

PEM Board Report – September 2016
Vicki Deady, Advent House Development Coordinator

1. The 2016 Reformatted Advent House Garage Sale went very well. We are incredibly grateful to Father Peter Clifford, Shannon Wolf, and staff as well as the entire parish of St. John of Rochester who so graciously opened their doors to us so we could have our sale indoors (with NO TENTS!) Thank you as well to Becky Orsini, PEM Rep for St. John of Rochester, for going “to bat” for us and making this wonderful venue available. We were able to use their gym & approximately half of their classrooms to conduct the sale. We are so grateful for the support from all of the churches and especially for the use of their tables. Dan Juers offered the Opening Day blessing. Dan Juers, along with Lisa Rosenbauer, and a Bible Study group from Bethlehem Lutheran Church were the driving force behind the idea of a Fairport comfort care home back in 1987. His blessing was especially appropriate as Advent House celebrates our 25th anniversary of providing hospice care in our community.
2. Goodwill, Salvation Army, Sunnking (electronics) and 15 other charities came at the end of the sale and consequently hardly any leftover items went into the dumpster (very exciting!) This garage sale is a herculean project with the most wonderful volunteers. I especially want to mention the work of Ralph Vallone, Bruce & Meg Sarnoff, Mike Deady, Jim Flanigan, Gary Kelpin, Morey Rasbeck, Dave Hebert and Al Ormiston along with the wonderful sports teams at FHS (Boys Volleyball, Football, Cross Country, Basketball and Girls Volleyball, Cross Country and Swim teams, the McQuaid Volleyball team and the Victor Varsity and JV Soccer teams, Dave Dupont, Ken Zabloutny and volunteers from the Mormon church who help with clean up).
3. We are anticipating another fine showing at the 2016 Advent House Golf Tournament. We currently have 130 golfers registered (with expectations for at least 12 more) and are happy to announce the Family of Angelo Crecco as our Cart Sponsor and George T. Wolf, Attorney as our Prize Sponsor. We are so grateful for their support as well as the support of our Birdie Sponsors, Raymond Wager, Liftbridge Financial Advisors, SEI Design Group, and Herrick – Saylor Engineering. Golfers will enjoy 18 holes at Victor Hills Golf Club, lunch from the grill throughout the day and a delicious steak dinner that evening. Terrific raffle items including Sonos Wireless speakers, a Garmin Approach S4 GPS Watch, a \$100 Palmers gift card, Buffalo Bills tickets, a foursome at Irondequoit Golf Club and Midvale Country Club, a \$250 Raymour & Flanigan gift card, and much, more more!
4. In June 2016, Advent House received a \$1,000 grant from the Masonic Service Bureau (Bereavement expenses). The Grant to the Greater Rochester Health Foundation for startup expenses for the store was denied. We received a Thrivent grant for \$250 to cover the truck costs for the Garage Sale.
5. We anticipate a large scale Annual Appeal letter to go out in mid-November to celebrate our 25th anniversary.

Respectfully submitted,
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