Montgomery County, Maryland is known for its rich and diverse culture and heritage. We have a large Asian community along with a growing Asian patient population. From nationwide data, we know that Asian patients use hospice care less often, as compared to other races. How can we help these patients in need to maximize their benefit from hospice?

Here are some thoughts based on my experience in my oncology private practice.

Let's first look at the barriers to utilization of hospice service by Asian patients:

1. Many people from Asian cultures think death is a bad thing, and that anything linked to death is bad luck. They do not want to talk about death among family members.
2. Respect for the elderly is an important part of many Asian cultures. As part of this respect, it is not uncommon for Asian adult children to hide a terminal illness diagnosis from their parents.
3. Most Asian patients are not familiar with hospice care, as it is so rare in their country of origin.
4. In general, Asian patients have less knowledge about the American medical system.
5. Dying in a hospital is considered acceptable or the norm in Asian culture.
6. Many Asians expect to receive medical treatment until they die. They may want to try anything and everything to help when there is a poor prognosis.
7. Language barriers exist for many Asian patients and families.

When facing these challenges, here are some tips that I have found helpful when I talk to patients and families about hospice care:

1. Do not rush. Set up a time and sit down with the patient and his or her family.
2. Use an interpreter if you don't speak their language.
3. Get the family’s permission first before releasing a bad diagnosis to the patient.
5. Learn about the family’s attitude towards hospice. Understand and respect a different culture’s approach towards end-of-life issues.
6. Explain the benefit of pain control.
7. Explain the benefit of getting service at home.
8. Explain the benefit of stress relief for family members.
9. Explain that the patient can keep his or her current doctor.
10. Be open to alternative types of medicine.

I have been in a private oncology practice for 5 years, and face many of the same challenges every practitioner faces. I sincerely hope that my tips will help others to discuss hospice services with their patients.

Dr. DongMei Wang is Board Certified in Oncology and in Internal Medicine, and practices at Montgomery Oncology Care and Hematology in Rockville, MD.

Asians in Montgomery County

Asian Americans comprise a fast-growing and diverse segment of Montgomery County.

percentage of total MC population:
11.3% in 2000
14.4% in 2011

subgroups include:
Asian Indian  Laotian
Bangladeshi  Malaysian
Burmese  Nepalese
Cambodian  Pakistani
Chinese  Sri Lankan
Filipino  Taiwanese
Indonesian  Thai
Japanese  Vietnamese
Korean

73.7% are foreign born
83.8% speak a language other than English at home
36.9% speak English “less than very well”

information from the US Census Bureau and the Asian American Health Initiative
From Ann’s Office
Hospice: Improved Quality and Lower Costs

We are excited, however, by new research that continues to support what we already know about the value of hospice. The latest research, which was funded by the National Institute of Aging (and published in the March 2013 issue of Health Affairs), shows that hospice both improves the quality of care for patients and saves money for the system. The researchers found Medicare savings of $2,561 to $6,430 per patient (depending on how long the patient was enrolled in hospice), and also showed that these patients spent fewer days in hospitals and were much less likely to die in a hospital setting. The study found particular reductions in time spent in intensive care units and in hospital readmissions for patients who had enrolled in hospice months before death, rather than waiting until the last weeks or days. Building on other studies that have shown high patient and family satisfaction, the researchers conclude that “Medicare

These are uncertain times for healthcare and its providers. The bottom-line effects of the Affordable Care Act are not yet fully known. Fundamental changes to Medicare are being discussed as long-term solutions to the national debt issue. More immediately, sequestration cuts will decrease revenue by 2 percent for those of us serving Medicare patients. Montgomery Hospice continues to fight against being arbitrarily considered outside of the Washington metropolitan area by Medicare and thus receiving lower payments for the services we provide.

We remain immensely grateful to all of our community supporters, whose donations allows us to continue providing the quality care that we are known for, easing the burdens of our seriously ill and grieving neighbors. We thank so many of you who have donated to our Gentle the Journey Campaign. In this, the last year of the campaign, we are more motivated than ever to do the work needed together to allow Montgomery County residents access to the services of Montgomery Hospice.

Ann Mitchell
President & CEO

Paul Brenner: a “persevering pioneer”

The hospice community lost one of its early advocates when Paul Brenner died on February 22, 2013. The “Montgomery Hospice Society” benefited from his wisdom and passion when he served as Executive Director from the mid 1980s through 1994. Carol Whitney, a nurse who has worked for Montgomery Hospice since the early days in the basement of St. John’s Episcopal Church, remembers him clearly as having “the hospice heart.” When the organization outgrew the borrowed space in the church, Mr. Brenner deliberately chose offices on a higher floor in order to move “beyond the basement mentality.” Former Congresswomen Connie Morella described him as “a persevering pioneer,” after she learned of his death and reflected on his role in growing Montgomery Hospice. Martha Flory, Director of Finance, was hired by Mr. Brenner in 1989; she described him as “congenial, with a good sense of humor, and very dedicated to causes that he believed in – hospice was his main cause.” Mr. Brenner was also instrumental in the organization’s first steps toward achieving the vision of a hospice house, working with Mrs. Eugene B. Casey and accepting her generous donation of land and funds, given in memory of her late husband.

With gratitude for his service to our community, Montgomery Hospice extends condolences to Paul Brenner’s family.
A Life Journey
Going on a trip requires planning. Likewise, a good life journey requires thought, effort and preparation so that it may be concluded with quality. This article discusses barriers to quality of life at the end of life, and provides suggestions in planning for a peaceful journey.

Quality End-Of-Life Care
People face serious illness with different approaches. Some choose to battle with it to extend the quantity of life, often intending to complete unfinished business or wishes. Others may choose quality over quantity of life, choosing comfort and to avoid burdensome treatments and medications.

The purpose of quality end-of-life care is to treat patients according to their wishes and their goals, not over-treating or undertreating them. Knowing an individual’s treatment goal is crucial in providing quality end-of-life care. When the cure of illnesses becomes unrealistic, most people desire to complete their life’s journey with no pain or suffering, to die with peace and dignity. Unfortunately, many people struggle at the end of life in opposition to their wishes; they go through painful treatments and procedures, suffer from unrelieved symptoms, burdened by multiple trips to the emergency room, and die in the intensive care unit with various life support medications and medical equipment around them.

Surveys of family members with their loved ones in intensive care units revealed that many of them were dissatisfied with the care because of frequent pain and anxiety, poor communication and conflicting treatment goals. An executive summary by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation in 2003 described barriers to quality end-of-life care and suggested that these barriers can be categorized according to patient and healthcare provider factors.

Patient Factors
Advance directives
Lack of advance directives is one of the major barriers in providing quality end-of-life care to patients. Patients and their families have the tendency to wait for someone other than themselves to initiate the discussion. Some terminally ill patients have never had a discussion of their preferences for end-of-life care with their family. When these patients lose the capacity to participate in making treatment decisions, the tremendous responsibility of healthcare decision-making falls to the family members who have no knowledge of what their loved ones would prefer. This situation creates confusion around the treatment goal and greatly affects the quality of end-of-life care. Family members often have to make stressful healthcare decisions such as whether to withdraw life-support or to continue every possible treatment. These are difficult decisions when there is no clear direction from the patient, and often family members are left to ponder if they are making the best decisions for their loved ones. Therefore, it is important that the details of individuals’ end-of-life preferences are acknowledged so that others can honor and respect their wishes.

Autonomy and the decision maker
Culture plays an important role in the quality of end-of-life care. The value placed on autonomy and individual rights in American culture may be regarded differently in other cultures. When applied to situations involving people of other cultures, the placing of individual rights first may not be beneficial but can create difficulties and distress to patients and their family members. The Patient Self-Determination Act was passed in 1991, recognizing the rights of patients to make treatment decisions. This act included the right for patients to participate in and direct their own healthcare decisions, the right to accept and refuse medical treatment, and the right to prepare an advance directive. Under this law, healthcare providers must respect that patients have the ultimate right to be informed of the diagnosis and prognosis of even a terminal illness, and that the individual is to direct the decision making, including accepting or refusing treatment, curative or palliative care.

From a cultural standpoint, the issues of full disclosure or truth-telling and healthcare decision making may be viewed quite differently. For many Asians and Pacific Islanders, their cultural values include observing filial piety, wherein family members are expected to take over the decision-making role for seriously ill elderly family members. A collective decision-making method that involves family members in healthcare decision making is more important than the...
Complementary Therapies

“A massage calms my breathing; it is very valuable, very beneficial. I am amazed by how much it helps me.” A life-long runner and exercise enthusiast, 52-year old Judy has been an advocate for herself throughout her years living with cancer. She continues this advocacy, taking advantage of Montgomery Hospice’s Complementary Therapy Program. She relies on support from her family, traditional pain medications – and massage. “Sandy’s massages help with pain and discomfort, and breathing. This is absolutely what I want as part of my hospice care.”

“Sandy’s massages” refers to the work of Sandra Lavengood, Montgomery Hospice’s Complementary Therapies Manager. Montgomery Hospice created this manager position in 2010, making a serious commitment to the use of complementary therapies and becoming one of the few hospices in the nation with a staff member dedicated to creating a complementary therapy program. Building on ideas and visions of other staff members, and partnering with Director of Volunteers Christiane Wiese to maximize the use of volunteers, Sandy has worked to establish a clinically sound foundation for the program, always focusing on the very clear goal of providing comfort for dying patients.

Although the term “complementary therapies” can mean many different things, one definition describes the Montgomery Hospice philosophy well: Complementary therapies are noninvasive, non-pharmacologic adjuncts to mainstream treatment. Complementary therapies are rational, evidence-based practices delivered or taught by trained practitioners.* Montgomery Hospice chooses therapies that have been effective, and introduces them after consulting with other end-of-life experts, and establishing protocols, policies and trainings to ensure patient safety.

Massage is one therapy that works well with patients, specifically gentle touch techniques tailored to patients at end of life. Montgomery Hospice staff and volunteers have been trained to provide Lavender Oil hand massages since 2007. This simple, effective offering combines touch and aroma to bring comfort and relaxation to patients and families. In 2010, Montgomery Hospice took touch therapies to a new level by establishing a volunteer massage therapy program. Licensed massage therapists with at least 2 years of experience have been recruited to volunteer their professional services. In addition to completing Montgomery Hospice’s volunteer training, these therapists are further trained in Comfort Touch®, a type of massage specifically designed for patients who are elderly or very ill. The care the volunteer therapists provide is supervised by Sandy Lavengood, herself a licensed massage therapist. In 2012, a second licensed massage therapist, Diana Goroff, was hired. Her availability on staff has been essential to meeting the growing demand for massage services, and to further integrating this work into ongoing patient care. Together Sandy, Diana and the ten volunteer licensed massage therapists visit patients in homes, facilities and at Casey House, making more than 600 patient visits in 2012 (up from 236 in 2010).

Music has also been shown to have many benefits for hospice patients, including a decreased perception of pain, reduced anxiety and heightened relaxation. Montgomery Hospice worked with a professional with a specialized college degree in Music Therapy to develop the use of music with patients. Volunteers and staff have access to an extensive library of music, available on CDs and iPods. One patient, a former saxophone player in a jazz band, asked the volunteer who plays jazz for him: “What do people do without music?” A soothing, stringed instrument called a Reverie Harp has been very popular with patients and family members. At Casey House, CD players and iPod speakers are available in patient rooms. Patients at Casey House also have the benefit of a volunteer violinist and another volunteer who is a certified music practitioner, who plays a hammered dulcimer. A family member thanked this musician: “The part you played in my mother’s journey was truly breathtaking. She was sick but she was at peace and relaxed enough to completely connect with you and the gift you gave her of the beauty of music. You truly have a special gift.”

A third complementary therapy increasingly supported by research is aromatherapy, the use of essential oils from plants for therapeutic benefit. Described as “nature’s pharmacy,” essential oils have been shown to be effective for a range of physical and emotional conditions including many hospice-specific uses, for example anxiety, respiratory issues and wound care. Montgomery Hospice has invested in developing in-house expertise in this area, with three staff nurses recently completing a 310-hour clinical certification program. Plans are underway to begin a pilot program at Casey House utilizing these natural products in patient care protocols.
Donor Spotlight

Going forward, Montgomery Hospice plans to continue to explore and integrate complementary therapies into ongoing patient care. Complementary therapies are well received by patients and families and growing in demand. They fit well with the holistic aspects of hospice care, and are being integrated into the team approach to serving patients and their families. They are proving to be particularly compelling with the new Montgomery Kids program, with several of the children benefitting from Comfort Touch® massages and musical interventions. Generous foundations and donors have come forward to provide funding to support different aspects of the program. Montgomery Hospice is grateful for these forward-thinking supporters of this effective, innovative program.


Sandra Lavengood, MHSA, LMT, is Montgomery Hospice’s Complementary Therapies Manager. A licensed massage therapist, Sandra graduated from the Potomac Massage Training Institute in Washington in 2003, and specializes in palliative massage and energy modalities including Comfort Touch® and Reiki. She holds a masters degree in health services administration from the University of Michigan. She is active nationally as a member of the NHPCO Allied Therapy Section Steering Committee.

complementary therapies resources:

National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM)
nccam.nih.gov

American Massage Therapy Association
www.amtamassage.org

American Music Therapy Association
www.musictherapy.org

National Association of Holistic Aromatherapy
www.naha.org

Thank you, Lou and Kim Fiorentino. Your donation has made a difference in the lives of Montgomery Hospice families.

Kim and I support the Montgomery Hospice Complementary Therapies Program. Our support stems from different perspectives. Kim has viewed, both personally and professionally (as an attorney who works with many families confronting end-stage illness), the challenging process of losing a loved one. Whether it was a progressed dementia or a terminal illness in a younger person, Kim has also seen how Montgomery Hospice assists during these difficult moments.

My experience with pain management issues came when my first wife Helen was experiencing “break-through pain” as a result of metastatic cervical cancer. As a patient, Helen employed many unique approaches to ameliorate her pain. Transcendental meditation, acupuncture and yoga played major roles. In addition, as an artist, Helen used her canvas to express her feelings and to assist her in managing the complex path her disease took. At a late stage in Helen’s life, I called Montgomery Hospice to help us manage this very difficult problem. They quickly put together a team of highly qualified professionals to develop a pain management program. Their treatment protocols made a big difference in Helen’s quality of life.

When Kim and I discussed some of our charitable giving goals, we were intrigued with the new Complementary Therapy Program that Montgomery Hospice wanted to add to the therapies available to its clients. While Montgomery Hospice always took a holistic approach to treating people and their families, the complementary therapies added a new component that further dignifies the patients and also gives them comfort in a very human and touching way. Complementary therapies add an important dimension to the outstanding standard of care -- in the task of pain management and in the process of “gentling the journey” for all of those whose lives Montgomery Hospice touches.

Lou Fiorentino
individual patient’s rights. Family members may prefer to have health information given to them first and then decide when to reveal the news to patients. This practice may create conflict between family members and the healthcare providers. In addition, some cultures expect physicians to have the ultimate authority; questioning or voicing opinions about medical treatments is viewed as disrespectful. These cultural differences prevent patients, family members and healthcare providers from having effective communication, affecting symptom management and resulting in poor end-of-life care.

Healthcare Provider Factors

Discussion of end-of-life care
Lack of discussion of end-of-life care between physicians and patients is another major barrier to quality end-of-life care. Physicians are trained to cure and treat diseases. The discussion of end-of-life care may be viewed as a symbol of failure in medicine and the sense of defeat may make it difficult for physicians to initiate the discussion. Furthermore, it is hard to predict life expectancy and not easy to determine the proper timing for an end-of-life discussion. Physicians struggle to balance between being honest about the prognosis and keeping patients’ hope intact for the success of the treatment regimens.

End-of-life education and training
Lack of education and training is also a major barrier in quality end-of-life care. Most of the healthcare providers agree that the discussion of end-of-life care needs to be initiated sooner and that it is important, but many stumble in the conversation and do not feel confident to carry out the discussion. Some health institutions have special palliative care or hospice care teams for end-of-life care consultation. The professionals in the team are well trained with knowledge and skills to manage the health challenges at end of life, aiming to manage symptoms and improve the quality of life. It is a great resource for patients with serious illness. However, not all institutions have the resources for these services.

Prepare For The Journey

People neglect to prepare for end-of-life issues because death is a sensitive topic. It is thought to be a matter that needs to be addressed only when someone has a terminal illness. In fact, the best time to prepare is when someone is healthy, without the burden of disease. To plan for end-of-life care decisions, think about what is important in your life, what are your values and goals. Consider how you feel about using life-support measures and what kind of care you want at end of life. Carefully prepare a living will that reflects your preferences for end-of-life care. Because it is not possible to document all possible health scenarios in a living will, you will need someone you trust to make healthcare decisions for you when you may be unable to do so for yourself. This person should have a good understanding of your values and be capable to act on your behalf. A discussion of your preferences for end-of-life care will help your decision-maker to have comfort in making these decisions for you. Share your preferences for end-of-life care with your healthcare providers and provide them with a copy of the advance directives to keep in your medical record. Do not wait for them to initiate the discussion. If you or your loved one is diagnosed with a serious illness, communication is the key to achieving quality end-of-life care. An open and honest discussion with healthcare providers will help to explore the different treatment options, including hospice or palliative care, and establish a realistic treatment goal that reflects the patient’s wishes.

Everyone will face the destination of end of life. It could be stressful and hectic. However, appropriate planning and open communication can help individuals to prepare, plan and ensure a quality and peaceful journey.

References


Montgomery Hospice is grateful to our 2013 Corporate Partners.

Gold Level

The Pettit Family Charitable Foundation was started in 1989 and is operated by five trustees from the Pettit Family. The Foundation works mainly in the areas of food, health, housing and shelter.

Several of the Foundation’s trustees are active members in the community, serving as volunteers with area non-profit organizations. Mr. Dick Pettit was a Montgomery Hospice board member for many years, also serving as Chairman of the Foundation Board. He currently serves as a volunteer on the Corporate Gifts Committee for “Gentle the Journey,” the 3-year comprehensive fundraising campaign to raise $8 million for Montgomery Hospice.

Silver Level

Family & Nursing Care, family owned and operated since 1968, has long been the leader in compassionate, progressive and complete care for older adults. Family & Nursing Care is the area’s most trusted resource for home care and also the nation’s first provider of in-home therapeutic massages for older adults. We are your resource for in-home care aides to assist with daily living activities for an aging parent, companionship or massages for older adults. We are your resource for in-home care aides to assist with daily living activities for an aging parent, companionship or massages for older adults. We are your resource for in-home care aides to assist with daily living activities for an aging parent, companionship or massages for older adults. We are your resource for in-home care aides to assist with daily living activities for an aging parent, companionship or massages for older adults. We are your resource for in-home care aides to assist with daily living activities for an aging parent, companionship or massages for older adults.

Family & Nursing Care proudly supports Montgomery Hospice in its mission to gentle the journey through serious illness and loss with skill and compassion. We applaud Montgomery Hospice’s commitment to ease the burdens of patients and their families and provide them with dignity and comfort throughout their difficult time. Furthermore, we appreciate all the volunteer services offered, especially the bereavement care support services Montgomery Hospice offers to anyone in the community coping with loss.

Community Sponsors

We are grateful to our Community Partners who have supported Montgomery Hospice with a gift of $250 or more between September 1, 2012 and January 31, 2013.

| businesses | Admits | Admit | American Express | At Home Care | Bausersdorf | BTH | BTH Technologies | Calvert Investments | Comfort Keepers | Danka | Danzansky-Goldberg Memorial | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyterian Church | Darnestown Presbyteri...
Memorial and Honorary Gifts

in memory of:

Allen Harold Aaron
Susan Z. Affeld
Sue H. Absolon
Jeanne V. Ackerman
Linda M. Ackert
Milred Albertson
David Alden
Douglas Allen
Nina Allen
Paul Allen
Urszula Allen
William "Lill" Allen
Woodrow M. Allen
George Lawrence Altman
Robert W. Amrine
Joan K. Anderson
Mark A. Arentz
Miriam J. Anthony
Patricia E. Arciprete
Eleanor Arendt
John Ayres Armstrong, Jr.
Ruth M. Artz
Marilyn Askary
Mary Ellen Ashton
Thomas Stewart Ashton, Jr.
Richard M. Asofsky
Marian L. "Slim" Aubertin
Wanda Auchenbach
Michael D. Auldridge
David C. Austin
William Austin
Sharon Baber
Richard Bailey
Betty L. Baker
Joan Margaret Baker
Richard B. Baldwin
Anna Mae Barisas
Frank Barone
Daniel L. Barrett
Joseph E. Bartell
Walter J. & Diane N. Bartkow
Joshua Bartol
William R. Bates
Walter S. Baurband
Eric Blanchard
Joyce Beach
Bruce M. Beard
Kathleen Bechtold
Doreen L. Beavers
Jean Beck
Jane Beckett
Allan Beers
Louise M. Behrend
Marie G. Bennett
Joseph Benson
Leon L. Beratan
Charles Bergmann
Marilyn Bergner
Irene Berkovich
Seymour S. Berlin
Eleanor Bernardo
Mary E. Betts
Inkanta Bhatnagar
Esperance Biegel
Peter Bielak
H. Matt Bils
Ronald Birchman
Thomas Blieck
Bernadette M. Blattner
Shirley Blau
Ina Bloomberg
J. Paul Blum
Charles "Gun" Bosch
Damey Boyer
Shepherd & Sivia Bokar
Carl S. Bokman, Sr.
Phyllis M. Bokman
J. Christopher Boland
Robert Bollinger
Hubert P. Bonhomme
Catherine Bonner
Walter S. Bostick
Amy B. Boswell
Margaret A. Bourbon
Marcos Brown
Daniel Edward Boyle
Jack Braun
Dr. David Bregman

Thomas John Brennan
The Bresnahan Family
John Edward 'Jack' Bresch
Lucy Bresler's sister, Mary
Grace S. Brier
Ben C. Bridges
Irene E. Brodkin
Irvin B. Brody
Mary C. Brown
Wayne O. Brubaker
Glenda B. Bruce
Greg Bruch's mother, Delores
Caroline Tossie Tuffy 'Muffy' Buchanan
James B. Buchanan
Judith Buchholdt
Lorraine Buckner
Joan Bulis
Richard N. Bullock
Mary A. Burch
catherine Burendette
Robert Veryl Burdette
Donald E. Burke
Edward Brosnan Burslas
Ruby W. Burns
Charlene S. Butler
Catalina H. Byars
Harry A. Calevas
Thomas P. Callahan, Sr.
Jean G. Callery
Thomas R. Callery
Anthony Camarano
Joyce Campbell
Shirley A. Campbell
Robert D. Campenni
Ann D. Cantor
Edythe Cardon
Sarah F. Carl
Patrick Warren Carlin
Bertha Virginia Morris Carlisle
Mary A. Carlson
John T. Jack 'Carney', Jr.
Gerald Carp
Jerry Carp
Mary Christina Carretta
Desmond James Carron
Dorothy Carter
Marianne Case
Dr. Eduard J. Cavalcanti
Kevin E. Cavey
Hedwig Chakalis
Eva Chan
Kathy Lynn Channick
David C. Cipolla
David C. Cirel
Gertrude Clarc
Dorothy H. Clasen
Eleanor Cleary
Henry H. Clough
Isobel J. Clough
Dr. and Mrs. Cohnon
William J. Cochran
Dave and Deanne Coffin
Thanh Dung Cohn
Edna A. Colbert
Edith Cole
Randy Cole
Nathan Coleman
Ada and Giulio Colferai
Patricia A. Colletti
Ruth Betty Compart
Mary Sullivan Conaboe
Darlene Richards Ramona Connors
Magdalene C. Cooper
Collen S. Coppes
Mary H. Cor
John E. Corliss
Frances S. Cornell
Dot & Kornwell
Nellie T. Cornwall
Albert L. Cosby
Nancy C. Costello
Benjamin W. 'Bill' Craddock
Carolyn E. Crider
Michiel F. Francis Crowley
Claudia Cruzat
William M. Cullers
Anita Cunzit

Michael Cunnane
The Cuny Family
John Edward 'Jack' Cresch
Lucy Bresler's sister, Mary
Grace S. Brier
Ben C. Bridges
Irene E. Brodkin
Irvin B. Brody
Mary C. Brown
Wayne O. Brubaker
Glenda B. Bruce
Greg Bruch's mother, Delores
Caroline Tossie Tuffy 'Muffy' Buchanan
James B. Buchanan
Judith Buchholdt
Lorraine Buckner
Joan Bulis
Richard N. Bullock
Mary A. Burch
catherine Burendette
Robert Veryl Burdette
Donald E. Burke
Edward Brosnan Burslas
Ruby W. Burns
Charlene S. Butler
Catalina H. Byars
Harry A. Calevas
Thomas P. Callahan, Sr.
Jean G. Callery
Thomas R. Callery
Anthony Camarano
Joyce Campbell
Shirley A. Campbell
Robert D. Campenni
Ann D. Cantor
Edythe Cardon
Sarah F. Carl
Patrick Warren Carlin
Bertha Virginia Morris Carlisle
Mary A. Carlson
John T. Jack 'Carney', Jr.
Gerald Carp
Jerry Carp
Mary Christina Carretta
Desmond James Carron
Dorothy Carter
Marianne Case
Dr. Eduard J. Cavalcanti
Kevin E. Cavey
Hedwig Chakalis
Eva Chan
Kathy Lynn Channick
David C. Cipolla
David C. Cirel
Gertrude Clarc
Dorothy H. Clasen
Eleanor Cleary
Henry H. Clough
Isobel J. Clough
Dr. and Mrs. Cohnon
William J. Cochran
Dave and Deanne Coffin
Thanh Dung Cohn
Edna A. Colbert
Edith Cole
Randy Cole
Nathan Coleman
Ada and Giulio Colferai
Patricia A. Colletti
Ruth Betty Compart
Mary Sullivan Conaboe
Darlene Richards Ramona Connors
Magdalene C. Cooper
Collen S. Coppes
Mary H. Cor
John E. Corliss
Frances S. Cornell
Dot & Kornwell
Nellie T. Cornwall
Albert L. Cosby
Nancy C. Costello
Benjamin W. 'Bill' Craddock
Carolyn E. Crider
Michiel F. Francis Crowley
Claudia Cruzat
William M. Cullers
Anita Cunzit

Margaret F. Franklin
The Franklin Family
Lance A. Frenzen
Rosita & Liberato Dantonio
Ted 'Tadeusz' Dachter
Irene Frank
Paul Daniel
Eileen Eileen Davis
Edward L. Davis, Sr.
Irene Dawson
Corinna W. de Kievit
Trevor de Horsbach
Margaret L. Dell
Edith K. Dempsey
Mary William DeMuler
Florence R. Denny
Jane A. DePas
Vanshi Depaz
Albert J. Desseurau
William Devine, Jr.
Joel H. DeJong
Eleanor Dillen
Patricia Sue Shea Dillen
Robert E. Dillen
Agapito L. Dilionardo
Dorothy L. Dines
George Dines
Robert Diserens
Virginia Diserens
Robert F. Dolan
Ann V. Dolinka
Joseph Dols, Jr.
Victoria E. Dore
James R. Dorland
Ann Marie Dougherty
Arthur J. Dover
Sadie R. Driessen
Van Duangchand
Mary Ann Dubner
Stephen C. Duffy
Ellie Dune
Richard F. Duprey
William Durran
Sue B. Eckstein
George Economos
Enrico R. Edmenden
Ed Edfenden
Shirley E. Ehrenberg
Mary D. Elden
Lori Ann Elers
Xavier W. Elers
Joan O. Enders
Alton F. Elder
Tom Ellis
Mary Margaret Ellison
Frank A. Emanuere, Sr.
Jane Wagner Engel
Thomas T. English, Sr.
William D. English
Betty J. Ensor
Jane Esposito
Linda Lee Estelman
Gilda Evans
Eve
Rose Carol Faber
Miriam B. Fab
Jo Ann Faber,
Edward S. Farr
Laila Fattaleh
Judy Feffer
Arthur Merle Ferguson
Ramond Fernandez
Karen Feddick
Alfred Fields
Harriet Fields
Sylvia Fields
John E. Ferrer
Mary R. Fischer
Rocco J. Fischetti
Goldie L. Fisher
John R. Flandrau
Thomas and Rita Flannery
Katherine J. Ferguson
Earl C. Flowers
Lois F. Flowers
Robert Fodel
Herbert Emerson Forrest
Robin Fox

Millton Patrick Harlow, Jr.
Robert Lee & Gene Harnes, Sr.
Marshall Harper
Vivian Harrell
Louis Walter Harrison
Madelyn Hasco
Doris F. Hasbick
Samuel Hasting
Joyce R. Hatter
Jean B. Hawkins
Meg Haxo
Yashio Hayashi
John F. Heilman
Karen H. Heilmann
Dorothy M. Hein
Dorothy 'Pat' Hein
Norman Edward Heinzelman
Gustav J. Heintze, Jr.
Robert J. Heitner
Leon R. Hendricks
David Hersey
James K. Hess
Joe Adinuzzo Hickey
Kathleen 'Kay' Hicks
Lloyd Vernon Hinton
Sidney Hornick
Nicholas Hotton, Ill
Jaralyn L. Hough
Joan Hough
Jack L. Houghton
Barbara Howard
William R. Howz, Sr.
Michael Howes, Jr.
Drs. Bill and Mary Hoye
Anne E. Howard
Marian Y. Huo
Winston Hsu
Paul Huett
Lee E. Hubble
Janet Hucdasko
Rose D. Hudson
Barbara Anne Huff
Alma H. Hughes
Edwin Hoyle, Sr.
Robert A. Hutson
Judith A. Inger
Lenita Joseph Isaacson
Violet G. Jaquey
Barry Jellet
Irish Jenkins
James E. and Deanne D. Jennings
Frances K. Emma Frances
Kinnard; John
Bettie Johnston
Helen Reese Jordan
Helen & Donald 'Buzz' Jordan
Jean M. Junior
Mary Kadic
Doreen Kahn
Madelyn Kadel
Demetrios G. Kalapothakos
Anna Kalikow
Jacob Kane
Kathy Kanze
Ann M. Kappler
Norma Kassman
Annette J. Karnow
Sylvia D. Kashett
Sylvia G. Kausman
Nadine Kassman
Sylvia Kaufman
Wayne Kavan
Amar Kaur
Phyllis D. Kavanagh
Marion J. Kawata
Between September 1, 2012 and January 31, 2013, Montgomery Hospice received contributions in memory of or in honor of the following individuals. We are grateful for these gifts.

Esther Diane Kay
Rhonda K. Keck
Abdul Kayyem
Sonya Kearney
Samuel L. Keefer
Blanche Hyatt Keller
Henry C. Keller
Dennis Patrick Kelly
Donald A. Kelly
Pat Kelly
Thomas J. Kennedy
Donna Lorene Kenney
Dorothy Kepler
Carol Suzanne King
Dr. James P. Kerrigan
Samuel W. Kidder
Frederick King
Allan Kirby
Walter Allen Kirsch
Mary Landsberg
Blanche Ann Knapp
Joan G. Kneussl
Margaret G. Knoebe1
Eva Knott
Eugene E. Knowliden
Catherine Russell Knox
Leonard Koch
Norman L. Koch
Albin B. Kocialski
James E. Komaromy
Marjilyn J. Komaromy
Sylvia Koran
Arthur Korotkin
George & Madeline Kovach on their 100th Birthdays
Joan Koven
Celia Kramer
Patricia Elly Kramer
Frances Krabbe
Ethel Kravitz
Andry Kromis
Martin J. Koonenberg
Sue Jacobsen Kuhn
Carrie Susie Sue' 1st stoneSteele Kuhn
Joseph Kurtinitis
Stephanie L. Kunz
Arthur M. Kuth
Ronald B. Kurz
John Lambert
Barbara Laney
Raymond Langley
Beatrice L. Lapp
Andrea Lavender
Llewellyn Lawrence
Paul E. Layton
Helen Lederman
Robert E. Lee
Ronald G. 'Ronnie' LeMarr
Llewellyn Lawrence
Andrea Lavender
Barbara Lettes
Pearl Levine
William Lieber
Eugenia M. Lewis
Barbara Lexie
AnnaLee Lichtenstein
Arthur Lifson
Soe Lin, MSc., PhD
Page H. Link
Carl C. Lipp
Clifford 'Lee' Littleton, Jr.
Philip C. Longenecker
Leonard W. Loop
Manuel Lopez
Vicente Lopez
Enrique B. de Lopez-Rivera
Alice Waddell Long
Henrietta E. Ludlud
Claudia Parker Lutz
Anna Fooks Lyon
David MacDonald
Sandy MacDonald
William M. MacDonald
Lloyd M. MacLean
Majolique M. Mack
John R. Mackenzie
Adelle K. Callen
Alphonse Madello
Louis Maisie
Carol Malawer
Edna Malchow
George M. Malik
Libby Mandell
Zina, Ruth, and Dan Marcus
Gary E. Marchant
Janis Marler
Loretta C. Marion
Barbara J. Martin
Margaret Mary Martin
Marty Martin
William H. Martin
Elmer Martinez
Avinor H. Maser
Susanna W. Massie
Chester Mazze
Catherine J. MacAuley
John H. MacIff
Martha Jane McCambridge
William David McCambridge, Sr.
Don James L. Mitchell
Robert D. Mccleery
Francis Lester McClure
James M. McCallum
Joan J. McCurdy
Gertrude G. McDaniel
Harless A. McDonald
Stephen 'Bobby' McClend
Richard McDonnell
Mary McFarlane
Stacy McGehee
Allyson S. McGehee
Marion McGinty
Curtis Robert McIntyre
Douglas B. McKay
Katherine E. McKenna
Thomas A. McKenna
Esther D. McLaughlin
Joan K. McLaughlin
Kathleen K. Mahon
Thomas L. Mahon, Jr.
Patrick McMurrer
John McKele
John D. McNickle
William O. McComran
Lula H. McComran
Eugenio Mele, Sr.
Janice Melnick
David B. Meier
Arlene A. Meldrum
Sandy S. Mertz
Margaret C. Meyer
Richard J. Meyer
Thomas H. Meyer
John G. Mielon
Frederick M. Mielon
Edmund J. Mihalski
Nell S. Miller
Steven M. Miller
Barbara F. Miller
William F. Miller
Helen and Martin Miller
Ronald Miller
John K. Miller
Bernell K. Mills
Dr. E. E. Miller
Janis Neihurst
Paul J. Malbano
Donis E. Montgomery
Jessica E. Moon
Donohue O'Leary
Francisca Teresa 'Fannie' Moore
Margaret Hall Moore
Michael L. Moore
Bernard M. Moore
Nikita V. Morasky
Lena M. Morauta
Pamela Mooradian
Robert Malcolm Morgan
Marvin C. Moritz
Sheila Morrissey
Maso Moher
Barbara A. Moya
Leonard E. Nudd
Stephen J. Munger, IV
Apollonia Munter
Esther M. Murphy
Alexander Miller
Elizabeth M. Muroy
Evelyn A. Murray
Millard Nachtwey
Joseph B. 'Tony' Nardelli, Jr.
Millard Natchey
Herbert Nechlin
John Roger Nelson, Sr.
Henry 'Tina' Nemiroff
Ira Neren
Deborah J. Nichols
Olean R. Nicklas
Susan Niebur
Jackie Nickhans
Gary L. Nordan
Lois A. Norem
Arthur Lee Norman
Talalledge Othnell Nugent
Blanche O'Brien
James Charles O'Brien
James T. O'Brien Jr.
Terese Marie O'Brien
John J. O'Connor
George W. Ogg
Joseph O'Leary
Van Olsen
Carl A. Olson
John C. Olson
Robert N. O'Neal
Sylvia Oryel
Ed and Katherine O'Rowe
Katherine M. O'Rowe
Nicolette Orstan
Devra Pabla
Helen E. Paik
Richard J. Palazzo
Stephen H. Paley
Oscar Palink
John R. Pancea
Ana Luisa Pared
Ahtor Pamer
Irene M. Parr
Gangpham B. Patel
Albert A. Pavlosky
Philip Pegmato
Tamar Peck
Ralph N. Pendleton
Roseanne Penedo
Margaret M. Pena
Patricia Hewett
Padma S. Phagle
Richard N. Pflueger
Chester V. Pickask
Claire Agnes Pinto
Lawrence of Pogues
Teressa M. Poynter
Deborah Poole
Diane H. Pope
Helen Porter
Vivian N. Portner
Mary Lou Powl
Helen Prather
Paul A. Present
Allice S. Price
Karyn L. Proctor
Bettye Goldreich Proctoran
Catherine Consitution Puryd
Helen Pusakani
Charles Pratt
Harold Edward Quinn
Matthew Stanley Quay
Evelyn L. Queen
Elizabeth Gertrude Gertiezu 'Fannie' Rafferty
Hannah Raffery
Rita M. Rager
Sylvia S. Ragi
Jodi A. Randall
J. Buckminster Ranney
Magdeln H. Rappoport
William F. Rappoport
Sonia Rappaport
Harris E. Ravein
Charles W. Ravein
Terence P. 'Terry' Regan
Thomas Francis Reid
Homer L. Reighard, M.D.
Lauren Ellen Reines
Andrew E. Rice
Andy Rice
Blair Richards
John Olaf Olaf Rittenhouse
Antoinette 'Tonny' Ritz
Elizabeth M. Ritz
Elizabeth H. Ritz
Thomas Roche
Francis Frances Rangger
Clarke R. Rilley
Robert G. Rolfe
Patricia L. Roos
Blanche Louise Root
Herbert L. Root
Robert W. Root
Mariean E. Roscheck
Libby Rosen
Claire Rosenbaum
Deborah T. Rosenbaum
Dr. Barry Rosenberg
Louis Rosenblum
Frank Rodriguez
Elizabeth Ross
Frances Ross
Aliso Rossi
Daniel M. Rothman
Bill Rowell
William Frank Rowles II
Sophie Rumanowski
Helen Rundhacker
Cecilia Engelke Wilkinson Rupp
Mary Jane Russel
Dorothy Ingg Russell
Stephen A. Russel
Dorothy H. Russell
Seiniv H. Saner
Margaret Saunders
Maxine Saur
Jean Scanlan
David R. Schied
Robin J. Schlosburg
Charles W. Schneider
James F. Schneider
Suzanne Z. 'Suzi' Schuck
Marla Schwartz
Paul Schuster
Stuart Schwartz
Mildred E. Seabolt
Michelle Seitz
John and Elaine Sengstak
Cecelia Seranap
W. Ralph Sewell
Richard G. Shaffer
Abraham E. Shapiriam
Adeline Shapiro
Alfred Shapiro
David Shapiro
Benjamin A. Shaver
Arlene H. Shaw
Lilllian Shirkey
Mary Kay Shelton
Mollie L. Shirley
Shirley
Helen Siegel Sholdom
Suzanne Sibert
Dolores Siegall
George A. Silverman
Esther C. Silverman
Vashni Simanovich
Mary Helen Slater
Juliet Stavlin
Lucille Smalls
Bill Smith
Eileen K. Smith
Eliza H. Smith
 Floyd Smith
John E. Smith
Kerry Gibson Smith
Nicholas Rose Smith
Patirole C. Smith
Stephen F. Smith
Wayne H. Smithley
Robert R. Sobraley
Henry Solomon
Larry A. Somers
Linda Sorbello
Robert Spain
Betty Jean Spetch
Michael R. Speiden
Jaeke Spieght
Michael J. Spaeth
Cecilia M. Sperrani
Christopher Sponner
Margaret H. Stark
Ruth A. Stanton
David Staufner
Seymour Sherman Steinberg
Joe Stephenson
Ruth A. Stirling
Kayle L. Stinson
Margie A. Stone
Karen Streck
Chantal M. Streicher
Margaret M. Strong
Herman Strutz
Mary Sudano
Lori L. Suito
Mildred Sullivan
Gwen Surman
Kita Swisher
Rose Joan Tabb
Thomas W. Talley, III
Jean C. Tanfill
Glen Tand
Gloria T. Tatchian
Howard E. Teach
The many loved ones helped by Montgomery Hospice
James P. McKenna
Nan B. Thomas
Cynthia Thompson
Dorothy J. Thompson
John B. Tippett, Sr.
Celia Toner
Joseph & Toomey
Meghen E. Torreole
Saadieia E. Touval
James D. Townsend
Robert J. Townsend
Emile Trimble
Michael Trimble
John J. Tuohy
Andree M. Turner
Kenneth L. Twomley
Marshall Tyler
Evelyn Umlilbe
Frank Morris van der Linden
Mary Vanderhart
Paul Vassallo
Hernandez 'Toni' Vaz
Joaan Velte
John C. Vergelli
Miriama Vermeiren
Martin D. Vogel
Joseph Vukovich, Jr.
Jytikta R. Vyas
Kevin and Sarah Wade
Nelson Wagner
Shirley Wakefield
Elizabeth 'Bette' Walsh
John J. Walsh
Yvonne Wang
Julia K. Judy' Wannan
Joseph C. Warfield
Irene Boone Warnlof
Rita Swaters
Lorraine Webb
Mary Frances Weil
Julian Weinfurter
Herbert L. Weinstein
Artemis and Arnold Weiss
Estrin Parn<br>
Raymond Langley
Beatrice Weissman
Rita L. Witschi
Wanda B. Welsh
Hamilton 'Ham' Wells
William F. Wells
Van A. Wente
Frederick W. Wheelan
Alice K. 'Sis' Whelan

Please accept our apologies if we have omitted any names from these lists.
in memory of:

Wallace 'Bud' Whelan
Charles L. Wheldon
Fred S. Whisenhunt, Jr.
Olga Whiteside
Margorie Whitten
Wilma E. Whitworth
Nellie Widmayer
Charles W. Wiegand
Myrna Wilenksy
Ethel Willcoxon
John J. Williams
Ralph M. Williams
Geoffrey M. Wilner, M.D.
Frederick E. Wilson
Thomas J. Wilson
Ethel Wimerberry
James Brandon Winlow
Linda K. Winternitz
Raymond J. Wisniewski
Mindyrel and Earl Wolfe
Mindrel Wolfe
Doris Shoes Wolfe
Elden W. Wolfe
Louis L. Wood
Edith C. Woodruff
Arlene Woodward

Hugh M. Woodward
George W. Williamson
Sudie Wright
Sally S. Wurtz
John William Wydro
Leon Wynter
Robert G. Xander
David Yang
Qilan Yang
Roger Yeoman
Virginia W. Yost
Therese E. Yousef
Kam-Shui Yung Gabey
Eileen T. Zbogareszcz
Matthew C. Zehrer
Margaret Zierdt
Elisabeth L. Ziese
Peter Zmitrovich
Helen X. Zuppas
Roberta Zwiksly

in honor of:

Susan Alexander
Robert and Melchora Alexander Family

Bee Aepplott
Terry and Marion L. "Slim" Aubertin
Jean Beck
B. Berman
Bureau of Team
Margie Berry
Jeffrey Bevelich
Stephanie Comella
Frederic P. Cooper
William D. Cullers
Emerald Team
Nancy English
William D. English
Nana Fallik's Birthday
Gary Fink
Karen Fleiger
Jim and Susan Gammill Family
Adrienne Guernsey
Mary E. Hamlett
Jalyn L. Hough
Adrienne Kohn's Birthday
M. and J. Kohut
Esther and J. Kravitz
Alan Kriegman
Calvin Kroener

Mary Wallace Davidson
Edward L. Davin, Jr.
Mark Davison
Alan Dawson
Ethel Dawson
Arturo de los Santos Jr.
Betsy V. Dean
Dale Delbert Dehlin
Dr. Edward Charles Delany
Anna Demetro
Robert P. Dempsy
Jon DeMulder
Mary DeMulder
Beatty and Rew Brown Danbo
Joseph Demnich
Jane A. DePas
Michael Derrick
Hendrikus D. DeVroom
Rosa U. Diaz
Robert Edward
Catherine Disque
Elmer J. Disque
Paula Disque
Thomas Doerflinger
Romeo Donman
Patricia Donnelly
Noreen Dragid
Lynda Jean Dunn
Gerard Dunn
Geri Cassandra Durham
Robert J. Eby
Catherine Edwards
Cornellius & Virginia Edwards
Fred Edwards
Joe E. Eger
Leo J. Eger
Donald G. Elhardt
Frank Eisenberg, Jr.
Susan B. Elwell
James E. Embrey
Martha E. Embrey
Judy & John Ennis
Stanton G. Ernst
Ellen Marie Ervin
Daniel J. Eshel
Thomas Evans
Ramona "Fay" Fogg
Roland O. and Dorothy E. Cooley
Karl W. Cooper
Frances S. Cornell
George H. Cornell
John M. Corrado
Cecily Cosio
Florrence H. Covert
Diane Cronin
Charles Henry Curtiss
James Aubrey Daniel

Martha & Walter Brautigan
Philip and Marjorie Bridges
Jana S. Brightwell
Rita Brinley
Jeanette E. Brown
Kenneth Brown
Sylvia Pope Brown
John H. Brunck
Betty Bull
Michael A. Bull
Gertrude Burdo
Joe Burdoz
Rose Matilda Buric
Donald E. Burke
James T. Burns, MD
Ruby W. Burns
Maureen C. Burtin
Kathryn Louise Bussard
Martha L. Bussard
Dorothy C. Butler
Olia Cummack
Alphonse & Annette Cauette
Helen Carter
Robert D. Carter
Helga Castro, M.D.
Dr. and Mrs. Herb Seward Cattell
Constance Champagne
Ines Cheney
Samuel C. Chapman
Andrew John Chiarack
Antonio Cicala
Dale C. Cisar
Helen Clayton
Grace D. Ciem
Dan Q. Clemer
Homer Coker
Edith Cole
James L. Coleman
Maurice J. Coleman
Claudia M. Colleen
Patricia A. Cofie
Herbert M. Collins
Joseph Colvin
Ralph A. & Estella A. Colwell
Guzeli F. Combes
Robert Connelly
Rumon L. 'Romey' Connors
Roland O. and Dorothy E. Cooley
Karl W. Cooper
Frances S. Cornell
George H. Cornell
John M. Corrado
Cecily Cosio
Florence H. Covert
Diane Cronin
Charles Henry Curtiss
James Aubrey Daniel

Tree of Lights

Thank you to all who supported and attended the annual Tree of Lights ceremony in November 2012.

in memory of:

Alice Abernathy
Jeanette Alperstein
Nathan Alperstein
Albert J. Altman
Angela Altman
Pasquale Altman
Roger Alvey
Annabella
William Anthony
Harry Ayagi
Mykhaylo
Elizabeth Aub
Winfield Aub
Vita Averian
Frank C. Baird
Betty L. Baker
Richard R. Baldwin
Petronella Booy Ball
Margaret A. Bancroft
Wendy Barlow
Gary Bargman
Ann Caroline E. Barrett
Danielle L. Barrett
Diane Bartkow
Walter Bartkow
Eric Brandon Bagber
W. Michael Back
Janice Beeching-Pieper
Reid A. Bell
Sixto Roberto Bell
Raymond E. Hall
Roosevelt E. Hall
Daniel J. Hafrey
Joseph Gutmann
Gertrude Gutmann
Eleanor F. Gushee
Edward T. Griffin
Jeanne B. Greenlaw
Max Greenberg
Karen A. Goris
Jeanette Goor
Charles Goor
Andrew Goor
Joseph Good
Andrew Goor
Charles Goor
Jeanette Goor
Karen A. Goris
Evelyn L. Gramley
Max Greenberg
Rachel Greenberg
Jeanne B. Greenlaw
Edward T. Griffin
Jennifer Sanger Griffin
Mona Gross
Eleanor F. Guzhe
Gertrude Gutmann
Joseph Gutmann
Daniel J. Hafrey
Emma Haegeron
Jo Anne E. Hall
Roosevelt E. Hall
Kay Hammond
Gloria Bosetti Hannon
Chad Hardisty
Jeanette Harlow
Milan Patrick Harlow
Betsy L. Harris
Hank and Valerie Harris
Richard C. Harris
Richard S. Harris

Theodore Harris
Julia Maude Harrison
Laura Bates Harrison
Robert Harrison
Laura Hartline
Meg Hawley
Daniel L. Hayes
Victor E. Hunt
Ted Heathon
Richard Joseph Heiman
Frederick W. Heine, III
Leon R. Hendricks
Mary Helen Hendricks
Abelardo Hernandez
Aneis Herring
Beverly Hershberger
Langton Gay
Michael Hertz
Carroll and Martha Hickman
Kathleen "Kay" Hicks
Robert Hicks
William Evan Hill
Lawrence Hite
Emma Hixenbaugh
Jack Hoffman
John B. Hoffman
Sheri Hogan
David P. Holt
Lily Hopkins
Saulea Hoque
Jack F. Houghton
Dorothy A. Howell
Michael Howes, Jr.
Michael D. Howes, Sr.
Carole HUDSICK
Anthony Webster Hudson
Helen Hudson
Welbie S. Hudson
William E. Hudson
Kestel Huffman
Lewis Hutton
David J. Hyman
Martha S. Hyman
Dr. Charles D. Hyson
Dorothy J.
Ida Jackson
Rovilla Jamieson
Wanda Janicki
Wanda J. Janicki
Frances Mary Strasser Janssen
Marianne Jenkins
Robert Jenkins
Benjamin Jimenez
Judy Johnson
Emery A. Johnson, M.D.
Kristo Johnson
Linda Johnson

Gifts made "in memory of" may recognize any person, including members of the community or a Montgomery Hospice patient.
Hospice Matters is a newsletter for family and friends of Montgomery Hospice, a non-profit organization serving residents of Montgomery County, Maryland who are bereaved or terminally ill.

1355 Piccard Drive, Suite 100
Rockville MD 20850
301 921 4400
www.montgomeryhospice.org

educational opportunities

Montgomery Hospice Center for Learning presents

Dr. Joan Teno: Policy Implications of the Dementia Tsunami
May 3, 11:45 am–3:00 pm, Silver Spring Civic Building, CEUs

Dr. Christina Puchalski: Spirituality and Palliative Care
Aug 30, 8:30 am–5:00 pm, Universities at Shady Grove, CEUs

Bereavement Care: free grief education for Montgomery County residents

Remembering Mom and Dad workshop  May 7, 7:00-8:30 pm, 1355 Piccard Drive, Rockville
Afternoon Grief Support Group  May 14, each Tuesday, 1:00-2:30 pm for six weeks, Bethesda
Parent Loss Support Group  May 21, each Tuesday, 6:30-8:00 pm for six weeks, Silver Spring
Evening Grief Support Group  May 22, each Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 pm for six weeks, Olney
Loss of a Child Support Group  May 22, each Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 pm for six weeks, Rockville

Volunteer Training
June 7, 14, 21, 8:30am–3:30 pm, Rockville

more info: www.montgomeryhospice.org

inside this issue

serving the Asian community

Dr. DongMei Wang discusses cultural sensitivities in end-of-life decision making among the growing Asian population in Montgomery County.