



# Saint Elizabeth Community

Where RI seniors come first

News

WINTER 2020

## Horowitz Announces Retirement in June Trimble Chosen Next President and CEO



Congratulations are in order! Saint Elizabeth Community is happy to wish Steven J. Horowitz, President and CEO best wishes on his upcoming retirement in June, 2020, and also wish Matthew R. Trimble congratulations on being selected the next President and CEO effective July 1, 2020. These two announcements reflect a thoughtful and planned transition in leadership by the Board of Trustees upon learning of Horowitz's intention to retire.

Steve's 35-year career with Saint Elizabeth Community began as Administrator of Saint Elizabeth Home, then located on Melrose Street in Providence. During his tenure, he led Saint Elizabeth Community through a prolonged period of growth and acquisitions, building

the non-profit organization into a \$48 million organization with eight locations across Rhode Island, and a home health agency which provides services statewide. Saint Elizabeth Community provides services to over 3,000 individuals and employs over 800 people, making it one of the largest non-profit elder care organizations in Rhode Island.

*"It has been a great privilege to work with so many talented, dedicated and caring people over the past 35 years in bringing innovative solutions to meet the needs of our patients and residents."* - Steve Horowitz

"I'm very proud of what we've accomplished together. We have always put those in our care first and that is the hallmark of our success."

Matt also has a long history with Saint Elizabeth Community. He joined SEC in 1994 and he has spent much of his tenure as Administrator at Saint Elizabeth Home. In this role, Trimble oversaw the move of residents and staff from the community's Providence location to a new, state-of-the-art nursing /rehab center in East Greenwich in 2001. Additionally, Matt guided the construction of four GREEN HOUSE® Homes on the same campus between 2015-2017. The GREEN HOUSE® Home model of care is the only one of its kind in Rhode Island and part of a national model that delivers nursing home care in an innovative, residential-like setting.

For the past five years Matt has been SEC's Chief Operating Officer, providing operational oversight for Saint Elizabeth Community's operating entities. About his appointment as President and CEO Trimble says, "I am excited to lead an incredible group of individuals; I have had the great opportunity to learn from Steve throughout my career, especially over the past 5 years."



The early years, Matt and Steve

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Dear Friends:

I hope you have been enjoying this mild winter, and I hope by saying, that I am not jinxing us for the final few weeks of winter!! The start of the year begins with a reflection on last year, taking a fresh outlook on the year ahead, and prioritizing and setting goals for the work to be done in union with our strategic plan.



This year will be one of transition as I retire in June and Matt takes the helm in July. I have great confidence in Matt's ability to lead Saint Elizabeth Community, and know that under his direction the organization will be strong and committed to our mission and the people we serve. My goal is to work to achieve a seamless transition in leadership, but also to take the time to enjoy the last few months of interacting with so many wonderful people. My life is greatly enriched by the residents and patients we care for, the staff across our entities, dedicated families and friends, and generous donors and volunteers.

The challenges that face our organization mirror those occurring around the country. We are committed to solving the workforce challenge and remaining a top choice for all our services. We are equally committed to advocating for those who need services, seeking fair reimbursement for the care we provide, and we are preparing for the growing number of seniors who will need our care in the decade to come. Together with our Board of Trustees, Leadership Team and staff at all locations we will meet these challenges.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Steven J. Horowitz  
President and CEO



**A look back at a proud moment in Saint Elizabeth Community and Steve Horowitz's history...2009: The launch of Saint Elizabeth Haven- a safe haven program for elderly victims of abuse.**

*Pictured here: Steve Horowitz, and Deb DeBare, former president of RI Coalition against Domestic Violence. Today called the Saint Elizabeth Haven Program for Elder Justice, the program has grown to include elder care advocates, educational services, safe haven stays, and advocates who provide support to elderly victims of abuse.*

## June 15, 2020 is World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

Saint Elizabeth Community recognizes elder justice heroes and stands with other organizations across the globe who stand up to fight against elder abuse with the goal of ending it.



# SEC In Our Community



Residents, Dolores Maisonet and Raylene Cole meet for coffee in the café at Saint Elizabeth Court.

*Our Mission...* to provide exceptional, compassionate care in an array of settings. We embrace the needs of each individual in an environment where those we care for, and work with, are treated **just like family.**



Judie Smith, receives Cathleen Naughton home health care services from visiting nurse and Ostomy specialist, Catherine DeCiantis, RN, CWON.



This may be the only snowman many of us see this winter! Thank you for sharing, Muriel Poland (resident, Saint Elizabeth Manor).



Saint Elizabeth Home resident, Susan Grislis enjoys a dance with volunteer, Rudy DiPippo.



# SEC

## Meeting Needs

### Cornerstone Adult Services – Brightening Lives



Sharon Kupa, Nurse Director, Apponaug Center, with Judy and Bill Lowell

As the sole caregiver for her husband Bill for the past 10 years, Judy Lowell describes Cornerstone Adult Day Health Center as a place that has changed their lives in so many ways. Within a few months since becoming a participant, a challenging time in the couple’s life has been transformed and Bill and Judy are enjoying the many benefits Cornerstone has to offer.

“The staff have excelled in understanding Bill’s needs and have assisted him to be at his best level of function both at the center and at home. Bill loves the variety of activities the center has to offer, socializing with fellow participants and forming new friendships. He looks forward to what the next day will bring, thanking the staff that make him feel welcome. He has a new and exciting look at life ... he found where he belongs!” exclaims Judy.

*“This program has not only changed Bill, it has given me a new life and I will always be thankful!”*

Judy Lowell

### SASH Program Improves Health Outcomes

The Support and Services at Home (SASH) Program, is proving to have a positive impact on the health and well-being of Saint Elizabeth Place participants. 93 residents are enrolled in SASH and statistics bear witness to the effectiveness of the model of care.

- Weekly blood pressure clinics, routine check-ins, and health and wellness programs have been instrumental in avoiding at least a dozen hospitalizations.
- The number of ER visits have dropped dramatically – down 30% since the program’s inception.
- Participants’ medication challenges have been routinely identified, preventing many crises and lowering re-hospitalizations.
- Since 2017, only 3 SASH participants had to leave Saint Elizabeth Place to transfer permanently into a facility due to the need for a higher level of care. Despite chronic conditions, 97% of SASH participants have been able to remain safely in their homes.



Dana Holmgren, RN, regularly monitors SASH participant Emma Goddard’s blood pressure.

Contributing to the success of the SASH program, is the relationship of trust that has developed between the SASH team members and residents. The participants can count on the team to assist in time of crisis, to act as a resource, and to check in with them frequently.

Thank you to our SASH team for a job well done! Team members include: Barbara Gavin, Director; Solange Parra, Coordinator; and Dana Holmgren, Wellness Nurse.



## Your Gift - Your Impact

Thank you for continuing to believe in Saint Elizabeth Community's mission to provide our elders and families with exceptional care every day. Your support makes so many amazing things possible!

<b>300</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>4,019</b>
<b>Wellness programs</b> for participants of the Support and Services at Home (SASH) program at Saint Elizabeth Place	<b>Wishes</b> granted at Saint Elizabeth Manor in 2019	Elder victims of abuse provided a <b>safe place</b> to stay through Saint Elizabeth Haven for Elder Justice	<b>CNA training hours</b> in 2019 for new Certified Nursing Assistants throughout Saint Elizabeth Community	<b>Enriching activities</b> held in 2019 for the residents of Saint Elizabeth Home

## Save the Date

**GOLF CLASSIC**

**Monday, June 15**

Warwick Country Club

**ROSE BIDS AUCTION & GALA**

**Friday, September 11**

Crowne Plaza, Warwick



A legacy gift is a gift for the future. Planning to leave a legacy gift in your will is one of the most thoughtful ways to help others and leave a lasting impact on your community. Your commitment today can make a difference to our elders for generations to come!

### Building Your Legacy

To learn more about how you can create a lasting legacy or be a part of Saint Elizabeth Community events, please contact Yvette Pierce at 401-773-7421 or [ypierce@stelizabethcommunity.org](mailto:ypierce@stelizabethcommunity.org)

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Saint Elizabeth Community

At Saint Elizabeth Community we use many tools to help recruit employees and attract new customers. Having a strong and upbeat presence on social media, and an informative website helps us. And when an employee or customer shares their positive experience about our organization with others, that is simply the best!

Please consider taking a moment to share your positive experiences at one of the sites above, and to follow Saint Elizabeth Community on social media. Thank you!



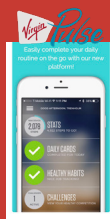
## Employee Reminder

Complete the three requirements and track points on Virgin Pulse by 9/30/2020 to earn your wellness insurance rate for 2021.

- Virgin Pulse personal health assessment**
- Annual well visit**
- Wellness activities**



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1. Choose "Enterprise Benefits" from the left menu
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