

# Giving Forward



Building Community Together

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## 'From everyone who has been given much, much will be expected'

*Luke 12:48*

Donations do not always require money, but they always require kindness.

When I was born, my mom and dad were seeing an end to the Great Depression. They worked on a cattle ranch where they had a home and always enough to eat.

As early as I can remember, even though we had very little ourselves, mom always found a way to share with others; and my dad was there to help a friend in need. As long as I was at home that never changed.

Fast forward to the first years I was married — we were pretty broke, but there was always someone who wasn't as fortunate as we were. Hand-me-down clothes, a casserole for a grieving

family, babysitting for a sick friend — you never really registered them as donations.



As we grew older and our family was raised, monetary donations became easier. When we moved to Willamette View we quickly became aware of the foundation. It was fun to work at the Carousel knowing that monies raised went to a Resident Assistance fund.

Then when our community and the Blue Heron Foundation At Willamette View came together in a capital campaign for the Riverview project, it seemed like a perfect

way to pay back the wonderful experiences I have enjoyed here.

There are many ways to donate through the Blue Heron Foundation. I especially enjoy making gifts to the Heron Fund to honor a resident or staff member who deserves a special "thank you"; and it's a wonderful way to make a memorial gift to honor our friends. It is fun to see staff members receive scholarships from the Fibish Scholarship Fund. I especially enjoy knowing that my donations stay within our community.

*Pat Wiemken*



**Gifts from the Heart. . .**

**Give a gift and we'll send a Valentine's Day card for you.**

If you would like to make a gift to the Blue Heron Foundation in honor of or in memory of a friend or loved one, we will send a Valentine's Day card to them for you. Contact Loraine Collacchi in the Blue Heron Foundation to make to make arrangements before Friday, February 7th.

Flowers last such a very short time, but a "Gift from the Heart" lives on for years to come.

## We remember. . .

The Blue Heron Foundation At Willamette View would like to recognize Lynda Warren who passed away in December 2019. Lynda was someone we call a "Pathfinder, a person who goes ahead and discovers or shows others a path or way." Lynda was a friend, a supporter and a believer in philanthropy at Willamette View.



We remember her participation in the Capital Campaign Feasibility Study and the Riverview Project Capital Campaign Steering Committee. She was also a spirited participant in the October 2016 sessions to rename Willamette View's philanthropy program to the Blue Heron Foundation At Willamette View and its message *Building Community Together*. In addition, Lynda's role as Chair of the Willamette View Resident Council with her membership on the Willamette View, Inc. Board of Directors helped solidify your foundation's vision.

We also salute Lynda's leadership on the Blue Heron Foundation At Willamette View Committee over the last year.

Lynda's spirit, generosity and commitment has inspired a legacy for years to come. We remember Lynda Warren. . . with warmth and appreciation.

# Save THE Date

Art Auction

Friday, March 6th

Plaza Fireplace Lounge

10 am to 3 pm

The Blue Heron Foundation is holding its second art auction. The collection focuses on Native-American and Western art, including works by renowned painters Alfredo Rodriguez and Olaf Wieghorst as well as hand-made, primitive-styled wood implements.

## Ask Loraine



Loraine Collacchi,  
Philanthropy Director

**Q** I missed the program on identity theft earlier in January. Is there still a way to get the information?

**A** Yes. The "Protecting Your Identity" workshop presented by Clackamas Federal Credit Union was videotaped. It, as well as the earlier Legacy Circle/Knowledge Circle seminars by the Fitzwater Law Group on "Basic Estate and Planned Giving" and "Trusts from A to Z" by Allen Trust, can be found on the Resident Website ([wvresident.org](http://wvresident.org)) — from the **Home Page** click on **News & Events** then click on **WV Videos**. A list of videos will appear.

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