

**Friends of Hospice Serenity House
Monthly Newsletter
July/August 2020**



Our Mission:

“To provide a resource through offering an alternative setting for Hospice patients who are no longer able to remain in their own home.”



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Stephanie's Corner

This has been such a busy time - and crazy in its own way. Thanks to our staff, board and volunteers who have done all they can to help us weather through this storm!!

Earlier in the year, I approached the City of Morristown to request a one-time allocation to assist with helping to pay off of our mortgage. The City was gracious enough to approve this and shortly after that, three of our wonderful supporters, Tish Jones, Kay Senter and Marilyn Medley met with me to discuss ways to help us find supporters to pay off the mortgage for Serenity House by the end of the year and to also help set up a fund to help with future maintenance needs for the house. Since that time - in a matter of six weeks, the three ladies have raised enough for us to pay off our mortgage and start a maintenance fund. We are so thankful for the efforts they have put into this endeavor and look forward to sharing more information in the near future of when our mortgage note burning celebration will be.

We would love to hear from you if you would like to help with a donation towards our **SERENITY HOUSE MORTGAGE RETIREMENT AND MAINTENACE FUND!**

I am sad to announce that due to Covid 19, the Sunflower Festival Fundraiser scheduled for Aug 30 and our 22nd Annual Camp H.U.G.S. scheduled for October 2-4 has been cancelled.

Our update website is now available to visit - please go to www.hospicefriends.org for updates.

Our Poker Run on Cherokee Lake took place on Saturday, July 18. Although the weather was quite toasty, we had a great crew of volunteers and boaters to make our event successful! Thanks to Black Oak Marina and Greenlee Marine for hosting the event!

THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS:

ABG CAULKING
ALLEN FUNERAL HOME
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CARIS HEALTHCARE
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SMOKY MOUNTAIN HH & HOSPICE
STATE FARM INSURANCE - JIM POPE
SUBWAY - DAVID HELTON
TARR CHEVROLET/TARR HYUNDAI
WESTSIDE FUNERAL HOME CHAPEL

We also had some great Raffle Prizes! Thanks to the following for their donations

Black Oak Marina
Off the Hook Restaurant
Greenlee Campground and Marine
Elliott Boots
The Nail Shoppe - Donna Word

Jill Bruce
Colboch Harley-Davidson
Classic Leathers
Perkins - Dandridge
Snowie of Lakeway, TN



Volunteer of the Month: Gerritjen (Gerri) Carpus



Gerri Carpus lives in Bean Station with her Husband, Walter. Gerri came to Serenity House in 2014, after hearing about the facility from Silvia Hinsley. Gerri started volunteering when the facility was located at Kennedy Circle. She continued to volunteer when we moved to High Street.

Gerri is also our volunteer nurse for Camp H.U.G.S. and has been involved for the past 6 years. She was named Volunteer of the year in 2017.

Gerri grew up in Holland but traveled other places as her father was a contractor for different agencies. Gerri's family moved to Canada and then to America because the economy had gotten bad in Europe. Gerri enjoys sewing, knitting, gardening, crafts and reading.

Before coming to Serenity House she worked in the E.R at Morristown-Hamblen Hospital and Lakeway Hospital.

Gerri was the first volunteer to return after the quarantine was lifted. She has also sewn several mask for staff members and hospice workers.

*Thank you, Gerri, for all you do for us.
We are blessed to have you as part of the
Serenity House family.*

IMMEDIATE HOUSEHOLD NEEDS

Laundry Detergent (no Tide)
Trash Bags (13 gallon)
Liquid Dish Soap (Dawn)
Paper Towels
Toilet Paper

Residents Served June & July 2020

Ruth F.; Debbie S.; Drew F.; Sadie R.; Art W.;
Ronald L.; Mae B.; Olive C.; Ray S.; David I.; Nancy D.;

Total Residents Served to Date: 236

June & July 2020 Donations

Adopt-a-Day

- *Allison Giles in Memory of
- *Joan Gerwig in Memory of Jack Gerwig

Memorials - Ruth Frederick

- *Doris Loar
- *George & Lena Giles
- *George & Judy McGuffin
- *Raymond & Suzanne Lowery

Memorial Brick- Leezella Roberts

- *Alex & Lora Williams

Memorials - Sadie Ricker

- *Mr. & Mrs. J.W. Bond
- *Murrell Technologies
- *Mr. & Mrs. George Turner
- *Lisa Spoon
- *Morristown Utilities
Power Systems
- *Clark & Monica Rucker
- *Linda Mathis
- *Fred, Sandy & Stacy Smith
- *Grace Baptist Church
- *Ernest & Crystal Judy
- *Paula Bagony
- *George, Virgia & Carolyn Bagony
- *Claris, Ann & Michael Reese
- *Robert & Jane McMinn
- *West High Lady Trojans Soccer Team

Memorials- Drew Franklin

- *East High Class of 1956
- *Patricia Pigmon
- *Sonya Shipley

Memorial - Milton Francis Murrell

- *Innovation Spa

Augusta Eskew Drinkard

- *Frank & Ronnie Scott

Memorial - Ruby Justice

- *Great Salons of Knoxville
- *Ernest & Linda Roberts
- *Douglas & Barbara Smith

Memorial- Mary Miller Ayers

- *Dianne Dietz

Memorial- Geradine Haskew Brittian

- *Dianne Dietz

Serenity House Donations

- *Polly Potter
- *Catherine Nenney Baptist Church
- *Otis & Jean Sawyer
- *Stepping Out
- *Robert & Kaye Schwalb

FOH Donations

- *Judith Bartholomew

In-Kind Donations

- *Janie Anderson
- *David McGregor
- *Rocky Point Baptist Youth Group
- *Life Care Center of Morristown

Memorial Brick-

- *Mary Hawf
Memory of David Ingles

Happy Birthday



JUNE



**Charlene Heck
Jewell Ottinger**



JULY



**Sandra Payne
Kathy Wooley
Joyce Gay
Sue Scott**