

“TOGETHER BUILDING A NEW WAY OF LIFE”



The *Firetree Chronicle*

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Firetree Continues to Grow



Firetree, Ltd. Corporate Office, Williamsport, PA

Firetree, Ltd. is growing again! We are pleased to announce the addition of five new facilities to the Firetree family. Three of the facilities will house short and long term inpatient programs and two will provide outpatient services. In addition, Community Reentry Services may be available at some of the buildings as well as additional treatment services such as detox. Each facility name, location and information is listed below:

Conewago Snyder, Beavertown, PA: Inpatient drug and alcohol services

Conewago Snyder will be constructed in two

phases. Firetree, Ltd. plans to offer detoxification and level 3B and 3C services to both males and females. Referrals will come from counties and the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole. Firetree recently held a job fair at the building site and received over 200 applications from local residents along with many sentiments of support for the program.

Scheduled to open late summer 2008

Conewago Hamburg, Hamburg, PA: Inpatient drug and alcohol services

Firetree, Ltd. plans to provide beds for inpatient drug and alcohol, detoxification services and community reentry. The majority of beds will be reserved for drug and alcohol clients. Inpatient drug and alcohol services will be offered to both males and females and Conewago Hamburg will take referrals from counties.

Scheduled to open late summer 2008

Conewago Indiana, Indiana, PA: Inpatient Drug and alcohol services

Conewago Indiana will serve individuals referred by Single County Authorities for level 3B and 3C treatment with plans to add detoxification at a later date. Capacity is still to be determined. Conewago Indiana will be the first facility opened by Firetree, Ltd. that will specifically deliver services to consumers in the western region of the Commonwealth.

Scheduled to open mid-summer 2008

Genesis House Reading, Reading PA: Outpatient services

Genesis House offers intensive outpatient and outpatient services.

Clients may also receive family therapy, marital counseling and

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Drug & Alcohol Treatment Programs

Community Reentry Centers

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therapy for gambling addiction. The hours at Genesis House are arranged to accommodate a wide variety of schedules. Treatment is also available for Spanish-speaking individuals. Referrals are currently accepted through the Berks County TASC office. The facility is licensed to provide treatment to 100 clients.

Now Open

Genesis House Bloomsburg, Bloomsburg, PA: Outpatient services

Genesis House Bloomsburg is located just outside of the Bloomsburg University campus. Intensive outpatient and outpatient counseling are available in addition to family therapy, marital counseling and treatment for gambling addiction. Accommodations will also be made for Spanish-speaking clients.

Now Open

As with all Firetree inpatient facilities, transportation to the programs will be provided to clients referred to treatment. Each of the facilities will also have the capability to deliver services for the Spanish-speaking population. An Open House will be held at each facility prior to opening.

Think Spring! Cleaning, that is

What do you think of when you hear the words "spring cleaning?" While "spring cleaning" can be two very dirty little words (pun intended), around the Firetree family of facilities those words translate to "community", "volunteerism" and "neighborhoods." This Spring, Conewago Place and

The coming months are going to be an exciting time for Firetree. We are looking forward to providing opportunities for treatment to new communities and to helping individuals with addiction issues to change their lives for the better.

Conewago Wernersville Update

Conewago Wernersville is located on the campus of Wernersville State Hospital in Wernersville PA. Firetree, Ltd. leases buildings from the Department of General Services. You may be aware that Firetree is currently involved in a landlord-tenant dispute with DGS. This dispute has not impeded in any way our ability to provide the detoxification and inpatient services that we are committed to deliver to every client that is referred to the Wernersville facility. There have been many accounts of this dispute circulating that are simply inaccurate or untrue and are too numerous to address individually in this newsletter. If you have any questions or concerns, please call us directly at 570-601-0877 or email info@firetree.com.

Lycoming House were presented with unique opportunities to turn those words into actions.

On April 17, 2008, 16 clients and four staff members from Conewago Place in Hummelstown took part in the Great PA Cleanup. The group from the facility spent the

New Detox Protocol

In response to requests made by our referral sources, Firetree, Ltd. has developed a Detox Protocol designed to motivate residents of the detox unit at Wernersville to engage in inpatient treatment. The highlights of this new programming are:

- Length of a detox stay has expanded beyond three days to a maximum of seven.
- Detox clients are given the opportunity to sit in on inpatient groups to become comfortable with the treatment process.
- A Transitional Counselor is assigned to each detox resident that sits in the inpatient group with him/her and meets with the resident daily
- A Drug and Alcohol Awareness component has been added for all detox clients
- A peer component has been added as well. Volunteer inpatient residents interact with the detox populace and help them understand the challenges and triumphs that accompany sobriety and what to expect when engaging in inpatient treatment.
- A Motivational Enhancement Therapy component is now in place to improve motivation to change in the detox residents, which hopefully leads to a desire to continue treatment.

This new protocol has been very successful in getting detoxing individuals to continue the treatment process and take advantage of the inpatient services available to them. Firetree recognizes that treatment is not a "one size fits all" proposition and that these new procedures allow each person's treatment experience to be truly individualized.

day removing trash and sprucing up the areas of Shank Park and Bullfrog Road in Derry Township. This is the first year that Conewago Place has lent a hand in the local cleanup efforts and plans to make their participation an annual event.

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Education: The Gift That Keeps On Giving

There are many ways that Firetree's facilities contribute to the communities in which they are located. One very important way to give back is through education. Brian Hofsass, Clinical Director, Conewago Place, is involved in a variety of educational opportunities with a diverse group of individuals from the surrounding community.

Recently Melody Lovelidge, Pennsylvania Youth Apprenticeship Supervisor at Lower Dauphin High School, brought a group of students to Conewago Place for a tour and a primer on how addiction can affect an individual's life. Brian acted as tour guide and teacher for the day, giving the students an overview of substance abuse and the treatment available in Firetree's facilities. Ms. Lovelidge noted that this type of education would not normally be taught in a classroom and that it was an eye-opening experience for the participants. One of the students noted on an evaluation form for the day, "I thought it was really good to see all of these things because I think people

our age should know what we're dealing with and how to stay away from drugs."

Brian and the Conewago Place staff are also involved with the Nursing Program at Penn State Hershey Medical Center. Each semester, pairs of nursing students arrive at Conewago Place and visit two days a week for six weeks as part of their field experience prior to graduation. The prospective nurses observe groups, counseling sessions and the day to day operations of the facility. This activity gives them a real-life look into the disease of addiction that they would not normally get in a typical hospital setting.

Brian is also involved in another educational project that aims to deter teens from substance abuse. On a regular and ongoing basis, Brian takes a small group of clients to speak to the Youth Group at the First Church of God, Middletown, PA. The group is separated into males and females in order to address the specific needs of each gender. The clients relate the

stories of their lives and how they came to be in their current situation in order to help the teens see how vitally important it is to make good choices while they are young so they can avoid a life of struggling with addiction. Brian notes that the program has been very well received by the youth group and has been a reality check for the teens who participate.

Education is one of the most important gifts that can be given to someone. Firetree is hopeful that this gift given by Brian and the Conewago Place family to the people who have accepted it will be enduring and valuable to them.

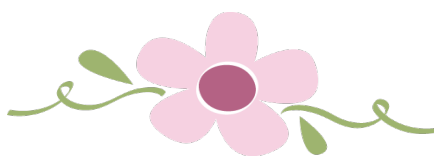
"I think people our age should know what we're dealing with and how to stay away from drugs."

Spring Cleaning (cont'd.)

Residents and staff of Lycoming House in Philadelphia helped out with the Philly spring Cleanup that was held on April 5, 2008 and was sponsored by Mayor Michael Nutter's office. The work crew from the facility joined with the South Philadelphia crew and cleaned up several city blocks as well as local playgrounds. The Mayor's Office set a goal of 10,000 volunteers to clean up 1 million pounds of trash. Instead, 15,000 volunteers cleaned up 2.56 million pounds of trash* which is a true testament to what people can do when they take the time to get involved.

Conewago Place and Lycoming House worked very hard and were able to see the fruits of their labor almost immediately. They should be proud of what they accomplished and how their actions helped to improve the quality of life for many people.

*Source: www.phillycleanup.com



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