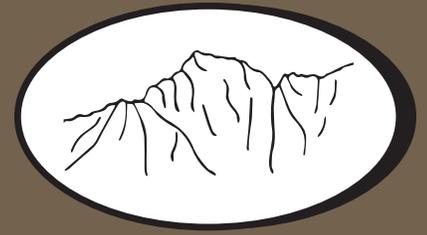


GRANITE HOUSE

DONOR NEWSLETTER

Fall 2018



For our donors, volunteers, and partners on our journey

YOUR GIFTS AT WORK

June 2014 – July 2018

STARTUP EXPENSES

and beginning construction

TOTAL EXPENSES

\$132,300

MARKETING/AWARENESS

\$14,500

Printing, mailings, email & website

FUNDRAISING

\$10,500

Grants, events

ADMINISTRATION

\$23,200

Insurance, office supplies, processing fees, training

PROFESSIONAL FEES

\$43,200

Legal, accounting, architect

CONSTRUCTION*

\$40,900

Survey, permit, plans, materials



*Although the cost of construction is being covered by a line of credit, some donor funds will be used to augment the loan for various items and purchases, such as ceiling lifts and elevator.

DEDICATION & HOUSEWARMING

COME AND SEE WHAT YOU HAVE HELPED TO BUILD!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16 • 4:30 - 7:30 PM

The home is beautiful and ready for visitors and our new residents.

Please join us for a celebration of community generosity and hard work, plus a tour of the Granite House on Tuesday, October 16 from 4:30 - 7:30 pm. We will host our donors, friends, board members, construction partners, and, of course, the families of our four new residents. Be our guest for a casual buffet and a champagne toast. Details on page 3, plus more on the website.



GRANITE HOUSE is building a 24-hour sustainable community residence in Stillwater, Minnesota, for the long-term care of younger adults with severe brain injury who would otherwise be in a nursing home.

UPDATES TO THE BOARD AND MANAGEMENT



Big changes this summer! The board welcomes Carla Dahl as Secretary-Treasurer, now that our co-founder, Anna Bohnen, RN, is no longer on the board. Many thanks to our hard-working volunteer board members! Anna is the now the Executive Director of the nonprofit and Nursing Director at the house. Our new Operations Manager is Amber Rolewicz, who will serve as the House Manager. See page 2.

From left standing: Frank Ritter; Tom Insley; Lucas Gahler; Kirk Dahl, Vice-Chair
Front: Donna Koning, MD; Carol Insley, Board Chair; Carla Dahl, Secretary-Treasurer

Granite House is a Minnesota nonprofit corporation with a mission:

To provide support and hope to individuals and families living with severe and permanent brain injury.

DONORS TO STARTUP FUND January – July 2017

SUMMIT DONORS

Ron Petri
The Raleigh Foundation*
Medtronic

PEAK DONORS

Cathy & Rick Arnfelt*
Kirk & Carla Dahl*
Glen & Libby Insley*
Steven & Carla Jeschke*
Mike & Mimi Moss*
Tom & Marge Norris
Mary Jo Peterson*
Cleone Pritchard*

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Robert & Candy Arey*
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Ray Hunder
Bill & Paula Snyder*
Stillwater Lions Club
Marjorie Strate*
Landmark Group of
Thrivent Financial*
Greg & Sylvia Zinn*

MEADOWS DONORS

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Kathy Cinnamon
Brad & Sharon Fong*
Lowell & Lety Gillette*
Lynn & Pete Grogan*
Tom & Carol Insley*
Charles & Kathie Joseph*
Bonnie Kennett*
Anne & Mike McCausland*
Ashley Pizzato
Judith Resler*
Joanne Roth*
Starbucks
Manfred Tatzmann*

FOOTHILLS DONORS

Laura Boegli*
Dean Cody*
Allen & Sharyn Holcomb*
Barbara Johnson*
Lori Kruse*
Roger & Judy Knutson*

IN-KIND DONATIONS

ABC Cabinetry
ABC Millwork
Ability Solutions
Aggregate Industries
A.Y. McDonald Mfg. Co.
Terry Bath
Cemstone
Columbia Pipe & Supply Co
Diamond Vogel paint
Dennis Fruetel Drywall
Headwater Wholesale
IDC Automatic
Larson Plumbing *
Lyman Lumber *
Mantyla Well Drilling
Muska Lighting
Northern Home Seal
Warners' Stellan

*Repeat Donor

TRIBUTE GIFTS

Gift by | In memory of
Rick & Cathy Arnfelt

Margaret De Wolf
Cathy Arnfelt
Rita Ann Landherr
Cathy Arnfelt
Gerald Davis Olson
Cathy (Frederick) Arnfelt
Ruth O'Connell
Tom & Carol Insley
Richard Insley
Cathy Arnfelt
Jo Ann Kriske
Cathy & Rick Arnfelt
Dakota Woodmansee

Gift by | In honor of

Robert and Candy Arey
*All those who have
made this beautiful
home a reality*
Margorie Strate
Roger & June Lindquist

EMPLOYER MATCHING GIFTS

We're pleased to have received matching gifts from the following companies:

- Boston Scientific
- Medtronic
- Starbucks
- Thrivent Financial
- US Bank

Does your employer match gifts for a 501c3 charity?

INCOME SOURCES

June 2014 – July 2018

TOTAL INCOME

\$203,800

INDIVIDUAL DONORS

\$153,100

Cash or check, gifts of stock, online donations

GRANTS

\$20,400

Matching grants, foundations

FAITH-BASED

ORGANIZATIONS

\$30,300

Churches, organizations



A BIG BOOST: THRIVENT CHOICE

Granite House has been fortunate to be the recipient of over \$4,400 in gifts through the Thrivent Choice program since our initial qualification in 2016. 19 individuals who are investment members with our local Landmark Group of Thrivent Financial have designated Choice Dollars to Granite House. Members become eligible to receive Choice Dollars when they purchase investment and insurance products. Members have thousands of participating nonprofit and faith-based organizations to choose from. **We are grateful to the Thrivent Financial charitable outreach program and especially those who we recognize here who have chosen to support Granite House since 2016.**

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INDIVIDUALS
\$4,400
IN GIFTS

- Dianne K. Brink
- Randel D. Brink
- Margaret B. Hickel
- Thomas Hickel
- Amanda E. Hotaling
- Betty Johnson
- Brian Johnson
- Mary Beth Johnson
- James R. Johnson
- Mary Mathisen
- Joan M. Newman
- Charles L. Newman
- Jeanine M. Ontko
- Cherryl L. Rose
- Joanne L. Roth
- William Stoffregen
- Loretta K. Tobin
- Amy L. Watson
- Kim B. Watson

thank you!

STAFF OPENINGS

We have met and hired some very talented, experienced people for Granite House and still have a few openings. You'll find the application on the **CAREERS** page on the website under the **CONTACT** tab. We look forward to hearing from you. Please send your resume to anna@granitehousemn.org



Amber Rolewicz, left, and Anna Bohnen, RN, are hiring new staff.

A PLACE FOR FAMILIES TO HEAL

Dedication & Housewarming

SPONSORED BY THRIVENT COMMUNITY-LANDMARK
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16 • 4:30 - 7:30 PM



Please join us for this very special event!

Come and see the home that our community built and help us to raise funds for programs developed just for our residents. Be our guest for a casual buffet, soft drinks and a champagne toast after the program. We welcome our donors, friends, and construction partners to our very special celebration.

The short program at 6:00 pm will introduce our new resident families. You will hear them tell their stories and how this amazing place that you have supported will make a difference in their lives. We would like to have your **RSVP by October 1st**. Please contact Loretta in the Thrivent office at 651-777-9720 or you may send an email to her at landmarkgroup@thrivent.com.

~ A Housewarming Gift Registry ~

As with other housewarmings, Granite House has a gift registry for such things as kitchen appliances, furniture, office supplies everyday needs for the residents, and some surprises.

Look for the Granite House online gift registry at Target.com | Amazon.com | Menards.com

If you are shopping in Target or Menards, search the registry under the name of "Granite" (first name) "House" (last name) on the store monitors. Gifts will be shipped to the Granite House business office in Lake Elmo. Our House Manager, Amber Rolewicz can answer your questions about the gift registry at amber@granitehousemn.org. Please see the **DEDICATION** page on the Granite House website under the **NEWS** tab for updates, maps, and links to the gift registries.

~ Passenger drop off and parking for the event ~

Please note there will be no parking for guests at Granite House, but a reserved space at the Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church will be waiting for you with a 5-minute shuttle van to and from the event. Look for our signs and a volunteer at the church, located at 14107 Hudson Road So, Afton, on the I-94 East So. frontage road east of exits 253, Manning Avenue. Drivers may drop off their passengers at Granite House before parking at the church. A volunteer will greet you and show your guests up to the house. **See you there!**

GRANITE HOUSE FAMILIES MEET AT PICNIC IN LAKE ELMO

- The first Granite House family picnic was held Aug 5 at Lake Elmo Park Preserve. It was a fun day for the board members and staff to meet the families of our four residents, and for the families to meet each other, too. The Granite House mission is all about supporting the family members and close friends of those who are living with the effects of severe brain injury. What a great way to get to know each other and begin to form strong and lasting connections. **Welcome, everyone!**



CICELY

Cicely N's family and friends at the Granite House family picnic

"Cicely's new home at Granite House is truly our safe harbor in the storm."

MIKE

Mike P's family at the Granite House family picnic getting to know the other families.



"This one-of-a kind place keeps our hopes for Mike's miracle alive"



AARON

Aaron with his parents and grandma at the MN Brain Injury walk

"We know Aaron will be well cared for."

TAMMIE

Tammie N's family at Granite House



"Granite House is the answer to our prayers."

PROGRESS AT THE PROPERTY • 2114 Stagecoach Trail North, Stillwater, MN



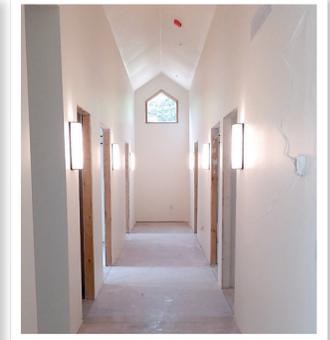
SENSORY GARDEN

The Sensory Garden summer nursery, with 33 balled and burlap evergreens and 19 container trees. They will be planted this fall as a first step to creating the garden project in the meadow next year.



KITCHEN CABINETS

Maple cabinets for the kitchen, bath, and built-in bedroom storage provided at a discount by ABC Cabinetry, another generous provider from the Lyman Lumber Companies.



VAULTED CEILING

Specialized trusses created a vaulted ceiling throughout the bedroom wing. The hall sconces from Muska Lighting can be dimmed in the evening.

HIGHLIGHTING OUR GENEROUS PARTNERS

ABC CABINERY



We received a discount on our beautiful maple cabinets for the kitchen, bathrooms, and the resident bedrooms.

DIAMOND VOGEL



High-quality paint was sprayed throughout the house and we received contractor pricing on all the products.

MANTYLA WELL DRILLING



In addition to a discount on grout, the Mantyla team negotiated donations of materials for the well, at a big savings.

HEADWATER WHOLESALE



Headwater Wholesale in St. Cloud, MN donated a Franklin subdrive pressure monitor for the well installation.

COLUMBIA PIPE



The well casing for the Granite House project was donated by Columbia Pipe in Eagan, MN and installed by Mantyla Well.

A.Y. MCDONALD



We appreciate the donation of a 3HP well pump and motor for the well from A.Y. McDonald of Dubuque, Iowa.

FUHR TRENCHING

Fuhr Trenching, Inc



Rick Fuhr expertly installed a mounded septic system with 200 tons of sand donated by Aggregate Industries.



CAROL'S NOTE: What a busy summer we have had! Tom has been doing much of the interior work—painting, installing cabinets, hanging doors — as well as the site prep for the sidewalk, driveway and patio. Amber is working on policies, ads for staff, and developing our training program. Anna has been involved with interviews, nursing policies, and planning for admissions. The board had many thoughtful discussions on policies and decisions. Our family picnic was fun to get to know the new families and now it's down to the final details of inspections and moving in. The spring newsletter will cover moving in and our first winter in the new home. Our "Grand Opening" has been renamed the "Dedication and Housewarming" event, much closer to the purpose of our mission, for Granite House is a real home that has been created by many hearts and hands. Please join us for this celebration.