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Steuben Senior Services Fund, Inc.
Building a Home for Aging in Place



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DOING LIFE HER WAY....

Over the past couple of years I have had the immense pleasure of meeting and interviewing several older Steuben County residents who are aging in place in their own homes and communities. These folks, members of America's Greatest Generation, are the backbone of our county. Featured this quarter is Evelyn Richardson, long-time resident of Corning. This lively, almost 95-year-old recalled her life from the time she was five years old to her current life as a nonagenarian. Evelyn, as the others I have interviewed, shows a dogged determination to remain in her own home as long as possible. She has lived there for over 60 years, and her greatest desire is to stay put.



Evelyn also recalled over 30 years of working at Corning Glass Works, as well as at Food Mart on Market Street. Her favorite pastime, as an adult, was bowling and she played in many tournaments, including a NY State tournament where she placed second. The highlight for her was when she was the first woman elected to the Bowling Hall of Fame for Corning and Painted Post.

Another important role in Evelyn's life was that of caregiver for her mother, husband and son who have now all passed away. Evelyn is thankful that she still has a granddaughter living in Corning and has recently acquired a cat, Toni, to keep her company on a daily basis.

Evelyn describes herself as "doing good from the neck up", and as such likes to stay informed. She watches a lot of TV, plays Solitaire, and talks with a friend by phone three or four times a day. Evelyn is saddened by the state of our country and believes that money has become too important. She holds strong convictions about what she sees on the nightly news.

Evelyn is thankful for the services provided to her by the Office for the Aging including Link to Life and Home and Health Care in-home assistance. Her helper comes in once a week, does some cleaning and changes Evelyn's bed, and then does some grocery shopping for her. Evelyn says she doesn't know what she would do without assistance from Office for the Aging. It helps her to stay at home.

AIP TOWN OF URBANA-- "HAMMONDSPORT HAPPENINGS"

The latest development in the Urbana Aging in Place project is a newsletter "Hammondspport Happenings", the first edition of which will be mailed to all Town residents sometime this spring.



The Senior Dinner Club at the Presbyterian Church in Hammondspport (pictured right) is open on Tuesdays and is going full steam. If you would like to dine in a friendly, welcoming atmosphere please call (607)569-2712 to make a reservation.

THANKS A MILLION!

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, the 2013 annual campaign donations have reached a milestone! Nearly \$9400 has been donated to date, and we have heard from more donors than ever before!! In addition, members of our Aging in Place Club donated over \$1850. These funds, coupled with generous donations from others, resulted in a banner year for SSSF! Our many donors have made it possible for us to continue our Aging in Place projects in Pulteney, Urbana, and the Cameron, Jasper, Troupsburg and Woodhull areas of the county and to assist the Office for the Aging by helping to fund current gaps in services. Our deep appreciation to the following individuals, organizations and foundations that donated during 2013:

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"It's Not Too Late"

If you were contacted in our annual campaign and haven't sent in your gift as yet, remember it's not too late! We would love to hear from you!!

CAMERON, JASPER, TROUPSBURG AND WOODHULL SURVEY COMPLETED--TRANSPORTATION AGAIN HIGHEST NEED



Results of our recent aging in place survey in the Towns of Cameron, Jasper, Troupsburg and Woodhull are in, and as expected, transportation in general received the greatest number of votes as the service that will be most needed as people there age in place. 65% of respondents named this as the most important service, 61% said that transportation to medical services was most necessary, and 60% chose home health care/personal care aides as the most vital.

Other top survey results included house cleaning at 56%, shopping for groceries at 52%, home delivered meals at 51%, entertainment trips at 48%, general handyman at 46%, legal information at 45% and plumbers/electricians at 44%. Also receiving a great deal of attention was the need for a scheduled exercise class such as Bone Builders.

The Cameron, Jasper, Troupsburg, Woodhull Aging in Place Advisory Committee met on March 4th with transportation providers to learn what is available and to begin creating solutions to the transportation issues in that part of the county.

STEBEN SENIOR SERVICE FUND, INC. ANNUAL SURVEY

HOW ARE WE DOING?

1. What are we doing that you like? (Please check all that apply.)
 Raising funds to meet the needs of future generations of senior citizens.
 Raising funds to meet current needs
 Aging in Place projects in our county's rural areas (Pulteney, Urbana and Cameron, Jasper, Troupsburg and Woodhull)

- Our Aging in Place Newsletter
- Our Aging in Place Club
- Learning seminars
- Other _____

2. What else would you like us to do?

3. What topics would you like covered in our Aging in Place Newsletter or learning seminars? (For example, home safety tips, getting good care in the home, etc.)

4a. Do you have any questions or concerns you want us to address?
 Yes No

b. Would you like us to contact you? Yes No (Please leave your contact information below.)

5. Do you enjoy the feature articles in our newsletter on various seniors in the county who are aging in place? Yes No

6. Do you see yourself playing a more active role in advancing the mission of SSSF? (Please check all that apply.)

- Board membership
- Introducing your friends to SSSF
- Sharing newsletters with your friends
- Becoming a member of our Aging in Place Club
- Becoming a Facebook friend of SSSF
- Obtaining more information on gifts in memory or honor of a loved one
- Considering a legacy gift to SSSF
- Obtaining more information on planned giving to SSSF

This section is optional. Please be certain to complete it if you want us to contact you. Thank you!

_____Name
_____Email Address
_____Address
_____Phone

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