

## A Wide Appeal

**O**ur vision for Wide Horizon is that it continues to bless our community and therefore mankind through its activity of Christian Science nursing—an activity that directly supports Scientific spiritual healing. This vision requires continual self-evaluation in order to grow, yet also the constant support of Christian Scientists who recognize the value of Wide Horizon’s services. We

fill a very small niche in the Christian Science movement, but one that has a very expansive outreach and a significant role to play in helping to leaven worldly thought. It is therefore vital that more Christian Scientists financially support and choose to utilize the services provided by Christian Science nursing organizations when able or needed.



## Voices of Spring



**Excerpts from Mary Baker Eddy’s “VOICES OF SPRING”** in *Miscellaneous Writings* (pp. 329-332) that remind us of how we can see the spiritual import of any

symbol of God’s creation and gain spiritual understanding by translating things into thoughts. May all the blessings of “Spring” fill your hearts and homes!

“Mine is an obstinate *penchant* for nature in all her moods and forms, a satisfaction with whatever is hers. And what shall this be named, a weakness, or a — virtue? ... Spring is my sweetheart, whose voices are sad or glad, even as the heart may be; restoring in memory the sweet rhythm

of unforgotten harmonies, or touching tenderly its tearful tones. Spring passes over mountain and meadow, waking up the world; weaving the wavy grass, nursing the timid spray, stirring the soft breeze; rippling all nature in ceaseless flow, with "breath all odor and cheek all bloom." ... The alders bend over the streams to shake out their tresses in the water-mirrors; let mortals bow before the creator, and, looking through Love's transparency, behold man in God's own image and likeness, arranging in the beauty of holiness each budding thought. ... Nature's first and last lessons teach man to be kind, and even pride should sanction what our natures need. ... Thus abiding in Truth, the warmth and sunlight of prayer and praise and understanding will ripen the fruits of Spirit, and goodness will have its springtide of freedom and greatness. ... In sacred solitude divine Science evolved nature

as thought, and thought as things. This supreme potential Principle reigns in the realm of the real, and is "God with us," the I AM.

As mortals awake from their dream of material sensation, this adorable, all-inclusive God, and all earth's hieroglyphics of Love, are understood; and infinite Mind is seen kindling the stars, rolling the worlds, reflecting all space and Life, — but not life in matter. Wisely governing, informing the universe, this Mind is Truth, — not laws of matter. Infinitely just, merciful, and wise, this Mind is Love, — but not fallible love.

Spring is here! And doors that closed on Christian Science in "the long winter of our discontent," are open flung. Its seedtime has come to enrich earth and enrobe man in righteousness; may its sober-suited autumn follow with hues of heaven, ripened sheaves, and harvest songs.



## Another Way to Support Wide Horizon

**O**n January 1, 2013, Congress enacted the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (ATRA), which is another opportunity to financially support Wide Horizon as part of the nonprofit community. Included in this act is the restoration of the IRA Charitable Rollover provision, which allows persons more than the age of 70 ½ to make a charitable gift directly from a

traditional or Roth IRA up to \$100,000 in 2013.

Please also consider making Wide Horizon a beneficiary on your individual or family Trust.

It is recommended that you consult with a financial advisor. We appreciate your continued commitment to Christian Science nursing at Wide Horizon.

## From Volunteer Readers

*Volunteer reading supports the healing ministry of Christian Science nursing at Wide Horizon*

### Submitted by Loie Evans, Evergreen, CO

I always love reading at Wide Horizon on Thursday nights at its testimony meeting. Each time I come, I prepare a completely fresh lesson inspired by prayer and listening for what might fill a need at Wide Horizon. I feel those who attend come prepared with their "lamps trimmed" ready to hear and share a healing message; their testimonies always reflect their genuine love for Christian Science and their expectation of healing. And I know that even those who are listening in their rooms are hearing the message from The Pastor. The last time I was there, a resident who had listened from her room, came to the meeting room and asked for copies of the citations (which were emailed the next day). I always feel uplifted by these dear folks when I leave. I know that wonderful healing is going on there at Wide Horizon, and hopefully these services each Thursday night actively support the healing atmosphere at Wide, as so beautifully expressed by the wonderful Christian Science nurses and staff.

### Submitted by Lynda Thomas, Highlands Ranch, CO

"I am persuaded that only by the modesty and distinguishing affection illustrated in Jesus' career, can Christian Scientists aid the establishment of Christ's kingdom on the earth. ... In this period and the forthcoming centuries, watered by dews of divine Science, this 'tree of life' will blossom into greater freedom, and its leaves will be 'for the healing of the nations.'

Mary Baker Eddy, *Retrospection and Introspection*, 94 & 95

Our dear Leader's words at the close of her autobiography provide such a profound and humbling sense of the place Christian Science shall have in all generations. It seems to me that each loving expression of Christian Science in action is a leaf from the "tree to life". Each manifestation of the Science of the Christ is a treasure poured out with joyfulness and expectation. What a great joy to prepare readings for the Thursday Evening Testimony Meetings at Wide Horizon! I know

that each reader opens his or her heart to see what healing message is needed from the Comforter that evening. And, I know it is always provided. As Isaiah promises:

"So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." (*Isaiah 55:11*)

And it is God that is promising the "accomplishing" and "prospering!"

### From Christian Science Hymnal 136

*I love Thy way of freedom, Lord,  
To serve Thee is my choice,  
In Thy clear light of Truth I rise  
And, listening for Thy voice,  
I hear Thy promise old and new,  
That bids all fear to cease:  
My presence still shall go with thee  
And I will give thee peace.*

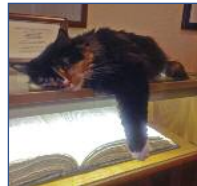
## Gratitude to All — *From guest who returned home healed*

**M**y deep appreciation for all the love and care I received during my two-week stay at Wide Horizon. My gratitude is undiminished. Thanks to Sue Wood and Carol Hanauer for keeping the nursing activity running smoothly. And a special thanks to the 24/7 Christian Science nurses who so lovingly cared for me—Mary, Vicki, Nancy, Cindy, Carol, Leslie and all. Having these dear angels read to me when I had a seemingly bad night was a bit of heaven. I'll never forget Carol [Zietlow], who works the night shift and who brought me a glass of orange juice at 6:00 a.m. when she learned I was an early riser. This sweet gesture continued every morning thereafter. Such an expression of love and caring! And how can I express enough appreciation to Jan [Dillingham] for her endless dedication to the residents. The

Bible study, “hymn sings,” creative activities, recreational readings, movie nights, interesting programs, and more. What a gift!

I certainly will not forget to give thanks for the dedicated kitchen staff that provided such good food and creative menus. Friendly folks and a warm welcome daily from all! David [food services] in particular is so darling and so patient and precious!

I of course loved “Casey” the cat. Her sweet furry love radiates all over the place. She’s “purrfect!”



And finally, my appreciation to Lukas [maintenance] who helps to keep things running and kindly gave me a ride home on my last day. Lukas is a treasure—what a wonderful young man!

My heart overflows with words unspoken. Please know that all best love to all!

### More Gratitude for Wide Horizon

From guests who returned home:

*My time at Wide Horizon was very nice and the staff was very helpful. I think the facility is beautiful and well designed. Keep doing what you are doing!*

*It was so pleasant. Everyone was so helpful. The care given was superior, excellent. All was very, very good.*

*My stay at Wide Horizon was wonderful! The staff was great! And I loved the cat! Everything was super!*

## Activities to Celebrate



The holiday season is usually an interesting time at Wide Horizon, with people of various talents sharing their gifts with our guests. First, though, we began the season by attending the very special event “Becoming Van Gogh” at The Denver Art Museum. Our group included residents, family members, friends, and one volunteer. This was a special treat, and we all enjoyed it. After Thanksgiving, Charlene Harris of Durango came to Wide Horizon to

decorate for Christmas. We so appreciated her doing this for us, as the results were beautiful. Then there was another special treat—Tanya Perkins’ CD release party that was held in our lovely new dining room and adjoining activity room. We also enjoyed performances by Robin Wright of Lakewood and the Rocky Mountain Notes, who entertained us with their joyful singing, and several days later by Robin Smith, one of our talented Christian Science nurses, played violin with a string quartet. In addition, as it

got closer to Christmas Day two different groups of guests enjoyed the wondrous Christmas lights in the neighborhood. We are very thankful that all these talented, loving people chose to be with us here at Wide Horizon to share in the festivities of the season. So remember that we love to have people share their talents with us throughout the year. If you are part of a musical group or play an instrument or have some other kind of recital or event that you’d like to share here, Wide Horizon would love being the host.

## Building Project

**T**he successful completion of Wide Horizon’s expansion and remodeling project was certainly an example of Abraham Lincoln’s statement: “*Determine that*

*the thing can and shall be done and then we shall find the way.*” Indeed we found the way through much prayer, fearless footsteps, steadfast trust, and generous support from our

donors and field—that continually showed it values Christian Science nursing and loves all the good works daily demonstrated and practiced at Wide Horizon.



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## Minivan Donated

**THANK YOU** to Tom Blair for his family's donation of a Dodge Grand Caravan. This gently used "Ramp Van" is customized with an access ramp and wheelchair lift. It is an answered prayer that fills a need!

## Team Changes

We are grateful for the 27 months of excellent service that **Bill Wright** performed as the Facilities Manager, particularly during the building project. And we are pleased to welcome **John Baca** to our team. John and **Lukas Guennel**, who filled in during the interim, will make a great team in Maintenance. In addition, **Alice Ward**, C.S. Nurse, and **Carole Beisel**, Admin Asst / Receptionist, have joined our staff. Lastly, we bid a fond farewell to **Teresa Claro**, C.S. Nurse, who has been graciously caring for our guests for 5 years and is returning home to the Philippines. Teresa has been a priceless jewel!



*All Flower Photography by Anna Marie Mead*

**Donations can be made online:** via our website at [www.widehorizon.org](http://www.widehorizon.org), where you can also learn about Wide Horizon and its Christian Science nursing activity. Thank you!