

# The Messenger

Spring 2024

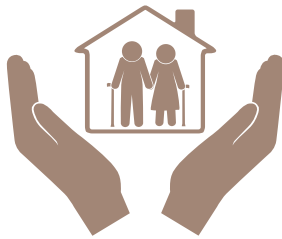


ORCHARD RIDGE

Senior Living

## Your Impact

### 2023 Review



Raised over \$235,000, with a large portion for our Resident Relief Fund, to provide care for 24 residents who have exhausted their financial resources.



An additional wheelchair access was provided for by grant funds.

Grants and private donations provided for meals at a lower cost for our low income Independent Living residents.



Volunteers have increased from 33 to 45. The volunteers help with activities, visits, fundraising, and church services.



Our member churches donated gift baskets for each resident in Assisted Living & Memory Care and \$2500 toward haircuts!

# Fifty years and still going...

by Holly Johnson

Orchard Ridge's Estate Sale Volunteers have been raising money for Orchard Ridge for 50 years now! They started by selling goods and furniture found in the old Coeur d'Alene Homes, also known as "the red brick building". They then went on to conducting estate sales and running a thrift store with help from church members from Orchard Ridge's supporting churches. Last year they raised over \$5,000 and volunteered 926 hours.

Mary Olson, their group's first leader, lived next door to and went to church with Shirley Belstad. She told Shirley that as soon as she retired, she was going to work with the Estate Sale group! Shirley has done just that since 1996 and she recruited her co-worker Shannon Mills in 2003 much the same way she was brought into the group. Now Connie Gridley rallies the troops. Shirley has since moved into Orchard Ridge, seeing firsthand what good has come from the estate sale group.

They recently had a lunch together and were asked what they had enjoyed about working with the group. They all agree they love the camaraderie, the fun, and getting together. They enjoy the good feeling they get helping out a worthy cause. They really like finding treasures to purchase themselves and say they are some of the estate sales biggest buyers. And one member admitted that she doesn't feel she can work with residents at Orchard Ridge, but she can certainly sort through household goods, get a sale together and feel that she is contributing in that way!

I asked them what they would like people to know about the group and they said the biggest thing is that although people praise

them for their hard work, they are actually enjoying themselves immensely and laughing all the time! They also want the public to know all that the group will do: you can basically take what you want out of the house, pack your bags, and leave the rest to them! They will take your documents to be shredded, take left pantry items to the food bank, save all personal or valuable they may find for the owner to sort through, and take what they can to the dump. They are careful to be respectful of the belongings, aware that these were someone's treasures and sentimental items.

Over the years they have raised funds for the Serenity Garden in Memory Care, patio furniture for the residents to enjoy the garden, staff scholarships to continue education, resident activity programs and so much more!

The group welcomes new members, especially men with trucks! They are available to conduct estate sales year-round. Fifty percent of the proceeds benefit Orchard Ridge with the other half going to the homeowner. (See flyer on back.)





# Volunteers needed

- Leading an exercise class (Sit & Be Fit style)
- Leading cycling group (with floor pedals)
- Leading a Sunday church service
- One on one visits with a resident
- OR let us know what way you would like to volunteer!

Want to help? Call Kayla at (208)664-8119  
or email at [activity@theorchardcda.org](mailto:activity@theorchardcda.org)



Every spring we look forward to planting flowers around the campus and making it beautiful for residents, staff, and visitors to enjoy!

You can join us by honoring your loved one with a flower tribute! A donation of \$35 helps to purchase flowers and your loved one's name will be displayed among the flowers to commemorate your gift all through the summer months.

Please fill out the portion below and mail back to us in the envelope with your gift.

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In Honor/Tribute to: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_

Payments can be made with cash, check or credit card. Please make checks payable to Orchard Ridge.  
Online donations can be made at [www.theorchardcda.org](http://www.theorchardcda.org).



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# Spring Fundraiser

Orchard Ridge is trying a whole new type of fundraiser this spring! We will be putting on "Assisted Living: The Musical" at the Kroc Center March 22-24. Mike Grabenstein, Orchard Ridge's former administrator, has been acting in local theater for years. He and some fellow thespians decided they wanted to put on this particular show, specifically for the purpose of raising funds for Orchard Ridge's charitable care. Not only will it help support those residents who have exhausted their financial resources and need care, it also promises to be a good time! The musical was written by Rick Compton and Betsy Bennett, about an assisted living community and the colorful characters that live there, and has been performed around the country. The cast and musicians are volunteers who have done productions locally and have some connection to Orchard Ridge, from working there or having parents who lived there, to serving at one of the member churches involved with Orchard Ridge. Tickets are currently available at the Kroc Center or online at [www.kroccda.org](http://www.kroccda.org).

Directed by:  
Lorna Hamilton

Music by:  
Mark Haberman  
Robert McPherson  
Tom Kuntz

CAST:  
Mike Grabenstein  
Rebecca Priano  
Stephen Preston  
Joy Preston  
Jeje McPherson  
Erik Contzius  
Monica Flaherty  
Ken Bartle  
Kay Poland

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*the Musical*®

Music, Lyrics, & Book by  
Rick Compton  
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**MARCH 24@2PM \$30/TICKET**  
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"A hilarious and irreverant look  
at senior living, for a mature  
audience who can laugh at the  
inevitable...getting older!"

\*This play contains vaudeville humor  
and is intended for mature audiences.

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# *Gifts were given in memory or honor of the following individuals:*

Darrell Belstad by Shirley Belstad  
Inez Bowers by Gary & Sue Baker  
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Statia Buchnovics by Donna Ronson, Dennis & Grace Buchnovics  
Jane Clifford by Gayne & Jo Clifford  
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Verna Meredith by Steve & Laurie Meredith  
Rose Mary Micaï by Rosalie Mule  
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Winnie Moore by Kathleen Quattrocchi  
Gene & Lougene Murray by Ellen Taylor  
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John Sage by Cathy Sage  
Karl & Effie Schmidt by Dan & Jody Harris  
Charlotte Demotte, Don & Carol Williams  
Dorothy Shinn by Jack & Cherie Shinn  
Walt Siring by Gwen Letson  
Mary Ann Smith by Mike & Shari Lyon  
Beulah Strobel by Sharon Strobel  
Rosella Tucker by Les & Deb Frank  
Mary Lou Wilson by Pat & Sandy Wilson  
Don Ziegler by Phyllis Giao, Thresia Hendricks, Pamela Medley, Veda Ziegler

## More Ways to Give...

Did you know that many investment funds have a charitable giving ability? To name a few: Fidelity Charitable, Innovia, Thrivent, Idaho Community Foundation, US Charitable Gift Trust, and Schwab Charitable all have donor advised grants or ways that you can direct funds to your favorite charity!

If you are a Thrivent member, you can even request to do a "Thrivent Action Team" and they will give you funds to do a service project. Orchard Ridge has done several Action Teams and received funds for fundraising projects and residents' activities projects. If you are interested in using that option for a project for Orchard Ridge, please call Holly at (208) 664-8119 and we can discuss ideas!



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## Estate & Moving Sales

A service provided by the Orchard Ridge Volunteers

In an effort to raise funds for charitable care at Orchard Ridge, the Volunteers provide the service of organizing and managing your estate sale for the cost of a suggested donation.

### Services Include:

- Inventory
- Advertising & Signage
- Pricing
- Conducting Sales
- Sorting

*Enjoy peace of mind and share in the generated revenue, with the added blessing of knowing you are supporting a good cause!*

For more information contact Holly at Orchard Ridge (208)664-8119

## Business Sponsors



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