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Without the kind support of these generous individuals and organizations, lives would be lost to alcoholism and drug abuse. THANKS to them, the Progress House can help men end thier addictive behavior and learn new ways to take responsibility for their lives.

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Largest donation in the history of the Progress House was made in 2013.

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For many years, Progress House has looked for ways to extend the Van Rooy, who offered to donate range of services provided so that they could provide longer term House. The Beacon House, similar support for those in need. Various to Progress House, has operated models, often referred to as threequarter and permanent housing, have been utilized within the area to overcome chemical depenof addicitons for years to provide dency issues. This gift included more ongoing support. This is a two 12 unit complexes that algreat need for many residents who lowed Progress House to expand have little support within the comits capacity from 75 to 123 beds.

munity and are limited on housing options because of their past.

In September of 2013, Progress House staff were approached by property management leader, Carl the Beacon House to the Progress since the late 90's as a residential facility for individuals struggling

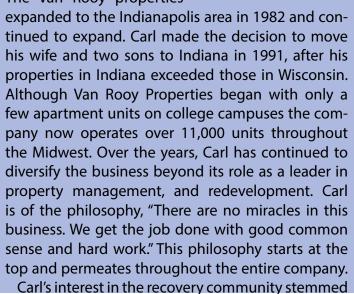


# Featured Supporter Carl Van Rooy

The epitome of the American dream, Carl Van Rooy came from a very humble beginning. Growing up on a small dairy farm outside of Green Bay, Wisconsin, Carl attended the last one room schoolhouse in the state of Wisconsin. With a total enrollment of 11 children for grades first through eighth, Carl excelled to the point of being accepted to the University of Wisconsin. While working his way through college, Carl worked as a janitor and part-time bartender. In 1974, Carl received his bachelors degree in Urban Land Use Planning.

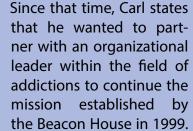
Carl quickly advanced in his chosen field after his

graduation. The company where he had worked as a janitor offered him a position as a manager, and was promoted a year later to regional manager. In 1977, Carl decided to start his own property management company and began aggressively buying various properties in the Wisconsin area. Outside of property ownership, Carl's business ventures expanded to include property restoration and coin operated laundry. The Van Rooy properties



from his good friend in the addictions field, Rick Gustafson. This interest led to his partnership with Rick to form the Beacon House in 1999. The Beacon House was a residential recovery facility that focused on working with the chronically addicted community. The Beacon House consisted of two 12 unit apartment complexes that had the capacity for 96 residents total. This facility was one of the largest residential recovery facilities in the state of Indiana.

This partnership between Carl Van Rooy and Rick Gustafson worked well until Rick retired.



In September 2013, Carl approached Progress House, to offer to donate the Beacon House. Knowing the financial state of the Beacon House, Carl offered to donate \$90,000 to help with the transitional costs associated with taking over the business. The donation of the two apartment com-

plexes along with the operational support had a combined contribution value of \$1,040,000, making it the largest donation in the history of Progress House. On January 1, 2014, Progress House took over ownership of the Beacon House, renaming it the Progress House'Next Step Program.'

Although Carl could have turned the Beacon House properties into standard apartment complexes, he stated that it was important to him that the mission of the Beacon House be preserved. As Carl states, "I donated to the Progress House because of the rich 50 year plus history, solid staff, and solid board of directors. I hope my donation will help enhance and preserve recovery and will expand the services provided by Progress House."



# As Bill Sees It

As indicated elsewhere in this newsletter, Progress House has embarked on an exciting expansion of our program. For the past several months, I have been overseeing the transition and program implementation of our PH Next Step (PHNS) and PH Permanent Housing (PHPH) programs.

We previously had developed an "in house" Next Step pilot program which was quite successful over the last year and were exploring options concerning how to develop this program on a larger scale. Around September of last year, Progress House was approached with a very generous offer made by Carl Van Rooy.

Among the many challenges encountered were re- degree of accountability and responsibility within a cord cold temperatures and blizzard like conditions, safe, structured therapeutic community of recovery. but we were able to transition a small but intrepid con- This expansion of the "continuum of care" withtingent from Progress House to the new facility. Two in the Progress House model is something that additional alumni of Progress House have become Res- we have been praying, wishing and working for a ident Staff. Both Keith and Shane have been doing a long time. I would like to thank all those who supgreat job during this difficult but exciting time! In addi-port PH; the Board, Staff, residents and families tion, without exception, every resident has stepped up and community. Progress House is making a difand has given of themselves to facilitate the success of ference, one day at a time, one man at a time, one this new opportunity. We have also had several former family at a time we are building a better world.



Beacon House residents "transition in place" and they too are very excited about the changes taking place.

Our Next Step Program allows men who have successful completed at least six months at Progress House to transition to a more independent but still highly structured apartment environment. Our Permanent Housing program allows men with at least nine months at Progress House to transition into an even more independent residential program along with the opportunity to reunite with families by having their children and/or spouses live with them. Again, there is a high

# Date Set for 2014 Jim Malarney Memorial Golf Outing

Despite all of the snow that we have had this year, preparations have already begun for the planning of the 3rd Annual Jim Malarney Memorial Golf Outing. We are looking forward to one of our best golf outings ever. This year's event will be conducted on Tuesday, June 10th at South Grove Golf Course in Indianapolis.

This event is one of two primary fundraisers conducted annually by the Progress House to help support the continued operations of the facility. Approximately 70% of the operating budget of the Progress House is generated through rent income generated by program participants. This leaves a remaining 30% that must be obtained through fundraising in order to continue operations. For this reason, the support of community partners is absolutely critical to our mission.

If you are interested in supporting this event, please contact Tadd Whallon for more inat twhallon@progresshouse.org. formation

