

## Volunteer Spotlight

### Mary Ham

UNIVERSITY HILLS

Mary Ham has been steadfastly volunteering at University Hills for over thirty years. In fact, she was busy washing windows and making beds even before the doors were open to welcome our first residents! She is quick to point out that she is indebted to her Dutch ancestry and it's Christian values. That spirit of dedication, commitment and selfless generosity has never wavered.

Residents and visitors of the Nursing Home are treated to Mary's beautiful voice and piano accompaniment every Wednesday morning at the weekly Bible Study Class. In addition, Mary also volunteers monthly at the Sunday morning Worship Service, as well as providing special musical highlights for holidays.

In 1995, Mary was the driving force behind the origination of the Windmill Boutique, a shopping destination extraordinaire. She manages the shop, with the assistance of several wonderful volunteers, and devotes endless hours in the pursuit of items that will be the ideal choice for her customers. Mary's beautifully arranged flower arrangements are another sought after item.

It's important to mention that Mary is sustained by the tireless support and encouragement of her husband, Rod. They have instilled the love of volunteering in their sons, Hank and Greg. Mary and Rod will be celebrating 52 years of marriage this summer. She and Rod were honored in 1999 as the CLC Earthen Vessel Award recipients. In 2006, Mary was named as a Channel 7 Everyday Hero. Currently, Mary is serving as the University Hills Volunteer Advisory Committee Chairperson.

Mary truly models the following scripture passage and we celebrate her faithful service to Christian Living Communities, a place for her to both give and receive God's blessings. *Give, and it will be given to you...for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.*  
-Luke 6:38

