



# Dove Tale News

Haynes House of Hope

Summer 2018



Amanda Parker

## Amanda Parker joins HHH family

The Haynes House Board of Directors is very pleased to announce that Granville native Amanda Parker, RN, has been appointed the new Executive Director of the Haynes House of Hope.

Ms. Parker is a native of Granville and graduated from Granville High School. She received her RN degree from SUNY Adirondack in 2001, and has extensive experience in areas including long-term care, corrections, telemetry, ICU and CCU.

She currently works on the palliative care team of the Eddy Visiting Nurse Association, where she manages the signs and symptoms of home-bound patients with serious chronic illnesses. She resides in Granville with her daughter Ashley, and enjoys hiking, crocheting and gardening.

## Be a Haynes House volunteer

Haynes House is always in need of volunteers to help care for our residents. Our volunteers continually tell us how rewarding it is to assist the residents of the house.

Volunteers receive training and work several times with an experienced volunteer before going solo. A typical shift is 4 hours, and each volunteer can set their own schedule, working as little or as much as they wish.

To learn more about volunteering at Haynes House, call Executive Director Amanda Parker at 518-642-8155.



Luisa Somers helps diners select their wine at last year's dinner

## Gourmet dinner to benefit HHH

Savor an authentic Tuscan dinner in a beautifully restored barn at 6 p.m. on July 29, 2018, when Dancing Ewe Farm in North Granville presents a memorable gourmet dinner to benefit the Haynes House of Hope.

The setting for the four-course dinner is much like a local Trattoria in Tuscany. A limited number of tickets will be sold, creating a very intimate dining experience. Dinner will consist of Antipasto, Ravioli, Straccetti di Manzo con Rucola (sliced pork served on arugula), Panna Cotta and wine from the Maremma region of Tuscany, imported by Dancing Ewe (one bottle per couple). In addition, guests can tour the farm, see the cheese house, the sheep and the working sheep dogs.

Dancing Ewe Farm is owned and operated by Jody and Luisa Somers. The couple breeds East Friesian sheep for their milk, which is used in the production of authentic Italian cheeses. Luisa is a native of Tuscany. She brings her family recipes to the Dancing Ewe dinners, creating a genuine Italian dining experience that is rare in upstate New York.

Tickets for this benefit dinner are \$90 per person. They can be purchased online at

[www.dancingewe.com/Tickets.html](http://www.dancingewe.com/Tickets.html) or by calling the farm at 518-642-8199. Dancing Ewe Farm is located at 181 County Route 12, Granville, New York.



Musicians perform at last year's Bluegrass Jam in Argyle

## Bluegrass Jam for Haynes House

With last year's Bluegrass Jam such a success, organizer Jani Brugge is once again presenting an afternoon of music to benefit the Haynes House of Hope. This year's event will take place on Saturday, Aug. 4 from 3 to 5 p.m. behind the Argyle Methodist Church on Sheridan Street in Argyle, New York. Admission is free, but donations to Haynes House are welcome.

Jani says that the format is an "open jam," with area musicians welcome to bring their instrument and join the circle of players. Opening the event is the Schroon River String Band, described by Jani as a "very popular bluegrass band." Drop-in musicians will be able to join the band on songs throughout the afternoon.

All levels of musicians are welcome to participate. "They can just bring their instrument and join in," says Jani. All types of acoustic instruments are invited. But, she asks, "please don't bring amps." Musicians can just show up and ask to play, or for more information, they can call Jani Brugge at 518-638-8026.

For those attending who wish to just listen and enjoy the music, food will be available for purchase, including hot dogs, hamburgers, corn on the cob and beverages. Proceeds will benefit Haynes House.

There will also be a bake sale and White Elephant Sale. Tents will be set up in the event of rain. Bring a chair or blanket and join us for an afternoon of great music!

## New board members

Haynes House announces that Carol Finke and Susan Perry have been elected to the group's Board of Directors.

Carol Finke is the former executive director of Haynes House. She is a registered nurse who was formerly a supervisor with High Peaks Hospice. A resident of Argyle, New York, Carol is also a Methodist minister.

Susan Perry has volunteered extensively for Haynes House and has worked as a registered nurse for 43 years. She has a master's degree in nursing and has served on the faculty of SUNY Adirondack. Sue, a resident of Hampton, New York, is also a member of the Granville Board of Education.

The Board of Directors also includes President Joel Aubrey, Secretary Carrie O'Brien, Treasurer Peter O'Brien, and Max Baer. Amanda Parker is Executive Director, and Linda Ellingsworth is Public Relations Director.

The board wishes to express appreciation for many years of dedicated service to retiring board member and Haynes House founder Crystal Everdyke.

In other news, the Board has created an Advisory Board to consult with the Board of Directors on various issues. The Advisory Board is currently composed of Dave O'Brien and Joe Pofit. Anyone interested in serving on the Advisory Board should call the house at 518-642-8155.

## Haynes House wish list

If you would like to help Haynes House with frequently used items, here is a list of things the house always needs:

- Bottled Water
- Ginger ale (diet and regular)
- Puddings/Jello
- Chicken/Beef/Vegetable broths
- Ensure/Boost drinks
- Sandwich bags, freezer bags
- Hand sanitizer
- Clorox wipes
- Dishwasher tablets
- Swiffer dry cleaning pads
- Laundry detergent
- Computer paper
- Stamps
- Cloth incontinent pads
- Tall kitchen garbage bags
- Baby wipes
- Latex-free disposable gloves
- Ice melt for cement





## Volunteer Profile: Joanna Prouty

One of Haynes House's most familiar volunteers, Joanna Prouty first became involved with the house about five years ago when a former co-worker became a resident.

"She was getting hospice care at home, where I and some other co-workers were helping her out," said Joanna. "When she decided to go to Haynes House, I became a volunteer."

While she had no experience doing this kind of work, Joanna said she learned quickly, in part because her friend (and now patient) was very "self-directing."

"She told me how to take care of her," Joanna recalled. The experience was life-changing, as she cared for her friend until the end. "She passed away while I was reading to her," she said.

Since that first experience as a Haynes House volunteer, Joanna has become passionate about the work she does there. "I was hooked," she said. "I fell in love with it."

She notes that each volunteer brings their own unique touch to the house. Joanna likes to bring residents fresh flowers, while others bake cookies.

Getting to know each resident's family is also a big part of being a volunteer. "We develop a relationship with the families," she said. "You get to know the residents and their families in way you wouldn't in a hospital setting."

While she never had considered doing hospice type work, with an MSW (Masters in Social Work), she eased into it smoothly. Joanna retired from Washington County as Commissioner of Social Services after 36 years with the department. Haynes House is now her passion.

A resident of Hampton, New York, she and her husband Jack live on a farm that has been in his family for generations. They celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this year and have three sons and four grandchildren.

Joanna suggests that anyone who has ever wondered about volunteering at Haynes House should just stop in to visit. "I'm there on Tuesdays," she said. "Just drop in and see what we do. It's really gratifying to be able to help somebody."



Ann O'Brien and Holly Nelson Lutz set up the wine bar for Game & Sip.

## Game & Sip a winning evening

The Haynes House of Hope had a vivacious spirit on the evening of Thursday, June 28. The house's volunteers hosted a "Game & Sip," an evening of board games and socialization, to welcome prospective volunteers learn about the mission of Haynes House.

The "Ladies of the Lake," a group of Lake St. Catherine residents, donated a wine bar and hors d'oeuvres to help make a festive event. Organized by Martha Pofit, the group included Ann O'Brien, Holly Nelson Lutz, Molly Celani, Audrey Hicks. Tammy & Bill Alexander, Lori & John Winn, and Colleen and Clark Hicks. The guests enjoyed delicious refreshments throughout the evening.

The house was full all evening, as people came from near and far to learn about the work done by our volunteers. Board games were set up on tables in the living room, dining room and sunroom, where guests took part in light-hearted competitions as they visited.

The house's volunteers were thrilled to meet several people who expressed an interest in joining the Haynes House volunteer family. Many thanks to everyone who attended and helped make this such a successful event.

## Dinner/Auction to benefit HHH

After last year's successful "Shine on Shelby" Dinner and Auction, Andy McEachron is once again organizing a fundraiser which will both honor Andy and Suzanne McEachron's late daughter Shelby, and also benefit the Haynes House of Hope.

This year's dinner will take place on Saturday, Aug. 25 at the Lake St. Catherine Country Club in Poultney, Vermont.

"Shine on Shelby" will open with a golf tournament at 8 a.m. that day at the Lake St. Catherine Country Club. Shotgun start is at 8:30 a.m. In the evening, starting at 6 p.m., the event transitions into a dinner at the country club that will feature both a silent and live auction. A Surf & Turf dinner will be served at 7 p.m., followed by the live auction at 8 p.m.

Andy has been very busy gathering auction prizes. "There will be a lot of silent auction items," he commented. He is also planning several live auction items, including several regional packages featuring ski passes, dinners, hotel rooms, and entertainment in various locations.

Tickets to the dinner and auction are \$85 per person or \$150 per couple. To purchase, contact Andy McEachron at 518-791-0105 or email [ssamac@aol.com](mailto:ssamac@aol.com). All proceeds will support the Shine on Shelby project for the improvements at the Granville Little League Fields and the Haynes House of Hope.

## The flamingos are back!

The intrepid Haynes House pink flamingos have returned from their southern vacation and are ready to land on the front lawn of unsuspecting homes and businesses.

For a \$25 donation, a half-flock of flamingos can be sent to anyone within a 20-mile radius of Haynes House. A full flock about 25 birds can be sent for a \$50 donation. The birds will land under cover of darkness, surprising the recipient in the morning. To order a flocking, call the house at 518-642-8155.



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