



# Shelters of Saratoga

Spring/Summer 2011

## 20th Anniversary Open House

Thursday,  
June 23, 2011  
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

During Your Busy Work  
Day...Have Lunch on Us!

See What We Are All About and  
Leave Knowing How **WE**  
as a Community are Preventing  
**Homelessness**

ALL Are Welcome!

STAR 101.3 Broadcasting Live

Tour the shelter

Meet Board & Staff

FREE Door Prizes

Chinese Auction

50/50 Raffle

Refreshments will be served

RSVP by June 20th at 581-1097

If you are unable to attend, but  
wish to visit the shelter please call  
Cindy to arrange a tour at  
581-1097

14 Walworth Street  
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866  
518-581-1097

[www.sheltersofsaratoga.org](http://www.sheltersofsaratoga.org)

As non profits rebound from federal and state budget cuts, I am pleased to say that SOS's Neighborhood Preservation Program has been fully funded at the level recommended by the State Assembly ( as opposed to a one half cut proposed by both the Governor and the Senate). I attribute this to letters, emails and calls made by the SOS board and staff to advocate for our programs.



It appears that SOS may be adding some new trustees within the next few months. We will keep you informed as our board grows stronger. SOS currently measures outcomes but we are in the process of developing a system of measuring "hard indicators" to follow up on SOS clients who have been discharged.

Our April 7, 2011 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala was a complete success, surpassing our expectations. We received rave reviews on the dining, entertainment, Event Program, keepsake SOS wine glasses and the surprise performance by "Dancing with the Stars" performers. To view a photo show of the evening, please go to the events page on our newly launched website (and while you're there, check out the rest of that beautiful website!). My thanks to Cindy Harrington and other staff for pulling this event together.

All of SOS's programs are at or over capacity. SOS staff work diligently to meet the complex needs of those we serve. I regularly receive glowing testimonials from departing clients and hear multiple success stories from those served by all of our programs.

I deeply appreciate those who support us with donations and items on our "Wish List," to be found on our website. It is always my pleasure to note that 92 cents of every dollar donated goes directly to services for the homeless or at-risk homeless. We invite you to join us in fulfilling our mission. We have plans for an Open House, designed to expose more of the community to the array of services offered by SOS. We're planning a fun day.

We will continue to be our Brother's Keeper, as we shelter those in need and reach out to those still on the street through our expanding Mobile Outreach Unit. Have a wonderful spring and summer.

Kind regards,

John Penzer  
Executive Director

## SOS Mission

Shelters of Saratoga strives to ensure that every member of our community has safe and affordable housing. We provide shelter, advocacy and referral services for the homeless and those at risk of homelessness. We develop and maintain a range of affordable housing opportunities and resources for low-to moderate-income families and individuals.

## Shelters of Saratoga Staff



Thanks to the remarkable generosity and support of our community, Shelters of Saratoga achieved great success with its first gala held at Longfellows Restaurant on the evening of April 7, 2011. The event was a huge success with more than 150 people gathering to raise more than \$40,000.

Thanks to our generous supporters:

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