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## K-9's in our Midst

By Patricia Clark



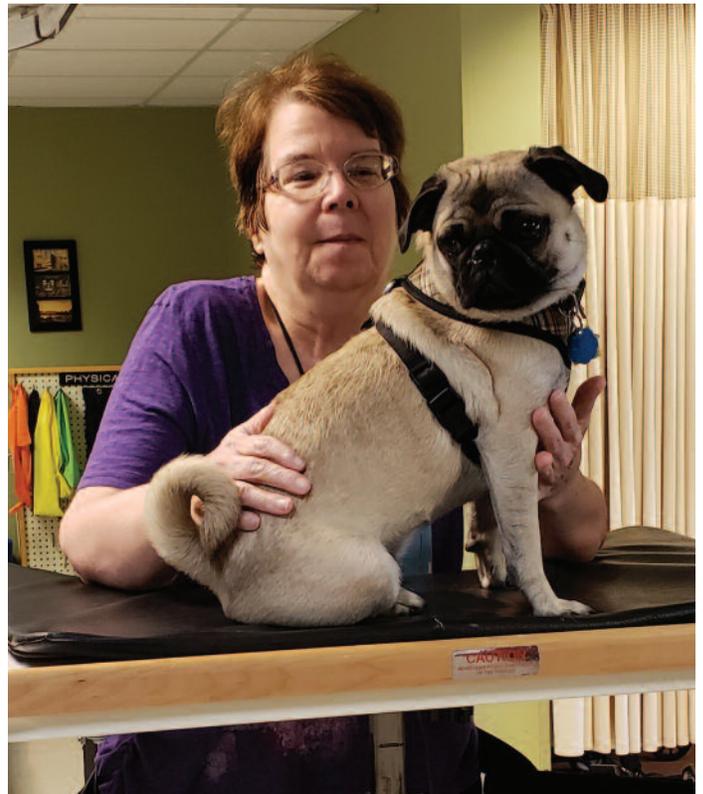
*Jennifer petting Winston*

Pet therapy isn't something new. In fact, it has been in practice for many years already. However, with so many considerations to take, not all nursing homes agree to utilize it as part of their patients' rehabilitation and treatment programs. The Beechwood Home does make the choice to have multiple dogs in and out of the facility at times. Many of the residents left their pets at home when they came to live here, so we see many families bringing in their K-9's for a visit. And Beechwood is no stranger to having pets, we had 2 full time K-9 residents for many years. The first was Boomer, a Labrador, who was preceded by Zeno, our beloved retriever who passed this year. Beechwood Home now has two "regulars" that spend Monday through Friday, 40 hours a week, making folks smile. Winston, a two-year old

Bernedoodle, and Hank "the tank", a one-year old pug, can be seen encouraging the residents in the therapy room. On occasion the K-9's will venture to the floors to do a visit or two.

Allowing pets in our facility has proven to be beneficial for most residents. In addition to its physical benefits, having pets around boosts their mental and emotional capacities. Research has shown that it can alleviate symptoms of chronic degenerative diseases and even the signs of aging.

Hank and Winston know no stranger and they are bound to make you smile!



*Sally enjoying Hank*



*Patricia A. Clark*

## From the desk of the CEO

Dear Friends,

In January 2018, the role of the President of The Beechwood Home Board of Trustees was passed from Richard D. Oliver to William J. Baechtold. "Bill", as we have all come to know him,

will hold the position for three years before passing the gavel again. Bill is an attorney with Graydon and has served on multiple boards in many capacities. Bill shares a wealth of knowledge and leadership, not only as the President of the Board, and board member of The Beechwood Home Foundation, but, very importantly, as a mentor to those on the Beechwood Home leadership team. We are honored to have such a distinguished President and look forward to his guidance and servanthood as we continue to follow Beechwood's Mission and Vision.

Patricia A. Clark, DM  
CEO



*Bill Baechtold*

## Letter from the President

After many months of planning, I am happy to report that construction of the porch for our residents is now fully underway. Although it is always hard to predict finish dates for construction projects, we are hopeful that by the

Christmas season our residents will have full use of the porch.

I am happy to report that our resident census is currently 100% full. Our staff works continuously to keep the home at that level. Over the years and at present we have had a healthy waiting list, but in a certain sense it is a unique list because our residents often make contact with us well before they need our assistance but anticipating that day.

Our clay shoot event in early June was a great success with a good time having been had by all. We are looking forward to this year's Gala dinner, which will be held on October 27th at the Cincinnati Country Club. This year's honoree will be Tad Lawrence who has been a great advisor to The Beechwood Home Foundation for several decades. We would love to see you at the Gala.

We are redoubling our efforts to get the story of the Home out to a broader cross section of the community. To accomplish this, the development committee of the Board is working on a variety of plans from articles in the press, meetings with business and community leaders and using social media.

I have enjoyed my first six months as the Chair and continue to be impressed with our residents and the work of our staff. Thank you for your support.

Bill Baechtold  
President  
The Beechwood Home Board of Trustees

## Beechwood, Bourbon, Beer and Basketball



*Guests enjoy the March Madness Event*

The Second Annual Beechwood, Bourbon, Beer and Basketball event took place on Friday, March 23, 2018 in the midst of the March Madness craze. It included bourbon tasting, where guests could enjoy tasting and hearing about each bourbon that was presented by Beth Corbo, volunteer and bourbon enthusiast. Basketball was playing on three large TV's throughout the area. Food and drinks were offered throughout the evening. Marty Walsh, Chairperson of the Beechwood Young Leaders, and committee members hosted the event.



*Aaron Haslam, Chip Heidt and Jack Oliver*

# The Annual Clay Shoot

By Maggie Elder

The Eighth Annual Sporting Clay Event was held at the Sycamore Sporting Clays on June 1, 2018 with 78 participants. Dave Todd accommodated Beechwood and our guests at his beautiful sporting clays facilities. We are so grateful to our major sponsors for helping with the event this year: Kirk's Castille, Heidt Family Foundation, North American Properties, Western & Southern Financial Group, Bahl & Gaynor Investment Counsel, Brendamour Warehousing, Cornerstone Insurance & Financial Group-Dennis Shiels, Schumacher & Co. Custom Hardwood Floors, and an anonymous donor. US Foods and Commonwealth Food provided a delicious lunch which was prepared by our own Mayer Rosen and his staff. We appreciate all who donated to make this a great event!

This year's High Overall Team was: - Jack Oliver, Thomas Seward, Jr., Graham Merurio, and John Borchers; High Overall Male: Kevin Brown; High Overall Female: Gina McCord and Amy Ready; High Overall under 30: Christoph Schoenlein and Kyle Smith. Congratulations to all of our winners! The committee members, Sam Bortz (co-chair), Chip Heidt (co-chair), Dan Shiels and the Beechwood staff did a fantastic job again this year, providing the participants with a great experience. We are also grateful to Kathye Nippert and Linda Workman for helping the staff during the event.



The Winning Team: L to R: Jack Oliver, Thomas Seward, Jr., John Borchers and Graham Mercurio



David Todd (owner of Sycamore Sporting Clays) with Sam Bortz (co-chair of event)

## Update on the Porch

By Judy Sandquist



The weather is finally cooperating and the large equipment has been busily digging behind The Beechwood Home dining room. As we chronicle the day to day activity taking place to build the much awaited porch and storage, we will share these pictures through The Beechwood Home website at [beechwoodhome.org](http://beechwoodhome.org). Please watch weekly for updates as the building continues.

Thank you to all those who have helped to make this project a reality. The residents are excited and looking forward to enjoying a porch setting! When the porch is completed, we will celebrate!

If you have not had the opportunity to give and would like to donate to this project, please make checks payable to The Beechwood Home Porch Project or donate online.

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