

# Dove Tale News

Haynes House of Hope

Fall 2017

## Dinner/Auction to benefit HHH

Often, families whose loved ones have been residents at Haynes House remain close to the house and are very supportive. The family of Ray McEachron (profiled in last month's newsletter) is one such family. Wanting to see Haynes House continue its work, Ray's son Andy McEachron has organized a fundraiser for Saturday, Sept. 30, from which Haynes House will benefit. The event honors both Andy and Suzanne McEchron's late daughter Shelby, and Haynes House. "Shine on Shelby" will open with a golf tournament at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 30 at the Lake St. Catherine Country Club in Poultney, Vermont. 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, with 150 silent auction items so far. He is planning on about 10 live auction items, which will be primarily packages featuring dinners, hotel rooms, and entertainment in various locations. He has assembled a "Lake George Package," a "Killington Package," a "Manchester Package," and several others. Guests can also bid on one year memberships at Bromley Mountain, West Mountain Ski Center, and golf packages at several area courses. 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 <a href="mailto:ssamac@aol.com">ssamac@aol.com</a>. All proceeds will support the Shine on Shelby project at the Granville Little League and the Haynes House of Hope.



Lake St. Catherine Country Club



## Trek for Hope is Oct. 8

It's time to lace up the running shoes to get ready for a fun 5K run/walk through Granville, when the Trek for Hope returns on Sunday, Oct. 8. Start and finish is at Veteran's Park on Quaker Street.

Registration takes place from 8 to 9 a.m. The fun gets underway at 9 a.m., when the 1-mile Kids Run takes off from the park. At 9:30 a.m. the 5K Run/Walk leaves from Morrison and turns south on Quaker Street. The course takes participants through village streets, along the Rail Trail, and even over a covered footbridge!

Individual runners and walkers are welcome, along with corporate teams. It's an invigorating way to support Haynes House while getting the adrenaline flowing. Pre-registration is \$15. Race day registration is \$20. Price for youth ages 18 and younger is \$10. To get a registration form, go to <a href="www.thehayneshouseofhope.org">www.thehayneshouseofhope.org</a>, email Peter O'Brien at <a href="mailto:obrienfour@verizon.net">obrienfour@verizon.net</a> or call Peter at 518-321-9640.

So far, Trek sponsors this year include NBT Bank, Rathbun's Sugar House, Glens Falls National Bank and Trust Company, VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region, M. Shaw Insurance, The Liquor Stop, Otto's Cone's Point, North County Bail Bonds, and Zappone Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram. Contact Peter O'Brien at the above number if you are interested in becoming a sponsor.



#### Bluegrass Jam brings out music lovers

The sweet sounds of bluegrass and country music rang out through the hills of Argyle on Sunday, Aug. 12, as the first-ever Bluegrass/Country Jam to benefit Haynes House took place from 3 to 6 p.m. at the Argyle United Methodist Church.

About two dozen musicians brought instruments including guitar, banjo, fiddle, standup bass, flute, dulcimer and pedal steel guitar to the lawn behind the church. They took turns playing music from different American genres, to the delight of the crowd who attended.

Admission was by free-will donation. A selection of food including hamburgers, hot dogs, salads and fresh local corn on the cob was offered for sale, all to benefit Haynes House. Organizers were pleased with the turnout and plan to do the event again next summer.

#### Help Haynes House when you shop

Did you know that when you shop online with Amazon.com you can help the Haynes House of Hope? It's easy.

When you wish to shop on Amazon, go to smile.amazon.com. There is a list of charities, and you can select Haynes House to receive a donation (0.5% of purchase price) from everything you buy when you shop on Amazon. You can use your existing Amazon account, so it is seamless.

Once you have selected Haynes House, the house will continue to receive a donation each time you make a purchase through Amazon. You'll not only enjoy shopping, but you will get the satisfaction of knowing you are helping Haynes House with its mission.

#### Haynes House Coin Drop a success

Several volunteers gave their time on Saturday, Sept. 9, to stand at four different locations around the village of Granville. With buckets in hand, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., they asked passing motorists for a donation to Haynes House.

The weather cooperated, and so did drivers. Many were very generous and donated whatever they could to Haynes House. The event was a success and helped raise much-needed funds to keep the house going. Many thanks to those who donated, and to the Village of Granville for allowing us to set up on local streets.



Ed and Kathy Kann (on ends) enjoyed breakfast at Perry's with a friend.

## Breakfast for Hope a big hit

Crowds of hungry diners jammed Perry's Main Street Eatery on Monday, Sept. 4, for "Breakfast for Hope." The Poultney restaurant hosted a special fundraiser for the Haynes House of Hope, offering a breakfast menu that included three varieties of pancakes, eggs cooked to order, sausage, home fries made from Perry's potatoes, and more.

People streamed in the restaurant non-stop from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. to enjoy a scrumptious breakfast and show their support for Haynes House. Executive Director Carol Finke greeted patrons at the door and provided information about the house's services and mission.

Everyone who worked at the fundraiser, from cooks to wait staff to those bussing the tables, volunteered their time. With volunteer labor and donated materials, virtually all of the proceeds were donated to Haynes House.

The Haynes House Board of Directors and Executive Director expresses their utmost appreciation to the Perry Family for their support and dedication to Haynes House. The event went so well, that the Perrys are planning a spaghetti dinner to benefit Haynes House this winter. Stay tuned for details!



Haynes House volunteers Pat Monahan and Joan Degener

# Volunteer Spotlight – Pat Monahan and Joan Degener

Haynes House volunteers Pat Monahan and Joan Degener find that working as a team not only makes the work easier, but more fulfilling. Both women are residents of West Fort Ann and have volunteered at Haynes House for more than four years.

"We do a lot for the residents, but also for the family," said Joan.

The two friends first heard about Haynes House from Mary Kellogg, one of the founders. They served on the board of Friends of Hospice with Mary.

"She really talked us into it," said Pat. "So we decided to come over and check it out."

Pat, a retired RN, and Joan, a retired third grade teacher, have been dedicated volunteers ever since. They work a weekly shift each Monday.

Joan said that she originally had some apprehensions about handling medications because she didn't have a medical background. "But I found that wasn't the case," she commented. Once at Haynes House, she learned that the hospice nurse prepares all the medications for the residents. "We just dispense them," she explained. "It's very easy."

"The main thing is to be here for the residents, to talk them, and prepare their meals," Pat said.

For Joan, the satisfaction she gets from working with the families "keeps me going." Pat adds, "The patients are appreciative too."

Joan recalled one resident telling her "I think I'm already in heaven," after moving into Haynes House.

They are both proud of the work they and all the Haynes House volunteers do. "Everyone is amazed," said Pat. "It's 24 hours of quality care. Whatever they want, we do."

Both Joan and Pat suggest that anyone curious about volunteering at Haynes House should stop in and see what it's about. "Find somebody to come with," they suggested, whether a friend or spouse.

In fact, their fellow volunteers are part of the motivation that keeps them going.

"I see the quality care they give; people are so dedicated," she commented. "It's why I keep coming back."

Pat concurs. "You go away feeling good."
To learn more a volunteering at Haynes House, contact
Executive Director Carol Finke at 518-642-8155.



#### Dancing Ewe Dinner a delight

The barn at Dancing Ewe Farm in North Granville was filled with diners on July 16, as the farm hosted a gourmet Tuscan-style dinner to benefit the Haynes House of Hope. Fifty-two people attended the farm-to-table dinner, served in an open-air barn illuminated by thousands of twinkling lights.

As guests arrived, co-owner Luisa Somers consulted with each guest and helped them choose a wine to pair with their dinner. Following the wine selection, Jody Somers led the guests on a tour of the sheep farm, explaining how the farm functions. Everyone was able to meet some of the sheep, as well as some friendly barn cats.

The four-course dinner was served with oohs and ahhs from the appreciative diners. Each course was not only delicious, but a work of art on the plate.

A silent auction at the dinner helped raise additional funds for Haynes House.

The event was such a success that Haynes House has already reserved a date for 2018. Next year's Tuscan dinner will take place at Dancing Ewe Farm on July 15. Watch the Haynes House Facebook page for news of when reservations go online.

#### Be a Haynes House volunteer

Haynes House is occupied most of the time, and we are 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.

It's a wonderful way to be of service to our community, while enhancing the lives of our residents and their families.

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





# The flamingos go down the aisle!

The Haynes House flamingos got fancied up recently to surprise a bride and groom on their special day. You never know where the versatile birds will turn up! It's easy to have the flamingos grace your lawn or that of an unsuspecting friend. Just call Executive Director Carol Finke at 518-642-8155 and request a "flocking." A \$25 donation brings a regular sized flock, while a \$50 donation will send a large flock to the lawn of your choice.

It's all in great fun and a unique way to support the Haynes House of Hope!



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