

FEDERATION HOUSING, INC. FRIENDS DIGEST SUMMER 2012

SAMUEL A. GREEN HOUSE OPENS ITS DOORS!

"I feel like I've won the lottery!" said Mrs. G., thrilled to be moving into the Samuel A. Green House in Elkins Park, Federation Housing, Inc.'s newest site. Last fall and early winter, FHI welcomed 88 low-income senior residents to their new home, which features a spacious, sun-filled community room, 5.2 acres of walking trails, a chapel, library, media room and computer center. Residents are quickly becoming acclimated and enjoying all that the Samuel A. Green House and the surrounding neighborhood have to offer.

At a private ceremony held in December, Daniel B. and Florence E. Green, pictured right, along with their sons, Richard J. Green and Arlin S. Green and their families and close friends, greeted residents and formally dedicated the residence in memory of Daniel B. Green's father, Samuel A. Green. Mr. Daniel Green spoke about his father's commitment to the community and explained, "My father would be extremely pleased to be participating in providing beautiful and affordable house for so many families. That's why he first started Firstrust in 1934 to, in his own way, provide affordable housing for people in our communities."



Executive Vice President, Eric D. Naftulin, speaking on behalf of the Board, staff and residents, enthusias-



tically thanked the Green family for their leadership throughout the agency's history and their extraordinary contribution. "The Green family's philanthropic commitment to help those less fortunate is unsurpassed. Through their generosity and spirit, FHI was able to create a state-of -the-art, affordable residence which 84 families now proudly call home".

The Samuel A. Green House was made possible through the generosity of the Daniel B. and Florence E. Green Family Foundation, the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia and local, state and federal financing. PAGE 2 FRIENDS DIGEST

Rabbi Sandra Berliner



Residents in every Federation Housing, Inc. site enjoy festive holiday and Sabbath celebrations throughout the year. Children from Perelman Jewish Day School's (PJDS) Forman Center and Federation Early Learning Services (FELS) make our gatherings very lively!



Thank you to Keneseth Israel (KI) for hosting a magnificent Chanukah party!



FELS Kids join in Chanukah festivities at Samuel Tabas Apartments.



Shabbat Across America with residents from Goldstein Apartments and Sidewater House. Gratz College JCHS students helped serve the meal and lead services.



Purim at the Samuel A. Green House with PJDS students.

PASSOVER SEDERS

Sponsored by Passover League of Philadelphia, Pincus Fund for Hunger Relief, Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia and hosted by Adath Jeshurun (AJ) and by Golden Slipper Center for Seniors at Har Zion Temple.



Saligman House



Rieder House, Tabas House and Center Park III



Volunteers for Green House Seder at Adath Jeshurun.

Remembering Morris Scarf

At a memorial service held this winter, Sidewater residents movingly remembered Morris Scarf as "a true gentleman" and "a real mensch". One friend after another recalled Mr. Scarf as a quiet and genteel man who had a kind word for everyone. The former World War II veteran was one of the first to move into the building when it opened in 1988.

His cousin, Alice Robin said, "He loved living at Sidewater House. And, he was happy to give back." In his will, Morris Scarf left a bequest to Federation Housing, Inc. which will benefit the residents of Sidewater House for years to come.



Miriam and Robert M. Rieder House • Evelyn and Daniel Tabas House • Center Park III

Ephraim Goldstein Apartments • Robert Saligman House • Samuel Tabas House

Arthur and Estelle Sidewater House • Samuel A. Green House



Girl Scouts visit Saligman House





Goldstein Apartments residents share in the Seder



Celebrating Halloween at Sidewater House



Perelman Jewish Day School students regale residents with Purim songs at the Samuel A. Green House



Passover at Samuel Tabas House



Happy 100th birthday, Lillian! Celebration at Saligman House



Residents enjoying the latke party at Rieder, Tabas, Center Park III



Samuel A. Green House Seder hosted by Adath Jeshurun

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Your contributions improve the quality of our residents' lives every day!

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Mission

To provide affordable housing opportunities for low-income seniors who are able to sustain themselves in an independent living environment.

To create facilities where our residents can reside and socialize while maintaining a high quality of life and activity.

To have our facilities available to as many elderly as possible by developing additional buildings in Philadelphia and the surrounding suburbs.

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