



GIVE THE GIFT OF MOBILITY, DIGNITY, AND OPPORTUNITY

MAKER OF THE MOBILITY CART SINCE 1994.

PACKED, MOVED, UNPACKED, ORGANIZING AND PRODUCING

IN JULY, WE MOVED THE SHOP TRUCKLOAD BY TRUCKLOAD. WHEW!

Dozens of volunteers worked as teams on each end of the move to load and unload multiple semis. Dell Epperson, board Trustee & building committee, led the team at the old shop on Heriford Rd. The old building was left bare.

Dennis Canote, board Trustee & building committee, led the team at the new shop on E Meyer Industrial Drive. It was hot and tiring work in July. Unloading boxes and organizing ensued over many days and weeks. The office and conference rooms of the new site was the last to be completed and have furniture to move into. So the office move happened separately. The shop is in Mobility Cart production, but the office is still in process.

At the end of July, Jim Wall, board Trustee, and Mel West, our founder, did the first ceremonial first cart build.

These are some excerpts of emails Gary sent to volunteers to give you a feel of recent activity.

July 29 Yes we are building carts again. I hope to see my assembly teams soon.... AND WE ALL WEAR MASKS.

August 4 We are building 15-25 carts a week - all three styles. Right now to keep social distancing practiced as much as possible we are packing twice a week. So today we boxed 12 and again on Thursday we will box whatever we make in 3 days of working.... New volunteers toured today so the word is out, we still are a great place to work.



New building in operation.

Location: 4825 E Meyer Industrial Dr, Columbia MO



Heriford warehouse cleared out.



Jim Wall & Mel West build ceremonial 1st cart.

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ORGANIZING AND PRODUCING (Continued)



Mel test drives cart in the Assembly Room.

August 8 Instructor Harold Bossaller has the welding room ready for training as you can see in the attached photos. There has been several volunteers wanting to learn how to weld and he is ready next week to train those.... I am shipping all pull carts to Hospital Sisters Mission in Springfield, IL....

I have requested a container to load out in the next couple of weeks to Kenya. That will lower the inventory significantly before we get the influx of 58 carts from the Craft Beer and Carts (Rotaract Club fundraiser). So after August 30 in addition to any carts built, we will have 58 carts to break down and box during September. That will quickly fill another container for Kenya.



First ever in house welding shop.

August 13 Today on Thursday we boxed up 22 carts, good representation of all 3 styles.... The warehouse is storing all the supplies at about max acquisition. We just got 6 months of tires and one year of L brackets from Hubbell Power Systems. So we can store it all well with some empty spaces.

August 24 Last week our Board suggested in an air of safety and healthiness to cancel this year's Aug 30 Craft Beer and Carts as well as the Open House on September 17....

Regarding the Open House: Instead watch for the Facebook Live Tour and Interviews conducted that day around the shop. You will get a tour hosted by Monica Pitts and MayeCreate Design.

Thursday, September 17 @ Noon

<https://www.facebook.com/giftofmobility/events>

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Your donations paid for 744 mounted tires for \$13,646. THANK YOU

In closing, this has been an amazing year between construction, packing & moving, and working with extra safety during the coronavirus. We want to again thank the two major benefactor families who made the land purchase and building possible. THANK YOU to the Wall Family and the Sauer Family. And thanks to all of you that have supported us over the years in various ways that led us to this moment after 26 years. It's a new chapter. We look forward to increasing production and shipping more Mobility Carts to those persons with leg handicaps around the world.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND STAFF

“WHEN YOU DO GOOD THINGS, AND DO THEM WELL, AND LET PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT IT, GOOD PEOPLE WANT TO HELP.”

MEL WEST

GIFTS GIVEN LAST QUARTER:

We appreciate all the donors and families who have chosen Mobility Worldwide to honor or remember someone. Your gifts will be put to good use building and shipping mobility to others in need.

GIFTS GIVEN IN MEMORY:

- William Appelgate by Mary Tibbs
- James Edward Ballenger by Ray & Linda McKenzie
- Bob Battern by Doris Battern
- William Boyd by Rachel Lee
- Irene Dugger and Lorraine Hilgedick by Ellen Dugger
- Peggy Jean Endley by V. Paul & Kim Ratcliffe
- Howard Fox by Shirley Ryan
- Ichiro by Sandy Matsuda
- Herschel Lichtenberby by Tom & Patty Derks by First United Methodist Presbyterian Church
- John Maynard by James Powell, Johnny & Jetta McMinn, Barbara & Larry Petty
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- Randy Meuir by Alma Meuir
- Janet Newberg by Linda Watkins



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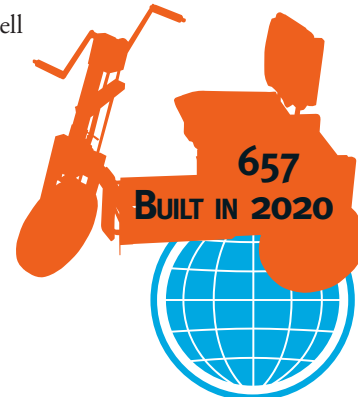
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- Bob Ragland by Teddy Arthur
- Charles Roberts by Dorothy Watson
- Carol & Dale Sechler by Stephen Dolan & Lisa Sechler
- Melchior (Mel) Wagner, Jr. by Anne Wagner, Ronald & Barbara Ridenhour, Martha & Paul Metzler
- Paul and Robin Remington Wallace by PET Mobility Project Foundation, Inc.
- Walt and Norma Wilkening by Harold & Patsy Garner
- Lucy Zahler by Joe & Pat Powell



GIFTS GIVEN IN HONOR:

- Pastor Woody Berry by Berry & Jo Azdell
- Dick Curry by Rebecca Curry
- Dad, Larry, and Dick by Barbara Wolf
- Harold Enslin by Donald Hatfield
- Bill Gortmaker's welding by Mark Wegener
- Kathy & Andy Maynard by Kathy Perks
- Jeff Moran by Courtney Moran
- David Pittman by Paul Pevsner
- Shirlee Poore by Karla Poore-Malaney
- Betty Purkey by Betty Letzig
- MaKenzie, Lonnie, Nathaniel, and Ezekial Rogers by Barb & Gene DeKruif
- George Tatum by Minna Appleby
- June Vickery by Elsie Heller
- Jim Weisbrook by Chris Weisbrook
- Mel West by Stan Grebing, Roberto & Lilliam Perez, Gene & Dana Harris, Diana & Preston Chapel
- The West Family by Martin West
- Mel & Barbara West 75th anniversary by Harrold & Nancy Ankeney, Elizabeth Cannon, Alaine Jones, Rich & Carol Oliver, Robert & Carol Cannon

CALL TO ALL MO STATEWORKERS:

Our mobility mission is an approved charity for the MSEC (MO State Employees Charitable Campaign). Employees or retirees can pick charities and give thru their paychecks or pension checks. Mobility Worldwide MO – Columbia has been a part of the fall campaign since 2008; our number is 9009. 2019 fall pledges are sponsoring 9 carts this year. **Please help us spread the word to your friends and families that work for the state of MO and ask them give mobility thru MSEC 9009.**

ONE DAMNED GOOD HORSE

STORIES, WIT, AND WISDOM



By Mel West

Our founder's book of stories is still available for \$20 with all proceeds going to build & ship more carts. Or mail your check for \$25 with postage and note 'Mel's book' in the memo line.

VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHT

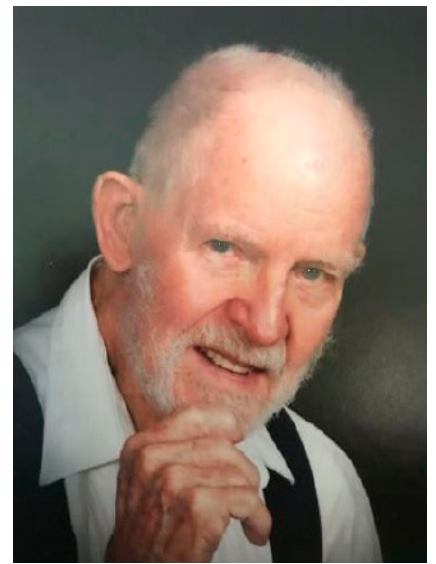
LARRY HILLS

We want to pay tribute to all our volunteers over our 26 years of mission. They have been a dedicated team. Occasionally we are saddened as one passes. We put their name, city and state on a memorial plaque in our building.

Larry Hills recently passed. He was the missionary in Africa that asked our founder, Mel West, for 'one' more thing back in 1994. That became the Mobility Cart to which over 85,000 have been produced worldwide so far - over 26,000 in Columbia alone.

Bob Battern worked assembling carts, making parts, and finally assembled shelving units. He was awarded the 10 year volunteer plaque in April 2018. Soon after that he moved to IA. He passed this year and his son sent this message to our Executive Director:

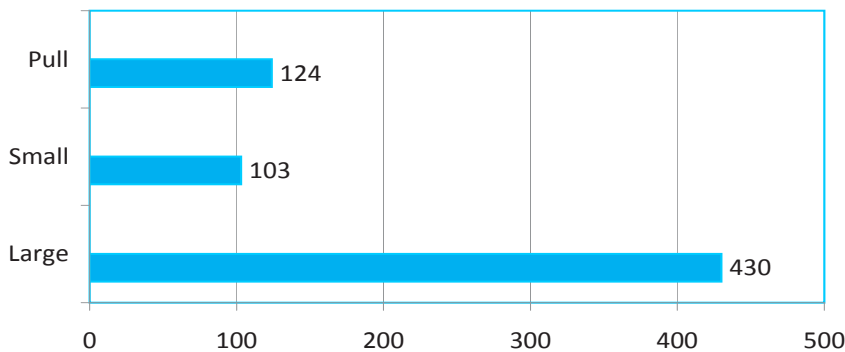
"Gary, I wanted to share with you my dad's passing. He had been battling cancer for about a year. Mobility Worldwide MO – Columbia was such a big part of dad's life during his years in Columbia. He always took a great deal of pride in what you were accomplishing. Please share this with dad's friends there, he really missed them the past couple of years and often talked about wanting to come back to Columbia to see them. Grace and Peace, John Battern"



“NO ONE EVER MADE A GREATER MISTAKE THAN HE WHO DID NOTHING BECAUSE HE COULD ONLY DO A LITTLE.”

EDMUND BURKE

August 17, 2020 YTD Cart Production = 657



MOBILITY CART DONATION SLIP

Yes! I want to give the GIFT OF MOBILITY to a person whose legs do not function.

My check is enclosed for:

\$ _____ for _____ carts at \$300.00 each.

\$ _____ for _____ carts sent to Kenya at \$55 each for extra shipping expense.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____

Organization, if any: _____

Make check payable to **Mobility Worldwide MO-Columbia** and mail to:
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Columbia, MO 65201-8296



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PHILANTHROPY AWARD



Mel and Barbara West - December 2018

Mel & Barbara were awarded the 2019 Outstanding Spirit of Philanthropy Award last fall by the AFP, Central MO Chapter. They were nominated by The Community Foundation of Central MO.

WHAT IS NATIONAL PHILANTHROPY DAY?

It is a special day set aside on the fifteenth of November. In 1986 President Reagan signed the official NPD proclamation. NPD celebrates the endless daily contributions individuals and organizations across the world make to countless causes and missions.

Match highlight:

Mid-Summer \$20,000 Match Offer!

We are blessed again to have an opportunity to have your gift doubled up to \$20,000 this summer. 67 Mobility Carts could magically become 134 carts with your gifts. Our production shop is set up at the new location and in full swing with your help.



REMEMBERING OUR PROMISES

(Located on our website under "About")

We promise to never sell or share our donor list. All your information will be strictly confidential.

Your new shop building is located at:

4825 E Meyer Industrial Dr
Columbia, MO 65201-8296

"IF YOU WANT TO MAKE OTHERS HAPPY, PRACTICE COMPASSION. IF YOU WANT TO BE HAPPY, PRACTICE COMPASSION"

DALAI LAMA

Our mission: Mobility Worldwide MO – Columbia’s mission is to provide appropriate mobility for all of God’s children in need. We seek to provide mobility first for those in greatest need and with the least resources in poor or underdeveloped countries.

83 YEAR OLD FRANCISCO GETS HELP

GOOD AFTERNOON, ALL.

Attached are pictures of Francisco. He’s 83 years old and has been struggling with his mobility due to severe arthritis. Francisco recently came to our office in Ciudad Sandino and was supplied with a Mobility Cart, which he is thrilled to have. He said it was a miracle to find this new transportation and he is very happy and thankful for the support.

Thanks for all you do to make the world a better place.

Megan Herrera

Executive Director
Rainbow Network

(headquartered in MO and operates in Nicaragua)



Severe arthritis was causing difficulties.