

# THE VOLUNTEER

*Share with God's people who are in need; practice hospitality. Romans 12:13*

*"Monthly" newsletter for friends of Hospitality Apartments*

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## *Our first post-pandemic community dinners!*



For the LORD shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.  
(Isaiah 51:3)



Angels of Destiny provided a delicious buffet dinner for our guests in March.

In April, Second Baptist Infusion Class provided dinner, a devotional with Pastor Lee Maxey, and sing-along entertainment. A week later, Second Baptist Cross Training Class gave a fiesta-themed dinner followed by a devotional.



## *New Recliners and Sofas for all Apartments*



The apartment recliners and futons had become shabby and wobbly in the past few years. So our intrepid Julie Hill was offered the challenge of finding affordable, durable, beautiful replacements. The old furniture was given to nonprofits serving the needy, so nothing went to waste. Thanks for another job well done, Julie!

### *Miscellaneous Announcements*

Marcie Evans is coordinating our community dinners now, and is trying to verify our pre-pandemic list of sponsoring churches. If your church or organization is interested, you can reach her at [info@hospitalityapartments.org](mailto:info@hospitalityapartments.org).

Sunday Communion Services have resumed, with a schedule on the Community Room calendar.

The Hospitality Apartments Executive Board have voted to remove all COVID restrictions on apartment procedures. Guests and volunteers are still encouraged to mask when in company.

Bingo has resumed, with the first night of fun held in April! The schedule for future bingo nights is on the Community Room calendar.

Three Second Baptist groups brought gift bags for all residents containing snacks and toiletries.

### *Guest Thank You Note*

From the bottom of our hearts we thank you for your true hospitality, kindness, and graciousness. We are so grateful and thankful for such a wonderful place and people.

We will come back in August but don't expect to need to be there long enough to qualify for housing. However, we will probably need to come again in mid-November for another scan and surgery, so please put us back on the waiting list for then.

We tried to leave the apartment in good shape. If anything is amiss please let me know so that I can make it right.

## Our Guests

In March and April we hosted 71 guests in our apartments.

They were patients at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center (55), Memorial Hermann (1), Baylor St. Luke's (2), TIRR (2), and Methodist (11) hospitals.

They came from Texas (Alamo, Alton (3), Amarillo (2), Beaumont, Brenham, Briarcliff, Caldwell, Corpus Christi (4), Donna, Ft. Worth (2), Galveston (2), Harlingen, Livingston, Lubbock (2), Lufkin, Lyons (2), Manor, Mission (3), Nederland, New Braunfels, Odessa, Port Arthur, Rockport, San Angelo (2), San Antonio, and Victoria), Alabama (Grand Bay), Alaska (Anchorage), Arkansas (Hot Springs), Arizona (Kingman), California (Rancho Cucamonga, Roseville, and San Francisco), Florida (Jacksonville, Key West, and Summerfield), Georgia (Columbus and Roswell), Illinois (Round Lake), Kentucky (Paducah), Louisiana (Delhi, Ferriday, Houma, Metairie (2), New Iberia, St. Martinville, and Winnfield), Minnesota (Roseville), Missouri (Florissant), Mississippi (Biloxi, Booneville, and Natchez), New Mexico (Farmington), Nevada (Las Vegas), Oklahoma (Oklahoma City), Pennsylvania (Pittsburgh), Virginia (Roanoke), and Vietnam.

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Our deepest sympathy to the family of Sal Ciulla, who passed away while staying with us.



Meet our new resident manager, Stacy Campbell, who is caregiver for Tracy Jackson. She has just taken over from Bryan Crook, who returned home with his wife Janice. We thank Bryan for his service, and welcome Stacy!

## March-April Donations

### In memory of

Dillon Beebe  
Jason Paul Carter  
Jerry Davis  
Gary Panetti

## April-May

### Volunteer Birthdays

Mike McEwen	4/4
Joyce Shook	4/7
Linda Burch	5/17
Jon Stevens	5/19

