



CELEBRATING SENIORS AND MAKING DREAMS COME TRUE

## Shining Moments Newsletter ~ Winter 2023

### Hello Donna,

2023 is another exciting year for Twilight Wish as we celebrate our 20th anniversary and reach the incredible milestone of 5,000 Twilight Wishes granted! You are invited to celebrate these milestones with us during our WOW Week of Wishes from April 23rd through April 30th, 2023.

Locally, we will be holding our dinner Thursday, April 27th at The Manor House at Commonwealth Country Club. Our special guest will be WPVI meteorologist Adam Joseph who will share his experience helping us grant John's wish to meet him back in 2017! [For sponsorship information, please visit our website.](#)

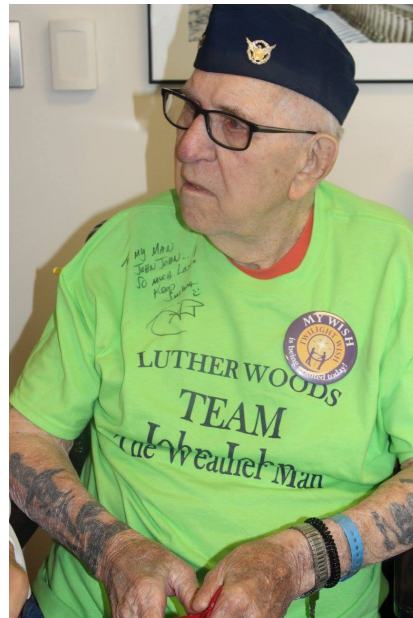
We are excited to announce Jonathan Miller and Jane Leopold-Leventhal have moved from our Advisory Board to our Board of Directors. We also welcome Daniel Stephens to our Board of Directors. These are exciting times at Twilight Wish and we look forward to working with them and the rest of our board to continue to move forward!

We could not do what we do without you to make our world a nicer place to age! Thank you for your ongoing support!

Best wishes,

### Cass Forkin

Founder & Chairwoman of the Board



### Look at that smile!

Our Allegheny County chapter recently granted a very simple, but much needed wish for Ronald aka Duke. Duke lives alone and his home needed a thorough, whole house cleaning. According to his nurse, Patty, who nominated him, he was overjoyed to have a clean home and was so proud to have his photo taken with his wish certificate honoring him for all he has done for others throughout his life!

## Help us grant Norma Sue's wish!

Our Houston chapter is hard at work raising funds to grant Norma Sue's wish to visit the site where her husband's plane was shot down during WWII. Victor Phelps flew 116 missions with the Twelfth Air Force's 87th Fighter Group until his plane was shot down by the Germans in Italy on October 11, 1941. His squadron had orders to bomb a bridge, but when the bombs didn't release, Victor circled back knowing he would likely be shot down. He ejected from his P-47D Thunderbolt and hid on a nearby Italian farm but was captured and taken prisoner of war by the Germans. Victor was among the prisoners liberated by Patton's army on April 29, 1945.



Norma Sue, who is 95, found out several years ago that there is a memorial at the spot where Victor's plane crashed after an Italian organization reached out to her grandson via Facebook. The Associazione Amici del Fiume Senio (Friends of the Senio River Association) found parts from his plane and put up a memorial at the site of the crash. Norma Sue has wanted to visit the memorial in Italy ever since they found out about it. The Houston chapter is planning for her and her son to visit in April when they will be able to take part in a ceremony honoring Victor. This also coincides with the date when he was released as a POW in 1945. [You can donate directly to this wish using this link!](#)



Join us to Celebrate Our  
Week of Wishes

*Save the Date*

APRIL 27, 2023 5PM -8PM

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