

Advent House ANNUAL REPORT 2010-2011

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In January of 1991, Advent House opened our doors to welcome our first Resident at 249 Moseley Road. Since then, 365 Residents and their families have blessed us with their stay at our home now located at 1010 Moseley Road. We dedicated our "new home" in December of 1994 and welcomed our first Resident here in January of 1995. It has been an amazing twenty years ~ the generosity and dedication of our precious volunteers, churches and our community has made it a privilege to be part of this wonderful ministry to the dying.

Advent House is an outreach ministry of Perinton Ecumenical Ministries, Inc., a corporation of thirteen churches in Perinton. We are a non-profit comfort care home that provides an alternative living arrangement for the dying when they can no longer be cared for in their own homes. Loving care is not only provided to them, but to their families and friends as well. We also make available bereavement services to the families of our Residents for at least 13 months after their loved one has died.

There are no fees to our Residents and we receive no insurance reimbursement of any kind. While volunteers are indeed "the Heart of the Home", we could not function without the support

of our community through donations of materials, finances, time, prayers and participation in and support of our fundraisers. We are always accessible to our community as a resource for information or support and welcome your calls or visits.

We consider all of you angels and we take this opportunity to thank you for your past and continuing support. Without you, we cannot function. Whenever we put a call out for assistance, you have risen to the challenge and met our needs. There are no words equal to the depth of our gratitude and the gratitude of those whom we serve.

In a world filled with uncertainty Advent House provides a safe, peace and love filled haven to those in need of our care. Thank you for allowing us to continue this life-affirming ministry to the dying. In the words of one of our families: "We were blessed to receive such support and caring for our Mom. We are deeply grateful for the living presence that is Advent House."

Peace,
Glenda Hastings, Director

A Message from The PEM Board President

As the current president of Perinton Ecumenical Ministries (PEM), I am responsible for working with the PEM Board of Directors to provide oversight to The Advent House. In the dictionary, oversight is defined as “watchful and responsible care”. These four words certainly describe the work of the staff and volunteers at Advent House, as they watch over resident patients. These dedicated people also make my job of oversight very easy, because of their hard work and caring souls.

The Advent House has been providing watchful and responsible care for 20 years. Let’s hope and pray that this ministry will keep going for another 20 years and more. At a time in someone’s life that can typically be very stressful, the Advent House staff and volunteers provide a peaceful and loving environment, where residents can spend their last days with family and friends.

I encourage you to ensure that this important ministry work continues, through your prayers, as well as your volunteer and financial support.

Dave Wideman

2011 Advent House Dinner Dance and Auction at Casa Larga Fundraiser Report

The Seventeenth annual Advent House Dinner Dance and Auction was held at Casa Larga Winery on March 25, 2011. Nearly 190 guests participated in our annual Gala, featuring Ginny Ryan of Channel 13 as Master of Ceremonies, Carol Ritter Wright as Guest Auctioneer, the band After Five, and our own Jack Muthig as emcee.

Exciting Live Auction items included: Holiday Extra-ordinare! Professional Holiday decorating for Christmas donated by Interior Solutions and Julie Schwartz, a Foursome of Golf at Cobblestone Creek, a week at a Florida condo, a catered Cocktail Party for 25 donated by Amy Jones, a Mission Style Oak Library Stand handcrafted by Al Ormiston, a Jim Boeheim Autographed Basketball donated by Linda Leary, a Canandaigua Lady Sunset Dinner Cruise for 8, and a Finger Lakes Wine Country Limo tour and lunch. We also offered a Tour for Ten at Rochester’s Famous Mushroom House,

along with restaurant gift certificates, artwork, spa services, and other gift items.

As always, success is impossible without a hard-working committee. Core committee members: Becky Nickel, Kate Leackfeldt, Julie Schwartz, Rita Haley, Laura Ferrari, Ray Wilcox, Heather Rowley, Dick Trotta, Glenda Hastings, Carol Baker and Vicki Deady all contributed innumerable hours to ensure a wonderful evening for all! We are so grateful to our hard-working solicitors for the lovely auctions items...thank you to Gary Brown, Lara Ellingham, Lucy Farmer, Kathleen Fithen, Steve Godleski, Janda Hemming, Donna Jencik, Kathy Keogh, Mary Anne Nisson, Jennie Oberholtzer, Becky Roberts, Maureen Stricker, Geoff Thompson and Sarah Townsend. Our heartfelt thanks go out to ***ALL*** who donated time, talent, or items for our gala evening...with extra special gratitude to Casa Larga Winery and the Colaruotolo family, Chapel’s Catering with Greg and Colleen Broman, Fioravanti Florist, Minuteman Press, and Al Ormiston.

Save the date for the ***2012 Dinner Dance and Auction...We*** will be changing our location and weekday to ***Saturday, March 31, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the Monroe Golf Club!***

2010 Advent House Golf Tournament

The 18th Annual Advent House Golf Tournament was held on Friday, September 16th. In one of our best turn-outs to date, 142 golfers participated in a day filled with golf, prizes, great food and good fun! Victor Hills Golf Club once again graciously hosted this major fundraising event for the house as golfers enjoyed “almost rain-free” September weather, while golfing for this worthy cause.

Special thanks to an enthusiastic committee led by co-chairpersons, Beth Feldman and Dale Cameron-Kody! Committee members were Gerry Severynse, Gian-Paul Piane, Vicki Deady, Ed Rosen, Cliff Donahower, Heather Rowley, Barb Barteld and Dick Trotta. We are especially grateful to Jay Barber and Lake Beverage (beverages), Palmer Foods (steaks), Country Club Wegmans (soda), Mario Alvarez (bottled water), Cookies in a Wink (desserts), and of course, Jay Dianetti and the entire staff at Victor Hills!

Our deepest thanks go to our corporate donors, as follows: ALSTOM Signalling Foundation, Inc., Fast-Fix Jewelry & Watch Repair, Raymond F. Wager, CPA, P.C., Marathon Engineering, and Palmers. Many businesses donated raffle prizes, including: Victor Hills Golf Club, Lodge at Woodcliff, Wegmans LPGA, Century Liquors, Mill Creek Golf Club, Cobblestone Golf Club, Irondequoit Country Club, Mark Nickel (Monroe GC), Brookwoods Golf Club, IZZO Golf, L. David Salon & Spa, Big Oak, Hawk Frame & Axle, Peter Geyer Steakhouse, Wal-mart, Bacardi (Robert Zasowski), Thomas Huber, Big Oak, Argyle Grill and Golf Galaxy. Thanks to ALSTOM and Charlotte Appliance, we were able to raffle a 32 inch Toshiba HDTV as our Mega-Prize!

Our dedicated volunteers were there in force, including Michele Platner, Molly Kundin, Becky Davis, Nancy Kuhn, Helene Brache, Barb Pettis, Jinny Schirmuhly, Lynn Goldstein, Shirley VanWuyckhuysen, Mike McCarthy, Sara Reczek, Laura Race, Becky Cokelet, and Tricia Roman. Over \$11,000 was raised in another tough economic year. The Advent House continues to be fortunate to have so many faithful participants. Thank you to all the churches who provided a "golf advocate" that secured so many wonderful golfers. This program (which began in 2008) also worked well this year. This year's advocates were Vince Palumbos, Dave Lindahl, Betty Shamblen, and Barb Pettis.

2010 Garage Sale Annual Report

The Advent House hosted yet another successful Garage Sale in August 2010. The multi-day event was held at the VFW Post on Macedon Center Road for the fourth year, which continues to be a tremendous facility for our largest fundraiser.

From the first start-up meeting to the time the last thank you note was written, the support from our volunteers and benefactors was overwhelming. I truly wish there were enough pages in this newsletter to list the wonderful men and women who devoted countless hours to the success of our sale...please know how grateful we are to our volunteers who sorted, priced, provided trucks, moved boxes and bags (to the barn and then back from the barn to the VFW!), made goodies, worked

the sale, fed the workers, planned the layouts of tents and tables, ordered tents, manned the cash registers and holding area, managed supplies, as well as being there to the very end...the Cleanup! You are all such a tremendous demonstration of faith and love in action!

The Advent House wishes to thank the businesses, groups and individuals who donated items or services to ensure the success of the sale, namely, Bob and Pat McJury, Ryder Trucking, Fulkersons, Eastside Cafe, MasterCraft, Troop 208 Boy Scouts, FHS Boys Football team, FHS Boys Volleyball team, FHS Basketball team, FHS Girls Soccer team, McQuaid Volleyball team, Victor JV Soccer team, Robert Bootes of Clues Investigative Services, Hank Parker Rentals, the Town of Perinton, and especially to the VFW Post #8495, who so graciously allows us the use of their building and grounds to conduct this enormous undertaking.

Corporate Matching Grant Programs

In 2010, a number of our volunteers took advantage of their company's Corporate Matching Grant Programs. Some companies, such as ExxonMobil, offer grants based on volunteer hours spent at Advent House. Other companies will match your donations given to Advent House. We would be so grateful if you would consider using a Matching Grant program if it is offered by your company. It is a fabulous resource and takes just a few minutes of your time to initiate the paperwork. If you have any questions regarding Matching Grant Programs and Advent House, please contact Vicki Dedy, Advent House Development Coordinator, at 223-6112 or via email at theadventhouse@frontiernet.net.

As always, please know how much we appreciate each and every one of our Advent House volunteers...you are just a blessing to us!



2011 FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Garage Sale

VFW, 300 Macedon Center Road

August 26, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

August 27, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. to 4 p.m.

1/2 price sale begins at noon on Saturday!

Golf Tournament

Victor Hills Golf Club

Friday, September 16, 2011

Shotgun Start at Noon

Dinner Dance and Auction for 2012

Saturday, March 31, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

NEW LOCATION ~ MONROE GOLF CLUB!

United Way Donor Choice Option

Advent House is a designated Donor Choice Option. We thank those of you who have designated us to receive funds through this choice and would encourage you to invite friends and family to consider doing the same. We are not a United Way Agency and therefore we do not receive any funding from them. Please note that Advent House is listed as: *Perinton Ecumenical Ministries dba Advent House*. Our donor option number is **1800**.



Partner Pledge Program

We at Advent House have had many faithful monthly donors over the years. Their gift has been based on the approximate cost of one hour of care for our Residents: which amounts to about \$25.00. These donations are especially helpful since we can budget to meet our expenses based on the knowledge that we will receive these monies regularly.

There are several options for payment. One is to send an annual gift. Another is to send a monthly gift to Advent House. The third is to use the automatic withdrawal program. Many people find this to be a convenient method of payment.

Please consider becoming a monthly donor! Your generosity is what enables us to continue this care giving ministry to the dying and their families at no cost to them. Your gift of any amount will be greatly appreciated. You can complete the form on the following page as directed and return to the Advent House. If you have any questions, please contact Patricia Schofield at 223-6112.

Thank you!

“Throughout our life we are sent precious souls meant to share our journey. However brief or lasting their stay, they remind us why we are here.” Flavia

June 2010 ~ June 2011

Frances Vaccaro

Eileen Metter

Janine Weise

Dorothy Yorio

Michael Austin

Helen Bancroft

Joan Case

Mildred Leary

Russell Scott

Edward Wolf

Angelo Crecco

Kenneth Wagner

Marguerite Antell

Shirley Bezek

Paul Blum

**ADVENT HOUSE
PERINTON ECUMENICAL MINISTRIES, INC.
ANNUAL PLEDGE**

AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL PROGRAM

As a valued donor to Advent House, we would like to introduce you to our automatic withdrawal program. As an alternative to writing monthly checks, we can automatically deduct your contribution from your bank account on the first or fifteenth of each month. This option will result in savings of time and postage to you and provide us with a predictable and reliable cash flow. To sign up for this program, simply complete the form below and mail it to the Advent House along with a voided check. Transfers will begin in approximately six to eight weeks unless otherwise notified.

Term and conditions are as follows:

1. Checks shall be drawn monthly.
2. Periodic notices of donations received will be mailed to you.
3. The authority is to remain in full force and effect until notification of termination is received.
4. Advent House/Perinton Ecumenical Ministries, Inc. reserves the right to discontinue plan at any time.

**PERINTON ECUMENICAL MINISTRIES
ANNUAL PLEDGE**

Print Name:

Print Telephone Number:

Print Address:

Email Address:

Monthly Pledge (Suggested \$25.00 Minimum) \$_____

- If you prefer to pay your annual pledge in one installment, check here ____
- If you wish to pay using automatic withdrawals from your account, please read the information on the reverse side of this form and complete the section below.

AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL PROGRAM

Draw Date: ___1st 15th ____ (Please check one) Month you wish withdrawals to begin _____

Print Name of Bank:

Checking Account Number:

I authorize Advent House/Perinton Ecumenical Ministries, Inc. to initiate electronic deductions from my (our) checking account on the dates specified above. I (we) will notify Advent House if I (we) change banks or account numbers.

Signature of Depositor:

Date:

Signature of Joint Depositor:

Date:

PLEASE INCLUDE A VOIDED CHECK WITH THIS FORM

A Letter from the family of one of our recent Residents.....

Dear Advent House Staff and Volunteers,

We are thanking all of you for taking care of our.... Mom, Wife, Grandmother, mentor and friend. The care and friendship that she received in her last 6 weeks of life have touched us to our very souls. You only got to have a glimpse of the amazing woman that we loved. She was so very ill and was often not the person we had always known. Regardless of the type of day or night she was having, she was always treated with patience and dignity. We so appreciated you allowing us to surround her with the beauty and music that was such a part of her life.

We were told to treat Advent House as her home while she was there and we did just that. Thanks! We enjoyed parties, picnics on the deck, singing music groups with an unforgettable concert outside her room and friendly pet visits. We rearranged furniture, hung pictures and poked around the garage looking at Garage Sale items and added planters to the terrace. Members of her family were allowed the use of your guest room for extended periods which enabled them to have special time with Mom.

The volunteers said and did so many wonderful things for (her) and for all of us. The hugs, the gifts (Teddy Bears), the prayers, the hand holding, the hand photographs, and the listening to our concerns made such a difference. We were blessed to have received such support and to have gotten to know so many of you.

With our large family you were all presented with a multitude of personalities, many notes and numerous phone calls. No matter how detailed or varied our requests, we were accommodated whenever possible. No easy task! Looking back it was amazing to realize just how your Advent House Team worked as one spirit sustaining our spirits at the same time.

Because of your supportive environment and caring natures, our Mom's final weeks of life were fulfilling and full of dignity. So we say THANK YOU, to each and every one. We are deeply grateful for the living presence that is Advent House.

With love and gratitude

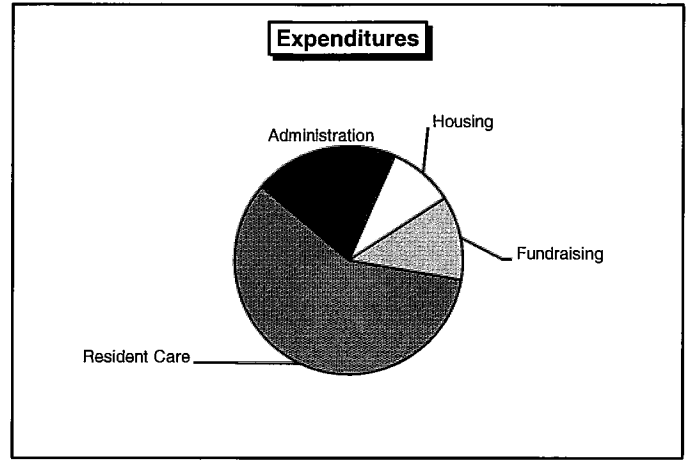
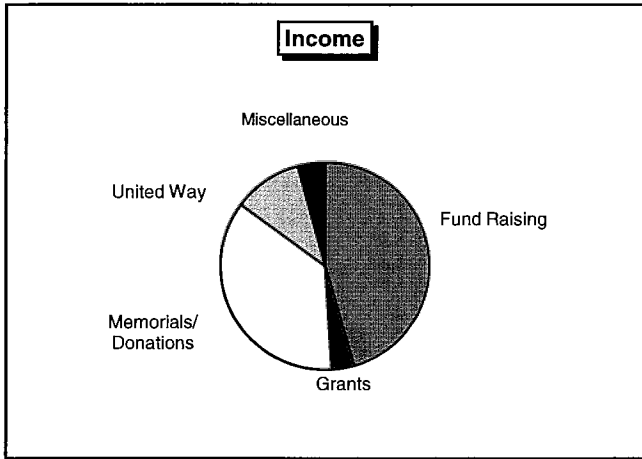
Wish List!

Volunteers – Resident Care, Fundraising, Housekeeping
Postage Stamps
Lotion – Curel, Keri, Eucerin (unscented)
Wegman's Gift Cards
Office Max Gift Cards
High Efficiency Laundry Detergent (unscented)
High Efficiency Fabric Softener (unscented)
Paper Towels, Tissues, Toilet Paper

Printer Paper (20 Lb. Weight)
Liquid Antibacterial Hand Soap
Baby Wipes
Snow Removal Service
Cable TV Service ☺
Dishwasher Detergent
Baked Goods

**Please call Advent House at 223-6112 or stop by if you wish to volunteer or donate any of these items.
Thank you!!**

Finances
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011



Income

Fund Raising	\$ 91,526
Grants	7,106
Memorials/Donations	72,629
United Way	21,421
Miscellaneous	8,647
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Total	<u><u>\$ 201,329</u></u>

Expenditures

Resident Care	\$ 117,439
Administration	41,161
Housing	18,724
Fundraising	24,005
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Total	<u><u>\$ 201,329</u></u>

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