

Advent House Report for PEM September 12, 2016

Residents:

Many referrals have been received and reviewed; families met with; we are excited to welcome two Residents this week.

Staff: Working hard.

Finance Committe

Continued efforts to enhance fundraisers and grant opportunities

Advent House thrift type shop committee, consisting of Glenda Hastings, Laurie Eisele, Katie Eppolito, Dan Juers, George Havens and Sheila Tulloch will be resuming meeting now that Mega Sale is over. Many hours and much research have resulted in locating possible sites for the shop, a developing business plan and a proposed budget. Based on the success of similar ventures in Perinton we are hopeful that we could have the same success without competing with the other shops. This is the last year we are doing the Mega Sale and will do a furniture only sale in the August timeframe starting in 2017.

Fundraising: See Vicki Deady's report

Super Sale: St. John of Rochester graciously invited us back in 2016. The dates of the sale were August 19th and 20th and thankfully it was very successful. This requires an enormous effort by all staff and many long days and evenings. A very big thank you to Vicki, Laurie and Jeanne for all the extra time they dedicated to this undertaking.

House Maintenance: We have been very busy here at the House. From spraying for poison ivy, replacing fence posts, deck stairs, deck staining, driveway tarring, window washing and thorough house cleaning from top to bottom we are ready to reopen!! A special thanks to Sam Gange of Quick Dry Carpet Care for donating the cleaning of all the carpets throughout the House in honor of his friend John who was our Resident. This is a big, usually expensive job and a very generous gift. We encourage you to use his services if you have a need for carpet cleaning. His number is 585-202-3965. Also, many thanks to Mike Healy for stripping and waxing the kitchen floor. Looks like new once again. We still have a need for professional landscaping; our bushes and some of our gardens are getting quite overgrown; if you know of anyone who would be willing to donate or give us a reduced cost that would be wonderful. We are also pursuing installing two new raised toilets in the Resident suites and replacing the televisions.

Volunteers:

See Laurie's report. Our volunteers remain our greatest asset and greatest need. We have a need for someone to assume the lead with overseeing the outside maintenance and yard care. (willing to give guidance to volunteers, day of caring groups etc.)

Peace,
Glenda Hastings, Director