

Advent House Report for PEM September 12, 2022

Advent House: We have welcomed fifteen residents since March. It has been a very busy and challenging time. The House has been closed to Residents as we do our annual deep cleaning and maintenance. We were planning to welcome someone this week but two of my staff have COVID and the other has a GI virus. So we will welcome a lovely lady on Monday!!

House Maintenance: Most of the fall cleaning has been accomplished. Many thanks to Stefanie Bond and Colleen Smith for doing all of the house cleaning from top to bottom saving us a very large bill from the Merry Maids. The only project left is to figure out why we are getting water stains on the downstairs carpets after a heavy rain. Mike Mathew and Dave Voight investigating this. Our hospital beds and mattresses are very outdated and barely functional. We are in the process of investigating options and have contacted other homes to see what they are using. This will be an approximately \$10,000 expense.

Staff: We remain without a Fundraiser and a weekend nurse. Has been an incredibly frustrating and discouraging job search. Several interviews, several very interested and then absolutely no correspondence. Am reworking the job descriptions once again and hope to get into the churches early next week.

Finance Committee: Continues to meet on a regular basis doing an incredible job of overseeing our financial status. No small task. I am so very grateful to these dedicated professionals who donate their time and talent so generously. We are facing many challenges financially.

Sweet Charity: Our lease has been renewed for the next five years. We remain blessedly busy and grateful for the financial stability this shop provides for the House.

Volunteers: See Laurie's report. She has done a great job getting the new volunteers oriented, scheduled and appropriately computerized! Despite all of these changes the schedule remains with many open possibilities every Saturday and Sunday. Please continue to encourage folks to volunteer.

Our condolences to the family and friends of Warren Knapp. He will be greatly missed.

Thank you for your faithfulness to this Home. I am most grateful for your support.

Peace,

Glenda Hastings, Director