Philanthropy at the Phil: Meet the Main Family



Edgar and Pauline met in Beverly, Massachusetts: he was a pharmacist and she was working the ice cream counter. They were married for over 50 years. Edgar & Polly bought a pharmacy in Millis where they both worked for 40 years. When they retired, they bought a house in Plymouth which they loved. After Edgar passed Pauline enjoyed many concerts at *the Phil*. She encouraged her son-in-law Paul Blanchard to join the board of directors for *the Phil*. Paul served for 14 years, as president for 3 of them. As Pauline aged, she struggled to decide how to use the money they had earned. She wanted it to benefit the family, church, *the Phil* and other worthy organizations. With the help of financial experts, the Main Family Foundation was formed.

You cannot imagine the wonderful joy we have in carrying on as Trustees of the Foundation. To see the money fund such things as the Family Concert, accessible improvements at the Plantation, Pilgrim Hall, The Plymouth Center for the Arts and support the food pantry at the church. This gives the family so much joy. I would encourage anyone to ask about creating a foundation or other bequeaths that help fund many non-profit groups that your family believes in supporting. It is truly a very personalized way to support your community for years to come.

~Petie (Main) & Paul Blanchard & Nicole Blanchard Benaksas, Trustees of the Edgar and Pauline Main Foundation