

First Newsletter

In this first newsletter of MS House Inc., we want to introduce to you the organization and the members of our Board of Directors.

Our mission is to develop and operate a residential facility for persons with multiple sclerosis (MS). The facility is envisioned to provide care that fulfills the needs of persons with various stages and challenges of MS, including the need for 24-hour care. Right now, there are no facilities in Maryland that provide long-term assisted living or nursing care for persons with multiple sclerosis. Many people who have multiple sclerosis find traditional nursing homes inappropriate for their needs and wants. We want to change that.

Meet the Board of Directors



RITA AND JIM ALLEN live in Frederick. Their son, Ron, has MS and is in a nursing center. They want to see a facility that is geared toward persons with MS, so that their son's needs are met in the most appropriate setting possible.



BROOKS ALLGOOD: Brooks has had MS since 1991 and had to retire from Montgomery County, MD as an Alcohol Inspector in 1996. He lives in Mt. Airy.



RICK GLASER: Rick is the executive director of CHANGE, Inc., a day program and supports services program for persons with developmental disabilities.



DONNA GOONAN: Donna has MS and lives in Westminster with her husband. She was diagnosed in 1989. She worked in sales for 20 years until MS started taking over in 1995 when she retired. She totally believes the MS House is so, so needed. When you live with this disease or just live, you never know what's going to happen **tomorrow**. She wishes everyone who has **MS** would get together with our Board and make this dream of building this facility come true.



JANE HUBBARD: Jane has had MS since 1987 and retired from the US Postal Service in 2000. She currently lives in Emmitsburg.



CASSIE WILHIDE: Cassie was diagnosed with MS in 1995. She has worked 9 years in assisted living homes. She is involved with hospice, teaching, has been a county programmer, and spent 20 years programming for senior centers. Cassie lives in Taneytown and is one of the founders of MS House, Inc.

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