

# Highlights

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303-937-3090 fax escmail@eatonsenior.org It's official! Our new names are:
<u>Eaton Senior Communities</u>, <u>Inc.</u> (formerly Eaton Senior Programs, Inc.)

Assisted Living at Eaton Senior Communities
The Residences at Eaton Senior Communities
Eaton Senior Communities Foundation (formerly Wellspring Senior Foundation).

Our new logo and colors are reflected in this newsletter.

## **FOCUS ON Pastors at Eaton Senior Communities**

After 30 years of service, Rev. Jim Elland has announced his retirement, effective July 31<sup>st</sup>. He serves as the pastor of West Alameda Community Baptist Church and provides pastoral support for the residents of Eaton Senior Communities as Director of Mission and Ministry. Jim recently had a stroke and is working hard to come back to work in July before he retires.



Eaton Senior Communities' Mission and Ministry Program gives encouragement, respect and nurturing for the meaningful faith that has sustained residents and staff throughout their lives. This multi-dimensional spiritual ministry provides residents access to weekly worship services, grief and loss counseling, hospital visitation, memorial and funeral services, prayer groups and individual support. Residents of all faiths are welcome at Eaton Senior Communities.



Thanks to the hard work of the Search Committee, a new pastor for the church and communities, Rev. Kathy Bird DeYoung, has been hired and will join Eaton Senior Communities on July 10th. Pastor Kathy graduated from the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary and has served various congregations and senior communities, most recently as Chaplain at Christian Living Communities.

While change can be difficult, we are excited that Jim can finally look forward to a full night's sleep and enjoy his many hobbies. We welcome Kathy to the Leadership Team at Eaton Senior Communities and look forward to building the outreach of the Mission and Ministry Program.

Jim's retirement party for residents and staff will be held at 1pm on July 31st at The Residences. You are invited to join us in saying farewell and wishing him the best for the future.

If you missed the recent Open House at Assisted Living at Eaton Senior Communities, you are still welcome to visit. To arrange a tour, call Anna Agazio, Director of Community Development at 303-937-5107.

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Providing affordable housing in a service-rich environment that enables all to live to their fullest potential.

# **Fundraiser adds to GAP Fund**

Eaton Senior Communities Foundation (formerly Wellspring Senior Foundation) held its annual fundraising dinner with live and silent auctions on April 28th at The Residences at Eaton Senior Communities.

Thanks to the generosity of everyone who participated, over \$30,000 was raised. All proceeds from this event will be added to the GAP Fund,

which supports Assisted Living at Eaton Senior Communities. This fund assists in covering the payment gap that is created by Medicaid

payments that do not cover the cost of care.



A special thank you to the event sponsors - **FirstBank, US Bank and Knight Field Fabry LLC** - and to the generous donors and all of the volunteers who helped keep the "Fun" in "Fundraising."

# **Walk Across Colorado Expanded**

Residents and Staff of Eaton Senior Communities are joining together to "Walk Across Colorado." The "walk" began on May 30<sup>th</sup>, National Senior Health and Fitness Day. Participants are keeping track of their daily steps with a Personal Step Log. For those who are unable to walk, distance equivalents are being awarded for participation in the wellness activities at Eaton Senior Communities, including attendance at the Fitness Center, the Wellness Clinics, the Exercise Classes, Gardening and Swimming.

The Step Logs for all participants are being totaled each week and the miles are marked on maps that are displayed in each community. The original goal was to cross Colorado by June 30th but since the first week's miles totaled over 500, the goal was expanded to other Colorado destinations. Prizes are awarded to each week's distance winners and more prizes will be awarded at the Walk Celebration Party on July 6th.

## **Resident Honored at Good News Breakfast**



Dorothy Clark, 93, has lived at The Residences since 2003 and was honored on April 17th at the Jefferson County's Good News Breakfast. This event is held each year to celebrate the positive happenings throughout Jefferson County. Dorothy received the only standing ovation at the breakfast in celebration of her years of volunteering at the Action Center. She continues her career in social work by supporting this organization and requesting food donations at every resident forum at Eaton Senior Communities.

To support Eaton Senior Communities, go online at www.eatonseniorcommunitiesfoundation.org and click on the "GivingFirst" button on the Home Page.