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State Organization Honors Sunnyside Village Chaplain *Receives LeadingAge Florida's Caregiver of the Year Award*

SARASOTA, FL., July 18, 2015—LeadingAge Florida, an organization that works primarily for not-for-profit senior housing members, recognized Jarvis Hochstedler, Chaplain of Sunnyside Village with its Caregiver/Employee of the Year Award. The award was presented at LeadingAge Florida's annual state convention earlier this month in Orlando.

Diane Marcello, outgoing Chair of LeadingAge Florida and also Administrator of Sunnyside Health and Rehabilitation Center, spearheaded a nomination submission in April for Chaplain Hochstedler. During her extensive tenure at Sunnyside Health and Rehabilitation Center and her advocacy work around the state, Marcello has frequently observed the type of work and level of commitment it takes for someone to qualify for the status of Caregiver of the Year. Marcello described Chaplain Hochstedler as humble and someone who gives and works selflessly for the benefit of the Sunnyside resident, across all levels of senior living care.

“Chaplain Hochstedler works many hours beyond a normal work week, but never complains; has a smile for everyone, and his door is always open to residents and staff. Caring for others is in every fiber of his being,” said Diane Marcello. “I can never remember a time when he didn't make time to help someone in need. He visits residents in the hospital, counsels residents and their families, provides support and ministry for residents and staff, leads weekly worship and so much more.”

Chaplain Hochstedler serves approximately 375 residents living at Sunnyside Village. Prior to ministering at Sunnyside Village he held pastorates in Nebraska and Indiana and is a graduate of Life Pacific College.

LeadingAge Florida bestows several awards annually to deserving individuals from member organizations across the state. The awards program, done through a nominating process, is designed to recognize residents, employees, volunteers, programs, best practices and initiatives. The Caregiver/Employee of the Year Award is given to individuals who demonstrate extraordinary dedication, customer service, outstanding performance and commitment to enhance quality of life for residents in a LeadingAge member community.

About Sunnyside Village

Since 1968, Sunnyside Village has provided housing and health care for persons 55 or older through facilities, services and programs in a Christian environment. Sunnyside Village offers independent living, assisted living, and skilled nursing and therapy services. Visit www.sunnysidevillage.org

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