Advent House Report for PEM June 6, 2016

Residents:

The House has been very busy. We have welcomed seven Residents so far this year. There are always surprises and two of our Residents improved and were discharged home. We continue to offer phone support to the many who call the house weekly for concerns regarding their loved one. Volunteer support while they deal with difficult family concerns or their own health issues ongoing.

Staff: Working hard.

Finance Committee:

We have received two extremely generous donations of \$53,717.95 from the estate of Raymond Roe and \$25,000.00 from the estate of Martin Suter. We are most grateful.

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 has been meeting regularly. Many hours and much research have resulted in locating a possible site 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. I have requested a short bit of time to discuss this with all of you at this meeting and will share what we have accomplished to this date.

Fundraising: See Vicki Deady's report

April 9, 2016: Very great success. Special moments when the 25 year volunteers were honored.

<u>Super Sale:</u> St. John of Rochester has graciously invited us back in 2016. The dates of the sale will be August 19th and 20th. One week earlier than our usual schedule at the request of the school. We are thrilled to be able to use this wonderful facility again.

House Maintenance: 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. We 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.

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