

# Legacy Society

Mike and Colleen Carlson are lifetime residents of Monroe who follow a family tradition of service. Mike's father, Nels Carlson, was owner of Carlson and Son's Lumber and Trucking and respected for his community spirit. When a non-profit organization needed equipment, Nels was there to provide it. He was among the charter members of the ECSC and like Mike served on the board of Directors. Colleen's father was Jes Weaver and is remembered fondly as owner of the Union 76 Gas Station back in the 50s. Like their parents, Colleen and Mike are well known in the Skykomish Valley for their generosity and commitment to making our community a better place to live.

Mike and Colleen are longstanding active members of the East County Senior Center donating both time and resources. After serving on the ECSC's Board of Directors for many years Mike resigned at the end of December 2008. He served as President of the board three terms, chaired our annual auction many times and held other committee chairmanships. Mike was an effective, enthusiastic, and inspirational leader.

The Carlsons will continue to support the center as volunteers, but they opted to do more. To ensure that the center will continue to provide its valuable services in the future, they decided to donate to the ECSC's Legacy Fund by including a charitable bequest in their will.

If you, like Colleen and Mike, believe that the ECSC needs to be an integral part of Sky Valley's future and wish to make a gift to the Legacy Fund, please contact Marc Avni. We would love to feature you and your story as a contributor, in an upcoming issue. Melinda Grout, a member of the board of Directors and an attorney who specializes in Estate Planning, will be available to help make the changes to your will free of charge.