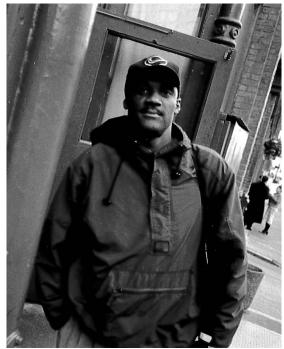
Nightwatch News

September, 2017

Hidden glory

By Rev. Rick Reynolds



I looked around at my fellow pedestrians, impatiently waiting for the crossing signal to change.

"Hey, Rick, are you still at Nightwatch?" I looked at the slender guy next to me. His face was familiar. He introduced himself as Donnie, shaking my hand.

"You guys definitely helped me when I needed it," Donnie said. "I've got a place now. I'm not homeless anymore."

We crossed together, chatting, then he raced for the streetcar, while I walked on, with a smile on my face.

Sometimes, when things are discouraging, there's a break in the clouds, and glory is revealed – obscured, maybe only a

glimpse and a shadow. But that alone can keep us going through uncertain times.

The details of shelter, of staffing, of finances will all sort themselves out when the time is right. But for now, a radiant smile on the street corner will suffice, knowing there will be more good things in the days – and nights – ahead.

Lord, thank you for those calmer moments in the storm, when you reveal enough of your glory to keep us all going. ullet

FOOD!

By Marlene Poland and Staff

There's something about eating together that is very foundational.

We may be divided by race, ethnicity, culture, history, life-experiences, but we all need daily bread. And eating together makes for quite the bonding experience.

So we were wondering, "What's the favorite meal in the Senior Housing Program?" Turns out they love "Marlene's Famous Tater Tot Casserole."

It's a community effort. Residents contribute canned soup. Someone will

find a deal on hamburger. And donors pay for the tater tots.

Wallace says, "It's goo-oood!"

Gary agreed. "It's like tater tot lasagna!"

Thanks to Marlene for caring for our seniors, and to the volunteers and donors who make everything at Nightwatch so great! ●



Get the recipe
Marlene's Famous
Tater Tot Casserole



tinyurl.com/y724933j



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Serving the night community in the name of Christ



Help us raise \$50,000 for our 50th Anniversary. We need 1,000 people to give \$50 each!

Donate here now: http://tinyurl.com/yb2x8qlr

SOCK IT

Come by, drop off some socks and take a tour! Sunday, November 12 Noon—3 pm

Find out more here: https://tinyurl.com/y92ew3h2

Volunteer Orientation Open House

Find your favorite volunteer job
Thursday, Sept. 7, 2017
7:30—8:00 pm

RSVP or questions: info@seattlenightwatch.org

Memorials & Tributes

Memorials

Karen Allphin Brian & Pat Hogan Keith Anderton Gerald & Helen Hussey Rev. Bob Bradbury Jane Bradbury Bill Branom Mary Branom Don Curtis Ben & Flo Curtis Marie Davidson Lola Davidson Tony Domzalski Mark & Lisa Domzalski Pat Domzalski Jack Forester **Bud & Trudy Forbes** Joshua Gooding Trueda & Michael Gooding Pete Gudger Cheryl Gudger Hal Hansen Tom & Kathleen Cunningham Jon Ihde Michael & Sue Gibb Mary Ellen Ingersoll Brian & Pat Hogan

Ron Kimble Carl & Heather Craven **Christopher Laney** Jim & Sara Caldwell Al & Maxine Lobb John & Jody Fenlason Brian & Pat Hogan Norm & Melinda Lobb Harley & Mercedes Lolley Vern & Marilyn Lolley Helen Maier Donald Meehan Charles Maslow Mary Maslow George Matsuda Carlin Holden Mark McLaughlin Arnold Becker Alyssa Olsen Ben & Flo Curtis Norm & Bonnie Riggins **Judy Hurley** Arthur & Ruby Meyer Gladys McMenus Rippee George & Carolyn Rippee Faith Saunders Kelly Black Dick Shipe Jane Shipe

Bob Sill Betty Sill Louise Solemslie Allen Solemslie Mary Speltz **Greg Speltz** Don Tekawa Ron & Sharon Hirata **Eugene Vance** Jon & Nancy Troxel Zollie & Sylvia Volchok Tony Volchok & Cindy Monsen Glenn & Shirley Weed Andy & Ramona McBeth Curtis & Carolyn Neitsch Jim & Cynthia Weaver Gilbert Weiss John Weiss & Corry Venema-Weiss John Wejak David & Donna Goodlett Suzette & Jim Birrell Leonard Woodgate George & Carolyn Rippee Mary Wooldridge Holly Boone

Tributes

Alan Beasley Andrew & Loveta Price Laura Derringer Dean Kimble Judy Hurley's birthday Martin Hurley Rich Lang Donna & David Goodlett **Anthony Neves** & Mikayla Neves **Daisy Neves** Mike Potts Catharine Fletcher Craig Rennebohm Laura Robinson Jim & Frances Reynolds Lucki & Sandy Latimer Frances Reynolds' 90th birthday Linda Carlson Rick & Lorri Reynolds Becky & David Sather Greg & Mary Speltz Robert Petersen David Zucker

Shopping List

Please help by collecting these items for us to distribute to our homeless friends and tenants (travel sizes are preferred):

Robert & Roberta Brown

- Deodorant
- Lotion
- Shave cream
- Dental floss
- Lip Balm
- Hand sanitizers
- Multi-vitamins
- Cough drops
- Pain relievers
 - Kleenex packs
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Bulk drink mix

For more information about these items please contact: liz@seattlenightwatch.org

Amazon Wish List:

http://tinyurl.com/zjo64fd

Shelter Dispatch Center & Senior Apartments 302 14th Ave. S Seattle, WA 98144

Contact us: PO Box 21181 Seattle, WA 98111

206-323-4359 Administration 206-860-4296 Senior Housing 206-329-2099 Shelter Dispatch

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Crisis still By Ann Sakaguchi

Jim & Jan Sullivan

Two months ago, in the July issue of this newsletter, I wrote about the crisis facing Nightwatch. I say again, we are not losing our building, which is home to our 24 seniors. We are not closing the Dispatch Center, where volunteers serve up a meal every night. Nightwatch Street Ministers



every night. Nightwatch Street Ministers will still go out to the streets and camps and bars. This all will continue.

Nightwatch is not in danger of shutting down, but, as I write, there is a crisis. We are losing our shelter space and the staff to operate it, effective September 1.

We must vacate the location which has been temporary shelter for 75 men. We're working hard to find a solution; things are changing rapidly. But nothing is settled yet; nothing about shelter is certain right now.

Since the beginning, I have believed that our mighty God has a plan for our 75 men. I still do. He would not abandon our people. He would not abandon Nightwatch. Time and again, I have watched Him demonstrate His love for the people we serve. I don't expect Him to change in this. It's the uncertainty, not lack of faith, that keeps me up at night.

Two months ago, I asked for your support in prayer. We still need your prayers. But this month, I also ask you to consider additional financial support. It has become clear that a solution, a new shelter location with a new operator, will cost more than it has in the past.

Uncertainty. Our homeless friends live with it every day. I don't remember any other time when uncertainty has affected me like this. This whole yucky process has deepened my understanding of the people we serve. My empathy has grown.

Please continue to pray. And give, as you are led. ●