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**NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Norman Johnson

Welcome to 2011! I hope that you and your loved ones are having a happy and healthy New Year.

Despite the cold and the gloomy Washington weather, this time of year is one of optimism and renewal. For our participants, this time of year is an opportunity to focus on their recovery from chemical dependency and/or mental illness. The New Year is a chance to wipe the slate clean and begin again, hoping that this year will be even better than the last.

2010 was an eventful year for THS. We opened a new location in Kent to serve youth ages 18-24 in our Chance To Change program, opened the Summit Annex, which houses our pregnancy, parenting and women’s services, greatly expanded our youth services and began several new programs including ENCOMPASS™ and the Youth Summer Golf and Tennis Program. In the year to come, we look forward to continuing THS’s constant search for more effective ways of treating the needs of the youth, adults and families we serve.

THS is constantly searching for more effective ways of treating the people we serve. Thank you all for your support of THS and our programs. We are all part of the solution, and we truly appreciate your continued commitment to the well-being of our community.

We want your feedback! Please write to info@ths-wa.org with any questions, comments or suggestions.

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**BOARD PROFILE**

Ethan Van Eck

One of THS’ newest board members is Ethan Van Eck. Ethan has a longstanding interest in mental health and substance abuse treatment, stemming from his brother’s life-long struggle with mental illness and addiction. During the 1980s, he spent time in the Peace Corps in Malaysia and Honduras, which was a formative experience that solidified his interest in healthcare. When he returned to the U.S., he attended the University of Michigan and graduated with a Masters in Public Health.

Ethan has served as a health manager in governmental and private health organizations for more than 40 years. He spent time in Oregon working in local county public health and for the Governor’s Office of Rural Health in the late ’70s and early ’80s. He served as the Director of Health and Social Services for the Kodiak Native Association and Indian Health Service in Alaska and as the administrator for the Providence Family Medical Clinic. Ethan recently retired from the Seattle-King County Health Department as Operations Manager of ten Public Health Centers.

Ethan is glad to be a board member at THS because during his years working in healthcare, “it became clear that real healthcare is integrated and has a big behavioral health component. I was intrigued by THS because it treats mental health and substance abuse together.”

Ethan’s goals while on the Board of Directors are to help develop a strong Board of Directors, work to create a new strategic plan for the future of THS and increase the impact of THS services. He believes that “THS can be the go-to organization for the big healthcare groups who need mental health and substance abuse treatment.”

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**VOLUNTEER PROFILE**

Amanda Peiffer

One of our new volunteers at THS is Amanda. Amanda works in the Corporate Office and provides invaluable help with office work, such as mailings and putting together brochures. When she is not volunteering with THS, Amanda works as a receptionist for BMW and is finishing her Associates degree in Nutrition. Originally from California, she has also lived in Oregon and Italy before settling back in Washington State.

Amanda says that the reason she chose to volunteer at THS is because “I’ve been very fortunate with things in my life and I wanted to give back. I’ve lost friends to accidents and overdoses and wanted to help out with something that I believe in strongly.”

Amanda spends much of her spare time volunteering. During the 2010 holiday season, in addition to volunteering at THS, she has also volunteered with the Dorothy Day House, the Jingle Bell Arthritis Walk, the Redmond Light Show (which benefited Toys for Tots, Northwest Harvest, King County Parks and the Teddy Bear Patrol, and the Wonderland Holiday Carousel (which benefits Treehouse).

THS is grateful for the support and assistance of volunteers like Amanda. If you’re interested in volunteering, please contact Rehana Lanevala at rehana@ths-wa.org or by phone at (206) 323-0930 ext. 278.

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-Former THS Client

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