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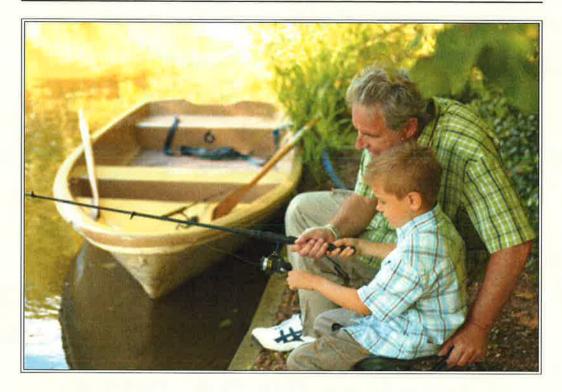
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We would like to thank the Planned Giving Council of Northeast Indiana for their assistance and support. Events of the week are noted on pages 8 & 9. Forms and information to benefit you are included as well. Please let us know if there is anything we can do next year to enhance the overall content of this booklet.



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# Write a Will

## LEAVE A LEGACY® and Change the World

By Richard Cummins,
Chief Development Officer at
The Rescue Mission

elen Keller once said, "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much". There are many amazing nonprofit organizations in our community. Together, we have a chance to change the world we live in for the better by supporting these causes. Unfortunately, for many, the global financial downturn that we have experienced over the last six years has left little discretionary income to donate to a charity. If that is the case for you, helping today may not seem like a reality. An end of life gift is a way for

you to preserve a long term legacy without causing a burden on your current cash flow. Over 25 local non-profits have grouped together to make it easier for all of us to give a little to make a big difference. From October 20th through 24th, these organizations will be partnering in the Leave a Legacy Write a Will campaign. These nonprofits have made arrangements with volunteer attorneys that will prepare a simple will for you. According to the Planned Giving Council of Northeast Indiana website (pgcni.org), a simple will is one that:

- 1. Allows for the naming of a personal representative for the estate
- Allows for simple, direct distributions of assets to a surviving spouse, charities, and/or other beneficiaries
- 3. Follows all applicable state requirements for witnesses and signatures.
- 4. May contain guardian appointments if there are children under age 18



All you have to do is make a bequest in your simple will to a charitable organization and the preparation will be FREE of charge. That's it. You give a little, the world becomes a better place and you have no cost for the preparation. You can give to both loved ones and a charitable organization. There also might be a tax benefit for your loved ones by donating a charitable gift through your estate. Please consult an attorney to see if that can be a reality for you. To participate in the FREE Leave A Legacy Write A Will program, turn to pages 8 & 9, find a charity that you are comfortable with or an event that works with your schedule, contact the named representative and make an appointment. It's that easy. One thing to remember though, according to pgcni.org, any will that requires trust arrangements or a "significant series of contingent options" will not be considered simple and will not be free. The volunteer attorney will discuss this matter with you.

# Estate Planning Do's and Don'ts

ou've built a good life for yourself and, naturally, you want to pass it on. But just as it takes hard work and planning to acquire wealth, it also takes a well thoughtout estate plan to preserve those assets for future generations.

An attorney, financial advisor/accountant, or trust administrator are professionals who can help you put together an estate plan that reflects your unique needs and goals, helping you to sort through difficult questions, avoid common mistakes, and plan your estate with confidence and peace of mind.

Here are a few do's and don'ts to keep in mind when putting together an estate plan:

- DON'T WRITE YOUR OWN WILL Estate planning is too complicated to do it yourself, and the laws that govern it vary from state to state. So don't rely on a generic form you found online when there are professionals who can customize a plan for you. All too often, small mistakes made by do-it-your-selfers can lead to an invalid will and family members spending thousands of dollars fighting over your estate.
- DON'T PROCRASTINATE Delays only hurt the ones you love. The time to plan your estate is now, even if you're not sure who gets what or who you want to be in charge. An estate plan that meets 80% of your goals is better than no plan at all.
- DON'T FORGET TO UPDATE BENEFICIARY DESIGNA-TIONS – It's a good idea to check your beneficiary designations periodically to make sure they're cur-



rent. Major assets could easily go to the wrong person if you've recently had a major life change. In a worst-case scenario, these assets could even end up in probate and subject to the claims of creditors.

- DO CONSULT A FINANCIAL ADVISOR If you own valuable assets, the best way to protect them (and minimize your tax burden) is through a properly executed estate plan.
- DO FUND YOUR REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST As soon as possible after your trust agreement is signed, fund it. Otherwise, the plan won't work if you become disabled, and your assets will end up in probate when you die.

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## How to prepare for meeting with your "Write a Will" attorney

our meeting with your attorney at any of the partner Leave A Legacy® "Write a Will" sites will be scheduled for approximately 15 to 30 minutes. To make the best use of your appointment complete the Intake Form for Will Preparation (a copy is available on page 7 of the Leave a Legacy® insert or online at www.pgcni.org/PDF/intakeform.pdf). and bring it with you to your appointment. The information your attorney will need to complete your will includes:

- Your marital status and, if married, the name of your spouse; also, is your spouse a U.S. citizen? Do you have a prenuptial agreement?
- Names and birthdates of all your children whether they will inherit or not
- Name and Address of the charitable organization(s) you name in your will

Names of other persons who will benefit from your will, and their relationship to you

- A general list of your assets and how those assets are titled; for example, is your house or bank account in your name only, or are there other owners? If you have an IRA or retirement account, who are your beneficiaries?
- You can leave your beneficiaries a specific dollar amount or a percentage of your estate. You can also make bequests of specific items, such as jewelry or furniture. Your attorney will discuss each of these options with you.

At the end of your appointment, your attorney will explain what to expect and when your document(s) will be ready to sign. You should follow-up with your attorney. Leave A Legacy® will not be involved in the follow-up.

Remember, your will is no charge if you name at least one charity to receive a gift from your will when you die. If you do not name a charity in your will, you must be prepared to pay the cost of the will. The attorney will discuss this with you.

You may also ask your attorney to prepare other documents for you in addition to a will. Please be aware the attorney has the right to charge a fee for the additional work.

NOTE: The above is general information only. You should rely on your attorney's advice in all matters regarding your estate plan. The Leave A Legacy® committee does not prepare wills and is not engaged in the practice of Law.

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## LEAVE A LEGACY® 2014 Committee

## LEAVE A LEGACY® ... Write a Will

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YOUR DOCUMENT MAY BE EXECUTED AT A LATER DATE BY APPOINTMENT

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### 2014 Write a Will Events

#### Central Site - Allen County Public Library, Downtown Branch (call for appointment)

900 Library Plaza, Room C, Fort Wayne 46802

Contact: Margaret Sturm Phone: 260-461-6218 margaret.sturm@pnc.com October 20, 4 to 6 p.m.

Attorney: Steve Adair (Beers Mallers Backs & Salin)

#### Central Site - Allen County Public Library, Downtown Branch (call for appointment)

900 Library Plaza, Room C, Fort Wayne 46802

Contact: Margaret Sturm
Phone: 260-461-6218
margaret.sturm@pnc.com
October 23, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Attorneys: Charles Backs (Beers Mallers Backs & Salin);

Rob Grubbs (Boeglin & Gerardot)

#### Central Site - Allen County Public Library Georgetown Branch (call for appointment)

6600 E. State Blvd., Fort Wayne 46802 Contact: Margaret Sturm Phone: 260-461-6218

margaret.sturm@pnc.com October 20, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Attorney: Leah Good (Troyer & Good)

#### Central Site - Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne (call for appointment)

555 E. Wayne St., Fort Wayne 46802

Contact: Mayrie St., Fort Wayrie 40002
Contact: Margaret Sturm
Phone: 260-461-6218
margaret.sturm@pnc.com
October 24, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Attorney: Casey B. Cox (Beers Mallers Backs & Salin)

#### Central Site - Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Community Center (call for appointment)

233 W. Main St., Fort Wayne 46802 Contact: Margaret Sturm Phone: 260-461-6218 margaret.sturm@pnc.com

October 22, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Attorneys: Charles Backs & Casey B. Cox (Beers Mallers

Backs & Salin)

#### Central Site - Jorgensen Family YMCA (call for appointment)

10313 Aboite Center Rd., Fort Wayne 46804

Contact: Margaret Sturm Phone: 260-461-6218 margaret.sturm@pnc.com October 23, 4 to 7 p.m.

Jesica Thorson (Beers Mallers Backs & Salin)

#### Central Site - Parkview Family YMCA (call for appointment)

10001 Dawsons Creek, Fort Wayne 46825

Contact: Margaret Sturm Phone: 260-461-6218 margaret.sturm@pnc.com October 21, 4 to 7 p.m.

Attorney: Ben Williams (Shambaugh, Kast, Beck &

Williams)

#### Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana (call for appointment)

6316 Mutual Dr., Fort Wayne 46825

www.cancer-services.org Contact: Stacey Stumpf Phone: 260-484-9560 sstumpf@cancer-services.org October 20, 4 to 7 p.m.

Attorney: George Bewley (Bewley & Koday)

#### Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne (by appointment only)

555 E. Wayne St., Fort Wayne 46802

Contact: Beth Regedanz
Phone: 260-969-3313
bregedanz@cfgfw.org
October 24, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Attorney: Casey B. Cox (Beers Mallers Backs & Salin)

#### CTN (Community Transportation Network) (call for appointment)

5601 Industrial Rd., Fort Wayne 46825

www.4ctn.org

Contact: Becky Weimerskirch Phone: 260-420-3407

becky@ridectn.org

October 21, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Attorney: Art Weingartner

#### DeKalb County Community Foundation/DeKalb Health Foundation/United Way of DeKalb County (call for details)

DeKalb Health, 1316 E. 7th St., 3rd Floor meeting room,

Auburn 46706

www.dekalbfoundation.org

Contact: Wendy Oberlin Phone: 260-925-0311

woberlin@dekalbfoundation.org

October 22, (call for times)

October 23, 7 to 8:15 p.m.

Attorneys: J. Darrick Brinkerhoff and J. Daniel Brinkerhoff presenting "Be Will-Prepared"

#### **Early Childhood Alliance**

(call Robin Holley for appointment. 260-458-0125) Beacon Center, 2125 Beacon St., Fort Wayne 46805

www.ecalliance.org Contact: Robin Holley Phone: 260-458-0125 rholley@ecalliance.org October 21, 1 to 3 p.m.

Attorney: Tracey Troyer (Troyer & Good)

#### Easter Seals ARC (call for appointment)

4919 Coldwater Rd., Fort Wayne 46825

www.facebook.com/easterseals arcnein

Contact: Valerie Magana Phone: 260-469-2780 vmagana@esarc.org

October 21, 12 Noon to 4 p.m.

Attorneys: Robert Rhee and Heidi Adair (Beers Mallers Backs & Salin)

#### League for the Blind and Disabled (call for appointment)

5821 S. Anthony Blvd., Fort Wayne 46816

www.the-league.org Contact: Judi Loomis Phone: 260-441-0551 judil@the-league.org

October 20, 9 a.m. to 12 Noon

October 21, 1 to 4 p.m.

Attorney: TBD

#### The Literacy Alliance (call for appointment)

709 Clay St., Ste. 100, Fort Wayne 46802

www.fwliteracyalliance.org Contact: Jane McGraw Phone: 260-426-7323, Ext. 24 Jane.mcgraw@fwliteracyalliance.org October 22, 12 Noon to 2 p.m. Attorney: Leah Good (Troyer & Good)

#### Lutheran Life Villages Foundation (call for appointment)

Villages at Anthony

6701 S. Anthony, Fort Wayne 46816

The Village at Pine Valley

9802 Coldwater Rd., Fort Wayne 46825

www.lutheranlifevillages.org

Contact: Tim Imler Phone: 260-447-1591

timler@lutheranlifevillages.org

October 21, 9 a.m. to 12 Noon (Anthony)

October 24, 1 to 4 p.m. (Pine Valley)
Attorneys: Dan Nieter & Andy Goeglein

(Nieter & Goeglein)

To avoid waiting, you are encouraged to call ahead to make an appointment at the site of your choice. (Some sites require a pre-set appointment.)

#### **Noble County Community Foundation** (call for reservation)

Kendallville Public Library www.NobleCountyCF.org Contact: Linda Yerick Phone: 260-894-3335 October 28, 1 to 3 p.m.

Attorney: Douglas Atz presenting "Where There's A

#### **Noble County Community Foundation** (call for reservation)

Noble County Public Library - Albion www.NobleCountyCF.org Contact: Linda Yerick Phone: 260-894-3335

November 3, 2 to 4 p.m.

Attorney: Douglas Atz presenting "Where There's A

Will"

#### **Noble County Community Foundation** (call for reservation)

Noble County Community Foundation www.NobleCountvCF.org Contact: Linda Yerick Phone: 260-894-3335 October 30, 5 to 7 p.m.

Attorney: Douglas Atz presenting "Where There's A

Will"

#### The Rescue Mission (call for appointment)

301 W. Superior St., Fort Wayne 46855 TheRescueMission.net **Contact: Richard Cummins** Phone: 260-426-7357, ext. 138 richard@TheRescueMission.net Call for times Attorney: TBD

#### Salvation Army

2901 N. Clinton St., Fort Wayne 46805 www.myplan2give.org Contact: Dave Hughes Phone: 317-224-2004; 317-508-5467 Dave\_Hughes@usc.salvationarmy.org October 20, 2 to 4 p.m. Attorney: Heidi Adair (Beers Mallers Backs & Salin)

#### SCAN (Stop Child Abuse Now) (call for appointment)

500 W. Main St., Fort Wayne 46802 www.scanfw.org Contact: Jennifer Neher Phone: 260-421-5000 ineher@scaninc.org

October 20, 10 a.m. to 12 Noon

Attorney: Heidi Adair (Beers Mallers Backs & Salin)



#### Saint Vincent de Paul Catholic Church (call for appointment)

East Room, 1502 E. Wallen Rd., Fort Wayne 46825 www.saintv.org Contact: Linda McCarthy Phone: 260-489-3537, ext. 247 lindamccarthy@saintv.org Attorney: TBD

#### **STAR 88.3**

(call for appointment)

8 Martin Luther Dr., Fort Wayne 46802 Contact: Haley Harmon Phone: 260-483-8236 Halev@Star883.com October 22, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Attorney: TBD

#### Turnstone Center for Children and Adults with Disabilities

3320 N. Clinton St., Fort Wayne 46805 www.turnstone.org Contact: Beth Stein Phone: 260-483-2100 kenna@turnstone.org October 22, 2014 (call for times) Attorneys: Phil Wagler (Barrett McNagny)

#### **University of Saint Francis** (call Atty. Jane Gerardot for appointment at 260-436-3883)

Brookside, 2701 Spring St., Fort Wayne 46808 www.sf.edu Contact: Matthew Smith Phone: 260-399-7700, ext. 8105 msmith@sf.edu October 22, 3 to 7 p.m. Attorney: Jane Gerardot (Boeglin & Gerardot)

**Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home** (call for appointment)

5910 Homestead Rd., Fort Wayne 46814 www.vnhh.org Contact: Kris Rajchel Phone: 260-435-3212 KrisRaichel@vnfw.org October 21, 9 to 11 a.m. October 23, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Attorney: Steve Adair (Beers Mallers Backs & Salin)

#### **WBCL Radio Network** (call for appointment)

1115 W. Rudisill Blvd., Fort Wayne 46807 www.wbcl.org Contact: Jeri Rusk Phone: 260-745-0576 irrusk@wbcl.org October 20, 1 to 3:30 p.m. October 21, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. October 22, 9 to 11 a.m. October 23, 8 a.m. to 12 Noon; 12:30 to 4:15 p.m. October 24, 8 to 10:30 a.m.

Attorneys: Bob Rhee (Beers Mallers Backs & Salin); Stacy Somers (Beers Mallers Backs & Salin); Jesica Thorson (Beers Mallers Backs & Salin); Tracy Troyer (Troyer & Good); Steve Adair (Beers Mallers Backs & Salin)

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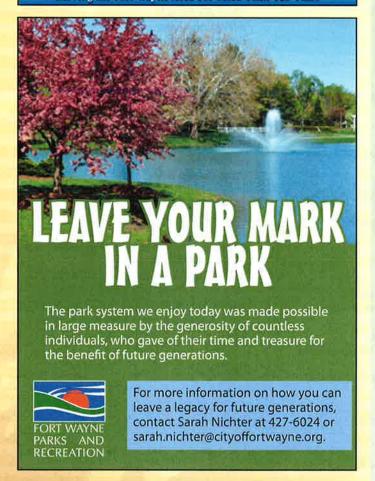
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Bishop Luers is known for its traditions. Indeed, our mascot, the kneeling knight, is based on the Franciscan tradition of peace; for the knight is strong with armor, yet humble when kneeling. We have a spirit which is felt immediately as you pass through our doors, often referred to as Luers Spirit. It is brought about through its student, parent and alumni composition: a mixture of old and new, different backgrounds, different cultures, yet all pulled together in one family. It is a feeling of family and faith.

With support from our alumni, donors, parishes and benefactors, Bishop Luers High School has provided over 6 million dollars in financial assistance to ensure that each student can obtain a college preparatory education. You, too, can share your Luers Spirit and leave a legacy by giving a gift to ensure more students the privilege of being a Bishop Luers Knight and joining our Luers alumni that consists of doctors, lawyers, teachers and priests. As a recent graduate shared, "The ability to express my faith and learn about it continually has made me into a person I would never had become if I didn't attend a Catholic school. I am grateful for the sacrifices



of my parents and those in the Luers community who have made this education possible for me." For more information, please contact Kathy Skelly, Development Director, Bishop Luers High School, (260) 456-1261.



### Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana



he unavoidable truth is *everyone* will be affected by cancer – in one way or another – during their life. Another sad truth is a cancer diagnosis can emotionally and financially devastate even the strongest of families.

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In 2013, Cancer Services helped more than 2,600 clients. However, Cancer Services could not provide our programs and services without generous support from our donors.

Taking advantage of the upcoming Write a Will Week is an excellent way to support Cancer Services and people affected by cancer. A will is more than a piece of paper. It is a way to plan for the future and give peace of mind.

We are fortunate to have local estate planning attorney, George Bewley, offering his expert services on Monday, October 20 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana, 6316 Mutual Dr. Bewley has earned the respect of clients and the Fort Wayne legal community as evidenced by his inclusion in Best Lawyers of America and as a Fellow of the American College of Trust & Estate Counsel.

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- Thursday, October 30 5 to 7 pm
   Noble County Community Foundation,
   1599 Lincolnway South, Ligonier
- Monday, November 3 2 to 4 pm
   Noble County Public Library, Albion, Cole Rooms A & B



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\*Emmaus Lutheran School: Greg Rehberg, 459-7722, x1009, or grehberg@emmauslutheranfw.org

\*Central Lutheran School: John Weber, 493-2502, x325, or jweber@cluth.org

#### For Additional Information:



Contact Jon Dize at 260-203-4510 jond@tlspartnership.org Connect with us at FB: The Lutheran Schools @LutheranSchools





by Paul M. Miller

If you cannot drive yourself, you face a huge barrier. If you need a little assistance, even fewer options exist. You have to arrange every trip. You begin to limit where you will even attempt to travel. You ask others to pick up things for you. You lose a little independence working around everyone's schedule. It hurts your sense of dignity. But, you have to go to your medical appointments. You need to get there on time. Your life may even depend on it.

Over 700 people turn to CTN (Community Transportation Network). From an occasional doctor's appointment to dialysis three times a week, CTN vans are on the road, Monday-Saturday, ensuring seniors and people with disabilities have a dependable option. I have seen it grow over the last few years. I know it means so much to people to be greeted by friendly drivers who come right to the door. Not only do I donate to CTN each year to help sponsor rides right now, I made the decision to add CTN as a benefactor to my will. That will enable me to have a larger impact on this small organization. Whatever I can



do will help so many more remain as independent as possible. I want to help give back that sense of dignity. I know this is a great investment.



#### Concordia Lutheran **High School**



th brooms, shovels, rakes and gloves, more than 700 Concordia Lutheran High School students set out to make a difference in their community. They were cleaning, fixing, teaching, serving, praying, singing and doing their part to help others. Clearly, these students are living out the mission statement of Concordia: "Concordia Lutheran High School pursues Christ-centered educational excellence that equips individuals for lifelong learning and service as disciples of Christ."

Since 1935, the students of Concordia have made a difference in Fort Wayne and beyond. This has been made possible over the years by individuals who believed enough in Concordia that they made a gift to the high school through their estate plan as well as gifts annually. These gifts supported the Concordia experience so that each and every student can have dedicated faculty and staff to serve them through these four critical years of their lives.

As Bob and Sue Dettmer shared, "We believe that Concordia Lutheran High School is the school that will take these young men and women and best prepare them for the world of tomorrow. That is why we support Concordia today and, when we are both gone, will provide even more support for the Concordia experience to continue for many more years."

Consider investing the future of Concordia. Your gift will make a difference. Contact John Schoedel, chief development officer at Concordia Lutheran High School, at 260-483-1102 or



jschoedel@clhscadets.com

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### Write a Will

Friday, November 14 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.

(Call Steve Staley at 260-422-3528 ext. 103 for an appointment) Place: Associated Churches, 602 E. Wayne St., Ft. Wayne Cost: FREE if any non-profit organization or church is mentioned in the will.









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hy did a publically-supported school corporation establish a foundation? Why would someone want to donate to a public school district...Isn't that the purpose of our

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Paulding Putnam's Gary Lybarger providing EACS Educational Foundation representatives with \$2,000 donation from Paulding Putnam's "Operation Round Up!" program. Pictured from left to right: Chris Baker, EACS Foundation Board member and EACS Board of School Trustees; Gary Lybarger, Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative Trustee; Rose Fritzinger EACS Educational Foundation Director; and Joyce Magner, EACS Educational Foundation Board president.

quality of education and extend learning opportunities for EACS students."

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The ONLY financial support EACS Educational Foundation receives is from individuals and organizations. Some of those organizations are Parkview Total Health; Coca-Cola; Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative Trust; NewAllen Alliance; Old National; OmniSource; Barton Coe Vilamaa; iAB Financial Bank; NIPSCO; Wells Fargo; Pepsi; RQAW; SDI LaFarga; Parker-Hannifin; Lake City Bank; 1st Source Bank; and Ruble Truck Sales.

Providing a legacy gift to the EACS Educational Foundation would be a tremendous way to honor your favorite educator or an important person in your life. If you want to learn how you could provide a lasting, positive impact for students and staff, contact the EACS Educational Foundation:



Rose Fritzinger, M.A., CFRE EACS Educational Foundation Director (260) 446-0100, ext. 3161 rfritzinger@eacs.k12.in.us



### Fort Wayne Animal Care & Control



nicipal shelter, we provide all of the basic needs: food, water and shelter. However, many of the animals that arrive have needs beyond the scope of everyday care.

Louie, an adorable schnauzer who came to us with a broken leg, Sookie, a gentle bloodhound mix who tested positive for heartworm, as well as many other animals in need arrive daily. Many of these animals need life-saving care, special food, or may need time in a foster home to heal before being able to enter our adoption program. Our compassionate staff and volunteers like to offer comfort for the animals in our care by providing them toys for mental stimulation and blankets to mimic a homelike environment. All of these soft touches and life-saving initiatives are possible thanks to donated dollars provided by caring citizens in our community.

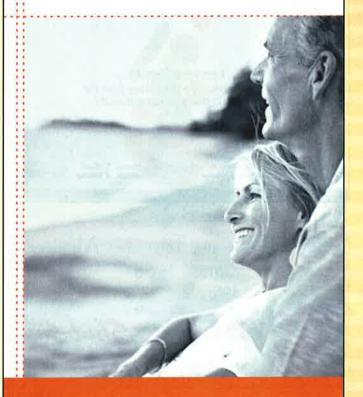
Planned giving and contributions throughout the year play a major role in the help shelter animals receive. For a complete list of ways your contributions can help the animals please visit our website at www.fwacc.org and click on wish list.

Belinda Lewis, Director of Fort Wayne Animal Care & Control stated, "Donor dollars provide all levels of care that cannot be covered by tax based dollars. An

end-of-life gift has a direct impact on our programming and saves lives."

We hope you will consider joining us in our efforts to help the animals in need in our community.

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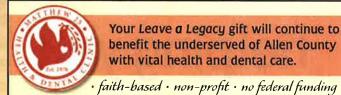
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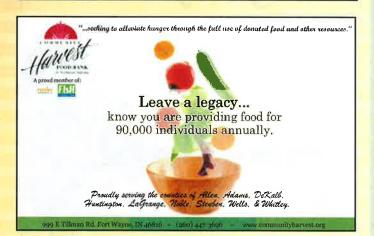


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#### "Where there are no Limitations!"

by David A. Nelson, CRC, President/CEO

Ithough The League for the Blind & Disabled has been around for a long time, since 1950, it continues to amaze me how surprised people are when they learn what we really do. The other day a gentleman came into our office to make some repairs. As we were walking through the building he remarked that our building and our operations within were very deceiving to the outside world. "How so?" I inquired. He explained that his perception of The League was that we taught people who were blind to use wheelchairs, and passed out walking canes. Until he actually took a walk through the building and saw our many different departments, our trained and knowledgeable staff working one-onone with our consumers young and old, and our extensive outreach to the community through our support groups (one just happened to be in session in our community room); he had no idea!

We ended our conversation with an invitation for him to return and spend some time with us. After all, he probably knows someone, a relative, a friend, who could use our assistance. If there is one certainty in life it is that disability is too often a bi-product of aging.

He promised to return and invite his parents to come along. As it turns out his mother and dad were getting up there in age and he was very concerned about their eye sight, their mobility, and their yearning to remain independent as long as they could.

We set a date, and when he returns I know exactly what I will show him. I will take him to our Senior Blind Services department where he will soon understand that the latest in technological sight aids are available, and support groups are offered weekly. We will move on to The League's Mobility department where he will soon find out that losing your eye sight does not have to take away your independence. We will talk to our DeafLink department who will explain to him how they aid our deaf community by helping them communicate, whether it's an appearance in court, a lease that needs to be negotiated, or a visit to a doctor or the emergency room. And, he will have full knowledge of our Youth Services Program where we advocate for children with disabilities from birth to 21 years old. I will also take him on a tour of our In-Home Care Services department, where our staff will share all of the services we can provide to insure that the elderly can remain in their own home and familiar surroundings.

Before we wind up this tour, he will have met our Consumer Advocacy department where our consumers learn how to tread through a pile of paperwork that will ultimately give them some financial relief from their mounting medical bills, understand apartment leases, and how we advocate for them in a court of law.

Yes, perception means a lot, but until you really get inside of a non-profit like The League you may have no idea what we "really" do. Stop by. Talk to our wonderful staff. Find out how we can help you remain independent as long as possible. At The League we believe that the people we serve are capable of just about anything!



The League d/b/a The League for the Blind & Disabled was established in 1950. It is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization located at 5821 South Anthony Blvd., Fort Wayne. Please visit The League's history and services online at www.the-league.org.



### The Literacy Alliance

Ida "Gene" Marcus wanted to volunteer for the Literacy Alliance, but never had the opportunity. As a busy parent and professional musician, her life was very full.

Though unable to volunteer, Gene realized the opportunity to help The Literacy Alliance reach more adults through a be-



Wilda "Gene" Marcus

quest in her estate plan. The Literacy Alliance was thrilled, but surprised, to receive her significant bequest and contacted the family to learn more.

Gregory Marcus, her son, explained, "Mom was active in the community, serving on non-profit boards. She loved Fort Wayne, where she'd spent her adult life. An avid reader, she believed in the power of education. However, she regretted that she never had time to volunteer for The Literacy Alliance. Her bequest was a way to address her humanitarian interests and give back to this community."

Gene also influenced family members to get involved with The Literacy Alliance. First, she encouraged her sister, Anita Dunlavy, who was looking for meaningful volunteer work, to become a literacy tutor. Anita followed up and now helps adults improve reading skills.

Gene's nephew, Drew Dunlavy (Anita's son), joined the Board of The Literacy Alliance in 2011. Drew was inspired by his mom's stories about volunteering. Also, a co-worker at Lake City Bank who had completed his term on the Board suggested that Drew join the Board. Drew serves as Vice Chair of the Board, extending the family's support for literacy work into a second generation.

The \$50,000 bequest enabled The Literacy Alliance to establish an endowment fund at The Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne. The interest earned supports services for adults who are learning to read or preparing to take the high school equivalency exam. Gene's bequest fulfilled her dream of making a difference for adults in our community who lacked literacy skills. And her gift will go on helping adults long into the future.



Established in 1988, The Literacy Alliance teaches adults through learning centers, literacy programs, and tutoring services that empower individuals to succeed at work, at home, and in the community.

#### Planned Giving Council of Northeast Indiana

reated in 1995, the Planned Giving Council of Northeast Indiana (PGCNI) is a nonprofit organization made up of charitable gift planning professionals such as attorneys, financial and estate planners,

trust administrators, and investment and insurance specialists. Our members also include representatives from many local nonprofit organi-



zations, including academic, religious, health, arts and culture, and social service organizations. The PGCNI is a member council Partnership for Philanthropic Planning (formerly the National Committee on Planned Giving).

The mission of PGCNI is to facilitate, coordinate, and encourage the education and training of the planned giving community, and to facilitate effective communication among its many different professionals.

#### The purpose of PGCNI is to:

- Promote planned giving in Northeast Indiana
- Advance the education and professional expertise of its members
- Provide access to tools and resources to develop skills in the profession
- Provide a forum for members to discuss specific planned giving issues
- Encourage networking and support among members
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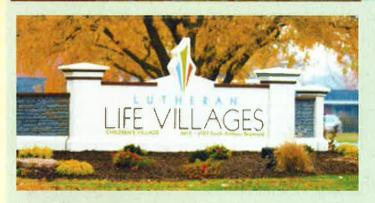
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utheran Life Villages (LLV) is excited again to take part in the "Leave a Legacy - Write a Will" event the week of October 20. Through this event, we join with other area nonprofit agencies to raise public awareness of charitable giving and the importance of having a will.

The attorneys of Nieter & Goeglein will volunteer their time on Tuesday, October 21 and Friday, October 24 at LLV to help write wills at no cost for those who want to make charitable contributions through their will.

Lutheran Life Villages has been an important part of senior care in Northeast Indiana for 83 years. Today LLV is a premier provider of independent living, assisted living, nursing care, rehabilitation, memory care, and home care through four different campus locations. LLV also sponsors the Foster Grandparents Program and serves as the host site for Children's Village, a collaborative inter-generational program with Lutheran Social Services of Indiana.

Recent exciting additions to LLV are Rock Steady Boxing - a non-contact, boxing-inspired fitness program, open to anyone in the community with Parkinson's and an interest in fighting back against their disease, and The Village at Birchwood, which offers a beautiful, homelike setting to provide daycare for those with dementia and a respite for their caregivers.

The Village at Anthony Blvd., The Village at Pine Valley, The Village at Kendallville and now The Village at Birchwood together serve more than 500 seniors and employ nearly 500 people.

The "Write a Will" event makes it easy – and painless – to contribute to any of these important ministries and leave a legacy after you are gone. Andy Goeglein, a LLV Honorary Board Member and "Write a Will" volunteer says - "Often those who faithfully supported ministries during their lifetime overlook the opportunity to make a gift at death from the blessings they have received during their life. Legacy gifts by way of a will or trust continue a lifetime of support even beyond death to make a difference in the lives of those served by Lutheran Life Villages."

Lutheran Life Villages is a ministry that survives in a large part

due to the generosity of others.

Make your reservations today for the free will-writing services by calling: Tim Imler, Executive Director LLV Foundation (260) 447-1591







**Mission:** Matthew 25 Health and Dental Clinic is inspired by the Gospel to provide free primary healthcare services to uninsured, low income residents of Allen County.

by Ermina Mustedanagic, Development Director

atthew 25 Clinic provides medical, dental, vision, hearing, and prescription services to uninsured, low income residents of Allen County whose income falls at or below 125% of the federal poverty guideline. Our Clinic receives no federal or state dollars; thus all revenue received at Matthew 25 is from private donations and grants.

Here at Matthew 25, we rely on the generosity of philanthropic organizations and kind individuals to sustain our mission. One of the ways you can get involved with our organization is through planned giving, leaving a lasting gift. While immediate contributions sustain the current budget, planned giving donations carry on the operation and future growth of Matthew 25 Clinic. As such, we are strong advocates for responsible stewardship, and are always willing to help inform others about ways they can give back to the community.

Being forced to decide how to divide up your own estate is a very worrying task, and only becomes more complicated when taxes begin interfering with the decisions you make. Planned giving permits the donor to carry out philanthropic wishes, become eligible for significant tax benefits, and possibly receive a lifetime income. The size of the donation is not affected by taxes; one hundred percent of the pledged gift

will go directly to your favorite charity, ensuring that your decision will have the impact you hoped for. By making a contribution to Matthew 25 Clinic, you are not only investing in the health and productivity of our community, but also in the lives of those who cannot afford medical and dental care.

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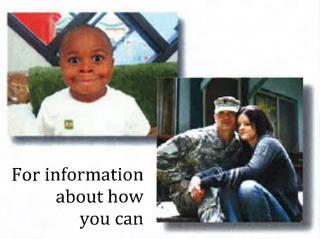
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#### By Linda Speakman-Yerick, Executive Director

oble County's Community Foundation is connected by people who live within Noble County, Indiana. We are a basis for building communities and connecting people who care with causes that matter. We are a vehicle that addresses changing community needs, providing a reason for people to give locally. We are a service organization for donors, providing cost effective ways for donors to make a long term



Linda Speakman-Yerick

difference to the causes that are close to their hearts. I believe a community foundation works like a "savings account" of the community through the creation of building endowments and that we will be here for good. Forever.

Finances are in the news like never before. Everyone is looking for a way to save or invest for the future. Whether you have plenty or are of modest means you can still enjoy the benefits of making an end of Life bequest with a charitable gift. Even a small gift to or through our organization can produce big results for our good work and help your income and tax situation.

Some frequently asked questions:

#### What is an endowment?

An endowment is a fund that is kept in perpetuity to provide a permanent source of funding for the benefit of a charitable cause. The common definition of an endowment is a permanent fund, the principal of which is never touched, but the earnings from which can be used for charitable purposes.

For what purposes can an endowment be used?

Endowments are commonly created to support the mission of an organization. However, they may be created and restricted by the donor or organization to support a specific program.

#### Why create an endowment with NCCF?

Simply put – it's our mission. The Community Foundation exists to create a permanent source of community capital benefiting residents of Noble County, Indiana.

Please call us to discuss how we can help you identify ways



to put money to work for your benefit and the mission of our organization. With a little knowledge you can plan to prosper this year and in the future!!



#### The Rescue Mission

ike many others. Anne and her daughter came to The Rescue Mission looking for a meal. She was homeless, addicted, broken, and alone. But she soon found that through The Rescue Mission, she could find not only safe shelter and hot meals, but also hope and healing through life-changing programs. For over a year, Anne worked to recover from a painful past and ad-



dress the root causes of her homelessness. She continued her education and developed skills to help her find employment. She encountered the love of Jesus Christ. She found hope for a brighter future.

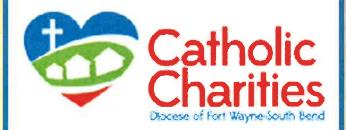
When Anne came to The Rescue Mission, she did more than just get her family off the street. She made a choice to leave her child a different legacy than her own. Because of Anne's choice to face her addiction, work through trauma, and break generational cycles of poverty, her daughter has new promise. Her future is full of possibilities that could not have existed until now. No longer is she the child of a homeless and addicted mother. She's the child of a woman with stability, skills and resources to provide for her daughter.

Anne's life transformation was made possible by the generosity of compassionate individuals seeking to provide the needy with real change. People like Charles and Dolores Bock, devoted Christians who spent their lives sacrificially giving their time, talent and treasure to many area non-profits. Dolores was especially fond of The Rescue Mission, and her legacy gift to us will continue to impact men and women for generations to come. "Their sacrifices are a true statement of a legacy of life," Charles and Dolores' daughter, Michelle, says of her parents' generosity.

You, too, can leave a legacy by giving a gift to ensure that lives like Anne's continue to be transformed for the benefit of our community and of future generations. Please consider participating in one of the many "Write A Will" events in our community October 20-24, 2014. For more information, contact

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of others for generations to come.

While your legacy will include the assets you leave behind — money, possessions, real estate — it will be much more than that. Your true legacy will be defined by the values, the hope and the convictions you bestow upon your community and the world.

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We pledge to do the most good with your generosity — for those helped today and for the generations, your legacy gift will help for years to come. As one donor recently told us, "The value of giving to The Salvation Army is amazing. Whenever I make a decision to give to an organization, I want to make sure it's going to serve people. You can't beat 83 cents of every dollar going straight to services!"



You can create your own legacy on October 20 by calling the Fort Wayne Salvation Army at (260) 744-2311 and asking for Deb Zimmerman to schedule an appointment to have your FREE will written.



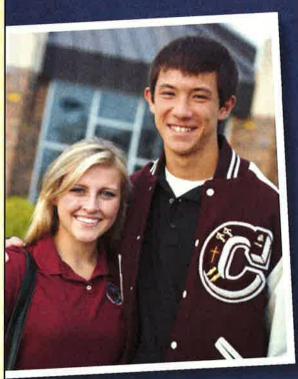
Jeri Rusk and family

Ite A Will Week allows anyone to plan for the future in a manner that allows the opportunity to provide for your family and to benefit your favorite non-profit organization. It is NOT an either/or proposition. You can do both.

Jeri Rusk, Development Director of WBCL, shares, "Prior to my job as a development director, I believed that wills were for the older population and particularly for those of wealth. Having a will drawn up was certainly not something I felt was necessary to accomplish. I have learned that I was very wrong. Being a mom of two young children and someone with passion for more than one organization, having a will in place will allow me to declare what I believe in as well as ensure that my spouse and children are taken



care of. Participating in the Write A Will event makes getting a will so easy. I now have a will that I received through participating in this event and encourage others to do the same.



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