From the Executive Director

It has been a year of transition and, with the help of a dedicated and active Board of Directors and staff, the operations of Windy Hill Foundation continued to produce the outcomes that accomplish our mission.

The year kicked off on a high note due to the success of our 2016 Gala attended by 400 patrons. It was an extraordinary event that people are still talking about. In addition to the proceeds from sponsorships, ticket sales and the live and silent auctions, we raised $60,000 for the purchase of two 14 passenger buses. The 2017 Gala is fast approaching and the bar is raised even higher. With the Gatsby theme, Beth Ann Mascatello and her fellow flappers and Gatsby himself are planning a night to be remembered.

On the frontlines, Claire Louis, our Director of Programs, has been busy working on new opportunities for our residents. One such program is “Net Works.” Thanks to a grant from the Gannett Foundation, Claire and her staff have partnered with Blue Ridge Middle School to offer an after-school study and mentoring program for Windy Hill students, as well as other middle school students. This complements the Study Buddies program we have been running at Banneker Elementary School for many years and fills the gap of support that existed for our children between the elementary and high school years. In addition, we have enhanced the computer lab at Llewellyn Village with the purchase of six new computers and two wireless printers along with an upgraded internet connection. We started an after-school program at Shreveport Ridge and are working with The Plains Community League to provide a part-time staff person to assist with their after-school program and to create new programs that can be run out of The Plains Community Center.

In December, our website crashed which caused some consternation but presented us with the opportunity to build a much-needed new one. If you have not already done so, please visit the new website (www.windyhillfoundation.org). We also rolled out a new logo designed by Jenny Long of Long Design in Middleburg which I believe captures the essence of Windy Hill and the residents we serve. Our old logo, “Mr. Wind,” had a good run for 35 years but it was time for a change!

I want to thank all of our donors and volunteers for their past support and urge your continued involvement, whether financial or otherwise, in furthering Windy Hill Foundation’s important mission.

Robert B. Dale III, Executive Director

Our Mission Statement

To provide safe, decent, and affordable housing to low- and lower-income families and the elderly in Loudoun, Clarke, and Fauquier Counties and to encourage self-improvement and self-sufficiency among our residents.

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It’s Summer On The Hill

2017 Summer Camp Initiative

Although summer has come to an end, the campers who attended Windy Hill Foundation’s Summer on the Hill camp this past summer won’t soon forget sunny days spent with friends learning, playing, and exploring near and far.

From mid-June until early August, the young residents of Windy Hill were introduced to a new topic each week, learning through various activities, field trips, and speakers. The program included exploration of subjects such as zoology, astronomy, and moviemaking. Field trips to places such as the Udvar Hazy Air and Space Museum, Discovery Museum, and Wilson’s Animal Park, as well as to the water park, Middleburg Community Center swimming pool, and a baseball game, were all integral to its success. Each day also included two snacks and a hot lunch for our hungry campers!

Another key component of summer camp was the children’s Gardening Club. For the past two summers, campers have spent the summer planting, watering, weeding, and harvesting their own organic vegetables. A local volunteer, who is an expert cook, was on-site to give a cooking class and show the children ways to cook and enjoy their harvest. The program benefitted once again from the expertise of the Loudoun Master Gardeners, through a partnership between WHF and the Virginia Cooperative Extension Service.

Windy Hill Foundation is looking forward to next summer’s adventures!

Chris’s Corner

Reading Initiative

“...whatever good or bad fortune may come our way we can always give it meaning and transform it into something of value.”

Hermann Hesse - author, poet, painter

Following the passing of close friend and Windy Hill supporter Chris Sehn and flood damage to the community room at Llewellyn Village, Windy Hill Board member, and unofficial librarian, Ann Northrup and several friends turned loss into a force for good. To honor Chris’s memory, they created a library and reading nook in the rebuilt room. As Ann, who has a reputation for her positive spirit, said, “It was a wonderful piece of good fortune to honor a friend and open a little library right there.”

With the donation of hundreds of books from Hill School parents and the Middleburg and Hill School Libraries, Ann quickly had the beginnings of a special place where neighborhood children could come to discover the wonder of books. The corner, aptly named “Chris’s Corner,” took shape quickly. Comfy and inviting bean bag chairs and a loveseat were provided by local residents Judy Washburn and Julie Coles. Meanwhile, Okey Turner set to work building a shelf that would not only house the overflowing library, but separate the space from the rest of the new community room. Ann often emphasizes that there was “generosity all the way around!”

The result has been magical. There are books for all ages, including teens and adults, and interests - fairytales, geography, science, fiction, non-fiction, picture books, and chapter books. If one peeked in the door during the summer, a child would most certainly be found flopped out on the new rug, a cozy chair, or with their buddy on the couch, books in hand and attention rapt. Because of the great outpouring of support, the children can even take a book home to keep.

Thank you to all who provided such a special place in Chris Sehn’s honor and for reminding us that each new day can bring “something of value.”

FACT: Rene Llewellyn started what is now known as Windy Hill with $1 million raised from her bridge club and other local residents.

FACT: Chris’s Corner has a collection of 500 books to engage and inspire Windy Hill readers, young and old!
15th Annual Fashion In The Country: An Afternoon To Remember

Fundraising Initiative

On a beautiful spring day last May, guests from near and far attended the 15th Annual Fashion in the Country, one of two yearly fundraisers benefitting Windy Hill Foundation. Held at Alex and Jill Vogel’s magnificent Oak Spring Farm in Upperville, with sweeping vistas of the countryside and a pervasive sense of local lore, models of all ages strutted, danced, and glided around the runway. Encouraged by longtime MC Tom Sweitzer and his new partner, Brandon Friedrich, seven local stores highlighted the spring’s best fashion, jewelry, and accessories. Over a delicious lunch and wines provided by Greenhill Winery & Vineyards, guests had a wonderful opportunity to take in the beauty of the countryside, the energy of the catwalk, and the joy of giving back to Windy Hill and, in turn, provide many local families and seniors a place to call “home.”

Windy Hill Foundation is ever grateful to its many sponsors, volunteers, participating stores, models, and guests for making this event such a special afternoon.

Hablamos Español!

Technology Initiative

Elementary students practice Spanish on the brand new computers at Llewellyn Village

The new computers are available on Fridays for “Open Access” where residents can come in and handle school/work related needs. Shreveport Ridge, Windy Hill’s affordable housing development in Brambleton, just opened its computer lab to excited residents, including the many eager children looking forward to doing homework, playing games, and exploring the world on the new computers!

Washburn Place

Housing Initiative

Our newest project, located in Marshall, VA, is scheduled to be completed by the end of the year. Washburn Place, which has sweeping vistas of the Blue Ridge Mountains and walking trails to town, will provide affordable housing for 30 local families. Eight of the 3-bedroom townhomes are reserved for veterans or active duty members and/or are handicapped accessible. If someone you know may be interested in applying for one of these units, please encourage them to contact us at 540.687.3402. We look forward to celebrating the grand opening soon!

Student Updates!

Over the next two years, at least 7 Windy Hill students will be entering college. These hard-working students will be following in the footsteps of Alexis S., who is graduating from Norfolk State with a degree in Social Work this year and Tre’Von T., a freshman Art major at California University of Pennsylvania.

We are so proud of their accomplishments!

The Great Gatsby

Fundraising Initiative - SOLD OUT!

Windy Hill Foundation’s annual gala provides a lofty 10% of our annual operating budget. Thank you for your generosity at the 2016 ‘80s Gala. We are looking forward to the roaring ’20s at this year’s Gatsby Gala, which takes place on November 17 – happily, tickets have SOLD OUT!
Willisville Chapel United Methodist Church

Windy Hill has been blessed in many ways, but the presence of the devoted members of the Willisville Chapel United Methodist Church is a daily blessing for which the Foundation and the residents are grateful. Although a tiny congregation, 18 and going strong, the members of the Willisville parish are a powerful force who have devoted precious resources and time to Windy Hill’s seniors and families. As Charity Smith, one of the driving forces behind the effort, explained, there are six parishioners who are their “boots on the ground,” and 12 others who, although not able to participate in person, lend their strength and support through prayer.

Whether participating in the Study Buddies program, providing a monthly luncheon or Christmas laundry baskets filled with useful goodies for our seniors at Lewis Hill House, supplying our two college students with their wish list items, and rental assistance for struggling individuals, these incredible men and women have become an invaluable part of our community. “The Lord has opened doors for us,” Mrs. Smith emphasized one recent afternoon. If that is the case, Mrs. Smith and her fellow parishioners have swung those doors wide open and shared their grace with many residents of Windy Hill.

Claire Louis, Windy Hill’s Director of Resident Programs, knows what a gift she has in the members of the Willisville Chapel. “They have been such an incredible support to the programming here at Windy Hill for the last three years. It is nice to have them recognized for all that they do.” Be assured, however, that this wonderful group does not want recognition; they are following their faith and lucky for Windy Hill, they keep this community in their loving and generous hearts.

Marcy Deetz: Putting her Strengths to Work on behalf of Windy Hill’s Seniors

Unprompted, any Lewis Hill House resident will tell you how much he or she appreciates the Friday Feast volunteers and the dinners they provide every other Friday round. This feat would not be possible without the efforts of many dedicated volunteers. However, the program’s success is due in large measure to the extraordinary dedication of Marcy Deetz, who organizes her troop of volunteers to ensure meals are delivered to each resident on time.

Since taking over management of the program in 2013, Marcy has become irreplaceable! Ever the organizer—in her professional life, she spends her days directing teams of 100 people or more in three countries—Marcy felt the Friday Feast volunteers and the presence of Windy Hill’s seniors and families were a major reason for the success of the program.

Marcy’s capacity to give does not stop with humans. When she is not rounding up cooks or models at Windy Hill’s annual fashion show, she is helping several foster and rescue dogs from PetConnectRescue.org, providing shelter and love to animals needing both desperately. Marcy and her pups have made Middleburg their home for the last 14 years and if Windy Hill has any say, we hope she will call this area home for another 14 years and continue to command her army of volunteers on behalf of the deserving residents of Lewis Hill House.

Marcy Deetz:
Putting her Strengths to Work on behalf of Windy Hill’s Seniors
You can touch many lives with your generosity.

Do you know what it's like to take a child to a museum for the first time? Or to provide dinner for a family in need? Or to see the smile on a senior’s face as she moves into her new apartment knowing she is home?

Help us continue to provide these important services by making a donation to Windy Hill Foundation today.

To give, visit our website or contact us today!
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Imagine the joy of having a child run up to you on a Tuesday afternoon because she knows you will help her read her favorite book or finding an elderly gentleman eagerly awaiting your arrival at Levis Hill House on a Friday afternoon because you have his “Friday Feast” dinner in hand. Windy Hill Foundation relies on the support of our volunteers, whether at local schools or for our senior programs. We depend on our volunteers and would love to have you join us. Please contact the office for more information.

With much gratitude, we are proud to partner with the following organizations: Banneker Elementary School • Foxcroft School • Hill School • Middleburg Academy • Middleburg Baptist Church • Middleburg Bank • Middleburg Garden Club • Middleburg Methodist Church • Middleburg Library • Middleburg Lions Club • Loudoun Mobile Hope • Middleburg Police Department • Middleburg Fire Department • Middleburg Community Center • Seven Loaves Food Pantry • Blue Ridge Area Food Bank • Friday Feast • Loudoun Abused Women’s Shelter • Grace Episcopal Church • Willisville Chapel • A Place To Be • Loudoun Master Gardeners • Loudoun PRCS. If you’d like to partner with us, please call (540) 687-3997 today!