

**Spring 2012** 

# Desert View Workshops on the Move Around the State

Since reopening in April of 2011 we are grateful to Sun City West, Prescott, Lake Havasu, First Church, Scottsdale, and Third Church, Tucson for having hosted workshops on Desert View and Christian Science Nursing. The workshops are conducted by Cindy Snowden, the Director of Christian Science Nursing for Desert View. Each workshop emphasizes the radical reliance on Christian Science for an individual's complete healing and the *Manual* provision for Christian Science nursing.

Cindy draws a parallel between Christian Science facilities and Noah's Ark, "the first nursing facility built by God!" Noah listened and the caregivers trusted and obeyed, and the resulting practical wisdom ensured that house/ark furnished the was provisions for every detail. Occupants came without hesitation and obtained proper care for their entire stay, and the stay was harmonious. Likewise the Christian Science nurses rely on prayer instead of human ingenuity or the material picture. Our first line of defense is divine Principle, Love; the study and application of the weekly Bible Lesson; and replacing the false with Truth.



Cindy demonstrates navigating stairs at Tucson workshop



Board Member, Dale Lang, at Tucson workshop

# Going....and Coming

At this time we say "good-bye" to one dear friend, and "welcome aboard" to another. Zach Easton served on the Desert View Board for the past three years, most recently as Board Chairman. We thank him for his steady hand as we took the steps to reopen our facility. He will be missed (though we know how to reach him!). At this time we would also like to introduce new Board member, Judy Weldon, a longtime valley resident and member of Second Church, Scottsdale. Many of you no doubt remember Judy from her role with the Scottsdale Friends of El Dorado Vista, during the building of the 17th Street facility.

# Benevolence...an Overflowing Heart

Are you the stranger commonly known as the Good Samaritan? It's a familiar story in the Bible, isn't it...the compassionate stranger who stops to help the man left injured by the side of the road; the caring stranger who picks up the injured man and takes him to the inn; the generous stranger who pays the innkeeper and promises to return and pay more, if additional costs are incurred.

Contributing to Desert View's Benevolence Fund affords the opportunity to step into that role as the Good Samaritan, and help someone who is in need of Christian Science nursing services and also in need of some financial assistance to do just that.

Desert View is committed to offering benevolence again, but when El Dorado Vista closed, the Benevolence Fund had been depleted. It is very slowly building again, but we need your help to have sufficient funds to be of meaningful assistance.

In her short article "Love," *MW p. 251*, Mary Baker Eddy refers to the "unselfish deed done in secret; the silent, ceaseless prayer; the self-forgetful heart that overflows; the veiled form stealing on an errand of mercy, out of a side door..." Will you join in being that Good Samaritan, doing a secret deed, out of an overflowing heart?

Donations to the Benevolence Fund, or for general operations, can conveniently be made several ways: on our website, www.desertview.us; by using PayPal; or by sending a check. Also, if you would like to consider an automatic monthly donation, (via ACH), please call and ask for more information.

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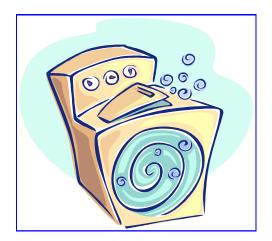
# A Note of Gratitude

My wife was admitted to Desert View when she required support of a Christian Science nurse two separate times last year. Each time she was cared for lovingly and respectfully by the staff, who were dedicated to supporting her radical reliance on Christian Science for healing. During her stays, the Christian Science nurses at Desert View gave her tender care, modified her meals to suit her needs, and played hymns or sang in between reading to her day and night as she needed support during her demonstration. I am very grateful for the loving care that Desert View gave to my wife and me. The holiday season proved to be a very blessed time with all of the love expressed by the staff, to my wife and me.

CG., Page, AZ.

# Help With Desert View's Laundry

And you won't even have to get your hands wet!



As you can imagine, washing is a constant at Desert View, and our "dedicated" washing machine is wearing out, and no longer dependable. We would like to purchase a new, heavy-duty, front loading machine to shoulder the load. To make a contribution to this fund, just indicate Washer Fund on your donation. For any additional information, please call our Business Office at (480) 307-6060.

And thanks for your support!