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Adam and Audrey Kinder with their children: Toby, Theo, and Zeke

# The Absurdity of Generosity

Adam Kinder, CFO

Over the years, my journey with generosity has continuously evolved. I once heard generosity called absurd. It's a strange way to describe it, but it resonated with me and continues to provide the tension I've needed in my own life. The *absurdity of generosity* is that God needs nothing from us, but provides to us exactly what we need, which He then asks for in return, and in so doing, He invites us into His story. Said another way, God is the source of everything we have and it's in generosity that He invites us to contribute the very thing that He gave us — so that we might become an active part of His story.

Holland Home and Faith Hospice have both become a part of our generosity journey. Holland Home has depended upon the generosity of our community for the last 130 years, both to meet our physical needs as well as our resident assistance needs. It's through generosity that Holland Home serves more than 150 residents annually who can no longer pay the full cost of their care. *It's more than just 150 residents — it impacts their family and friends as well.* 

Our family's giving to Holland Home reflects our desire to ensure that Holland Home can continue to meet the needs of generation after generation and remains a place that we may be able to call home one day. Our family's giving to Faith Hospice reflects our desire to ensure our community has access to incredible hospice, bereavement, and palliative care, knowing that each of us will one day pass from this world, but knowing that our end of life journey, regardless of circumstances, does not need to be alone.

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Our exposure to the mission, care, and commitment of both Holland Home and Faith Hospice has left us in awe of their impact on our community and has secured our commitment. through giving, in order to ensure these organizations are able to continue to flourish and impact more lives every day. God has given us all that we need. His invitation to us is to hold it loosely and listen for His calling. We are so grateful that God has called us into His story at Holland Home and Faith Hospice.

#### Why We Support Holland Home...



"Years ago, our parents made the right choice when they moved to Holland Home."

Rich & Laura De Vries La Grange, IL

They first lived independently at Breton Ridge, then moved to assisted living, and now our mother is in memory care. Living out-of-state we have been so at peace knowing she is receiving the loving care she needs.

The staff at Holland Home is amazing! The entire staff has been courteous and professional. The quarterly care conferences keep us informed about every aspect of mother's daily care. That is why we choose to support Holland Home's mission and why we have included them in legacy giving though our estate plan. We want Holland Home's Christ-centered care to continue for years to come!

#### "Frankly, we thought our parents' move to Holland Home was not a good choice!"

Russ & Jana Van Wyk, Cary, NC

As time passed, however, we realized that Holland Home made a lot of sense for them and for us. We began to understand the value of Holland Home when a family member's needs changed. Holland Home provides reassuring comfort for every resident knowing that the high-quality care will be available even if they outlive their finances. The life care guarantee is such a blessing! That is why we support Holland Home each year and have included them for a gift in our estate plan.







### **Breton Woods Park Birdhouses**

Breton Homes resident Jerry Jankowski (pictured with his wife Barb) generously donated his time and talent to make seven beautiful birdhouses for Breton Woods Park. The varying styles were built to attract species such as bluebirds, sparrows, finches, robins, mourning doves, and cardinals. The houses are attracting a lot of habitants. Thank you, Jerry!



"Sidewalk Superintendents" Rich and Marilyn Fredricks and Nancy LePage view the work at the Terrace lobby.

#### BretoNext Campaign BUILDING UP BRETON WOODS

The long-awaited renovation of the Terrace lobby, Woods Café, and Terrace kitchen began in June. The transformation of these areas is slated for completion in early spring 2024 and signals the start of over 60 projects on the Breton Woods campus. Holland Home is investing nearly \$16 million in campus upgrades over the next four years.

The BretoNext Campaign of Generosity seeks \$1.1 million of that total by January 2025. Please consider a generous gift. More information outlining ways you can be involved is available at www.hollandhome.org/foundation/capitalcampaign or by contacting the Holland Home Foundation.

Please support this campaign by contacting the Holland Home Foundation at 616-235-5125 or foundation@ hollandhome.org.

# This Is My Story... This Is My Song

With thanksgiving we look back at all that has occurred through our This is My Story...This is My Song Project

- We have gathered and shared community at musical events: Jazz Piano and Organ Duet (Breton Campus), Fanny Crosby Impersonator events, Lenten Hymn Sings, and most recently, Songs and Sundaes.
- We have received a favorite song and story of why it is meaningful from over 100 individuals, testifying to God's goodness in our lives.
- We have received new gifts through in-will commitments.

#### This fall we look forward to:

- Hosting Attorney Lindsay Canan from Barnabas Foundation on both campuses as she presents "The People in Your Plan." Residents and their family members will learn how best to plan for and communicate their legacy stories through their estates. Watch for more information.
- Celebrating the culmination of the This is My Story...This is My Song Project by hosting an event on each campus where all who submitted a song and story will receive a booklet of all submissions.



Raybrook residents enjoyed a spiritually uplifting performance by the Skylight Quartet



Raybrook residents enjoying ice cream sundaes.



Breton resident, Joyce Michael, shared photos of when she sang with the Sweet Adelines







#### A perfect day for golf!

Monday, June 5 dawned bright and clear over Watermark Country Club, the site of Holland Home's 34<sup>th</sup> annual Golf Outing. With a record 244 golfers and generous support from sponsors and contributors, the event netted \$103,100 for our Resident Assistance Fund.

Special thanks to event sponsor, Paul Buiten, and every sponsor, golfer, contributor, and volunteer!



#### Join us on Monday, June 3, 2024 for the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Outing!





#### It was a 'zoo'-pendous evening!

Over 100 members and guests of Holland Home's 1892 Heritage Society recently enjoyed an evening at Boulder Ridge Wild Animal Park as a thank you for their support of Holland Home and Faith Hospice.

Comments overheard that evening included "I haven't been to a zoo in 50 years! This was such a fun event for us!" Another society member exclaimed, "This evening was topnotch — absolutely fantastic. My daughter-in-law was my

HERITAGE SOCIETY

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guest and it was so much fun!"

Are you missing out on the fun? Contact the Foundation Office to receive information on opportunities

for society membership. We would be delighted to include you in next year's thank you event.



The 1892 Heritage Society honors donors who provide a planned gift in their will or trust for Holland Home, Holland Home Foundation, or Faith Hospice. Other types of planned gifts also qualify for Society membership.

## **Trillium Woods Prayer Garden and Walk**

Plans are in place and funds are being raised for a new prayer garden and walk. Located outside the newly opened Van Andel Hope and Healing Center at Faith Hospice's Trillium Woods location, this prayer walk and garden will be a beautiful focal point for people to seek refuge and find peace as they walk through hospice and grief journeys.

To learn more or support this project reach out to 616-235-5125 or foundation@ hollandhome.org



Cross Sculpture Focal Point - View Looking Northeast

SCALE: 1'-20'-0' 0 25 20 40 80

TRILLIUM WOODS PRAYER WALK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

May 18, 2023

**RIM DESIGN** 



Byron Township, Michigan -



2100 Raybrook Street SE Suite 300 Grand Rapids, MI 49546

Questions? Call 616-235-5118.

# of life care

# FaithHospice

#### ANNUAL FUNDRAISING LUNCHEON

Wednesday, September 20, 2023 12:00–1:00 PM Cascade Hills Country Club

There is no cost to attend, however space is limited! RSVP to Marcia Timmerman at 616-235-5118 or marcia.timmerman@hollandhome.org

# \* Keeping <sup>the</sup> Dromise DINNER

#### A Christmas Carol

Monday, December 11, 2023 DeVos Place

No "Bah Humbugs" allowed as we step back in time for this year's Charles Dickens inspired event. We will make merry celebrating the gift of God's Son, enjoying wonderful music by Sons of Serendip and, in the spirit of Christmas, generously supporting Holland Home's Resident Assistance Fund.

Invitations forthcoming, or RSVP at www.Holllandhome.org/foundation/events, contact Holland Home Foundation at 616-235-5125, or foundation@hollandhome.org