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Meet Resident Elin Gratton

Elin Gratton was born right here in North Tacoma and lived in the same house all her live until she moved to FTJ in 2011! She's a graduate of both Stadium High School and the University of Puget Sound, and worked at the University of Puget Sound in the library for 42 years where she was dearly loved and respected by everyone. Because reading is her passion, her job at the University was a perfect fit.

Elin takes great joy in serving her community. While at UPS she served on several committees. In fact, she earned the Staff Inspiration award because of her extraordinary involvement. Elin was also very involved in hospital ministries and was the co-founder of Three Cedars, a home for those with AIDS. She volunteered at the Hilltop Community Daycare Center, was a nursing home volunteer, and volunteered her services at Nativity House, AIDS Walk and the Hunger Walk. She also volunteered for the Mental Health Chaplaincy and has been involved in church Bible studies most of her life.

Elin now enjoys volunteering at FTJ in "The Rez" store, visiting with our Health Care residents, serving on the Residents Council and on several committees, and still finds time to tutor at the Point Defiance Elementary School. Elin is an active volunteer with a caregiver's heart! She enjoys singing and has been a member of Christ Church Choir since 1983.

Elin delights in travel and in having new adventures. She has visited several places in Washington State and stands in awe of the wealth of natural beauty here. Other memorable travel experiences include New York City, Boston, Washington D.C., Vancouver and Victoria, British Columbia, the Grand Canyon, New Mexico, and a trip down the Pacific Coast to Northern California. Now she enjoys watching travelogues in the Lillian Pratt parlor.

Elin loves everyone! "One of my favorite things about living at FTJ is that the moment I leave my apartment, I can be involved with people and activities all over campus all day long!" Elin believes in peace and harmony in the world where everyone has the opportunity to fulfill their life dreams to benefit of our world.



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