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Dear Friend of Park House,

As you have probably heard and as you'll read on page four, we have a major renovation coming up soon! We are thrilled to bring grant money from a variety of sources into our valley to improve Park House's infrastructure for the benefit of our seniors for many years to come. We eagerly anticipate inviting you all to celebrate our groundbreaking in the near future. Look for posters, check our website, www.parkhousevt.org, or "like" our Facebook page to stay updated on this event!

Meanwhile, Park House will continue to operate as usual and to provide affordable housing and meals to our seniors — even during the construction process — and this is why we still need your support! It's easy to think that with nearly \$1 Million to be invested in the building that Park House doesn't need your donation, but nothing could be further from the truth. Building funds have been secured from very restrictive grant sources that are vital to help us upgrade and modernize our century old home, but these funds will not ensure that meals, housekeeping, and a safe and warm home are provided to seniors in our community; this is where you come in!

Our efforts to pursue these grant funds and take on this project reflect our desire to make Park House a "first choice" for seniors in our community to call home and to allow us to sustain the building for many years to come. With *your help* we can ensure that our residents are happy, well cared for, and able to enjoy all the amenities Park House and the five-town community has to offer.

If you have any questions about our project, services or funding, please don't hesitate to ask, and thank you for considering a contribution to our annual campaign!

Sincerely,

Juli Reiderer

Evelyn Pruiksma Board President

Juli Reiderer Executive Director

P.S. Your contribution helps provide our residents with nutritious meals, a warm and welcoming environment, companionship of others, and, above all, the comfort and peace of mind that comes from knowing they have a safe and secure place to call home. Please give as generously as you are able – your contribution is tax deductible. Donations can also be made through our website, www.parkhousevt.org.

Our Heartfelt, Thanks For The Kindness

Your Have Shown

In Memory of...

Frank Green Lewis Harvey Eleanor Hutchinson Alice Martin Charles E. Merriam Margaret & Ev Moses Deborah Roberts Earle & Lena Simpson Valery Zemelman

In Honor of...

Rose Juliano The Savage Family Walt Wells



Entertainment Susan Bushnell Sue Clarke Joanne Mills Dan Perera EEE Pre-School Sue Ribaudo Dorothy Robson Susan Rule



Food

Janice Brown Community Church Janine Grady Estelle Holmquist Pam Jacques Killooleet Sally Lanpher Betty McCormack Arlene Newell Brian Sherman Faye Severy Jim Whitley RHS 6-12 Chorus/Band Sacred Journey Singers Santa Claus Stockbridge Central School Treble Makers

<u>Miscellaneous</u> Don Crickard – Screen Door Desabrais Drycleaning Rob Filossie Harvey's Plumbing & Excavating Keith Jesso Craig Klofach Scott Kuyk Sally Lanpher Hazel Levasseur Lubek Computer Walt Wells Nancy Woolley

Garden

Charlie Reiderer Ethan Reiderer Sarah Reiderer Nancy Woolley

Flowers

Anonymous Crete Family Federated Church Brenda Goupee Harland McKirryher Evelyn Pruiksma

Yard Sale

Pook Petrillo Ray Quillia Ranzella's Treasure Jim Whitley Nancy Woolley

Golf Volunteers

Roy Benson Lois Bond Nick Doyle Ben Harvey Eva Jesso Gretchen Perera Tom Perera Ethan Reiderer Mike Reiderer Mike Teetsel Jody Troumbley Ken Troumbley Walt Wells Nancy Woolley

Golf Contributions

Dave Ballou Madeline Benson, Residential Appraiser Bethel Mills BJ's Wholesale Club Dick & Joanna Bryfogle Chuck Adams Builder



Dick's Slate & Tile DW Electrical & Plumbing CV Oil Co Four Seasons Sotheby's Int'l Realty Gifford Health Care Harvey's Plumbing & Excavating



Hubbard's Country Store Huntington House In Mem. Alice Martin **Inner Traditions I&H** Automotive Rose Juliano Lubek Computer & Lubek Electric Bill & Deb Matthews Rebekah Nardell NFP (Poulos) **Occasions** Catering The Perera Family **Pristine Mt Springs** Walter & Evelyn Pruiksma Rochester Tire & Auto RRMC Carol Schwenk Irene Simpson Skip Mart Larry & Lesley Straus Swiss Farm Market Ted Green Ford Mike & Diane Teetsel Tom & Jeri Reiderer Dick & Mary Weden Walt Wells Dick & Diane White White River Credit Union

<u>Raffle</u>

1464 Salon & Spa House Cookadoodle Pizza **Dandelion** Acres Deb's Country Coiffures Glenn Eldredge Harlen Houghton Hubbard's Store Meg & Jay Hudson **McDermott Family** Perera Family Picarello's Pizza Pittsfield Garden Center School Street Bistro Diane Teetsel The Wild Fern Tozier's **Tweed River Tubing Two Sisters** Landscaping Vermont River Tubing

<u>Parade</u>

Roy Benson Jessie Clegg <u>Grants</u> 3E Thermal Baird Foundation Citizens Bank Foundation Matching Gifts Fidelity Charitable Gilmartin Charitable Trust



Kruse Family Fund United Way of Rutland County VCIL VT Community Development Program VT Downtown Tax Credit VT Housing & Conservation Board

Solar Credits

Federated Church of Rochester Walt Wells

Voter Support at

<u>Town Meeting</u> Granville Hancock Pittsfield Rochester Stockbridge

Thank you!!!

We appreciate all gifts of time, talent and treasure, large or small.

We apologize most sincerely if any generosity escaped mention.





Solar Credits



On April 1, 2013, the electricity from solar panels became part of a "net metering" program sanctioned by the VT Public Service Department and administered by Green Mountain Power. Under this program, electricity credits gained by solar panel owners in excess of their usage can be shared with a qualified non-profit organization.

We are pleased to announce the latest affirmation of our long-standing relationship with the Federated Church of Rochester that Park House has been

designated as their non-profit partner in sharing their credit from Green Mountain Power! We are also grateful to have received a similar donation of excess solar credits from long-time Park House friend and past board member, Walt Wells.

It is exciting to be involved in this innovative program, and we are very appreciative of our friends and neighbors that have selected Park House as beneficiaries of their efforts to go green!

Renovation Update

It's been nearly three years since we began our process to ensure that Park House can continue its mission to provide affordable, comfortable shared housing for our community's seniors for many more years. At that time, Park House had been in operation for more than 22 years in a building that was at that time 99 years old.

Faced with the need to perform some expensive maintenance, increasing fuel costs, and changes in



building codes we knew something had to be done. We also recognize the needs of seniors today are much different than they were 25 years ago and a renovation project would allow for us to keep up with those needs as well.

After much planning and challenging work researching and applying for opportunities, we have had the good fortune to obtain grant funds to allow us to embark on a renovation project that will include improving energy efficiency, adding a sprinkler system, making additional building code improvements, updating the elevator and alarm system, adding private bathrooms, improving the kitchen, and replacing windows. Upon completion of the project, Park House will be "like new" and should remain in top condition for many years to come.

By the time you read this, our general contractor will have been hired and our exact construction start date will be established. Look for posters inviting everyone to a ground breaking ceremony in the near future and follow us on Facebook to get regular updates of our work!