

HOMESTEAD VILLAGERS

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First Mews Residents Move In



Donna and Carl Meshey share a "Mews" umbrella outside the front door of their new Chesterfield home which they moved into in October. Rainy weather prevailed throughout the construction and their move!

"Peace, tranquility, support and security,"

Carl Meshey says without hesitation as he reflects on the reasons he and his wife Donna chose the Mews, the newest phase of the Homestead Village community.

Carl and Donna moved into their Chesterfield home in late October, looking forward to giving up yard work and the responsibilities of home ownership that came with their two-acre home in Paradise Township. Donna said they selected Homestead Village because, "It is small compared to other retirement communities." And, they were very familiar with Homestead Village because Donna's parents had moved to an apartment here in 1988, so they were frequent visitors, and saw first hand the myriad of activities offered — trips, games, and exercise.

They also liked the spaciousness of their villa's well designed interior, the views from the many windows, and look forward to the convenience of its location — close to grocery stores, the hospital, shopping centers and cultural activities. Additionally, they have friends who are moving in, including Donna's sister and her husband who will live across the driveway from the

Mesheys when they move to the Mews later — making it a family affair.

An avid golfer, Donna plans to continue that interest, as well as her involvement in their home church in Strasburg. Carl, a Paradise Township Supervisor, resigned from that post effective with his move but he may continue as secretary-treasurer for the Township for another year. He is also the township "historian", having served longer than any of the other supervisors. He began his public service career in 1971 when he was asked to chair the zoning hearing board. He has also served as judge of elections, and when he was elected supervisor, gave up his job as car salesman and worked fulltime with the wide range of responsibilities that come with the post.

The most important aspect of the move, according to Carl, is the "peace of mind" they will have in their new home.

The Chesterfield is one of three designs from which new residents can choose in the Mews at Homestead Village. The Chesterfield is the most spacious of the three, offering 1,843 square feet of living space plus a two-car garage. There is also an option of finishing the second floor which increases the living space of this model to 2,135 square feet.

THE
Mews AT
HOMESTEAD VILLAGE



From the President

Homestead Village's Board of Directors Keeps the Ship On Course!

—by Douglas V. Motter

No organization can prosper and succeed without quality governance. Homestead Village is fortunate to have an excellent Board of Directors that has guided it to its current level of quality and success. Our Board consists of fifteen volunteers who meet ten times a year as a full board and in over fifty committee meetings throughout the year.

Homestead Village's Board has gone through many transformations over its 26 year history. In the beginning, the Board was charged with the responsibility of developing and building a brand new retirement community. That Board, headed by men like Al Alspach and Richard Geiger, was actively involved in the day-to-day management of the growing community. Over the years, the Board began to focus on its primary roles of setting the strategic direction of Homestead Village and hiring competent staff to manage the organization.

A major change occurred in 1999 when the Board decided to introduce term limits (three three-year terms, a maximum of ten years). Six long-term directors were not eligible for re-election between 2001 and 2002, resulting in a significant turnover in Board membership. Many outstanding long-term Board Members



New Board Members Emeriti, from left: Ron Fink, Don Burkholder and Cal Levis each served on the Homestead Village Board for many years, holding officer positions, committee chairmanships and overseeing major projects. Their service helped to make Homestead Village a great place to live and work!

retired and a new group of diverse professionals has joined our Board.

In 2001, the Board made another important change. After researching and wrestling with the issue of resident participation in governance, the Board changed its by-laws to allow up to two Board seats to be filled by residents. In 2001, Homestead Village residents Dick Youngquist and Adam Gehr were elected to serve on the Board. A normal part of the Board selection process is to find individuals with diverse experiences and backgrounds so that the Board is well rounded and able to plan effectively. Board Members who are residents bring a very important perspective previously unavailable to the Board.

Each year the Board invites all of the residents of Homestead Village to meet with them in September. This year, three significant changes in Board membership were announced:

- After three years of service as Chairman, Phyllis Miller stepped down and Kurt Luckenbill became Board Chair.
- Dr. Henry Huffnagle joined the Board of Directors.
- Don Burkholder, Ron Fink and Cal Levis were each made an Emeritus Board Member.

Homestead Village is blessed to have a Board of Directors focused on setting and maintaining high standards.

HOMESTEAD VILLAGE'S CURRENT BOARD ROSTER:

<u>NAME:</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>	<u>PROFESSION/EXPERIENCE:</u>
Kurt Luckenbill, Chairman	.....2004	..Securities and Investment
William Jefferson, Vice Chair	.....2004	..Health Care Administration
Carolyn Voorhees, Secretary	.....2006	..Health Care Education
Forbes (Chip) Burgess, Treasurer	..2005	..Industry Finance
Edward Albee	.....2005	..Health Care Human Resources
Susan Carson	.....2006	..Banking Administration
Adam Gehr	.....2006	.. Industrial Marketing (HV Resident)
Linford Harley	.....2005	..Engineering Education
Henry Huffnagle	.....2004	..Medical Doctor
John H. Miller, Jr.	.....2006	..Attorney
Phyllis Miller	.....2005	..Health Care Administration
Marc Phillips	.....2004	..Banking
Sherry Qualls	.....2006	..Marketing
John Stoner	.....2005	..Accounting
Richard Youngquist	.....2004	..Industrial Engineering (HV Resident)

Twelve New Members Join Homestead Legacy Society

Twelve new members were received into the Homestead Village Legacy Society at its Seventh Annual Dinner in October. This is the largest number to be received at one time. Kurt P. Luckenbill, chairman of the Homestead Village Board of Directors, welcomed friends and supporters of Homestead Village to the dinner, celebrating the significant financial commitment that has been made to Homestead Village by the Legacy Society members.

Mr. Luckenbill reminded the group that their generous contri-

butions to the Endowment Fund help protect, nurture and enhance life at Homestead Village. Most importantly, a growing Endowment Fund assures that Homestead Village will be able to continue to offer financial security by never asking a resident to leave due to inability to pay.

William F. Jefferson, Chairman of the Endowment and Gifts Committee, presented the twelve new members with pins designed with the Legacy Society logo. In addition, the new members' names are now engraved on a gold leaf on the Tree of Life sculpture.

The Tree of Life hangs on the wall directly to the right of the Chapel entrance and marks the names of all Legacy Society members.

The featured speaker, Dr. William Klinger, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Psychiatry at Penn State College of Medicine, provided a very humorous look at the role of laughter in good mental and physical health.

For more information on becoming a Legacy Society member please contact Douglas Motter or Susan Broomell, Planned Giving Consultant, at 397-4831, ext. 133.



Members received into the Legacy Society are shown in this photo from the October dinner. Front row, from left — Betty Bartholomew,

Isabel Gehr, Wilma Graham, Carla Williams, Mary Kurian and Elsie Smuck.

Back row, from left — Mary Ellen Bachman, Adam Gehr, Willard Graham, Douglas Motter, Patricia Motter and Jane Longwell.



New Director Elected

Dr. Henry Huffnagle, a founder of Urological Associates of Lancaster, has been elected to serve a three year term on the Homestead Village Board of Directors. Active in the community, Dr. Huffnagle serves as a board member of the North Museum of Natural History and Science and the Lancaster County Foundation, and is a member of the stewardship committee of the Lancaster County Conservancy. He is a life trustee of the Lancaster Museum of Art and is trustee emeritus of both the Pennsylvania Academy of Music and Lancaster Country Day School, where he continues to serve on the building committee. Having grown up in Quarryville, Dr. Huffnagle graduated from Franklin and Marshall College

in 1955 and from the University of Pennsylvania Medical School in 1959, from which he also did his urological residency which he completed in 1964. Retired for nearly four years, Dr. Huffnagle said he is looking forward to serving on the board with the opportunity to see a different aspect of medicine and perhaps apply some of the knowledge he has gained. "It will be a learning experience," he said. We welcome Dr. Huffnagle to the board!



At Home At Homestead

Life Writer Group

"Everybody has a story to tell," Emma Smith said, summing up the theme of the Life Story Writers' group here at Homestead Village. Emma, an apartment resident, helped get the group started two years ago, and has been leading it and writing ever since.

The group received strong encouragement when Peggy Atkins, a future resident of the Mews at Homestead Village and long time friend of Emma's, gave a six-week course to help members begin writing their stories. Peggy's catch phrase for life story writing is: "Write anything, any way, edit later." Subjects for "life stories" can range from embarrassing moments to special people and places, to parents and children, to school and travel, to pets and work — all the small histories that make up lives.

The group meets every month to share their latest stories, give feedback and swap ideas for more stories. Some of the Life Story Writers shared their knowledge on the subject with students from Millersville University who were enrolled in a Life Career



Members of the Life Story Writers group meet monthly to share their love of writing, and gain encouragement and inspiration. Seated, from left: Trudy Graham, Marilyn Dix, Jim Martin, Emma Smith, and Helen Mason. Standing, from left: Glen Rader, Carl Graham, Sue Lukens, Lou Riedlinger, Dorothy Riedlinger, Isabel Gehr, and Mel Sweeney.

Improvement course. Graduate students had to write their own life stories, so the professor brought in the "professionals" to give them ideas and encourage them as the students recorded their own lives through written stories.

Emma's encouragement on what to write: "Sad things, happy things, anything. Just write!"



*Residents
"Walk" to
San Francisco*

With the Golden Gate bridge behind them, Residents Adam and Isabel Gehr wave at the completion of the first-ever Summer Walk. Using Route 6 to cross the country, 57 walkers traveled from Provincetown, MA to San Francisco, CA. Total distance walked was 3,304 miles and the trek was completed in two and one half months. The lovely West Coast mural was created by Marketing Assistant Melissa Claypoole and Volunteer and Activity Coordinator Laurie Crawford.



Apartment residents Paul and Kit Gregory were among the walkers who completed the "virtual" journey to San Francisco.

HOMESTEAD DAY Festival



Resident Betty Bartholomew, chair of the White Elephant Sale, clowning around with sisters Francine Kauffman (left) and Marsha Barley at Homestead Day in September. Francine and Marsha brought lots of smiles to residents and visitors.



Homestead volunteer Arlene Holbein (left), and villa resident Betty Shellenberger take pleasure in viewing some of the beautiful flower arrangements offered by the Town and Country Garden Club at their sale table.



It was a great day for Sam (5) and Thomas (3) Broomell as they show off the "paintings" they received as part of the many activities on Homestead Day. Their mother is Susan Broomell, Homestead Village Endowment and Gifts Consultant.



On a beautiful September afternoon, resident Jane Downey (r) holds her granddaughter as they take a carriage ride along with other visitors on Homestead Day.



Katie Null is enjoying the novelty of an antique car as her grandmother Kandi Null looks on with owner Terry Miller at Homestead Day.



Update of the Mews



The new villa neighborhood, The Mews at Homestead Village, is coming alive as the first residents move in and become established in their new homes. All 38 villas in Phase I are reserved and expected to be completed by summer or fall of 2004.

Reservation deposits are now being taken for Phase II and Phase III of the Mews. Three villa styles are offered: The Ashford (1,350 square feet of living space), the Banbury (1,638 square feet of living space) and the Chesterfield (1,843 square feet of living space). All three villas offer a spacious great room with cathedral ceiling, eat in kitchens, two bedrooms, two baths and either a one or two-car garage. Additional features can be added to each style.

When completed, the new community will include 92 homes, built on 31 acres, and will connect to the main campus with a walking path. Ponds, a gazebo and a European-style round-about will enhance the village atmosphere established by the welcoming community green.

For more information about the Mews, contact the Homestead Village Marketing Office at 397-4831, extension 158, or return the form.

Request for Information Form

Please send information about the
Mews at Homestead Village.

Name _____

Phone (____) _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Mail to: Marketing Department
Homestead Village
P.O. Box 3227
Lancaster, PA
17604-3227

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