

Tabor Talk

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Our Mission

To help strengthen the Lancaster County community by giving people the tools and inspiration to meet their housing and financial challenges and by revitalizing our surroundings.









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A Calling to Help Others

It is natural to reflect as well as celebrate on the occasion of Tabor's 50th anniversary; 50 years is a long time by any standard. In my time here, I have read and often thought about our history because I believed understanding it and the things that have made Tabor's development and success possible over the years would help reveal clues that could be ingredients for its future success.

Among the many factors that have contributed to Tabor's success – its mission, our staff and their approach to helping people, the support of so many individuals, businesses, churches, foundations and government agencies – I have come to believe the sense of calling

to help others who are struggling that our founders had, and which lives on today in the organization, has been perhaps the most fundamental. Whether what calls us to serve is rooted in our religious faith or moral convictions, having a calling to something bigger than ourselves and our self-interests gives us motivation, guidance, commitment and persistence. The calling Tabor followed in 1968, and which it still has in 2018, has in many ways been our heart and soul. It has sustained us through thick and thin, and I don't think we would be where are

-Bob Thomas, President

today without it.

The Road to Home

Shanea is a single mother of two children: a 6-year-old daughter and a 2-year-old son. They lived with her aunt, but in October 2017 she was shocked to find an eviction notice on the front door. Without any warning, her aunt had already left. Shanea had to leave and find a place to live.

With no one in her family able to help her, Shanea paid her babysitter to keep the children during the day and sleep in her home at night. However, Shanea could not stay there. At this time she had a job working nights with dementia patients, and there were nights during which she could sleep at work. During the day she was able to spend time with her children. When she wasn't working, she was on the streets at night. As long as her children were warm with a place to sleep, Shanea persevered.

One day Shanea noticed a sign on the door of a Turkey Hill store "NEED HELP? ... Call 2-1-1." She called, and after explaining her situation, she was told that someone would be in touch with her. Shortly thereafter, Shanea received

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The Road to Home continued

a call from Gladys, a caseworker with the CHART program (Community Homeless Assessment and Referral Team), which Tabor operates for the Lancaster County Coalition to End Homelessness. CHART provides standardized assessments and referrals for people experiencing homelessness.

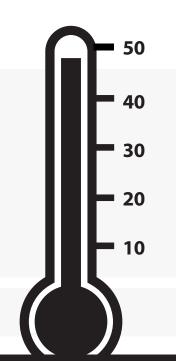
After her assessment with CHART, she was referred to Sonya, a case worker with Tabor's Shelter to Independent Living (STIL) program. STIL helps families experiencing homelessness find and maintain permanent housing

and move toward self-sufficiency through counseling, education and goal-setting focused on housing stability. As part of this process, Laura, a housing location specialist from Tabor's CHS (Community Housing Solutions) program, began helping Shanea search for a home; and not too long after, she signed the lease for her own place.

Shanea is emotional when sharing her story, but says, "I want to let others know how much Tabor has helped me and how much I appreciate the donors who contribute to Tabor. I don't know where I'd be or what I'd be doing

With Tabor's help, Shanea has made many changes. She now works full-time at Walmart and is excited about the possibility of growth in the company. She is presently in the process of getting her driver's license and plans to purchase a car. She is stronger, independent and has faith in herself. She knows where to go for help when needed and is grateful to Tabor for its role in helping her move from homelessness to providing a safe, warm home for herself and her children.

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ENSURING TABOR'S FUTURE

We are currently celebrating Tabor's 50 years of service to Lancaster County through our 50 for 50 Campaign: Ensuring Tabor's Future. We are closing in on our goal of securing commitments from 50 of our supporters to include legacy gifts for Tabor in their estate plans.

As you continue to invest in Tabor and see the impact that it makes in countless lives, please consider making arrangements for a planned gift to ensure that Tabor's mission will continue long into the future.

For more information, please contact Phyllis at **717.358.9383** or at **PStacks@tabornet.org**.









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Cut out this card, and every time you present it at both Park City Diner & Knight & Day Diner, 10% of your bill will be donated to Tabor.

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We hope you will be able to join us next year as we celebrate Tabor's 51st year of service to the Lancaster County community!

Thursday, May 16, 2019

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Mark Your Calendars: Friday, November 16

More information will follow on Facebook and in our next newsletter





Thank you to all our friends who attended, sponsored and contributed to Tabor's Annual Banquet

CLIENTS RECOGNIZED FOR THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Gina Baum Financial Counseling Client of the Year

Melonia Bond Homebuyer Client of the Year

Mandy Caine & Jafar Ardi Housing Counseling Clients of the Year

OTHERS RECOGNIZED:

Joy Haas Landlord of the Year Tabor Development Volunteers Volunteers of the Year

Staff members recognized:

30 Years of Service *Gladys Delgado*

20 Years of Service *Kristine Forry*

10 Years of Service *Erika Flood Maria Gonzalez*

5 Years of Service Esther Charles Tiffany Silveira



AM VIDEO The banquet videos were provided by **aideM Media Solutions.** Please check out their work at aidemsolutions.com.



Dutchland Rollers and Tabor's own faithful group of volunteers helped with banquet activities throughout the evening.



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