

December 2019 E-Newsletter *The Latest News from Astor*



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Happy Holidays! Tis the season to be jolly and here at Astor, our hearts are full of gratitude! This holiday season, our friends and supporters have rallied around and shown their love and support with donations and fundraisers. We've had several great events this month, a Holiday Party in Rhinebeck and a Paint & Sip Fundraiser in NYC.

Our Adopt-A-Family Program was a great success and the support has been overwhelming! There are definitely some very happy children this holiday season thanks to our many generous donors!

We are grateful for your continued support. Happy Holidays and have a wonderful New Year!

Your friends at Astor

Astor Children's Artwork Featured in Lifetime Movie

Our dear friend and supporter, **Hilarie Burton** is starring in a new Lifetime holiday movie with, *A Christmas Wish,* alongside Tyler Hilton.

Artwork featured in the movie, such as the painting



above, was created by children in Astor's Expressive Arts Program. The program, "Express What You Feel," encourages children to enter a creative space where they receive guidance and support to "say" what cannot always be said with words.

You can read more in the **Pougheepsie Journal**. Watch *A Christmas Wish* on Lifetime Dec. 24 at 10pm.

Astor's Holiday Party was a hit!

Astor held its annual Holiday Party on Dec. 6 at CO. in Rhinebeck. It was a great opportunity to come together to eat, drink, be merry and dance... all in support of Astor! A special thank you to the Families for Astor committee for hosting such a great event!



View more photos here!

Astor's Paint & Sip Fundraiser

Astor's Young Professionals Board held its Inaugural Paint & Sip Event in NYC last week to Brush Away the Stigma of Mental Health. A special thank you to La Pittura Studio for hosting us and for providing a warm and fun-filled painting experience.

View more photos here!

Adopt-A-Family Program

Astor's Adopt-A-Family Program is in full swing! Our generous donors are dropping off loads of gifts for children in our programs. Thank you to Andy and Vicki Imperati for lending us the use of the barn at the **Dutchess County Fairgrounds**. We appreciate it!

Check out more photos here!

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iHeart Radio's Valley Toy Drive

Thank you to **iHeart Radio** and the generous folks who donated to the **Greater Hudson Valley Toy Driver** at the Poughkeepsie Galleria. This year was their largest toy drive ever! Astor received a great donation of toys to be given to children in our programs.

Astor Receives \$5,000 Rite Aid Grant

We are grateful to **The Rite Aid Foundation** for recognizing and supporting Astor's efforts to ensure a



brighter future for the children and families we serve. The foundation has provided a \$5,000 grant through the Full of Thanks holiday program. This donation will go towards our Adopt-A-Family program and will help provide holiday meals to our neediest children and their families this holiday season.

You can support Astor every time you shop at Rite Aid by signing up for the Kid Cents Program. Visit kidcents.com today!



We are proud to be an official KidCents charity! Join Rite Ald's KidCents program to round up your purchase to the nearest dollar and donate your change to our organization! For more Information visit kidcents.com

In Support of Astor

Haven Spa Giving Tree

We are thankful to **Haven Spa** in Rhinebeck for its Giving Tree. Throughout the entire month of December, you'll be able to purchase lovely snow globe ornaments at different dollar amounts from Haven Spa Boutique's Giving Tree in support of Astor's Expressive Art Program. Haven Spa will match your individual donation up to \$500! Visit Haven Spa at 6464 Montgomery Street, Rhinebeck, NY or online at **havenrhinebeck.com**

Willow Wood

Thank you to **Willow Wood** in Rhinebeck! Owner Mari Bird sold sea creature ornaments and donated the proceeds to the Expressive Arts program at Astor Services for Children & Families. We thank Mari, her family, and Willow Wood for their continued support. Visit Willow Wood on Facebook or at 38 E Market Street, Rhinebeck, NY.

Beekman Arms

Thank you to **The Beekman Arms** for its Giving Tree where customers were able to purchase gifts for children in Astor's Programs. Visit The Beekman Arms at 6387 Mill Street, Rhinebeck or online at www.beekmandelamaterinn.com

Chancellor Livingston

We are grateful to **Chancellor Livingston Elementary School** in Rhinebeck for collecting donations of hats, gloves and mittens for children of Astor again this year!

The students created a Mitten Tree where they collected donated items to be given to Astor Services. Great job kids!

Support Astor while you shop!











With You Lockets

Astor has partnered with With You Lockets in the creation of an Astor Collection of Lockets. This collection features locket designs originated from drawings by children served by Astor. Proceeds from sales of these lockets benefit Astor's Expressive Arts Program. View the Astor Collection here.





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