

Desert View News - Fall 2013

~Annual Meeting~

In our Spring Newsletter we shared the news that our 1st Annual Meeting for the field was on the calendar. The date is November 2nd; the time 2:00 pm and the place, Second Church of Christ, Scientist, Scottsdale, located at 10180 N Hayden Rd, Scottsdale, only minutes from Desert View, so we hope those of you who have not seen the facility will take the opportunity to come over afterwards. Our featured speaker, Jill Grimes, C.S., will talk to us about *Getting Off the Porch!* Drawn from the book of John, it's a story familiar to all of us...the pool of Bethesda. Jill likens the five porches to the five physical senses, saying: "No matter which we are 'sitting on,' the story is ever the same. It's always an argument for delay, disappointment, relapse, stagnation, frustration and, yes, more conversation. However, we can rejoice. A beloved line from hymn 412 tells us why: 'The Christ is here, all dreams of error breaking, unloosing bonds of all captivity.'"

We look forward to seeing you all on November 2nd!

~From the Director of Christian Science Nursing~

I can't express adequate gratitude for our dedicated and gracious Desert View staff. Each member of the team has brought a unique blend of the reflective qualities of Love, Principle, Life, Truth, Soul, Spirit, and Mind. At this time we say good-bye to my counterpart, Deanna Belyk, the other 24/7 Christian Science nurse. Deanna has moved forward into a new position as Director of Christian Science Nursing at The Village in Arkansas. We wish her the very best and are grateful to know that all the love, skills, and metaphysical maturity that she expressed here at Desert View will bless the Christian Science nurses and patients in Arkansas.

Until we hire a replacement, we are using contract Christian Science nurses two weeks each month. We appreciate every new face that comes to us to share in our vision at Desert View. They each have gracious qualities which fulfill the Manual Bylaw for the Christian Science nurse. They love seeing our beautiful home and are grateful to participate in the loving and healing atmosphere. As we move forward we wait patiently on God to bring each of His ideas to Desert View to bless and be blessed. We know that each moment is filled with divine Love tenderly caring for His ideas.

Cindy Snowden

~Why Be on the Board of Desert View?~

We wanted to share with you what it means to us to be on the Board:

"I want to make sure that Desert View continues, for it is the only Christian Science facility in Arizona, and Arizona Christian Scientists deserve to have it should they have a need."

"The great love and support expressed at Desert View is not only blessing the patients with healing, but the entire community, especially the Christian Science community."

"When we could no longer care for a family member at home, Desert View was there and was exactly what was needed. So when I accepted the invitation to serve on the Board, I accepted with the thought that I wanted it to be there for others who had the need."

"Christian Science nurses work tirelessly and selflessly. It's a small way for me to support this important work."

"I love being part of Desert View as it experiences its rebirth, providing a safe haven, loving care and a healing atmosphere for the entire Christian Science community."

"Being a Desert View board member means actively supporting and nurturing the continuation of its progress, and is a vital part of my commitment to Christian Science healing."

Would you like to be on the Board of Desert View?

We have two openings, and this fall we will be interviewing candidates. We are particularly looking to have members from churches not yet represented. If you have an interest in Desert View's future and love Christian Science nursing, please consider applying for an interview. For more information contact General Manager Chris Radel at admin@desertview.us or 480-307-6060.

The Mission of Desert View Christian Science Care is to serve the Cause of Christian Science by providing Christian Science nursing care in a supportive spiritual atmosphere for those actively relying on God for healing through Christian Science treatment.

~From Our Treasurer~

Mrs. Eddy describes the revelation of Christian Science as, in part,

"The proof, by present demonstration, that the so-called miracles of Jesus did not specially belong to a dispensation now ended, but that they illustrated an ever-operative divine Principle. The operation of this Principle indicates the eternality of the scientific order and continuity of being." SEH p. 123

Jesus' physical healings and his feeding of the multitudes were certainly indicative of this ever-operative Principle, and we can expect our blessings to continue uninterrupted.

Since the beginning of the year we have had full occupancy of our nursing beds. Our operating loss for the most recent 12-month period was about \$8100, compared with \$86,000 for the calendar year 2012.

With our full house, our patient revenues are as high as they can get. But we need to anticipate that we may not have a full house 365 days/year. In addition, we need to have enough for unforeseen repairs, replacing worn and outdated equipment, cost of living increases for staff, and benevolence. In the last newsletter, we mentioned a projected need for about \$150,000 in annual donations. Currently donations are running at a steady \$60,000 per year. Rob Askew

From the Middle East to Desert View

Two familiar faces and long-time friends of Desert View, Rose Mary Mets and Ginny Boardman, stopped by after a trip to Israel and Jordan. We were so pleased to have them join us for dinner and share slides and stories of their journey.



~Gratitude~

Recently, I called Desert View to request aid of their Visiting Nurse service. They arranged for one of their Christian Science nurses to come to my home to support my demonstration in whatever capacity was required. She arrived with love and skills to meet my needs. She even brought Christian Science CD's and cassette tapes for me to borrow. The support and care that I received reminded me of God's love and care for me throughout my recovery. My healing came quickly with this wonderful provision and proof of divine Love caring for each of us. Mrs. Eddy is so correct in her writings when she states, "Divine Love always has met and always will meet every human need."

Thank you, Desert View!

A grateful patient



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