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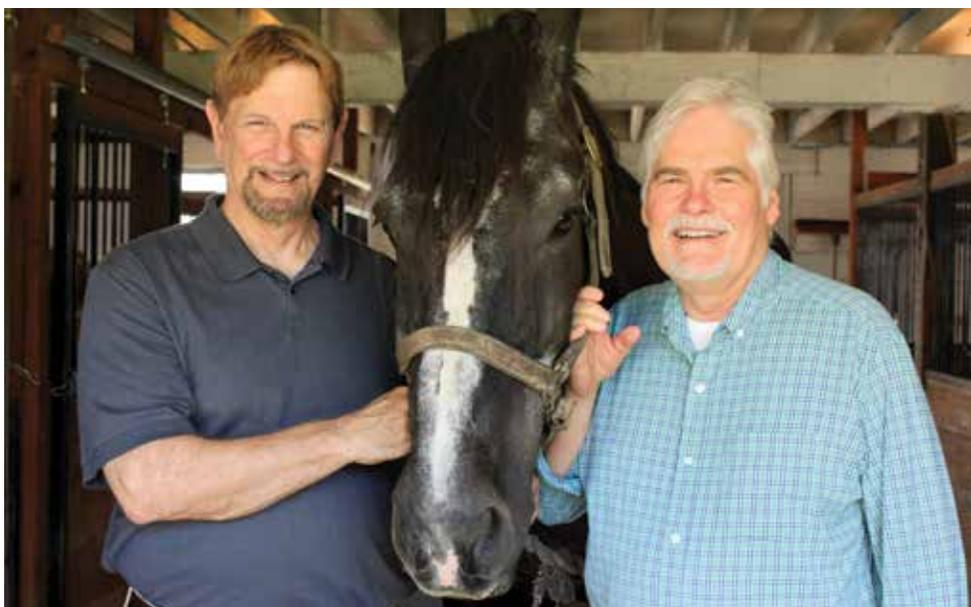
A Time of Transition

At the August 9, 2017, meeting of Hopewell's Board of Directors, Stephen S. "Steve" Morse, Esq. was unanimously voted in as Hopewell's new Chief Executive Officer. Steve follows the impressive tenure of Richard R. "Rick" Karges, LISW-S, ACSW, Hopewell's leader since to September 2007.

Steve Morse is an attorney and former social worker who brings more than 30 years of experience in the mental health field, including having served as advisor for Hopewell's first executive director when our program was initially developed. A Clevelander, Steve was most recently Director of Recovery Services for Recovery Resources. Prior to that, he was President and CEO of Spectrum of Supportive Services. (He helped Recovery Resources absorb Spectrum's staff and programs in 2011.) Steve's career has included management of a group home, creation of an aftercare residential service and teaching the legal issues in mental health (Cuyahoga Community College) and mental health policy and practice (Case Western Reserve University Graduate School of Social Work).

Steve lives with his wife, two children, three dogs, one cat and four chickens in Beachwood. He is an accomplished singer, having performed with the Cleveland Orchestra Chorus, Cleveland Opera Chorus, Robert Page Singers and Apollo's Fire Singers.

Rick Karges is a musician, too, having played guitar with The Hopewell Band for several years. He had decided more than a year ago to make this transition, and continued his role as Executive Director/CEO throughout the national search for his replacement, which began last fall. Rick and



Pictured are Rick Karges (left), Jerry (center) and Steve Morse (right).*

his wife and young son plan to continue to reside in Middlefield.

The entire Hopewell community wishes to recognize the accomplishments of "The Karges Decade." Here are some of the highlights of Rick's time with us since 2007:

- The "Compass Points" newsletter was created.
- The David Cutler Conservatory was constructed.
- Club Hope, our daily transition program, was initiated.
- The Farm & Craft Market and Woodshop opened.

- The annual David Cutler Conservatory Exploring Mental Health Series was established.
- Lyman House, our adult family home on Mesopotamia Commons, was established.
- Martha Schinagle, MD, our resident psychiatrist, was hired.
- The annual Outcomes Report was published.
- The Nature Therapy program was launched.
- A significant increase in Hopewell's access to and eligibility for commercial insurance reimbursement occurred.

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Please call me “Steve.”

BY STEVE MORSE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



It is with the greatest possible anticipation that I join the Hopewell community as the fourth executive director in its 24-year history. The previous executive director, Rick Karges (who served for the past ten years, an era of notable growth and improvements) has graciously offered to lend his valuable assistance during a transition period. That offer is gratefully accepted.

Call me “Steve.” One of the many qualities I admire about Hopewell is the atmosphere that leads everyone to be on a first-name basis, where all individuals’ different contributions are valued equally. One way to introduce myself at the outset is to list some of my favorite things:

- All critters, except snakes, but especially dogs and horses;
- Music, except Kenny G, but especially Beethoven, Verdi, Sinatra and the Beatles;
- Water to swim and boat in, especially the Atlantic Ocean;
- Fiction, biographies and history, my all-time favorite books being *Huckleberry Finn*, *The Great Gatsby* and Joyce’s *Ulysses*;
- Italian food first, especially when prepared by my wife, Gina, with Mexican running a close second;
- French Impressionist painters, especially Van Gogh, Gauguin and Monet; and
- Baseball, beginning with the Brooklyn Dodgers beating the Yankees for the World Series in 1955, continuing through today’s Indians, preferably without Chief Wahoo.

More relevant to my specific responsibilities at Hopewell, my core beliefs include: Mental illness should not define the person; the illness can be managed successfully with the proper support, as with diabetes or high blood pressure; stigma needs to be countered with public education; everyone is entitled to quality health care; incarceration and homelessness should not be substitutes for treatment; and evidence-based best practices should be utilized to help people reach their recovery goals of greater self-sufficiency.

My pleasant task now is to meet and learn about all the members of the Hopewell community, including residents, staff, volunteers, Board members, supporters and neighbors. That list represents hundreds of individuals, but I intend to accomplish the goal within the first three months. As with most organizations, Hopewell’s most valuable asset is **people**. Everyone here contributes to making this beautiful corner of the world into a productive and recovery-oriented community.

Thanks for making me feel welcome from day one. I look forward to working with all of you, and will always welcome your questions, thoughts, ideas and perspectives. Please do not hesitate to share them with me.

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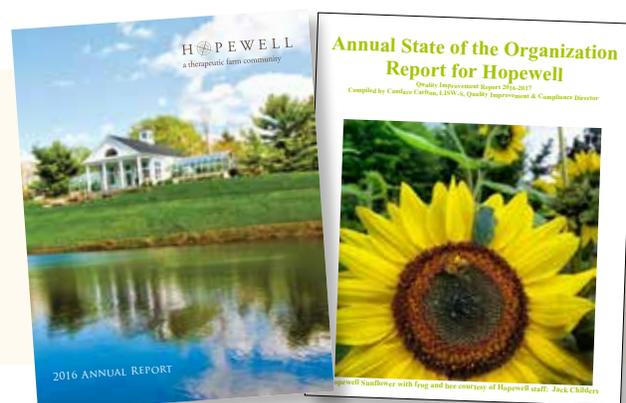
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and 2016 Outcomes Report at
www.hopewellcommunity.org/news.



My Farewell Thank You

“Life is a highway, I wanna drive it all (day) night long...”

by Rascal Flatts from the movie “Cars”



As I enter a new phase of my life and career in retiring as Executive Director/CEO of Hopewell, I carry with me many incredible, fond and rewarding memories of the decade I have spent here. While I am leaving, I know Hopewell's future will bring much more opportunity, meaning and excitement. I am proud and privileged to have been part of this extraordinary organization that truly invests in wellness, recovery and healing, and where each person is valued, respected and regarded as part of the “Hopewell Community.”

With a superior, knowledgeable and visionary Board of Directors and talented staff with so much to give, it has been my privilege to have served with you for the past 10 years. Your contributions and professional support make a positive and often remarkable difference in the lives of those served by Hopewell.

Change is said to be a good thing, and it usually is, especially when it can serve as a catalyst for generating innovation, discovery and creativity. Hopewell stands to benefit from all these advances. To have been a part of the Hopewell “miracle” is an experience that will always remain special and that I will hold on to always.

As I transition to the next steps in my career and life, I hope I will see some of you *going my way*, and that we might again share the road together.

Happiness and success to all!

Rick

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- A new, advanced electronic health records system was implemented.
- A new, improved mobile-friendly website was introduced.
- The organization's name was changed officially to Hopewell, and our intellectual property registered nationally.
- Our Extended Stay Program was formalized.
- Largely at Rick's recommendation, the first “Therapeutic Farm Community Summit” was begun. Executive directors and Board presidents from the five therapeutic farm communities meet semiannually. They include Cooper-Riis (NC), Gould Farm (MA), Hopewell, Rose Hill (MI) and Spring Lake Ranch (VT).
- The Art Therapy program was initiated.
- A new Sugar House was built.
- The Campaign for Hopewell – *Planting Seeds of Promise* raised more than \$8 million for our endowment and other priorities.
- An ad hoc committee was created to work with renowned architect Paul Westlake, Jr. and his firm (DRL Group/Westlake Reed Leskosky) to plan a building project to renovate Hopewell's facilities.
- The national Zero-Based Suicide training program was launched.
- The Program Committee of the Board of Directors agreed to explore start-up of an outpatient services clinic to meet an underserved population in Cuyahoga County.

(* Rick points out that Jerry, a key part of Hopewell's Equine-assisted Learning program, boasts a tenure that has outlasted three executive directors.)

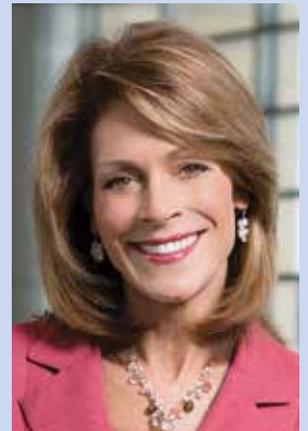
Save the Date: Wednesday, October 11, 2017



Doris A. Fuller

Hopewell announces the 7th Annual David Cutler Conservatory Exploring Mental Health Series, entitled “**Surviving the Suicide of a Loved One.**” Featured speakers will be **Doris A. Fuller**, Chief of Research and Public Affairs for the Treatment Advocacy Center, and **Loree Vick**, a trustee and spokesperson for LifeAct. They will be introduced by Thom Craig, Director, Mental Health Program at The Margaret Clark Morgan Foundation.

The event will be held at the Cleveland Racquet Club and tickets (\$25 per person) must be purchased in advance. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the Hopewell Development Office at 440.247.0912 or visit our website at www.hopewellcommunity.org/support-us/events/emh.



Loree Vick

Community Service for Those Who Serve Our Country

by Cindy Wagner, Program Facilitator



Community service offers so many wonderful life experiences, not to mention it helps us to feel like we are “giving back.” Here at Hopewell, we respect those moments when we have an opportunity to keep our residents focused on the positive. We believe we can make the world a better place for those in our community.

In the past, Hopewell residents and staff have participated in clean-up day in the local park and served food at the annual area ox roast. We have walked dogs at Rescue Village and helped with landscaping for the Geauga Humane Society. And we have washed trucks for the Mesopotamia Volunteer Fire Department (where one of our residents is an active member).

Recently, one of the projects in the Art Room was making “sugar scrub” for sale in our Farm & Craft Market. (We even incorporate the lemon balm grown in our gardens into this special facial cleansing product.) As we worked together making the lemon-scented mixture, the residents and I talked about the individuals serving in our country’s armed forces. We came up with the idea to send our sugar scrub to the active duty female sailors serving in the Middle East. **One hundred four-ounce jars of Hopewell Sugar Scrub will be received by the women aboard the United States Navy’s U.S.S. Howard.**



Cindy Wagner has been a Program Facilitator at Hopewell for ten years. She is the work crew leader for the Art Room Crew and the Garden Crew. Her son, Austin Wagner, currently is deployed in the Middle East, serving on the U.S.S. Howard. (Note: Rick Polch, Hopewell’s Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds, has a son serving in the U.S. Air Force.)

Our Team, Our Passions

Daniel Horne, Hopewell’s Clinical Director, was named First Place Winner at the 2017 Cain Park Arts Festival in Cleveland Heights, Ohio. This annual three-day event is a juried fine arts and crafts event featuring the work of up to 150 artists showing their pieces to over 15,000 visitors.

Daniel became interested in metal sculpting when he received a gift of an oxy-acetylene welding torch for his 40th birthday, presenting him with the opportunity to learn to weld. What began as a way to repair things quickly turned into late nights of sculpting.

According to Daniel, **“My work continues a long exploration of the importance and possibility of finding balance in all things.** Dense cold steel is worked into light, floating, seemingly impossibly balanced shapes. Organic elements of rock and wood are integrated into the work at times bringing an additional element of warmth. The viewer becomes part of the sculpture as they are invited and compelled to engage in generating movement in each piece creating opportunities to ponder balance in their own lives.” (Visit www.danielhornestudio.com.)

Thank You to Development Intern Michaela Burke

by Audrey Katzman, Development Assistant

Every summer, Hopewell offers a paid internship to a college student interested in learning more about event planning and fund raising. The intern is a vital member of the Development Office staff as preparation for our annual Summer Solstice benefit event swings into high gear. This year, we welcomed Cleveland native Michaela Burke to the team.



Peggy Barnes Szpatura, Director of Development, said, “Our interns focus primarily on Summer Solstice but also are involved in all the activities of our Development Office. Michaela worked with the Steering Committee and our staff to help coordinate the silent and live auctions. We relied on her to partner with and learn from Janine Shear, our new Development Assistant who was an intern in 2016.”

Now a senior at The Ohio State University, majoring in strategic communications and theater, Michaela grew up in South Euclid and attended Beaumont School. “Working here was a great way to explore working for a nonprofit and event planning as career possibilities,” recalled Michaela. “I learned a lot about how much detail and preparation go into planning a large event. It was great to see it all come together knowing that I played a role behind the scenes.”

The door is always open for Michaela at Hopewell. On behalf of the Development staff and Summer Solstice Steering Committee, we send her our deep appreciation for her hard work and best wishes for success in her future endeavors.

Welcome, New Directors



Peter Anagnostos

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Peter moved from Boston to his wife's hometown of Cleveland in 1991 and joined University Hospitals as Director of Major Gifts after serving a similar role at Harvard Medical School. He has held leadership fundraising positions at John Carroll University, Hawken School, Cleveland State University and the Cleveland Museum of Natural History. In June 2016, he joined MCPc, a national technology company headquartered in Cleveland, where he is Vice President of Marketing, Communications and Community Outreach. An active volunteer, he is currently president of the board of the Foundry, a new youth-oriented rowing and sailing center in Cleveland. He is married to Jane Johnson Anagnostos and they have two adult children.



Mary Joyce

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Mary has been an active volunteer with Hopewell's Summer Solstice benefit event since joining the Steering Committee in 2013. She served as Event Chair for 2016 and 2017. Mary's volunteerism began when her children were quite young and she was asked to join the board of their play school. She has been an active fund raiser for the national Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and the local Littlest Heroes. While raising her children and helping her husband, Peter, in his business, Signum Inc., Mary returned to school, earning a BFA from the Cleveland Institute of Art. Currently she teaches knitting and works part-time at the Artful Yarn in Chagrin Falls, and is "First Lady" of Kirtland Country Club, where Peter is President.



Joseph F. Verciglio

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Joe is a Partner at BakerHostetler, where he practices in the firm's Private Wealth Group focusing on trusts and estates. For the past five years, he has been associated with Hopewell, serving on the Corporate Committee for the annual Summer Solstice event, and for the past two years as the chair of that committee. He graduated from the State University of New York at Buffalo Law School in 2006 and attended the University of Kentucky for his undergraduate degree. He is currently a licensed lawyer in Ohio and New York. Joe is a native of Grand Island, New York, and resides in Rocky River with his wife, Kristen, and their three children.



Suzanne Grima Westlake

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Suzanne has been involved in the nonprofit world and helped develop master plans and mission statements along with fund raising and board development. She spent many years working for the Center for Arts Inspired Learning, formerly known as Young Audiences of Greater Cleveland, and will be joining their Advisory Board in the fall. Suzanne volunteers her time with the Hudson Blossom Women's Committee, the Women's Council of the Cleveland Museum of Art and the Christ Church Episcopal in Hudson. In her spare time, Suzanne travels the world with her husband, Paul, plays tennis and loves her garden. She and Paul have three married daughters, four grandchildren and one grand dog. Her brother, Michael, is a long-term resident at Hopewell.

Summer Solstice 2017

Hopewell's 17th annual Summer Solstice benefit was held Friday, June 16, at the beautiful estate of **Brian and Gretchen Colleran** in Hunting Valley. Under an exquisite sky, more than 500 guests sipped cocktails and enjoyed hors d'oeuvres and dinner prepared by **Marigold Catering**.

This year's event honored **Sandy and Sally Cutler** for their dedication and commitment to Hopewell. **Hawthorn, PNC Family Wealth®** was the Presenting Sponsor, supporting Hopewell since the inception of Summer Solstice 17 years ago. The Colleran Family Foundation served as the event's Gold Sponsor. Our Corporate Committee, led by **Joseph F. Verciglio** of BakerHostetler, broke all records, securing \$143,300 in sponsorships.

Event chair **Mary Joyce** and her Steering Committee worked assiduously since January to ensure Summer Solstice 2017 would be one of the finest parties of the year. Trustee **Susan Silverberg Bewie** served as auction chair, filling two large barns with items including jewelry, household items, antiques and entertainment packages. The Hopewell Gallery was a new addition this year, showcasing items made by Hopewell residents. **Lindsay Steinbrink** served as table host chair and **Kathy Mahovlic** as decorations chair.

Peter Joyce, the evening's emcee, gave a warm opening to the sold-out crowd. Highlights of the evening were remarks by Hopewell's Board of Director's new president, **Chloe Rankin Seelbach**, and "Happy Birthday" wishes sung to founder **Clara T. Rankin**. Guests were captivated as **Theresa Piteo Trela**, mother of a resident, shared her family's journey with mental illness. A Fund-A-Need led by auctioneer **Bob Hale** produced more than \$83,000. All proceeds from the annual event enable Hopewell to offer fee assistance to 95% of its residents each year. Summer Solstice 2017's net proceeds exceeded \$337,000!



Uday Yadav, Sally Cutler, Sandy Cutler and Anu Yadav



Jim Linhart, Cathy Hattenbach, Dana Shapiro, Diane Russo Armington and Pablo Montiel

SAVE THE DATE:
Summer Solstice
Friday, June 15, 2018



Kristen Joyce offering her bid

Guest speaker **Theresa Piteo Trela**, mother of a Hopewell resident, told Summer Solstice guests, “Make no mistake: a donation that supports patient care at Hopewell saves lives. Let it be tonight, when the door of summer’s solstice swings wide on its hinge, that *you* will light the way forward, that *you* will embrace the power you have to help others sustain the dignity of community and self-reliance; and to affirm, if *not* you, then who will it be? If not now, when?” (Visit Hopewell’s website to hear Terry’s story, at www.hopewellcommunity.org/photos-videos.)



Tori, Richard, Theresa and Liza Trela



Clara T. Rankin



Mark Teague and Chloe Seelbach



Susan and Hal LaPine



Angel Kocsis winning a Live Auction item.



Matt and Katie Bittner



Matt Joyce and Brian Colleran



David Legeay and Kristen Adams

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Hopewell is recognized as an Organizational Fund Partner of the Cleveland Foundation

At its annual meeting at the State Theater on May 10, 2017, the Cleveland Foundation highlighted three of its Organizational Fund Partners: Breakthrough Schools, Cleveland Metroparks and Hopewell. Hopewell founder and life trustee Clara T. Rankin and then board president Mark W. Teague were featured in a video shown to the sell-out audience.

Hopewell established its partnership with the Cleveland Foundation in August of 2013, creating the Hopewell Endowment Fund. This long-term fund is held and managed by the Cleveland Foundation. With oversight from Hopewell's Board, notably its Investment Committee, the Cleveland Foundation stewards the fund and ensures that each dollar multiplies over time to generate returns for Hopewell. Hopewell uses endowment interest income to provide fee assistance for residents in need.

All gifts to the Hopewell Endowment Fund are tax-deductible at the highest income tax level. Appreciated securities or planned gifts such as charitable gift annuities, charitable remainder trusts and charitable lead trusts also may be accepted. Interested individuals may contact the Cleveland Foundation Advancement Team at 877.554.5054 for a personalized consultation.

