

## Living in Harmony: Care & Comfort at Our Adult Day Center

In a cozy home in Cranston, the warmth shared between Raymond Washington and his wife, Maria, is immediate and heartening. Married for 32 years, the couple has built a life grounded in faith, love, travel, and music. These days, they share their home with their two daughters, Maria and Elizabeth, as well as their beloved senior dog, Iris.

Raymond is a proud U.S. Air Force Veteran who was drafted on his 19th birthday in 1965 and served during the Vietnam Era as an Administrative Clerk.

At age 64, following a diagnosis of multiple sclerosis, Ray's daily routine shifted significantly. He now uses a walker and requires assistance with daily living activities.

In 2024, the Washington family sought a nearby licensed adult day center to give them a helping hand. They discovered that all four Saint Elizabeth Adult Day Centers accepted eligible Veteran benefits covering services for two days a week.

The Apponaug Center was close to their home and the family scheduled a tour with Eileen Unger, Case Manager, who addressed all of their questions. They quickly realized that Ray would thrive in this new environment.

*"We knew it was the right fit," Maria says.*

*"It gave both of us the peace of mind we were looking for."*

Now, every Tuesday and Thursday begins the same way: Ray descends the stairs using his electric chair lift, exits his home via a ramp built into the front porch, and is greeted by a friendly transportation driver. By the time he reaches the center, he's already shared a few laughs.

"I go in happy, and I come home happy," Ray beams.

At the center, he's a vibrant part of the community. His sense of humor and unmatched talent for music trivia have made him a fan favorite. Each morning kicks off with a lively game of Uno, and Ray is known for singing along when lyrics pop up in conversation. "There's a 95-year-old Veteran I talk with—he's got incredible stories from the Korean War. We learn so much from one another," Ray shares.



# A Message from our President & CEO



Dear Friends,

Thank you for taking the time to explore our Spring newsletter. We're ready to enter a new season sharing the latest news from across Saint Elizabeth Community.

Our East Greenwich campus has officially expanded with the addition of The Seasons, a beautiful, caring home to 84 residents. We're thrilled to join them in offering even more services to the elders in our community.

In one location we can now provide skilled nursing and assisted living – both with memory care options – short-term rehabilitation and our one-of-a-kind GREEN HOUSE® Homes that deliver a unique combination of privacy and community, all with our commitment to compassionate care.

Take a moment to read our profile of Haigouhi Corriveau, The Seasons Executive Director with more than twenty years of experience in the senior living field.

In our cover story, meet Raymond Washington, a retired veteran and participant in our Adult Day program. Raymond and his family are thriving thanks to the support they receive from the incredible staff at our Apponaug Center, one of 4 locations.

Even with this exciting progress, these are still difficult times for eldercare. As a nonprofit organization, we are fortunate to have the support of so many generous and committed donors.

On page 4, you'll see a number of ways you can contribute to our mission of providing compassionate care to our elders. Coming up are our Golf Tournament in June as well as our Rose Bids Auction and Gala in September. You can also check out the results of our 401Gives kickoff – thank you to everyone who contributed to this campaign.

It's often said, "we couldn't do this work without you" but the statement remains timeless and true. It is the real meaning of community and we're glad to have you as part of ours.

Best -

Matthew R. Trimble, NHA  
President & CEO

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Ray's daughter Maria sees the impact: "My dad thrives on the social piece—meeting peers outside of the house balances his life. He especially loves Music Therapy, and the staff makes sure he never misses it."

Ray's time at the Apponaug Center also provides his wife, Maria, with time off from caregiving. She notes, "When Ray attends the adult day center, I can get a break and get things done knowing he is in good hands and that I do not need to worry. The nurse will call me if there is a concern; everyone is so nice." This combination supports Ray's desire to age in place while ensuring both he and Maria receive the care and support they need.

After Ray returns home from his day at the center, he and Maria sit together at their kitchen table, sharing tea and crackers as they talk about their day. This cherished routine underscores how adult day services have enriched the Washington family's daily life, providing both support and harmony.

To learn more about Saint Elizabeth Community's Adult Day Centers, visit: [stelizabethcommunity.org/AdcSupport](http://stelizabethcommunity.org/AdcSupport)

## Putting Our Elders First for 45 Years

For 45 years, Janelle Hackett has been a critical member of the care team at Saint Elizabeth Community. As she retires this year, we extend her both congratulations and our most sincere thanks.

"The impact that Janelle has made on the elders in our care is immeasurable," said Saint Elizabeth Community President and CEO Matt Trimble. "She is a true example and model of the compassionate care we provide every day, year in and year out."

Janelle began her career with Saint E's as a physical therapy assistant - the day after she graduated from the training program. While working, she earned her nursing degree and went on to serve in a number of roles including manager of the Cove and most recently, MDS Coordinator at the GREEN HOUSE® Homes, managing our nursing staff and monitoring patient care.

She tells us, "I loved working for Saint E's because I truly believed that the elders always came first personally to me, professionally as a clinician and by the organization."

Janelle is thankful for the support she received throughout her personal and professional life. She credits her success to the flexibility she was given to work around her school and family schedules.

"I always felt valued and encouraged. I grew up at Saint E's and they were my family (and still are)."



Janelle celebrates an anniversary with her husband, David.

She is particularly proud of her work at the GREEN HOUSE® Homes, an innovative model of care that is truly remarkable in its support of elders, their families and our staff.

Janelle will continue to work with us but she's looking forward to spending more time on her hobbies and with her family.

We wish her all the best and cannot thank her enough for her dedication and commitment to this work.



# Join in the fun at these Upcoming Events



Come out and support the elders and families that rely on us at our two annual fundraisers.

## Annual Golf Classic

**Monday, June 16, 2025**

**Quidnessett Country Club**

The Golf Classic returns at the stunning Quidnessett Country Club for another unforgettable day on the course. This sell-out event brings together players, sponsors, and friends for a fun-filled day of golf.

### *Ways to Get Involved:*

- **Sponsor:** Showcase your business while supporting a great cause.
- **Play:** Gather a team and enjoy a day on the course.
- **Volunteer:** Help make the event a success behind the scenes.
- **Join the Committee:** Play a key role in planning and executing the event.



## Rose Bids Auction & Gala

**Thursday, September 4, 2025**

**Crowne Plaza Pavilion**

Experience an unforgettable evening at the Rose Bids Auction & Gala at the Crowne Plaza Pavilion! This spectacular event welcomes 350 guests, sponsors, and friends for a night filled with exciting auction prizes, delicious food, and incredible company.

### *There are so many ways to get involved! You can:*

- **Support** with a sponsorship and make a lasting impact
- **Attend** as a guest and enjoy an incredible night
- **Donate** an item to our silent or live auction
- **Join** the Planning Committee and help shape the event
- **Volunteer** on the big night to bring it all to life



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## One Day. One Community. *One Mission.*

On April 1, Saint Elizabeth Community joined the United Way of Rhode Island's 401Gives fundraising campaign for the very first time with a simple but powerful call to action: Help us care for aging Rhode Islanders. In just one day, our community came together to raise \$19,102 from 138 donors—a powerful reminder of the impact we can have when we work as one.

The campaign launched with a spirited Kickoff Rally at Narragansett Brewery, where employees, board members, donors, and friends gathered to celebrate and rally support. That enthusiasm carried through 24 hours of giving, with employees making up 25% of all donors.

Leadership support amplified the momentum, thanks to a \$3,000 match from Board Member and grateful family member Judy Vigar, a \$1,000 challenge from Board Member and grateful family member Robin Dziuba, and a \$500 match from Board Member Claire Flaherty and her husband Bob, both proud and grateful family members.

We're also excited to share that Saint Elizabeth Community ranked #27 out of 162 large nonprofits in dollars raised—an incredible milestone for our first time participating!

In a moving message, Judy Vigar shared:

*“Together, we can do something truly special for Saint Elizabeth Community.”*

And from our President & CEO Matthew Trimble:

“You showed up for Saint Elizabeth Community, and that means everything to us. Because of you, we can continue to care for those who need us most with dignity, compassion, and love.”

To everyone who gave, shared, or cheered us on—thank you for standing with us and helping to strengthen our mission to support aging Rhode Islanders with care and compassion.

## **FREE** *educational session*

### *Getting Your Ducks in a Row: Busting Long Term Planning Myths*

Join our panel of professionals as they share insights to help you avoid future challenges for you or your family.

**Tuesday, May 20, 4:00 to 5:30 pm**  
New England Institute of Technology  
1400 Division Road, East Greenwich

To register, scan the QR code or contact:  
Yvette Loiselle 401-773-7421 or  
[yloiselle@stelizabethcommunity.org](mailto:yloiselle@stelizabethcommunity.org)



## Meet the Executive Director, *Haigouhi Corriveau*

We're so excited to have Haigouhi Corriveau join the team as the Executive Director of the newest member of the Saint Elizabeth Community, The Seasons Assisted Living in East Greenwich.

Haigouhi has devoted over 25 years to the senior living industry, bringing a wealth of experience and expertise to every aspect of her role. With a Bachelor of Science in Psychology and an Assisted Living Administrator License for the past 14 years, Haigouhi blends her academic foundation with hands-on experience in recruiting, sales, and operations.

"The most important part of my job," she tells us, "is connecting with people, understanding their needs, and finding ways to help them."

A compassionate and results-driven director, Haigouhi's leadership is defined by transparency, flexibility, and an unwavering commitment to her team. She believes in leading by example, always ready to step in and support her staff wherever needed.

*"We have such a great team here. We lean on each other's strengths and work together so that everyone feels part of the care we provide for our residents."*



Outside of her professional life, Haigouhi is equally dedicated to her family. She cherishes time spent with her Armenian family, her husband, and their two children. Much of their family time revolves around extracurricular activities, especially sports events where Haigouhi is often found cheering on her kids.

With her deep industry knowledge, compassionate leadership, and strong family values, Haigouhi continues to make a meaningful impact in the senior living sector, serving on the Board of Directors of the Rhode Island Assisted Living Association. She is committed to ensuring that both residents and staff feel supported, respected, and valued in every aspect of their lives.

"We're excited about our partnership with Saint Elizabeth Community. We have always shared the same commitment to serving the elders in our care and now we'll have even more opportunities to enhance our services and strengthen our impact in the assisted living community."





## Snip, Snip, Hooray!

### *Saint Elizabeth Home Salon Gets a Stylish Upgrade*

Thanks to the generosity of The Harriet Ballou Charitable Foundation and The Friends of Saint Elizabeth Home, the beloved hair salon at Saint Elizabeth Home has undergone a stunning transformation—bringing comfort, dignity, and joy to residents.

“Having a salon is so important. For many residents, continuing the tradition of going to a salon provides comfort, community, and a sense of normalcy,” said Beth Russell, Administrator of Saint Elizabeth Home. “We’re grateful to now have a warm, inviting space that better reflects the needs of our elders.”

A generous grant of \$39,360 from The Harriet Ballou Charitable Foundation funded major upgrades, including all-new styling chairs, and salon equipment, custom cabinetry, and refreshed flooring. The Friends of Saint Elizabeth Home added the perfect finishing touches with a grant of more than \$4,000 to truly make the salon shine.

“We are so thankful for the support that helped us create this beautiful space,” said Matt Trimble, President & CEO of Saint Elizabeth Community. “It’s more than a makeover—it’s a meaningful enhancement to the everyday lives of our residents.”



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