

# Nightwatch News

August, 2019

## We won't give up

By Rev. Rick Reynolds



This weekend I got a call from one of our formerly homeless friends. After many months in an Operation Nightwatch shelter, she has been doing fantastic. She lives in the Midwest now, has a stable home, stable relationships, and is active in her church and community. She never gave up, in the face of many disappointments and obstacles. Through the years she has continued to be grateful for the help we gave.

Operation Nightwatch has been sheltering more than 120 homeless people every night for decades now. It's simple, overnight shelter. Indoors. Safe. Access to bathrooms. A solid base for people who have nothing.

The simple truth—the people we serve are really resilient. They don't give up. And we won't give up either.

The obstacles we face are daunting. The challenges our homeless friends must overcome can be overwhelming. But together, with determination, there is a way out of this crisis as a community. Thank you for your financial support, your time as volunteers, and your prayers on behalf of Nightwatch. We won't give up.

*Lord, though the way seems difficult, we will not fear, for you are with us all.* ●

## Home sweet home

By Marlene Poland and staff

"Martha" has lived in the Nightwatch Senior Housing for many years.

It's hard to describe the feeling of home that you get when living upstairs at Nightwatch. You have to get along with your neighbors. But the relationships go beyond just tolerating someone. The seniors really do care for each other. They might fight like brothers and sisters sometimes, but then they show true compassion when bad things happen.

Martha was standing in the kitchen when suddenly, her legs gave way. She slumped to the ground. One of her neighbors was able to bring her back to her feet. Soon she was back to teasing the guy about . . . everything.

Friends may come and go, but Nightwatch seniors have built close friendships and a sense of community.

"The sense of belonging at Nightwatch is real," Marlene says. "This affordable housing is only possible because of your donations throughout the year." ●



# NIGHTWATCH

**Serving the night  
community in the  
name of Christ**

**It's summer.  
Please give!**



## Volunteer Open House

Find your favorite  
volunteer job!

**Thursday, August 1, 2019**

**7:30–8:00 pm**

RSVP or questions:  
volunteer@seattlenightwatch.org

Find out more:  
<http://tinyurl.com/ydaqfjsx>

# Memorials & Tributes

## Memorials

Bob Bradbury  
Jane Bradbury  
Bill Branom  
Mary Branom  
Richard Brenneman  
Ruth Brenneman  
Charley Bush  
Jay & Gail Winberg  
Chris  
Norma Jean Hanson  
Dorothy Clement  
Norm & Melinda Lobb  
Craig Davis  
Bruce Davis  
Robert Domzalski  
Mark & Lisa Domzalski  
Tony Domzalski  
Mark & Lisa Domzalski  
Pat Domzalski  
Marie Erickson  
Judy Hurley  
Bud & Trudy Forbes  
Jim & Fern Smith  
Mal & Effie Higgins  
Linda Martin

Mary Ellen Ingersoll  
Jim & Jan Sullivan  
Doreen Keepers  
George & Carolyn Rippee  
Dean Kimble  
Jim & Frances Reynolds  
Al & Maxine Lobb  
John & Jody Fenlason  
Norm & Melinda Lobb  
Harley & Mercedes Lolley  
Vern & Marilyn Lolley  
Albert & Velma Miller  
Vern & Marilyn Lolley  
Martin Murray  
Maria & Greg Van Horn  
Bud Palmberg  
Jane Bradbury  
David & Mary Jo Kjell  
Richard & Joan Merritt  
Merideth Nelson  
Susan Reines  
Rick & Lorri Reynolds  
Walter Ritchie  
Mary Sansburn  
Shirley & Douglas Wilkinson

Howard Rippee  
George & Carolyn Rippee  
Dick Shipe  
Gary & Theresa Shipe  
Rob Staley  
Janet Buck  
Louise McKnight  
Jack Sullivan  
Marion Sullivan  
Sandy Tonseth  
George & Carolyn Rippee  
Robert "Mugs" Tracy  
Eileen Anderson  
Zollie & Sylvia Volchok  
Tony Volchok  
& Cindy Monsen  
Peggy Wakumoto  
Larry & Amy Sato  
Leonard Woodgate  
George & Carolyn Rippee  
Mary Wooldridge  
Holly Boone

## Tributes

All the volunteers  
Ken & Carol Williams  
Alan Beasley  
Andrew & Loveta Price  
Lorena & Jay Dickson's wedding  
Bob & Dixie Doyle  
Anne Down  
Geri & Harvey Nelson  
John Eldridge for Fathers Day  
Pam & Clay Herbst  
Sr. Ann Jackson  
Kathleen Todd  
Bill Jordan  
Norma Jean Hanson  
Phillip Lorente  
Buffalo Mazzetti  
Mike Potts  
Catharine Fletcher  
Wonderful Staff  
Yukio & Julianne Kumasaka

## Hey Tonette!

### By Ann Sakaguchi

The last couple of months at Nightwatch have been interesting. We've made some changes and are excited to share the news.

Last June, we introduced Tonette Winston to you as our new Volunteer Coordinator. She has spent the past year working very hard. She's managed to grow our volunteer teams and recruited some fantastic new people to help us out. At the same time, she continued working the desk at our Dispatch Center one night each week.

Because of that experience on the desk, we asked Tonette to temporarily fill the Manager's position when it opened up. Tonette stepped up to the leadership void. During this "interim" time, she has done outstanding work. She's found that she enjoys it, too, and has agreed to become the permanent Dispatch Center Manager.

**Please join us in congratulating Tonette on her promotion and wishing her well!**

For those of you that help us with evening meals at the Dispatch Center, watch for some new faces. Be sure to greet Carrie, Trina, Robert, Wiley, and Jason. They have all joined the security team at night.

On the front desk, we still have Jim, Crystal, Twyla, and Bridgett.

This is our night staff. What a great crew!

"Hey Tonette!" She hears that a lot these days.

Thanks be to God. ●



## Shopping List

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

- 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:  
[info@seattlenightwatch.org](mailto:info@seattlenightwatch.org)

## Amazon Wish List:

Ship donations to our door!  
<https://amzn.to/2NwV2JG>

Amazon donates to Nightwatch when you shop through Amazon Smile! Here's the link:

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/91-0964027>

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