



Norm and Marietta Mawby's giving philosophy is akin to the words of Desmond Tutu, "Do your little bit of good where you are; it's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world."

The Mawby's days are filled with much good: family, friends, and a generous commitment to community.

Marietta grew up in a large family in Coatesville and attended Bishop Shanahan High School. After graduating from University of Michigan with a Master's degree in Social Work in 1977, Marietta Lamb Mawby excelled her career in social work with the Chester County Department of Children and Youth. Ten years later, she went on to serve in the Domestic Relations Office. During that time, she served on the board of the Chester County Domestic Violence Center. In 1998, Marietta was selected to head the Juvenile Probation Office.

Norm graduated from Penn State with a B.A. in Arts and Letters and earned a Masters of Governmental Administration degree from the Fels Institute, Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania in 1965. Following his service in the U.S. Army and as an English and History teacher in Sun Valley High School, Norm worked first for the Delaware County Planning Commission and then the Chester County Development Council. He then served as township manager of Tredyffrin Township for over 20 years.

Upon his "retirement" in 1987, Norm became the chairman of the Mawby Project Group, offering assistance in the fields of education, government affairs, development, finance, real estate, recreation and the arts. Norm has also published several baseball books, a personal passion of his. "Part of the Parade" is a profile of people who work at Citizens Bank Park and "Balls, Bats and More" is an inside look at baseball essentials. Norm also served on several boards including Woodlynde School, White Horse Village and West Chester University.

When it was time for Norm's 80th birthday, a celebration took place at Citizens Bank Park with the Philly Phanatic. His 200 closest friends pitched in donations to seed the Believe, Play and Have Fun Foundation at the Chester County Community Foundation.

Believe, Play and Have Fun Foundation has made grants to Riddle Hospital for a training programs for physical therapists to treat Parkinson's disease, and to the Rabbit Run which is a fundraiser for the Shake It Off Foundation which advocates high intensity exercise for those with Parkinson's disease.

Believe, Play and Have Fund Foundation has also granted to Penn State Brandywine, West Chester University, and Penn Medicine's Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorder Center. Prior grants were awarded to the University of Pennsylvania's Fels Institute of Government for its programs to prepare students for roles as public leaders and managers.

Throughout both Norm and Marietta's careers, they have been problem solvers. Marietta notes, "If we see problems or they are brought to our attention, we offer solutions." Norm chimes in, "And we've learned that it's not all about you. It is about the work you do, and the people you work with."

