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Methodist deaconess Lura Ann Turner in courtyard of Central UMC circa early 90's. Photo by Twyla Thompson.

On May 3rd, Lura Turner Homes kicks off a year long celebration of our first 50 years. I hope you and yours will be part of the events that will honor the vision of two great ladies: our founder Lura Turner and her successor, Joyce Ridge. May they both rest in peace.

I count Lura and Joyce not only as spiritual mentors but as guiding lights in LTH's mission to serve developmentally disabled adults in Metro-Phoenix. As I spent countless hours "learning at their knees," I can tell from first-hand experience how they operated Lura Turner Homes.

Lura did things on a wing and a prayer and by the "seat of her pants." She had to. Starting a non-profit agency was new territory for her. After all, she began LTH after retiring from a 35-year career as an *ordained* Methodist minister. Talk about being ahead of her time. Although a prayer warrior like Lura, in style, Joyce was Lura's opposite. Everything she did was planned to a "t" well in advance. Nothing was left to chance. That was the British in her.

Common to both Lura and Joyce was their big hearts, frugal finances, and their tremendous caring for others. And not just to developmentally disabled adults. But to *everyone*. They so enjoyed seeing people succeed, whether they were LTH residents, volunteers or supporters.

As we celebrate LTH's first half-century, our success is not measured in our funding or facilities. It is in the special needs men and women we have helped be all they can be. Those successes are countless, whether its Barney's 36 years at Denny's or Esther's kitchen prep career at Red Lobster or as numerous residents put it: "At Lura Turner Homes, I have my *own* life."

Thank you for helping Lura Turner Homes help others for lo, these 50 years. I know I can count on your continued support as we champion special needs men and women in their efforts to live life to the fullest.

God bless you,

Max McQueen,

LTH Executive Director



Thank you to our supporters, volunteers & donors for your contributions to our wonderful events:

BOUTIQUE BRINGS BEST OF LTH ARTS, CRAFTS

Did you know November's annual boutique was LTH's first fundraiser? It is. The first one was three decades ago at Ed and Rita Gannon's. Rita passed on Jan. 6, but her "hands" are all over this event now held at Crossroads United Methodist. This year, as always, it brought together artists, crafters and lovers of homemade goods—especially baked goods.

Thank you one and all for supporting this holiday tradition.

<i>Maggie Adams</i>	<i>Karen Lewis</i>
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<i>Ilene Jamison</i>	<i>Jim & Annette Weaver</i>
<i>Judy Kennedy</i>	<i>Wanda Zorkan & Harriet Stevens</i>

CARRABBA'S BRINGS A BIT OF ITALY TO MADISON BAPTIST

Carrabba's Italian Grill of Avondale and entertainer Igor Glenn and friends were the perfect recipe for LTH's Italian dinner on Jan. 24. Also helping the 150 plus guests have a great time were Madison Baptist (our gracious hosts), Boys Team Charity League (our great volunteers) & Hidden Treasures Antiques (our splendid vendor of collectibles). Over \$4,000 was raised to benefit LTH's special needs men & women.

<i>Boys Team Charity League</i>	<i>Metro Civitans</i>
<i>Don & Deby Campbell</i>	<i>Rose Meyers</i>
<i>Carrabba's Italian Grill</i>	<i>Gordon Mische</i>
<i>Bunice Cunningham</i>	<i>Chester & Mary Grace Oakes</i>
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<i>John & Deborah Maddox</i>	<i>Therese ReFausse</i>
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<i>Betty Mathis</i>	<i>Joyce Williamson</i>
<i>Ed & Betty McQueen</i>	<i>Wanda Zorkan & Harriet Stevens</i>
<i>Max McQueen</i>	

HIGH TEA IS HIGH POINT OF LTH'S 2014-2015 SEASON

LTH's signature event is the Joyce Ridge Memorial High Tea held the first Saturday of March annually. At St. Stephen's Catholic Church on March 7th over 220 high tea lovers gathered to lift their tea cups to LTH, pianist Lynne Haeseler, violinist Daga Suchon and of course, the Tea's much-missed founder, Joyce Ridge. Hats off to co-chairs Melissa Faulkner and Mary Grace Oakes and their veritable army of volunteers for a job well done.



<i>Judith Adams</i>	<i>Angela Duhon</i>	<i>Marcia Herzog</i>	<i>Theresa Paszkiewi</i>	<i>Lori Stevens</i>
<i>Mary Ajamie</i>	<i>Twylla Ehlers</i>	<i>Lisaanne Keller</i>	<i>Chuck & Ginny Pence</i>	<i>Chris & Becky Stingle</i>
<i>Donna Allen</i>	<i>Hannah Evans</i>	<i>Melissa Lockard</i>	<i>Vicki Plaisier</i>	<i>Joanne Tessmer</i>
<i>Carolyn Baker</i>	<i>Karen Evans</i>	<i>John & Deborah Maddox</i>	<i>Linda Plowman</i>	<i>Twylla Thompson</i>
<i>Elaine Baker</i>	<i>Faulkner Family</i>	<i>Sara Malanca</i>	<i>Thomas & Anne Power</i>	<i>Ruth Traylor</i>
<i>Judith Beaudette</i>	<i>Deborah Fike</i>	<i>Jane Martin</i>	<i>Elaine Price</i>	<i>Mary Elizabeth Valdez</i>
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<i>Judith Bowker</i>	<i>Ann Freedle</i>	<i>Ed & Betty McQueen</i>	<i>Pamela Renard</i>	<i>Joyce Waller</i>
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<i>Jennifer Dillon</i>	<i>Ramona Harrison</i>	<i>Jay Parizek</i>	<i>James & Myrna Stephens</i>	

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James McPherson	Given by Char Peterson	Given by Glen Kuehner	Wanda & Chris Zorkan	Given by Ruth Rice
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May 3, 2015 ~ Founders Day-
LTH 50th Anniversary Celebration

August 24th - 28th ~Camp

September 26, 2015 -
LTH Golf Tournament

October 31, 2015 - Phoenix Bird Club
Jack Adams Memorial - Walk-A-Thon

November 14, 2015 - Boutique

UPDATE ON THE "BIG MOVE"

Renovations are done(!) on LTH's new offices and day program at Faith United Methodist, 8640 N. 19th Ave., #14, Phx., 85021. Before we can move, however, we have to be inspected by more regulatory agencies than you(or I) can imagine. We passed the first fire inspection with a green tag, making way for the next inspection. Here's hoping we're in by Memorial Day! Last fall, I estimated moving and renovations costs at \$25,000. Actual cost? \$26,505 (so far). To date, you've generously given \$8,045 toward this momentous move. Wouldn't it be great to raise \$20,000 more so this project can be completely paid for? If you can help, please forward your gift to Lura Turner Homes in the enclosed envelope. Please make "New Location" on the check/envelope. Questions? Please call (602) 943-4789 or e-mail angelicag@luraturnerhomes.org.

God bless you, Max McQueen.