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Go Green!

If you would like to start receiving SAHG's newsletter in electronic form, please e-mail Sara Cox at [sarac@sahg.org](mailto:sarac@sahg.org) with "Go Green" in the subject line.

## SAHG gratefully acknowledges the following special gifts:

in honor of **Mary Jo Morrison** from Jack Morrison

in honor of **Kathleen & LaSaara** from Ed Short

in memory of **Linnie Rentfro** from Sam Rentfro

in memory of **Lainey Alai Malo** from Roberta Shorrock

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# St. Andrew's Housing Group

winter 2011

## Remembering a Dear Friend

One can compare each of SAHG's years to a vintage of wine. Both the wine's vintage and SAHG's "vintage" are influenced by the events of the year. For wine, the sun, rain, wind and soil impact a particular grape, thereby transforming the wine that is produced later.

By comparison, SAHG's vintage is affected by a myriad of factors, including the economy and community need. Most importantly, SAHG is influenced by the people we serve and by those who support us.

SAHG's vintage was forever changed on December 18, 2010 with the loss of a dear friend and volunteer, Don Barron. Don Barron was a long time auction volunteer and, along with his wife, Board member Lucy Sannes, was essential to establishing SAHG's auction as an exciting event to find incredible wines. Don was involved with many local wineries and had friends throughout the Washington wine industry. He and Lucy tirelessly worked on procuring, storing and displaying the wines that have become a key component of SAHG's auction successes. Don's sweet smile, gentle good humor and quiet help will be greatly missed this year and each year to come.

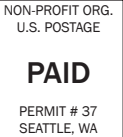


Don and Lucy at a wine tasting in Kirkland

## The Value of a Volunteer

In January 2010, SAHG was connected to Monika Jackson through Volunteer Match. Within a month Monika began volunteering with the Resident Services Program at Johnson Hill and Mine Hill Apartments. In a recent conversation, she shared that she loves working with the children because of their energy, excitement and the stage of life they are in. "It's just great what you get out of it," said Monika, as she described this worthwhile experience. Over her year of service at Johnson Hill and Mine Hill, Monika has seen the children change and improve in their interactions with her. Her consistent involvement week after week has helped to develop a level of acceptance and trust between her and the kids. Monika laughed as she said, "One of the reasons the kids get excited to see me each week is because I bring them snacks." Kyle Andersen, the Resident Services Coordinator at Johnson Hill and Mine Hill, appreciates Monika's presence as an additional positive, adult role model within the community. Monika's enthusiasm, compassion, and desire to serve the children at Johnson Hill and Mine Hill are an incredible asset to our Resident Services Program and to our entire organization. We are very thankful to have her on board!

Please contact Megan Bryant, Volunteer Coordinator, if you are interested in learning more about possible volunteer opportunities. She can be reached at 425-576-5190 ext. 24 or [meganb@sahg.org](mailto:meganb@sahg.org).



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### Community Development Partner Award

On February 17, 2011, St. Andrew's Housing Group was honored to be a recipient of Impact Capital's 2010 Community Development Partner Award at their annual meeting and reception. Impact Capital is a not-for-profit organization that provides funds to help build and sustain vibrant neighborhoods in underserved communities throughout Washington.

Impact Capital has been recognizing partners with their Community Development Partner Award since 2007. Tracy Reich, Director of Community Programs at Impact Capital and newest SAHG Board member, was pleased to recognize SAHG's "outstanding housing development on the Eastside of Lake Washington for the past several years." Impact Capital and SAHG have partnered to develop affordable and homeless housing on SAHG's last seven projects. Impact Capital provides critical pre-development loans that enable SAHG to launch the development of new properties.

Impact Capital's annual meeting was held at The Vera Project, an all-ages volunteer music and arts venue developed with an Impact Capital bridge loan. The location of the annual meeting was chosen to show Impact Capital's commitment to help build and sustain vibrant neighborhoods in underserved communities throughout Washington.

### SAHG Gets Settled

Our December office move went extremely well and we have transitioned into our new office space quite nicely. On January 10th we had a housewarming party which was well attended with almost 50 guests, including Legacy Leaders, local service providers, project consultants, contractors, vendors, lenders, tax credit syndicators, attorneys, property management staff and Board members! Guests participated in a SAHG trivia as they toured around our new space. The prize, a basket filled with our staff's favorite items, went to Sandra Hayes, the newest member of Kirkland's Senior Council.

We would like to give a hearty thank you to those who have recently provided our office and properties with furnishings! Garrett Guiler, a Finance and Asset Management Committee Member, supplied us with several desks, tables, chairs, pictures, and over 10 year's worth of office supplies.

Additionally, Scott Harrison, spouse of Board member Darel Harrison and a long-time SAHG supporter, donated 15 Steelcase Leap office chairs from Barclay Dean. We are all enjoying our new chairs, furniture and office space.

Thank you so much Garrett, Darel, Scott and Barclay Dean!

## mission

St. Andrew's Housing Group empowers individuals and families, supports diversity and strengthens communities by developing permanent affordable rental housing and providing supportive services.

## vision

Regardless of income, individuals and families in East King County have stable housing and strong support in diverse communities that empower success and foster a high quality of life.

## guiding principles

In everything we do, we will strive to:

- Transform our community, making immediate and long-term differences.
- Develop innovative solutions based on stability, integrity and long-term viability.
- Partner with organizations and individuals to broaden our effectiveness.
- Engage the public in our work.

## board service concluded

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