PEM Board Report – September 2015 Vicki Deady, Advent House Development Coordinator

- 1. The 2015 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.
- 2. Throughout the summer at Advent House, we collected items that would go directly to the barn from our garage (items such as furniture, sporting goods, electronics, gardening, tools, pets supplies). We did receive the other items as well so there was a setup in the basement but we found that the ladies only came in every 1-2 weeks so it was much calmer. Our goal to create a quieter environment for the Advent House during the summer was met. We did collect all items for 6 days prior to the sale at the site and will re-visit the timing of how we do that for next year. We are so grateful for the support from all of the churches and especially for the use of their tables.
- 3. 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, Wayne & Phyllis Bowerman, Jan Masiaszek, Elaine Flint, Kathleen Fithen, Mike Deady, Jim Flanigan, 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 wonderful young men of the Varsity and JV Soccer teams from Victor who help with clean up). Freshmen teams from University of Rochester, SUNY Brockport & Nazareth assisted as part of their orientation.
- 4. We are anticipating another fine showing at the 2015 Advent House Golf Tournament. We currently have 139 golfers registered 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, Herrick Saylor Engineering and Zeller Corporation. 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 Bushnell Rangefinder binoculars, a Garmin Approach S3 GPS Watch, a \$100 Palmers gift card, Buffalo Bills tickets, a foursome at Irondequoit Golf Club, a \$200 Raymour & Flanigan gift card, and much, more more!
- 5. In June 2015, Advent House received a \$500 from Fairport Rotary for our LED Bulb Replacement project, \$3,000 gift from the Friends of Fairport and a \$800 grant from the Masonic Service Bureau (Bereavement expenses).

Respectfully submitted, Vicki Deady, Advent House Development Coordinator