

Gratitude REPORT



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Maristhill Becoming Regional Test Site For CNAs

Thanks to a grant from the Catholic Health Foundation, Maristhill Nursing and Rehabilitation Center is well on its way to becoming a regional test site for Certified Nursing Assistants (CNA) in the greater Boston area. Even prior to the pandemic, there was a shortage of healthcare workers, and the delay in CNA certification in the greater Boston area exacerbated the issue.

One step in our process of being a testing site involves the purchase of training manikins, which are a unique and important learning tool because they display neurological and physical symptoms and feature automatic drug recognition. They help instructors safely develop and practice the assessment and treatment skills essential to delivering quality care.

These new manikins will be invaluable in preparing students for CNA certification, expanding testing opportunities, and enhancing our ability to attract new CNAs to our Maristhill family.



Celebrating 50 Years of Care for Our Seniors

When the Marist Missionary Sisters founded Maristhill in 1970, they had a vision to create high-quality care for their aging sisters and to fill a need for skilled nursing care in our local community. When the organization first opened the doors, its first five residents were Marist Sisters. Our 50th anniversary is a testament to the strength and importance of the Marist Missionary Sisters' vision and values, which drive our passion for providing compassionate care that honors the dignity of each person who calls Maristhill home.

Celebration Highlights - October 15, 2023

Celebration Planning Committee/Volunteers

A special thank you to our planning committee and volunteers who brought passion and talent forward to ensure this celebration would strongly pay tribute to our founders, the Marist Missionary Sisters; entertain our guests with powerful storytelling and joyful music; and offer fellowship as we reminisced about our past and shared our hopes for the future. We are deeply grateful for the commitment of these special individuals.

Pictured left to right: Judy Allen-Ferretti, James Tracy, Katie Hahn, Quincy Juntong, Tracy Marshall, Stephen LaRosa, Bridget Stewart, Johnie Chhen (Chair). *Not pictured: Daniel Harcourt and Nick Caruso.*



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Thank You to Our Celebration's Live Performers

A special thank you to Buddy Bergeron, Ronnie C and Megan DiSciscio who shared their time and talent to provide musical entertainment, and to Laura Packer who entertained guests with an oral history of Maristhill.

Note: A video of Laura's story will be posted on maristhill.org on November 15.



Maristhill President, James Tracy, presents Sister Mary Jane Keeney with a gift of appreciation, featuring a photo of Sister Elizabeth Bonia, Maristhill's first Administrator. This gift commemorates the vision that the Marist Missionary Sisters had in 1967 to serve the Waltham community. Mr. Tracy shared with the Sisters that "Maristhill and Covenant Health are proud to continue their legacy of care and love for our elders."



MH Board Members
Bridget Stewart and
Judy Allen-Ferretti



Marist Sisters dancing to the sounds of Elvis

Meet Kelly Hill

What is your relationship with Maristhill?

I am the current board chair.

What inspired you to become involved as a board member?

Maristhill holds a very special place in my heart. My paternal grandmother spent her last years in the loving care of Maristhill's staff. I was honored to become a part of the board of trustees for an organization that cares so deeply for its residents, its staff and the Waltham community.

What inspired you to first give to Maristhill?

As a board member, I am inspired by the way Maristhill is managed by its own administration in concert with guidance from Covenant Health. I want to contribute in order to further refine its operations and inspire a commitment mission.

Why do you continue to give?

Having served on several nonprofit boards and worked for a nonprofit organization for several years, I am keenly aware of how every dollar donated goes to furthering an organization's mission and vision. For me, that means I know the money and time I donate will directly impact the health of each resident.

What do you hope your gifts will help accomplish?

It is my hope that my gifts will continue to strengthen the organization. There are other opportunities to give that directly impact the staff and residents, such as the educational fund for staff members. Maristhill deeply cares about developing its staff members and ensuring they are supported throughout their careers.

What interests you most about Maristhill? Why?

The way that every resident is treated with dignity and the highest quality of care. For this reason, I feel secure in recommending Maristhill to anyone in need of skilled nursing care.

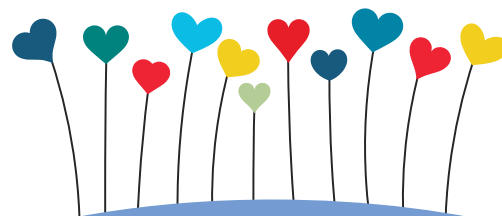


How would you describe our Mission? What does it mean to you?

As a Catholic health ministry, Maristhill's Mission provides for the most vulnerable members of our community. For me that means no one is turned away from receiving the care they need.

What would you say to others about our organization to inspire them to support Maristhill?

Maristhill offers so many ways to contribute to the health and welfare of its residents, the advancement of its staff, or the improvement of its facilities that benefit both. Taking care of our aging generation and the dedicated team who serves them is a wonderful way to further the Mission and vision of Maristhill. My grandmother was treated with care and dignity during her last years. That is why I give — so that other people's relatives will have the same type of wonderful care my grandmother had.



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*Deceased



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for all you've done!

We hope that this report will convey the difference you have made for our residents and staff this past year. With a grateful heart,

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