streets.

Latasha Rowe is the new office professional for SLP cluster 1.

New Hope welcomes **Jan Pegues**, manager for SLP cluster 4.

New Hope welcomes **Selam Seyoum**, new team leader for Brendon Park and 48th St.

New Hope welcomes **Hanna Assefa**, part-time nurse for CYCS.

Desiree Tilton has been promoted to case manager, Parenting Program/Community Outreach.

Karla Beard is the second targeted case manager in the rapidly expanding Targeted Case Management Program.

Lonya Thompson has been promoted to Therapist, Parenting Program / Community Outreach.

Welcome to **Heather Shelton**, therapist, Parenting Program / Community Outreach.

Welcome to **Rashidda Smith**, parent mentor, Parent Program / Community Outreach.

Welcome back to **Kenny Carter**, Environmental Services.

Debi Roe is taking over the CYCS/SILP office professional position.

Welcome to **Shannon Sanders**, DOE/Community Outreach Team Leader.

Andrea Antonio is the new case manager for Family Preservation.

Sarah Mooney has been promoted to CYCS team leader.

Welcome to CYCS, **Denise Schmidt**, new team leader.

Welcome to New Hope, **Laura Tomlin**, financial director.

Congratulations to **Joey Neff** on the birth of her daughter, Isabella.

Congratulations to **Franklin Brown** on the birth of his son, Michael Elijah.

On Sept. 1, **Dawn** and **Bill Cottrell** became the proud parents of twins:

Madalyn Raye, born 2:22 p.m., 18 in., 5 lb., 6 oz., and Ethan Reilly, born 2:54 p.m., 18 in., 5 lb., 8 oz.



Bonnie Hasemeyer wants her friends to know that she has just completed her sixth year at Wal-Mart. She feels that Wal-Mart has made it possible for her to be more independent, and it has been a wonderful, fulfilling time in her life. She loves having her own money and being able to do things. Congratulations, Bonnie!



DePaul and Justin group homes joined the Bulldogs into the Streets Volunteers from Butler University for a fun-filled day at the Indianapolis Zoo. Everyone had a great time! Bulldogs into the Streets is a one-day service opportunity that allows incoming Butler freshmen to reach out to the community as well as a chance for non-profit agencies to recruit volunteers.

New Hope Trivia

By Marcia Carithers and Elisa Haskins, North Central volunteer

1. What building is on Payne Road?
2. What used to be the chapel is now what?
3. What used to be the gift shop is now what?
4. How many units were there at New Hope?
5. Who cut the ribbon at the opening of New Hope?
6. What is the title of the New Hope newsletter?
7. What is located adjacent to New Hope?
8. What public transportation system used to work for New Hope?
9. Who is the director of SILP?
10. Who were the education teacher (s) at New Hope that are still here in another position?
11. Who is currently in charge of New Hope transportation?
12. Who is the nurse for SILP?
13. What is the dance that New Hope has in the warm weather?
14. Who was the doctor for New Hope?
15. Create your own question about New Hope's past.

Turn in the 15 questions to the volunteer department and anyone who answers all questions correctly will receive a prize from St. Vincent Corporate Communications.

Getting to Know You: An interview by Sandy Fries



Sandy (left) gets to know her Skills Trainer, Connie Weaver.

Welcome to Getting to Know You. I am interviewing my skills trainer, **Connie Weaver**.

How many years have you been with New Hope?

I have worked at New Hope for nearly eight years.

Did you work prior to coming to New Hope, if so where?

Yes, I worked at Central State Hospital for almost 25 years before coming to New Hope.

What are some of your favorite leisure activities?

I enjoy going to church, movies, and going to new restaurants and of course eating. I like basketball and hockey, especially the NBA.

Do you have a favorite team for basketball and hockey?

Yes, I am a Pacer fan and also the Indianapolis Ice. I was born in Indiana.

What do you think your most valuable asset is?

Well Sandy, I think my ability to love people is my most valuable asset.

Do you think your love for people has influenced you to stay in this field of health care/human services?

I have always felt a sense of self-gratification whenever I could help someone. To be able to give of myself to make someone's life more enjoyable is, in my opinion, the utmost performance that I could receive. There is no monetary value that can be placed on a smile or thank you when it comes from the heart.

Sandy's Note: Stay tuned for the next issue of *Wings of a Dove*. I promise to bring you an interview with **Kathe Rae**, director of Group Homes and Targeted Case Management.