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2009 DONOR REPORT

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Women's 5K Classic of Lehigh County helps girls stay healthy in body and mind

Wendy Body not only enjoys running as a hobby, but also loves combining her interest in the sport with helping people.

As co-founder and director of the non-profit Women's 5K Classic of Lehigh County, organized in 1993, Body has seen firsthand how funds raised from the annual event have benefitted women and girls in the county. The organization promotes wellness among women and girls, supports women with breast and female cancers, and educates women about cancer awareness, prevention, and treatment. The race consists of a 3.1-mile run and walk held in the Little Lehigh Parkway in Allentown, Pa., every October.

"We are the fourth-largest all-female event in the country and have funded close to 1.5 million dollars worth of local programs in the Lehigh Valley since we started 17 years ago. We are not just about breast cancer, but about improving women's well being by promoting fitness," says Body.

As part of its mission to improve the health of girls in the community, the Women's 5K Classic is the Legacy Partner of Girls on the Run® of Lehigh County, a non-profit prevention program that encourages preteen girls to develop self-respect and healthy lifestyles through running. In 2007, Diakon Lutheran Social Ministries became the exclusive licensee of Girls on the Run of Lehigh County.

The program's curricula address all aspects of girls' development, including their physical, emotional, mental, social, and spiritual well-being. A non-competitive 5K event is the culmination of each season. Girls on the Run International is the parent organization of more than 160 Girls on the Run councils across the United States and Canada; Diakon Family Life Services in the Upper Susquehanna region also sponsors a

GOTR council in Lycoming County.

"If we can get girls into fitness at a young age, they are statistically less likely to get pregnant, drop out of school, develop health issues, get depressed, and start smoking. We want to make a difference in their lives and what better way to do so than to participate in the run," says Body.

"We helped get the Lehigh program started in 2006 with a \$15,000 donation and have donated \$15,000 per year since then for a total of \$60,000," she adds. "We are proud to be affiliated with such a wonderful organization as Girls on the Run and honored to help them to make a difference in the lives of our future women."

Samantha Schneck, council director of Girls on the Run of Lehigh County, says the organization greatly relies on funding from the Women's 5K Classic Organization and other community organizations to maintain the program, which has 15 sites for the spring program. While the program's licensing agency recommends a minimum registration fee of \$150 per participant, Diakon Family Life Services – Northeastern Pennsylvania, which operates the program in Lehigh County, has made the decision to offer the program at the modest fee of \$65 per participant, with an additional sliding-fee scale for families that face the greatest financial challenges.

"It is our mission to ensure that financial need doesn't prohibit any girl from participating and many of our partner sites are located in some of the most economically challenged neighborhoods in Lehigh County," says Schneck.

Current fees help to offset the total cost, but are able only to support a small percentage of the total program expenses.

"As a result, fundraising is a central component of the program," she says, "and Diakon's advancement team is committed to continually raising funds for the program."

Efforts includes requests to local, regional, and national foundations and other grant sources, as well as requests for funding from individuals and corporations. In 2009, 95% of all registered participants received a scholarship provided by Diakon Family Life Services to participate in the program.

A community event that has a significant impact on thousands of people in the Lehigh Valley, the Women's 5K Classic will be held Oct. 16, with more than 6,000 participants expected this year. More information about the event is available at www.womens5kclassic.org. Diakon's Girls on the Run Web sites are found at www.diakon.org/gotr.



Nancy Conrad, right, vice president of the board of directors of the Women's 5K Classic and GOTR running buddy, crosses the finish line with her running partner.

the faces of those who care

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 Calvary United Methodist Church, Mohnton, Pa.
 Calvary United Methodist Church, Wiconisco, Pa.
 Cedarville United Methodist Church, Pottstown, Pa.
 Chestnut Grove Lutheran Church, York Springs, Pa.
 Christ Church - United Church of Christ, Hegins, Pa.
 Christ Church United Church of Christ, Temple, Pa.
 Christ Lutheran Church, Milton, Pa.

Christ Lutheran Church, Oley, Pa.
 Christ Lutheran Church, Starview, Mount Wolf, Pa.
 Christ United Lutheran Church, Catawissa, Pa.
 Christ United Methodist Church, Tower City, Pa.
 Ebenezer Evangelical Congregational Church, Williamstown, Pa.
 English Lutheran Church, Minersville, Pa.
 Faith Lutheran Church, Reading, Pa.
 Faith United Methodist Church, Halifax, Pa.
 First United Church of Christ, Wernersville, Pa.
 Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Bel Air, Md.
 Good Shepherd UCC of Tuckerton, Reading, Pa.
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 Grace Lutheran Church, Macungie, Pa.
 Grace Lutheran Church, Pottstown, Pa.
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 Heidelberg Lutheran Church, Slatington, Pa.
 Hereford Mennonite Church, Bally, Pa.
 Highland Park Presbyterian Church, Lewistown, Pa.
 Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Bethlehem, Pa.
 Hope Lutheran Church, Bowers, Pa.
 Jerusalem Lutheran Church of Western Salisbury, Allentown, Pa.
 Jerusalem Lutheran Church, Baltimore, Md.
 Jerusalem Lutheran Church, Schuylkill Haven, Pa.
 Lutheran Church of the Holy Comforter, Baltimore, Md.
 Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit, Emmaus, Pa.
 Messiah Lutheran Church, Halifax, Pa.
 Mt. Zion Hill Baptist Church, Baltimore, Md.
 Mt. Zion United Church of Christ Slocum, Wapwallopen, Pa.
 Muir Grace United Methodist Church, Muir, Pa.
 Nativity Lutheran Church, Reading, Pa.
 New Hanover United Methodist Church, Gilbertsville, Pa.
 New Jerusalem Lutheran Church, New Jerusalem, Fleetwood, Pa.



The 2009 Luther Crest annual campaign committee. Standing, left to right, Rose Gockley, Jack Leh, Bart Kunkle, and Manfred Bahman. Seated, left to right, Marilyn Huber, Don Moore, Sue Moore, and Paul Fenstermacher. Not pictured: Marianne Bahman, Marge Kunkle, Marianne Leh, Joy Robinson, Charlotte Staton, and Audrey Weston.

Clare Workneh, Joan Orso, and David Whitenack enjoy a Baltimore event for Diakon KidzStuff and Diakon Kathryn's Closet.

New Jerusalem UCC, Fleetwood, Pa.
 Outwood Evangelical Lutheran Church, Pine Grove, Pa.
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 Pleasant View Seventh Day Adventist Church, Halifax, Pa.
 Reformation Lutheran Church, Baltimore, Md.
 Salem (Hetzels) United Church of Christ, Pine Grove, Pa.
 Salem Hetzels Lutheran Church, Pine Grove, Pa.
 Salem Lutheran Church, Catonsville, Md.
 Salem Lutheran Church, Elizabethville, Pa.
 Salem Lutheran Church, Millersburg, Pa.
 Salem United Church of Christ, Elizabethville, Pa.
 Schwarzwald Lutheran Church (Jacksonwald), Reading, Pa.
 Second Presbyterian Church, Pittston, Pa.
 Shepherd of The Hills Church, Dushore, Pa.
 Simeon United Lutheran Church, Gratz, Pa.
 St. Christopher Lutheran Church, Lykens, Pa.
 St. Daniel's Lutheran Church, Robesonia, Pa.
 St. James Lutheran Church, Geigertown, Pa.
 St. James Lutheran Church, Zenith, Nescopeck, Pa.
 St. John Lutheran Church, Berrysburg, Pa.
 St. John Lutheran Church, East (Jim Thorpe), Jim Thorpe, Pa.
 St. John Lutheran Church, Fogelsville, Pa.
 St. John Lutheran Church, Pine Grove, Pa.
 St. John Lutheran Church, St. Johns, Pa.
 St. John Lutheran Church, Stroudsburg, Pa.
 St. John United Church of Christ, Hegins, Pa.
 St. John's Lutheran Church, Allentown, Pa.
 St. John's Lutheran Church, Coplay, Pa.
 St. John's United Church of Christ, Schuylkill Haven, Pa.
 St. John's United Church of Christ, Ashland, Pa.
 St. Joseph's (Hill) Lutheran Church, Boyertown, Pa.
 St. Luke Lutheran Church, Archbald, Pa.
 St. Luke's Church, Shoemakersville, Pa.
 St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Obelisk, Frederick, Pa.
 St. Mark Lutheran Church, Bethlehem, Pa.

St. Mark United Church of Christ, Cressona, Pa.
 St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Ravine, Pine Grove, Pa.
 St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Weatherly, Pa.
 St. Matthew United Lutheran Church, Scranton, Pa.
 St. Michael Lutheran Church, Hamburg, Pa.
 St. Michael Lutheran Church, Klingerstown, Pa.
 St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Summit Hill, Pa.
 St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Baltimore, Md.
 St. Paul Lutheran Church (Summer Hill), Auburn, Pa.
 St. Paul Lutheran Church, New Cumberland, Pa.
 St. Paul United Church of Christ, Kempton, Pa.
 St. Paul United Church of Christ, Sacramento, Pa.
 St. Paul's Evangelical Congregational Church, Pine Grove, Pa.
 St. Paul's Lutheran Church (Middleport), Tamaqua, Pa.
 St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Port Carbon, Pa.
 St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Amityville, Douglassville, Pa.
 St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Pine Grove, Pa.
 St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Donaldson, Pine Grove, Pa.
 St. Pauls Evangelical Lutheran Church, Millersburg, Pa.
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 St. Peters Evangelical Lutheran Church, Tower City, Pa.
 St. Peters Lutheran Church, Pine Grove, Pa.
 St. Peters Union Church, New Tripoli (Lynnville), New Tripoli, Pa.
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 Suedberg Church of God, Pine Grove, Pa.
 Temple United Methodist Church, Pottstown, Pa.

Trinity Buck Run Lutheran Church, Minersville, Pottsville, Pa.
 United Methodist Church, Williamstown, Pa.
 United Methodist Church, Lykens, Pa.
 United Methodist Church, Tremont, Pa.
 United Presbyterian Church, Pottsville, Pa.
 Wyomissing United Church of Christ, Sinking Spring, Pa.
 Zion / St. Michael Lutheran Church, Klingerstown, Pa.
 Zion Evangelical Congregational Church, Pitman, Pa.
 Zion Lutheran Church, Petersburg, Pa.
 Zion Lutheran Church, Rife-Killinger, Millersburg, Pa.
 Zion Moselem Evangelical Lutheran Church, Kutztown, Pa.
 Zion Spies Evangelical Lutheran Church, Reading, Pa.
 Zion United Church of Christ, Ashland, Pa.
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 Zion's Stone Church of West Penn Twp, New Ringgold, Pa.
 Zion's Union Church, Maxatawny, Pa.
 Zions Lutheran Church of Perry Twp., Shoemakersville, Pa.

Businesses

2nd Floor Art Gallery, Mechanicsburg, Pa.
 A. V. Powell & Associates, L.L.C., Atlanta, Ga.
 Adair Construction Service, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Adams Electric Cooperative, Inc., Gettysburg, Pa.
 ADF PA, LLC, Fairfield, N.J.
 Airport Crown Services, Inc., Northampton, Pa.
 Appalachian Harley Davidson, Mechanicsburg, Pa.
 Askesis Development Group, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Atwater Malick, LLC, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Belden Jewelers, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Brightbill Industries, Inc., Harrisburg, Pa.
 C. Meals Photography, Carlisle, Pa.
 Cactus Blue Mexican Restaurant, Bethlehem, Pa.
 Caldwell & Kearns, PC, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Capital BlueCross, Harrisburg, Pa.

CCS Federal, LLC, Dillsburg, Pa.
 Charles Dectis Painting, Inc., Allentown, Pa.
 Chary Associates No 1 LLC, Bethlehem, Pa.
 Cirque Productions, Pompano Beach, Fla.
 Clover Farms Dairy, Reading, Pa.
 Comcast Corporation, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Comfort Inn Capital City/Mechanicsburg, Mechanicsburg, Pa.
 Conair Corporation, Stamford, Colo.nn.
 Concannon, Miller & Company, P.C., Allentown, Pa.
 Country Meadows Retirement Communities, Hershey, Pa.
 Cressey & Company, L. P., Chicago, Ill.
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 Cutillo's Restaurant, Pottstown, Pa.
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 Daub Podiatry, Millersburg, Pa.
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 Eye Physicians of Orange County, Goshen, N.Y.
 Family Design Resources, Inc., Harrisburg, Pa.
 Frito Lay, Reading, Pa.
 Gem Wall & Ceiling Contractors, Terre Hill, Pa.
 Genesis HealthCare Corporation, Pottsville, Pa.
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 H. B. McClure Company, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Halifax Township, Halifax, Pa.
 Hampton Inn West, Mechanicsburg, Pa.
 Hatfield Quality Meats, Inc., Hatfield, Pa.
 HDC 3 Corporation, Lancaster, Pa.
 Hill Stream Enterprises, Coopersburg, Pa.
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 Hoss's Steak & Sea House, Duncansville, Pa.
 Hudson Valley Neurosurgical Associates, LLC, Suffern, N.Y.
 IBM CORP, Endicott, N.Y.
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 King Builders, LLC, Gordonville, Pa.
 Kool Smiles of Baltimore - Westside, Baltimore, Md.
 Krapf & Hughes Funeral Homes, Inc., Hazleton, Pa.
 Kreider and Flick Painting & Paperhanging, Ephrata, Pa.
 Lawrence Chevrolet, Mechanicsburg, Pa.
 Leighton Ford, Inc., Leighton, Pa.
 Leon E. Wintermyer, Inc., Etters, Pa.
 Levin Legal Group, Huntingdon Valley, Pa.
 Lezzer Holdings, Inc., Curwensville, Pa.
 Liberty Tax Service, Mechanicsburg, Pa.
 Linwood W. Ott Funeral Home, Boyertown, Pa.
 Litigation Solutions, LLC, Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Manatawny Manor, Pottstown, Pa.
 Martin Plastering Contractors, Terre Hill, Pa.
 McKonly & Asbury, LLP, Camp Hill, Pa.
 Mechanicsburg Parks and Recreation Dept, Mechanicsburg, Pa.
 Medicare Products, Burnsville, Minn.
 Merck Employee Giving Campaign, Princeton, N.J.
 Merrick Pet Care, Ltd., Amarillo, Texas
 Merry Maids, Camp Hill, Pa.
 Mifflin County Sheriff's Office, Lewistown, Pa.
 Murray Associates Architects, PC, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Myers Industries, Middlefield, Ohio
 National Recovery Agency, Inc., Harrisburg, Pa.
 Network Express, Inc., Clearwater, Fla.
 Nissley Vineyards, Bainbridge, Pa.
 Northeast Berks Chamber of Commerce, Kutztown, Pa.
 O'Brien's Moving & Storage Company, Allentown, Pa.
 Olympus Corporation of the Americas, Center Valley, Pa.
 Omni Prepaid, Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Paytime Harrisburg, Inc., Mechanicsburg, Pa.
 Pencor Services, Inc., Palmerton, Pa.
 Penske Truck Rental, Reading, Pa.
 ProLogis, Silver Spring, Md.
 Providence Place of Pottsville, Pottsville, Pa.
 Radisson Hotel at Cross Keys, Baltimore, Md.
 Remax Masters, Inc., Englewood, Colo.
 Replogle House Interiors, Mechanicsburg, Pa.
 Schuylkill Nursing Association, Inc., Schuylkill Haven, Pa.
 Select Medical Corporation, Mechanicsburg, Pa.
 SFCS, Inc., Roanoke, Va.
 Snyder Hoffman Associates, Inc., Bethlehem, Pa.
 Snyder's Furniture Store, Inc., Pine Grove, Pa.
 State Farm Insurance Companies, York, Pa.
 Strategic Products and Services, Inc., Camp Hill, Pa.
 Tampa Bay Steel Corporation, Tampa, Fla.
 Teksol, Inc., Newark, Del.
 The Answer, Inc., Baltimore, Md.



Children in Diakon's adoption and foster care programs enjoy a day at the Laserdome in Manheim, Pa. For the past couple years, Laserdome and owner Karl Ross have sponsored Diakon Adoption & Foster Care Night with proceeds benefiting the Diakon program.

The Hershey Company, Hershey, Pa.
 The Homestead Group, Inc. Realtor, Camp Hill, Pa.
 The Lutheran Home at Tipton, Tipton, Pa.
 The Well of Life, Lykens, Pa.
 Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, Kutztown, Pa.
 Thrivent Financial for Lutherans-E. Balt. Co. Chapter, Baltimore, Md.
 Thrivent Financial Services - Southwest Schuylkill Chapter, Pine Grove, Pa.
 Trans-Bridge Lines, Inc., Bethlehem, Pa.
 Trenk, DiPasquale, Webster, Della Fera & Sodono, West Orange, N.J.
 United Ministries, Inc. dba Earl's Place, Baltimore, Md.
 Vantage Trust Federal Credit Union, Wilkes Barre, Pa.
 Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis LLP, Nashville, Tenn.
 Weber Funeral Homes, Inc., Allentown, Pa.
 Wells Transportation, Baltimore, Md.
 White Wave Foods, Hamburg, N.Y.
 WP&M Real Estate Group, Owings Mills, Md.
 Yeager Supply Company, Reading, Pa.

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 Children's Hospital of King's Daughters, Chesapeake, Va.

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 Christ United Lutheran Church - Women of ELCA, Ashland, Pa.
 Christ United Methodist Church Women, Tower City, Pa.
 Combined Charity Campaign, Baltimore, Md.
 Connecticut Association of Home Inspectors, Beacon Falls, Conn.
 Cottage Memorial Fund, Lewisburg, Pa.
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 Fox-Eichelberger Post 7415 Ladies Auxiliary, New Cumberland, Pa.
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 Hampden Township Parks & Recreation Dept, Mechanicsburg, Pa.
 Hazleton VHC Bowling Blitz Fundraiser, Hazleton, Pa.
 Healing Through the Arts, Allentown, Pa.
 Hetzel's Sunday School, Pine Grove, Pa.
 Home Instead Senior Care #217, Whitehall, Pa.
 Jerusalem Sunday School of Western Salisbury, Allentown, Pa.
 Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Girardville, Pa.
 Lehigh Furnace Union Sunday School, Slatington, Pa.
 Liberty Bell Elementary School, Coopersburg, Pa.
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 Mom's Club of Upper Perkiomen Valley, Barto, Pa.
 Phase III Retirement Club, Inc., Baltimore, Md.
 Pine Creek United Methodist Women, Sacramento, Pa.
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 Ravenwood/Robinwood Lutheran Village, Hagerstown, Md.
 Reigles Bible Fellowship, Millersburg, Pa.
 Rob's Barbershop Community Foundation Inc, Odenton, Md.
 Rotary Club of Freeland, Freeland, Pa.

Shepherd of the Hills Sunday School, St. Johns Chapel, Towanda, Pa.
 Society of St. Vincent DePaul, Pottsville, Pa.
 St. Andrew's United Methodist Women, Valley View, Pa.
 St. Andrews United Methodist - Ladies Bible Class, Valley View, Pa.
 St. Catherine Auxiliary, Ashland, Pa.
 St. John Lutheran Church Women of the E.L.C.A., Sumneytown, Pa.
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 St. Johns Lutheran Youth Group, Tremont, Pa.
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The Diakon Lutheran Fund Board of Directors oversees Diakon's endowment funds and other investments, a significant portion of which generate income specifically to support services for children and families.

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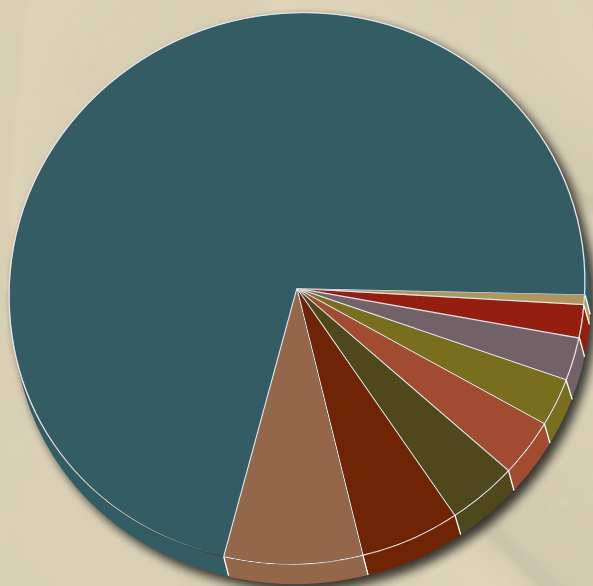
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Benevolent care: A shared commitment to serve those with limited resources

Diakon maintains a nearly-150-year tradition of care for people of all ages, especially those with limited financial resources. In 2009, Diakon provided more than \$1 million a month in uncompensated care. Those funds underwrote services in the following ways:



■ Diakon senior living services*	\$10,483,181
■ Adjudicated youth services	\$1,106,146
■ Family counseling and related services	\$834,194
■ Diakon KidzStuff Child Care	\$546,321
■ Diakon Kathryn's Closet	\$478,247
■ Community services for seniors	\$413,753
■ Synodical & congregational ministries	\$369,065
■ Adoption & foster care	\$299,610
■ Disaster response services	\$45,003

TOTAL	\$14,575,520
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* Consists of actual costs to operate in excess of Medical Assistance reimbursement for skilled nursing care, benevolent care provided to those primarily in assisted living who have exhausted their financial resources but for whom Diakon continues to care, and uncollectible accounts. The total includes \$361,145 for care for those in senior living/assisted living communities Diakon sold in 2005, fulfilling the organization's benevolent-care promise.

Trust enables couple to reward Diakon for 'a life full of blessings'

William and Twila Sote did not inherit wealth, nor did they spend their lives working at high-paying jobs. They were a down-to-earth, self-made couple who had no children. Through hard work, great savings, and astute investing, the William Sote Charitable Trust, of which Diakon is a grateful recipient, came into being.

Established in 1998, the trust will continue to give to others on behalf of the Sotes. Twila Sote died in 2001 and her husband seven years later, at the age of 102. They had lived at The Lutheran Home at Topton, a Diakon Senior Living Community in Topton, Pa., for more than 25 years.

"Bill was a very frugal man, never spending a single penny more than necessary," says Shelly Sweigart, assistant director of nursing at the Topton senior living community. "He was the kind of person who didn't want a lot of money spent on him."

Born in Germany, William Sote came to the United States in 1924. He spent several years in Ohio and Michigan, working on farms. In 1928 he moved to Reading, Pa., in search of better opportunity. He purchased, refurbished, and then resold residential properties until he joined the Army in 1942, serving for several years with honor and distinction.

After being discharged as a staff sergeant in 1946, he was employed by Luden's Candy Co. as a machine setup and maintenance technician. In 1953, he married Twila, who taught fourth grade in the public schools.

In 1974, after both had retired, the Sotes moved to a cottage at The Lutheran Home at Topton. There they resided until Twila's death, after which Bill moved to the community's health care center.

"Bill was very devoted to his wife; he just adored her," says Toni Markey, Topton case manager. "She had very long hair and when her health started to fail he would visit her every day and braid her hair. He wanted to take her home in the worst way."

Markey says he was the type of man who would give someone the shirt off his back. "He was a great historian, he loved to garden, and he truly loved The Lutheran Home at Topton. He loved the people, the staff, and especially his doctor."

Sweigart says Bill was a quiet man, always pleasant and especially thankful. "He would tell me how grateful he was, and that he would pray and mention his blessings every day. He would tell me how good God had been to him."

The Sotes decided to shower those blessings on others as their final act of kindness and gratitude.



In this pre-2008 photograph, William Sote poses with an antique car.

"We are delighted to receive this generous gift," says MaryEllen Dickey, Diakon's senior vice president of Advancement, "and commend the Sotes for the foresight they had in assisting an organization that was so much a part of their late years."

The value of the trust established to benefit Diakon Lutheran Social Ministries is \$1.5 million, with the organization receiving an annual distribution from the trust.

Initial distributions will be used as "seed money" for eventual renovation and preservation of Old Main on The Lutheran Home at Topton campus. Draft plans call for use of the building to provide meeting and other space, including a history room, to benefit residents of the senior living community.

A Year Full of Blessings

Two little girls understand it's better to give, than to receive

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Blue	330	395	127	492	265	334	397	3
White	308	335	115	467	250	309	372	2
Mens Handicap	9	5	17	1	13	7	3	
Team 1	3	4	2	1	3	4	3	
	4	3	4	5	5	4	6	
Par	4	4	3	5	4	4	4	
Team 2	4	3	3	4	4	6	4	
	5	4	4	4	3	4	6	
Red	251	314	95	412	235	247	351	268
Ladies' Handicap	11	5	17	1	13	9	3	

Party for Poppa K Golf Tournament

1st PLACE

DINING WITH DIAKON

Girls in the Run

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