

# Terry Home Insider

Spring 2011

138 Third Avenue S. W., Pacific, WA 98047

## What's New!

### A Second Home for Terry Home!

Thanks to everyone's help and support we have been able to make Terry Home a success. With a growing waiting list (now 25) and an increase in individuals who are surviving traumatic brain injuries, we would like to increase the number of people who could benefit from a place like Terry Home by building another facility.

On April 29, 2011, papers were signed to purchase land in Auburn to build our second home. This home will help 12 more survivors of TBI and four of these beds will be reserved for our veterans.

We have hired a development consultant who has been instrumental in writing and securing a grant from the TBI Council of \$300,000. We have received an award letter from King County for an additional \$500,000 and a grant application is in the works for another \$800,000 to complete this project.

It's a scary and exciting time for all of us. And we still need everyone's help. These grants will just build the building. We are hoping to receive donations for furnishing the inside along with appliances and a few other items. Please keep us in mind when you are making your donations.

### Terry Home Remodel

Good News – the remodel is complete --- Bad news on January 1, 2011 a sprinkler head broke and flooded the back portion of the home. Thank goodness for insurance and 24 hour service and a huge thank you to Steve Lee, Penny and Marvin Brock and Tim and Joanne Norman who came to our rescue on a holiday! You're our heroes.

## 19th Annual Show & Shine



Scenes from our 2010 Show N Shine. A fun (and cold and rainy) day for everyone. 125 vehicles still registered!



Join us on May 22, 2011 at the Auburn Eagles Parking Lot for our 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Show and Shine sponsored by the **Museum of Mechanical Arts**. We have planned a great day of fun and SUN. Remember, spectators are always free – come and enjoy the awesome vehicles.

# Resident News And Activities

Activities are one of the most important areas of our residents' lives. Our Activity Director, Penny Brock, has been busy trying to come up with activities that will fit into our now dwindling budget since State budget cuts have greatly affected us in this area. However, the residents and Penny have not let this dampen their active spirits.

Most of our residents survive on limited income and would not normally be able to go out to lunch, to the movies or to the zoo. Prices are going up for fun activities and bus fare is increasing, but our resident's income does not increase. **So we've gotten creative!** Residents have come up with a way to try and earn some extra money in order to still have fun outside the facility. For example:

The residents made beautiful Christmas wreaths to sell during the Christmas season. A special thanks to Alisa Canfield and her sister, Mona, who helped us design and build the wreaths; and thanks to God for sending the wind that blew all those lovely branches down for us to use.

Currently the residents have started a horticulture club and are potting various house plants and painting pots and baskets.

The residents would like everyone to stop by and purchase one of their plants at Terry Home. The money that is raised goes directly to the residents. The residents can use this money for outings and extra fun items they would like to do.

Some of the activities they enjoy are shopping, sports events (Mariners games), eating out, bowling, going out for a cup of coffee, or spending a day at the zoo. We also enjoy summer barbecues, trips to the park, and bike rides to Dairy Queen.

Every Monday, many of our residents bundle up and brave the rain to enjoy a few hours of socializing at the Pacific Community Center. The residents eat lunch, listen to music and visit with others in the community. The community center is a great asset to us at Terry Home. We thank them for all their support.

A local church is a blessing to several of our residents. Every Sunday, Pastor Al, his wife Patty or one of the many volunteers provide rides to church and back home again. This provides them with a great chance to worship and enjoy much needed fellowship.

## Resident Therapy:



Therapy is another important service Terry Home provides for its residents. Nine of our residents care is paid through DSHS. DSHS no longer pays for enhanced daily living and therapy programs that we provide in our home. Terry Home must raise the money for the time we spend assisting each resident with their therapy program.



Residents spend their therapy time stretching, standing, walking, and improving their strength and endurance. Terry home feels that therapy, no matter how small, is important for the well being of all our residents.



# Thank YOU!

Thank you for the grants received from the Muckleshoot Charitable Fund, the Tulalip Tribes Fund and 7 Wal-Mart Stores and Sam's Club.



## Volunteers

Thank you to the many volunteers who help our residents in one way or another. Without them Terry Home would not exist. We are always looking for more volunteers. If you are interested in any of our opportunities, feel free to call or stop by.

The bread ministry: Every week we have a wonderful lady (sometimes a gentleman) from St. Vincent DePaul come by to drop off day old bread and pastries from Safeway.

The yard work ministry: Much of our yard work is done by volunteers, residents or board members. We are always looking for people to volunteer in this ministry. Feel free to come in and sign up or send an e-mail.

Thanks to the following Christmas Santa and elves: All our residents have endured unbelievable life changes that they must deal with on a daily basis, once a year we like to show them how special they are to us by giving them a special day. ...CHRISTMAS.

**Pacific Partnership:** every year they have provided our residents with much needed clothing and gifts.



**Boeing Machinists:** The last two years they have adopted Terry home as their Christmas project. They have gone all out and purchased presents, much needed supplies such as shampoo and soap, and

bedding. They have also purchased fun items such as Wii games.



**The Holy Family Church:** They have adopted our residents for many years, providing them with much needed clothing, shoes and supplies.

Other Groups: **Auburn High school students** come on Friday evening for activities with the residents.

**Federal Way Decatur High School Photography Club.** Takes pictures at the car show, puts them on a disk, and creates a photo album for us.

**Terry Home Board of Directors.** These wonderful people are responsible for making the tough decisions in running the home. They decide on the fundraisers that are needed, and chair various committees such as Fundraising committee, Finance committee, and Planning committee. The Board is always looking for more volunteers and there are a few spots open for new board members. If you are interested, please contact Myla Montgomery at [emmontgomery@comcast.net](mailto:emmontgomery@comcast.net).

Other donations received since our last newsletter include the following:

Abbott, M. D., Auburn Eagles – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat Pinochle, Auburn Eagles Auxiliary, Boeing Employee Community Fund, Brandt, Barbara, Canfield, Diane, Commercial Metals, Dietz, John & Christina, DSHS, English, Herman & Nadine, Gino's Bistro, Holmes, Dan; Hopen, Debbie; Jenson, R.M.; Long Ronald & MaryLou; Lucky Seven; Manderville, Steve & Sherrie; Mille, Hart 7 CarolAnne; Mitzel's – Kent; Nelson, Jerry & Marilyn; Neumann, Pam; People for Puget Sound; Redinius, Tori; Reid, Raymond, Rockwell, Rocky & Colleen; Schooley, Michael & Sharon; Superior Insurance; TMX – Thyssen-Krupps; United Way; Washington State Eagles; Webster, R.C. & G.K.; Wetzler, Marilyn; Wren-Clement, Joyce

Memorials:

Lois May in memory of Dora Norman (Terry's Aunt); Roger and Lois Sixta in memory of Martha Kruse

**Boggy Garden Created by Generous Contributions.**

Since Terry Home began, we have had problems with our bio-swale (a place where water is to gather in a non-toxic environment). Since we couldn't use any chemicals on this area, it was continually overgrown with weeds. One of our Board members, Leanne Guier, was instrumental in obtaining a grant from Puget Sound Starts Here to build a "boggy garden." She and a few others spent many hours digging out the weeds and hauling them away. Then on planting day, many volunteers came to spread mulch and plant appropriate plants that would be environmentally friendly. Thank you, Leanne, and Friends of the Lower White River for this great asset to our home.



Before ☹️



After 😊

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Planting Day

**SAVE THE DATE:**

OCTOBER 22, 2011 – Building More Hope  
Dinner/Auction at Emerald Downs!

**Newsletter available via e-mail**

Please contact us on our web site if you would prefer to receive your newsletter via e-mail.

**Our Mission**

Terry Home, Inc. is a non-profit facility designed to provide long-term care to young adults (18 – 45) who have suffered a traumatic brain injury. The mission of Terry Home is to promote purpose, privacy, and independence for each person in a comfortable home-like atmosphere.

For more information on any of the previously mentioned items or if you would like a tour of Terry Home, please call us at 253-288-0135, visit our web site at [www.terryhomeinc.org](http://www.terryhomeinc.org) or write to us at 138 Third Avenue, S. W., Pacific, WA 98047.