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Architectural rendering of the Bradley Park Brownstone.

Rooted in Puyallup

Reservation list members Mary Kholi and Ginny and Jim Christensen have eagerly chosen their Wesley Homes Bradley Park accommodations. Before making their decision, they got to know Wesley Homes.

Mary has lived in Puyallup nearly 40 years. She's worked for both the Colorado and Washington Cooperative Extension and has been active in her church, Relay for Life®, League of Women Voters® and social justice issues. When her husband, Tom, became ill, they began making plans.

"I'd heard about Wesley Homes from Carrie Boulet, Jamie Gregory, Larry and Pat Carney and at church," said Mary. "They were all so enthusiastic, and they made me enthusiastic, too."

Mary and Tom toured Wesley Homes Lea Hill to see what Wesley Homes Bradley Park would resemble. "We were impressed with the operation of the community," said Mary. "We liked that Wesley Homes has a continuum of care, is not-for-profit and is faith-based. The residents were so gracious. We never saw people just

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sitting around. They were out **doing**. The atmosphere was so different from what we expected, and everyone was so positive. Tom and I didn't want to look elsewhere."

After Tom passed away, Mary still knew she wanted to live in a Brownstone apartment. She was pleased her family was completely supportive after their tour of the Lea Hill campus.

"My kids are so busy with their own lives," said Mary. "They don't need to worry about taking care of me. They don't need that burden."

Ginny and Jim also heard about Wesley Homes through a church connection, Brian Garrett, who is also on the Wesley Homes Board of Trustees. The couple visited both the Des Moines and Lea Hill campuses.

"We saw how the communities helped the residents stay independent. We began having 'the' conversation with our children. If something happened, where would we go?" said Ginny.

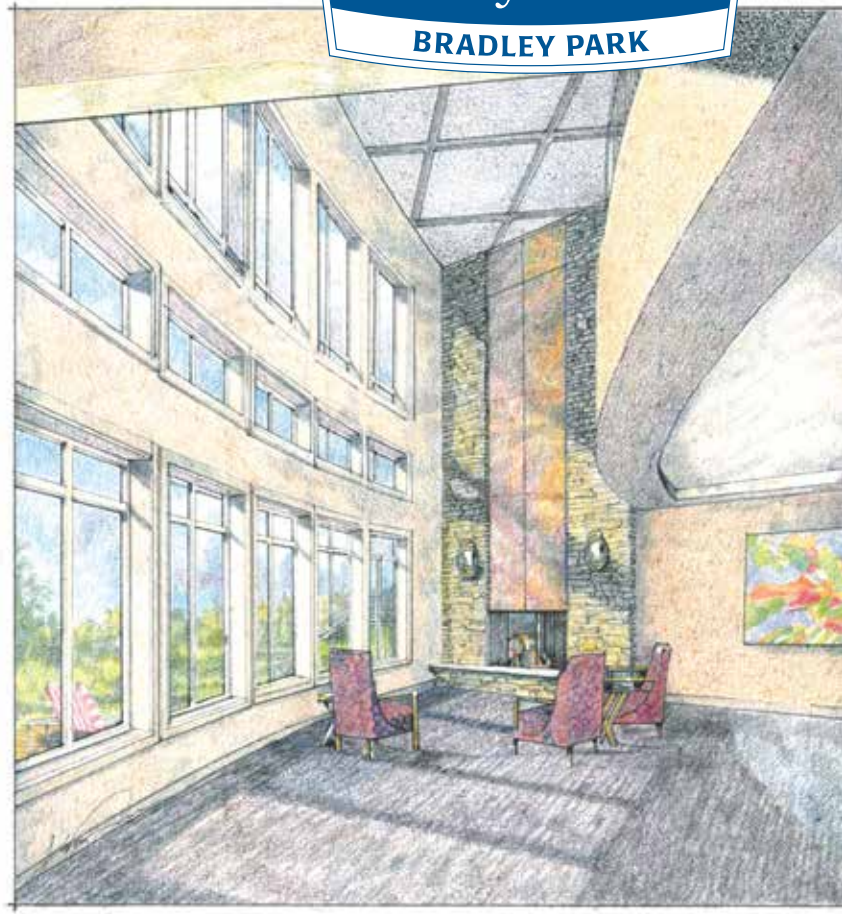
The Christensens began making plans. They consulted with their financial advisor twice. "We did our homework," said Ginny. "That's how we decided we wanted an apartment in the Lodge."

The proximity of the Bradley Park campus is a major appeal for the couple. It's near the places they frequent: YMCA, yoga studio, Bradley Lake Park, doctor and trails.

Not only are Mary and the Christensens part of the first residents' group, the Pioneer Club, they are philanthropic supporters of Wesley Homes Bradley Park.

"Tom and I have always contributed to organizations," said Mary. "We felt strongly about giving back to our community. The Wesley Homes continuum of care is tremendously needed in the Puyallup area. And after seeing the spirit of the people involved in the project – Jamie, Susan McConnell, Kevin Anderson, Christine Tremain and the ambassadors – how could I not give? I'll tell you, I'm really looking forward to moving in!"

"We are committed to having Wesley Homes Bradley Park happen," agreed Ginny. "I'm looking forward to moving to my apartment so I can find things easier!"



Architectural rendering of the Bradley Park fireside room in the Lodge.

Wesley Homes Bradley Park is now accepting reservations for specific apartments!

Contact Peggy Qualls for more information.

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Filling the need for hospice

Wesley Homes has taken the next step toward a hospice program by welcoming Linda Herman as director of Hospice.

"Part of what makes hospice both challenging and rewarding is how quickly you can form close bonds with people and their families," said Linda. "Because of this, you have to prove yourself through honesty and sincerity."

Linda's professional background includes experience as a substance abuse counselor, as a director of nursing and as a developer of a startup hospice program.

"It was important for us to find someone with the right qualifications and who would understand and embrace our mission," said Wesley Homes Home Health Executive Director Melinda Moore. "Linda shares the same care philosophy: respecting the needs of patients, honoring their wishes and making their transition as comfortable and as gentle as possible."



Linda Herman
Director of Hospice

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Adding flavor to the care center

People are being charmed by the art of Wesley Homes Lea Hill Rehabilitation & Care Center donated by residents. The largest, Eagle Catcher (pictured right), has crossed the Pacific Ocean.

"It was made from a piece of driftwood the artist, Bruce Turnbull, found here in Puget Sound," said Corinne Garland, donor of Eagle Catcher. "He shipped the driftwood to Hawaii, sculpted it there and shipped it back to Washington."

After 17 years, Corinne realized the two-story sculpture needed a new home and donated it to Wesley Homes.

The nativity in the meditation chapel is a 13 piece M.I. Hummel figurine set donated by Millard and Martha Battles. Hummel figurines became popular in the 1940s when Franz Goebel created statuettes based on paintings and drawings by Sister Maria Innocentia (nee Berta Hummel). The figurines became a source of income for Sister Maria's convent until the Nazis took over the convent in 1940.

Darrel and Barbara Sharrard donated watercolor paintings of Native Alaskan villagers by Rie Muñoz, and Annie Yoshimoto gifted the center with her depiction of daisies. The exterior potted plants and Mobility Garden foliage were designed by Harold LaDuke.

Friends are invited to tour the care center and see the beautiful artwork that has been generously given to the community.



**Wesley Homes Lea Hill
Rehabilitation & Care
Center is now open!**

Contact **Karen Satterberg**
today for your personal tour.

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Wesley Homes Des Moines

Thursday, October 6 • 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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