

The Saratoga Hall Taskforce wishes to provide you with an update on our Saratoga Hall project, providing information both on the current milestone and on progress regarding other milestones to completion. We seek your continued prayers for God’s direction and guidance in completing this space for His work.

CURRENT MILESTONE STATUS

There are **five milestones** remaining to complete this project according to our original 2006 plan:

1. **Complete Saratoga Hall as defined by Island County Building and Health Departments: \$153,397**

Our Building permit expires in July 2017, which can be extended one additional year. To meet this deadline, all work must be completed by July 2018. Work Includes: remaining lighting controls, cabinets & counter tops, flooring, plumbing fixtures, fire escape, drop ceiling panels, doors, hardware, millwork, and landscaping. **PRAISE: \$260,104 has been given toward Milestone #1 since November 1st, 2016. Our remaining need is \$153,397.**

Island County Permit Requirement	Estimated Cost	Received to-date	Required to complete
Remaining Drop Ceiling Panels	\$ 9,772	\$ 9,772	\$ -
Interior Doors and Hardware	\$ 96,600	\$ 12,866	\$ 83,734
Plumbing Fixtures	\$ 46,000	\$ 46,000	\$ -
Vinyl & Carpet Flooring	\$ 175,000	\$ 105,337	\$ 69,663
Cabinets, Counter Tops & Millwork	\$ 126,800	\$ 126,800	\$ -
Electrical Finish	\$ 50,500	\$ 50,500	\$ -
Fire Escape & Landscaping	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ -
Elevator Retainer	\$ 3,242	\$ 3,242	\$ -
	\$ 537,914	\$ 384,517	\$ 153,397



This “Model Room” displays planned interior finishes.

REMAINING MILESTONES STATUS

2. **Occupy Saratoga Hall – First Floor: \$100,000**
The Saratoga Hall Project team has made a decision to fully complete room 4, staging the room so that our Chapel Family can see a sample of what the completed and occupied building will look like. **Come to the Saratoga Open House Next Sunday, 3/5, after each service.**
 3. **Repurpose Harrington Hall – First Floor; and/or Jackson Hall: \$84,000**
The Saratoga Hall Project team, Administrative Board and Elders continue to evaluate ministry needs and functions as a part of determining designated locations and space for ministries.
 4. **Occupy Saratoga Hall – Second Floor: \$200,000**
 5. **Repurpose Harrington – Second Floor & Montgomery Hall & East Hall: \$162,000**
- Remaining Total: \$699,397**

How do we walk daily in God's faithfulness?

"For the LORD is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations."

Ps. 100:5

*How true it is that we see God's faithfulness in our daily walk; we trust and lean on Him to carry us forward. We have the Word today because of the faithfulness of His disciples and those who preached the message from one **generation** to the next.*

*The Church Body here at Camano Chapel has sacrificially given over the years in preparing a place for His Word to be preached and His Love to be shared within our community. It's our opportunity to continue that giving spirit as we lift our offerings towards the Saratoga Hall project. God knows all the plans for the building and He knows exactly when it will be completed. May we all join in the opportunity to fulfill this **Generation's** calling of God's Plan as we move forward, complete and use Saratoga Hall for God's glory!*

Tim Bardon, Saratoga Task Force Leader



Our generation's race ... giving together, enabling ministries to reach the next generation.

How can we reach this next important milestone together?

- **Pray** –By asking the Lord to give through you, He will get all the credit!
- **Support** – There are several ways to help meet the Island County Permit Deadline.
 1. Consider **giving monthly** above and beyond your regular tithe.
 2. Consider making a quarterly or annual **cash gift** above and beyond your tithe.
 3. Consider gifting **appreciated stocks, bonds, and mutual funds**, or for those over age 70, consider gifting the required minimum distributions from your retirement accounts (*Talk to your CPA about how to reduce your tax liability before the end of the year by giving to the Saratoga Hall building project*).
 4. Consider naming the Foundation of Camano Chapel as a **beneficiary in your advanced directives, retirement accounts or life insurance** policies, turning a portion of these assets into life-changing gifts to God's work through Camano Chapel.

NOTE: For more information please contact **Jon Rice, Church Administrator at (360) 387-7202**.

Thank you for prayerfully joining us to complete Saratoga Hall! If you have any additional questions concerning the remaining phases of the project, we would be glad to arrange for someone to meet with you and provide more details. Please contact Tim Bardon @ 30-629-5208 or at papatasaor@gmail.com with your questions or concerns.

Trusting Christ Together!

Saratoga Hall Taskforce (*Tim Bardon, Lance Curry, Jim Nichols, Paul VanSant and Jon Rice*)

Dick MacCoon requested we include the following personal letter from him as an attachment to our Quarterly Saratoga Hall Taskforce update.

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Quarterly Saratoga Hall Taskforce update.*

Richard P. MacCoon 587 Utsalady St. – Camano Is. WA 98282 – 360-387-2272

Dear fellow church members,

My daughter, Colleen Johnson, came home from helping put the bulletins together one day at the church and sprung on me a new revelation that never occurred to me before.

She asked me, “What do you really think about Saratoga Hall?” I replied, “I think of it as a new facility for the pastors and staff and an insurmountable amount of money that has to be raised, and my small contribution would hardly make a dent.” She replied “I used to feel somewhat the same way.”

Then Colleen said to me, “Do the math, Dad. Let’s say there are approximately 850 attendees (possibly representing 400 individuals who give to Camano Chapel). If you take the \$153,400 required over the next five months to meet Island County permit requirements for Saratoga Hall, and divide it by the 400 individuals, that would be about \$383/person or \$19 a week.” I thought, “WOW, that’s easy, I can do that and more, to cover those that are not as fortunate as I am.”

“That’s well and good honey, but is it really needed?” “Dad, Camano Chapel does need the space for many ministries for those who are lost, those who need help and especially the younger generation who don’t know the love of Christ. Look at Saratoga Hall as a ‘tool of the Lord’ where the love of the Lord is expressed in meals for some, a place of refuge and outreach, teaching God’s Word and the exercising of many other spiritual gifts that will affect people in our community for the rest of their lives.”

I started thinking of the difficult task the church leaders have to go through to raise money to fill the needs of the people that the Lord is sending to us. I felt ashamed for my indifferent attitude. The reality is, this should not be the responsibility of the church leaders, but us, the congregation, leaving the pastors and staff free to minister to those the Lord has sent to us.

If you find any of the thoughts expressed above reflects some of your own thinking, let us free the leaders of this task and worry of raising money to meet the July deadline when the building permits expire for Saratoga Hall. We can take on this responsibility by putting either a weekly offering or one time offering for Saratoga Hall. Let’s fill the offering tray with Saratoga Hall envelopes.

May the Lord be our guide,

Dick