

Shepherd's Center of Webster/Kirkwood, Inc.

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***An interfaith volunteer organization providing
programs and services for older adults
2008 ANNUAL REPORT***

A Message from the Chair

It has been my privilege and honor to serve as Chair of the Board of Directors of the Shepherd's Center of Webster Kirkwood since January 2008, the year we began to celebrate our "Perfect Ten" year anniversary. We have come so very far since our founding in 1999. My tenure as board chair follows so many talented and committed board chairs and board members all of whom have dedicated themselves to furthering our mission of enhancing the quality of life of the older adults in our community.

Our enthusiastic, now full-time, Executive Director, Gayle McHenry is our biggest cheerleader, as you would know if you saw the publicity for "Seniors Rock" in September. Gayle works with our new part time staff member, Pegi Nardoni, who is improving our use of our database to better communicate with our wonderful contributors and participants. Pegi also oversees the much valued and utilized Resource Desk and the outstanding volunteers who schedule all of our transportation services and give out important information to callers about resources for seniors in the St. Louis community.

Taste of Webster Kirkwood special fund raising event, held at the Kirkwood Community Center in April was the best ever..28 establishments favored us with their most delicious foods, the auction presented many desirable items, and the musical accompaniment all added to the great camaraderie and a fun, successful evening for SCWK and all who attended.

We had our first annual major donor luncheon to thank those contributors who provide leadership in their generous giving to enable the SCWK to continue their good works. These generous individuals serve as an example for all the wonderful donors who help us keep

The Transportation Ministry and Adventures in Learning programs continued to be especially popular with more people signing up for each of these programs. The volunteer drivers help immensely enabling many fellow seniors to get to their medical appointments, and the participants in Adventure in Learning programs have fun learning, exercising, taking fun trips and meeting new friends.

Susan Corrington
Board Chair

Sponsoring Congregations

Webster Hills United Methodist Church
Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church
Webster Groves Christian Church
Concordia Lutheran Church
The Lutheran Church of Webster Gardens
First United Methodist Church of Webster
Groves
Webster Groves Presbyterian Church

Community Partners

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From the Executive Director

"Excellence is to do a common thing in an uncommon way"

Booker T. Washington

This saying holds true at our Shepherd's Center. In 2008 we were blessed to have 160 people volunteering to do 220 jobs. These volunteers carried out common tasks of driving, repairing, serving, teaching and referring to older adults with needs in so many ways. Their giving spirit is uncommon and we are fortunate in this community to have so many extraordinary people. Our heartfelt thanks go out these excellent volunteers who carry out the mission of our Shepherd's Center. This is the year we celebrated "The Perfect 10" years of programs and services to older adults. Our "Seniors Rock" and "We are off Our Rockers" having a great time living a life full of meaning and service to our neighbors.

As always, sincere in our mission,

Gayle McHenry, Executive Director

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

2008 Income

Program	\$31,579
Fundraising & Contributions	60,916
Congregations	9,300
Grants	28,500
Miscellaneous	2,240
TOTAL	\$132,535

2008 Expenses

Adventures in Learning/Travelers	\$42,598
Handy Hands/Chores Galore	6,296
Transportation	12,756
Resource Center/Loss Support	13,299
Administration	25,145
Fundraising	17,407
Reserve	15,034
TOTAL	\$132,535

*Volunteers are the heart
of our
Shepherd's Center*



Programs and Services

Adventures in Learning

A variety of classes are held each hour on scheduled Fridays for life long learning.

- ♥ **611 total participants, 109 new**
- ♥ **16 volunteers on committee**
- ♥ **15 weekly helpers**
- ♥ **448 volunteer hours**

Resource Center

A telephone service offers help to seniors by assisting in locating professional agencies and services.

- ♥ **691+ Transportation calls**
- ♥ **2875 total calls**
- ♥ **15 volunteers, 1078 hours given**

Shepherd's Travelers

One-day or overnight "jaunts."

- ♥ **April 29, 2008 Ste. Genevieve**
- ♥ **May 16, 2008 Metro-link trip**
- ♥ **July 16, 2008 Arrow Rock**
- ♥ **Dec 9, 2008 Holiday Brass Concert**
- ♥ **Those planned by Eagle Bank**

Faith in Action™ programs

Transportation Ministry

Volunteers provide transportation to medical appointments for age 55+ ambulatory seniors

- ♥ **100 volunteers from 14 congregations**
- ♥ **308 riders**
- ♥ **595 rides, 96 cancellations**
- ♥ **10,782 miles reported**

Handy Hands

Minor home repairs

- ♥ **11 volunteers from 3 congregations**
- ♥ **34 jobs done**
- ♥ **98 older adults registered**

Chores Galore

Spring and fall yard clean up.

- ♥ **Held on May 3 and October 25, 2008**
- ♥ **145 volunteers, 11 congregations**
- ♥ **30 yards serviced**