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Resident Spotlight: Ron and Kay Soliday

Ron and Kay Soliday have led a spiritually rich life, giving Jehovah their very best. Ron was born on October 25, 1930 and Kay was born on July 9, 1937. They both grew up in Logan, Ohio. Ron grew up around the truth. His mother was one of Jehovah’s Witnesses, but his father was not. Kay was not raised as a Witness, but chose to serve Jehovah as an adult.

Following high school, Ron went to Ohio State where he studied Business Administration. An avid sports fan and athlete, he also played football and tennis at a collegiate level. Ron and his brother won the intramural doubles tennis championship while attending Ohio State. Ron likes to tell the story of how the local draft board mixed up Ron and his brother, which meant Ron was not drafted and instead was able to finish college. While in college, he also began to take a greater interest in spiritual things. He was baptized in his early 20s.

Ron remembers the first time he saw Kay. She was walking down the street and he was immediately attracted to her. He was overjoyed to bump into her shortly thereafter at a local drive-in. A conversation was started and so was their journey together. They were married on November 25, 1954. The Solidays began their career in full-time service as regular pioneers. It wasn’t long before they were asked to become special pioneers. Their first assignment was in Arkansas. They began the circuit work with an assignment on the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. After that, they served mostly in Maryland and New York. Ron had the privilege of giving talks at District and International conventions. One of Ron and Kay’s spiritual highlights was when one of their Bible students progressed to the point of baptism and went on to bring 50 members of his family into the Truth.

Circuit work kept them very busy, but when they would find some free time, they enjoyed gardening. Ron continued to play golf and tennis into his 70s. To this day, you can often find Ron in the parlor watching sports. Kay loves to go for walks and socialize with other residents.

The Solidays moved to Allentown from Virginia, where they were lovingly cared for by friends. As residents of Legacy Place, they enjoy being surrounded by their spiritual brothers and sisters as well as the provision of having spiritual activities throughout the day. After spending many years joyfully making the sacrifices involved in the traveling work, we are happy to be able to provide them with the opportunity to be cared for in a safe and loving environment.
Employee of the Month

Congratulations Wendy!
Thank you for your positive attitude, teamwork and commitment to Legacy Place. We appreciate all you do!

Happy Legacy Anniversary!
1 Year
- Robert and Evelyn Ryan
- Donald and Iris Shook

A Friendly Reminder
We are thrilled to have so many visitors at Legacy Place every day. Our residents and staff greatly appreciate the love and support. It has come to the attention of management that some visitors are forgetting to sign in and out of the community. In the event of an emergency, it is imperative that we know who is in the building at all times. We have sign-in sheets just inside the entrance to Memory Care and both entrances to Personal Care. Thank you for your assistance. It is greatly appreciated!

Legacy Lessons
Last month, we shared some of our residents’ responses to the question, “What is one of the most important lessons you feel you have learned over the course of your life?” We had so many great words of wisdom that they didn’t all fit in one newsletter. Below are the rest of the responses:

**Doris** - “Never permit someone else to deprive you of what they themselves cannot give you.”

**Mildred** - “Learning the truth was the biggest thing for me.”

**Evelyn** - “Patience.”

**Donald** - “Listen to my wife.”

**Ernie and Gloria** - “Be organized whenever possible and gather all information before making a decision.”

**Chester** - “Getting the truth is the most important thing in life.”

**Robert Silfies** - “Take one thing at a time.”

**Ron** - “Keep Jehovah’s interest first.”

**Kay** - “Being one of Jehovah’s Witnesses is the best thing I have done.”

**Lisa** - “The Bible tells us what to do and what not to do.”

**Lorraine** - “At 4 years of age, I learned not to pull a dog out of its cage with jelly bread in your hand. I got bit!”

**Eula** - “To be myself and love my neighbor.”

**Craig** - “I quit smoking, drinking and swearing...it was inconsistent with being one of Jehovah’s Witnesses.”

**Marie** - “Treat other people the way you want to be treated.”

**Frank** - “Never jump off a high branch on a high tree.”

**Geri** - “Learn about Jehovah.”

**Robert Ryan** - “Humility. You have to keep working on it...you can’t work on it just once, but over and over again.”

**Iris** - “My family is the most important thing to me...that and being one of Jehovah’s Witnesses.”

Assembly
Our Residents were able to enjoy the “Be Bold” convention this month. Jehovah’s reminders are always timely and appreciated.
A piano performance is always a well-attended activity!

Betty and Evelyn playing Uno with Tashawna.

Lynne, Carol, Iris and Don getting in some morning exercise.

Betty and Lisa

Geri and Terri

Diana with Peter and Lou Ella.

Bean Bag Champion!

**Employment Opportunities**

Legacy Place is accepting employment applications. Stop by for an application or contact employment@legacyplace.org.

**Resident Applications**

We are full in both Personal Care and Memory Care! However, we will continue to accept applications for our waiting list. Please contact Meghan at meghan.dunton@legacyplace.org for more information.

**Volunteering**

Legacy Place appreciates what our volunteers do for our residents. We couldn’t do it without you! If you are interested in donating your time and/or talents, send an email to marie.scully@legacyplace.org.

**Mailing List**

If you, or someone you know, would like to receive a copy of our newsletter, please email meghan.dunton@legacyplace.org. You can request to receive your newsletter through the mail, electronically, or both!
Hospice Presentation

Legacy welcomed Drew and Patty from Arcadia Hospice to provide our residents with information on hospice services. We had a great turnout and learned a lot from the information presented. Our residents asked a lot of wonderful questions and educated themselves on what hospice is (and isn’t) as well as the benefits of the program. It is our goal to offer more health care related programs to our schedule in the near future. You are never too old to learn something new!