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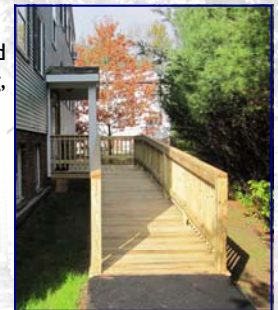


When you walk into TPHT's offices you will be greeted by a new face belonging to Holly Palmer. Ann Givens, who has graced the front desk for the past few years, will be moving to North Carolina in search of warmer weather and the promise of riding her bicycle year-round.

Holly, who started at TPHT's offices on October 25th, recently moved to the Upper Valley from Winnemucca, Nevada (on the high desert, between Reno and Elko). Holly worked for the Nevada Outdoor School, a non-profit providing outdoor education for all ages. She started there in 2007 as an AmeriCorps Member. Holly relocated with her partner, so he could work at his family's business in West Lebanon. They are negotiating to purchase a home in Warren, NH.

Holly's talents will be well utilized at TPHT; her experience includes writing, desktop publishing, photography, and maintaining the donor database. She looks forward to immersing herself in the Upper Valley community, and to meeting TPHT's residents and supporters.

Please welcome Holly to the TPHT family – and find out more about her hobbies, which include hiking, gardening, fishing, and home brewing!

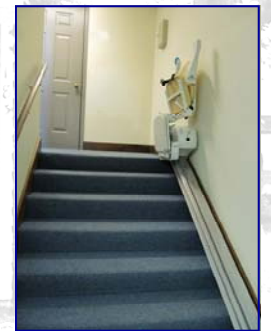


Improvements at The Briars Apartments

Last month, TPHT increased accessibility and safety at The Briars Apartments in Wilder, VT. Thanks to a \$5,000.00 grant from the Vermont Center for Independent Living, a ramp and stair lift were added to building #3. Together, these additions create safer access both for residents and guests at The Briars.

Several residents already have expressed their appreciation, stating that friends and family may now visit their apartments with less effort, and that the new additions have improved the quality of their own lives.

TPHT installed the chair lift and ramp to provide safer access and convenience for all residents and their guests entering and exiting the building. TPHT thanks Walter Muzzy for completing the installation.



Shop For Good

There's a new way to support TPHT financially without spending a dime! By going to GoodShop.org for your online shopping needs, you can earn money for TPHT in three simple steps.

First, go to www.GoodShop.org and type in "Twin Pines Housing Trust" as the charity to which you'd like to donate. Second, select or search for the retailers where you would like to shop. Third, a percentage of your purchase will be donated automatically back to TPHT from the retailer. It's that easy!

Through GoodShop many major retailers can be accessed such as; Borders, Eddie Bauer, Jockey, LL Bean, J Crew, Golfsmith, and many more. Now you may feel even better about shopping online, knowing that you are helping to support affordable housing in the Upper Valley community. With the winter holidays approaching, here is a great opportunity to help TPHT while sharing gifts with friends and family.

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A Late Summer Soirée
September 11, 2010



Ann Givens modeling Kearney ski suit with winners Andrew and Rebecca Winter



Al Alessi and John P. Yacavone



Jaye Pershing Johnson, TPHT Trustee Chair and previous Chair
 Professor John Vogel



Musician Draa Hobbs



Woodstock Country Club Catering



Woodstock Country Club provides great service!



Jonathan Chaffee, recipient of the 2010 Housing Hero Award



Jane Wolfe, TPHT Staff and Woodstock Family Members



TPHT Trustee Candace Vandouris, and Barbara Abbate

Twin Pines Housing Trust ...

extends sincere appreciation to the event's attendees and to the following individuals and businesses, for their part in the success of our fifth annual fundraiser, "A Late Summer Soirée," held on September 11, 2010:

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Al Alessi

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5th Annual "A Late Summer Soirée" Features Perfect Weather and Great Fun

Under a bright blue sky, warm temperatures, and just a hint of the splendor that comes with the changing season, Twin Pines Housing Trust's Fifth Annual "A Late Summer Soirée" was held on Saturday, September 11, at the Woodstock Country Club, to honor Grange Hill, TPHT's newest project, on which we hope to break ground next year in West Woodstock.

Thanks to a donation from former TPHT Trustee Jack McGuire, wine at this year's Soirée was complimentary. Soirée-goers bid on more than 100 silent auction items donated by dozens of Woodstock and Upper Valley businesses and individuals. The evening's 75 attendees perused the silent auction items while sampling the Country Club's top-notch selection of hors d'oeuvres. The auction tables provided lots of variety: restaurant gift certificates, weekends at area B&Bs, an antique tea set in mint condition, a plethora of gorgeous scarves, works of art, and even a box of cigars. Twin Pines greatly appreciates the generosity of area businesses, especially in light of the difficult economic climate we've been through over the past couple of years.

Jonathan Chaffee was recognized as TPHT's 3rd Housing Hero for his efforts at providing clean, safe and dignified homes in the Upper Valley. Accepting the award, Mr. Chaffee recalled several pioneers of the Upper Valley affordable

housing movement, recounting his early experience in rehabilitating One Prospect Street in White River Junction.

Al Alessi, returning for his third appearance as celebrity auctioneer, commanded the mic for the live auction. Donations included sumptuous dinners in private homes, a private cruise on the Connecticut River, and a limited edition 14k gold pendant. A most lively contest ensued during bidding for a US Ski Team ski suit worn by Hannah Kearney, 2010 Olympic moguls gold medalist from Norwich; TPHT staff member Ann Givens modeled the ski suit during the bidding.

Following the live auction, the evening culminated with the Grand Prize drawing: an Apple iPad donated by Systems Plus Computers. The winner was our own celebrity auctioneer, Al Alessi, who for the first time in recorded history was stunned speechless.

Many thanks to all those who attended the event, offered cash donations in support of Twin Pines, and donated items for the live and silent auctions and the raffle. Thanks also to staff of the Woodstock Country Club who helped make our event a success. Please put us in your calendar for next year in Woodstock: Saturday, September 17, 2011!

**Many thanks to the donors who gave
from August 6, 2010, through
November 11, 2010**

**Richard and Barbara Couch and The
Couch Family Foundation awarded TPHT
a \$1,000 donation.**

Up to \$100...

Robert W. Christy

Patricia Eckels

Joan S. Kidder

Suzanne Laaspere, donated

in the name of her son,

Jaen Laaspere, for his

birthday

\$100 to \$499...

Jim & Cindy Varnum

\$500 and up...

The Couch Family

Foundation

**Project Updates and
Upcoming Events**

- * Gile Hill Hanover: Unrestricted townhomes and flats available now for purchase!
- * Affordable single family homes in Norwich and Tunbridge: available to qualified buyers.
- * Grange Hill, Woodstock: VT Environmental Court 5-day second hearing completed.
- * Rivermere, Lebanon: Application for low-income housing tax credits to be submitted in March, 2011.
- * TPHT is currently considering acquisition of 44 existing units: of rental housing in White River Junction
- * A Late Summer Soiree: September 17, 2011
- * Winter Party: March 5, 2011

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