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Meet Tyler and Kristy: Making a Needed Change with Help

Kristy left her small rural community to attend the University. Besides an education, one of her goals was to have fun. Very soon she met Tyler who had a version of what he introduced as FUN. Needless to say one semester of FUN caused them to be out of school. Drinking, then drugs, destroyed their enthusiasm for school. Both got part-time jobs and continued to try their FUN life. Several times Kristy came to Shepherd's Crossing for rental assistance because they were not managing their income well. She remembers she was treated well, but counseled that she would not be able to continue to mismanage her finances as she had been. Then she had a miscarriage.

She and Tyler knew something had to change, but how? They decided to try to talk to the Shepherd's Crossing counselor with whom she had met. The counselor arranged an appointment with Pawnee Mental Health and suggested some rehab programs. The counselor also encouraged both of them to re-establish their relationship with their Christian families for encouragement and support. At the present, they are being successful in separate year-long rehabilitation programs.

Warren Holmes, Director of Client Services

Updates and News from Shepherd's Crossing

From the Executive Director

Beverly Olson

It is with much sadness that I must say "good-bye" and resign from my position at Shepherd's Crossing. It is with mixed emotions that I leave because it has become very near and dear to my heart over the last eight years. But, since my husband passed away over three years ago, our 13-year-old grandson has constantly been asking when 'Grandma' is moving closer to family, so now is the time for me to move to North Carolina to be near him, our son, and other family members.

My association with the multiple organizational leaders in the Manhattan area has been a rewarding experience, to say the least. Our Shepherd's Crossing supportive board members, our generous volunteers donating so much of their time and talents, and our faithful staff, all give so much of themselves to help others in the Manhattan area. Their passion is very evident as they pass along our mission to "provide compassionate and caring assistance to those in need of a listening ear and financial support".

I am still in search of my new job, but I have no doubt that God already has that planned out, too. I look forward to staying in touch with you by long-distance.

—Beverly Olson

From the President

Dave Rogers

Just when you think you're almost all caught up there's a flood! And Shepherd's Crossing is there to assist. While flood relief is not specifically our mission, Beverly, Warren, et al. were ready, willing and able to give needed assistance in this time of emergency need when the flood hit on Labor Day. Shepherd's Crossing was not alone. Our community responded quickly and generously with funds and other volunteer efforts. To everyone who gave in any way, shape or form, thank you! To anyone still in need, please call, come in, or visit any of the many outlets for support that exist in our wonderful city. Together we will recover.

I'd also like to take this chance to share a special thank you to Beverly Olson who is leaving us to be closer to and spend more time with family. Beverly has served as the Executive Director of Shepherd's Crossing for the past eight years and has left a mark on this community and on all of us that have worked with her that we will both treasure and miss.
We love you, Beverly!

—Dave Rogers

Shepherd's Crossing's mission is to provide compassionate and caring assistance to those in need of a listening ear and financial support.

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7th Annual C. Clyde Run and Midge's Mile

When you receive your newsletter, the run will probably be history. Last year, the temperature was 25 degrees at 8 a.m. when folks arrived to register. In spite of the cold, everyone had a great time.

Tatsiana Khvitsko-Trimborn favored us with her presence in spite of the cold. She is C.Clyde's friend from Kansas City who was born without lower legs in her native country, Belarus--a victim of the Chernobyl Nuclear Disaster of April, 1986. She runs on steel prosthetic legs and competes in numerous running events and marathons. She will attend this year's run with her husband, John. Tatsiana is expecting their first child later this year.

Sarah Mayerle, a K-State senior in marketing, headed up the invaluable work of the Business Ambassadors. These are students in the College of Business Administration who do an amazing job of representing the College in all kinds of events. If you have never been inside the new building, treat yourself to a tour. One of the students would be thrilled to show you this outstanding facility. We worked very hard to attract members of sororities and fraternities and offer a traveling trophy to the houses with the most participants. Last year, Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority and Delta Upsilon fraternity took home the plaques. First United Methodist Church has won the church trophy each year. This year's winners can be found on our Facebook page. Plan now to participate in the 8th Annual Run in 2019 and consider becoming a sponsor. Join the long list of local businesses and individuals who make a tax deductible gift to Shepherd's Crossing. As a sponsor, your company's name and logo will appear on all printed materials. A deep purple shirt for participants and lime green for volunteers was offered this year.

A Huge THANKS for everything you have done!

Tribute to Beverly Olson

In July 2010, Beverly Olson became our Executive Director. She will leave that position on November 15. She has poured her heart and soul into representing Shepherd's Crossing with a passion which will leave a lasting heritage in our community for years to come. Her work with clients and volunteers exemplifies her commitment to carrying out our motto: A place of faith, hope and love. Beverly will move to North Carolina to be near her son and grandson. On behalf of our board, our volunteers, our clients and our donors, we wish you a successful transition into the next phase of your life's journey.

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