



Annual Fund Drive

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Dear Friend of Park House,

Sally lives alone in the home where she raised her family. Her bedroom is upstairs down the hall from where the kids used to sleep. The house's one bathroom is downstairs by the living room. Sally's balance is not what it used to be. Getting from the bedroom to the bathroom is a lot of work. Where did the morning go? It's time to make lunch for one. It's a chilly day; a can of soup would be good. The can opener never works right; toast would be fine. Sally has driver's license and a car, but the roads look rather slick so she has asked her son to take her to get groceries on his next day off from work. Sally decides to watch television in the living room and falls asleep in her chair.

Sally is an imaginary person. Even in our imaginations, she is safe and warm and fed, but there is more to life than this. We can offer so much more.

At Park House, people like Sally live together in close proximity to all of the amenities our community has to offer. Meals are shared in the company of good friends. Falling asleep in front of the television is a choice, not the only option.

As always, we need your help to continue into our twenty-second year of providing shared housing for the elders of our community. Any contribution helps, but as always we strive to meet Betty Comes' goal of having at least 200 people make a gift of at least \$100.00.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Pruiksma
Board President

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Executive Director

P.S. Rochester Community Care Home, Inc., d.b.a. Park House is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization, and your donation is tax-deductible to the extent allowable by law.

Where can you find us?



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Rochester, VT 05767

What's that phone number?

Park House phone directories will be available for purchase at merchants throughout the valley early in 2013. Don't forget to pick up your copy of the *MOST LOCAL* phonebook available for our community!

FORE! Our Residents

Lightning on the course, one torrential downpour on dinner, and a second torrential downpour on dinner were notable events at this year's golf tournament and dinner. The guacamole was ruined, but community spirit was not. More people than ever turned out for our 14th annual golf tournament and a wonderful dinner on Park House's lovely grounds making the 2012 Golf Tournament & Texas Barbecue our most successful fundraising event yet!

As a provider of perpetually affordable housing to seniors in our community, rental fees collected don't cover all of our expenses and fundraising events like our annual golf tournament help us cover our costs. Thank you.

We're Living United!

The United Way of Rutland County serves Rutland County, including Pittsfield, as well as the towns of Stockbridge and Rochester. This year, we are continuing our work with this fine organization and have received a funding award from them.

