



Center Harbor Meredith Moultonborough

Community Caregivers

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SUMMER GREETINGS CHARLOTTE LEAVITT, BOARD PRESIDENT

CHMM Community Caregivers is in rapid forward motion to meet the supportive needs of our neighbors in Center Harbor, Meredith and Moultonborough.

“Opportunities” are evolving from our communities to assist us as we respond to the “challenges” we face.

Challenge #1 – Neighbor service requests are increasing.

Opportunities – Seven new volunteers finished their course in May.

–Volunteer classes are planned for July and September

Challenge #2 – Fund Raising (See separate articles about each event)

Opportunities- *Winni Wine Festival*, Thanks to the Common Man Family of Restaurants

Summer Raffle 2011, Thanks to MVSB, local crafters, and volunteers
Mini Golf Tourney – Thanks to Paradise Falls Mini Golf Course

Challenge #3 – Governance and Staff
Opportunities – Board of Directors, farewell to those who finished terms and welcome to enthusiastic new members at the annual meeting in May.

Our Office Manager, Hilda Schmidt, is moving to CT. We will miss her. Our new office Manager is Alison Newton. Please come by the office to meet and welcome her.

How rewarding it is to see the many ways that individuals, businesses and organizations in our community step up to help!



“Neighbors helping Neighbors” may sound trite, but it is what makes the difference for CHMM Community Caregivers to serve those needing assistance. Without all your help we would not be able to fulfill our mission. We sincerely thank each of you.

May your summer in our beautiful Lakes Region be the best !

Charlotte Leavitt
President Board of Directors



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**UPCOMING EVENTS
2011**

Fundraisers

Summer Raffle
Including many beautifully crafted hand-made items

First Annual Fall Invitational Family Mini Golf Tournament

More details inside

THANK YOU, HILDA! WE WISH YOU WELL!

Hilda Schmidt joined Community Caregivers as a volunteer in 2002. She was elected as a member of the Board of Directors in 2008, but resigned when she was offered the position of Office Manager. Her accounting skills and attention to detail have contributed to the many improvements to our of-

fice data base and procedures. Her dedication has been apparent in her caring and compassion for our neighbors and volunteers. We will all miss her.

Alison Newton, Meredith, has joined the staff as the new Office Manager. Stop by, and say hello.



MISSION STATEMENT

Center Harbor, Meredith and Moultonborough Community Caregivers, a volunteer organization, provides supportive services and information for our neighbors to assist them in their daily lives.

SUMMER 2011 FUNDRAISING EVENTS

The 6th Annual Winni Wine Festival



hosted by The Common Man Family of Restaurants and The Martignetti Companies of New Hampshire, was held on Thursday, June 23 from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. in the Winnepesaukee Ballroom at Church Landing, Meredith.

Two of the Lakes Regions most valuable nonprofit organizations, CHMM Community Caregivers, Inc. and White Mountain Foster & Rescue shared the proceeds.

A Pre-Wine Festival Beach Party at the Common Man's Town Docks outdoor tiki bar overlooking Meredith Bay was held the night before on Wednesday, June 22 starting at 6 p.m. Donations benefitted both nonprofit organizations.

The 2011 Summer Raffle



kicked off at our Annual Meeting in May. Prizes include four unique hand-crafted items created and donated by local artisans including a Nantucket Lightship Style Basket, a Patriotic Wall hanging, a Stained Glass Lake Scene, a handcrafted Modern Style Table and a \$1000 Savings Bond from Meredith Village Savings Bank (Center Harbor and Moultonborough branches). The raffle runs from now until September 10 when the lucky tickets will be drawn at the Mini Golf Outing.

100% volunteer participation will guarantee a successful fundraiser. Please join with other volunteers and supporters and sell tickets to your friends, neighbors, families, club friends, and any other contacts you may have. Brochures and additional tickets are available at our office.

Together we will make this a very successful project and the results will directly impact our neighbors. Thank you!



1st Annual Family Mini Golf Outing
To be held at:
Paradise Falls Mini Golf Rte 109,
Moultonborough
Sat. Sept 10 (rain date Sept. 17)

This first time family event is guaranteed to be a favorite with you, your family, and friends. Open to individuals

and teams of all ages. Limited to 18 six player teams.

Enjoy prizes, awards, team photos, and the mouth watering temptation of the Ben & Jerry's Sundae Bar with all the fixings.

Wanted: (18) \$100 Hole sponsorships and (2) \$150 Structure sponsorships.

Sponsor Benefits include: being listed in all press releases, being featured on our website (chmmcommunitycaregiver.org), having company graphics on all event materials and media website summaries and having logo displayed at each hole or structure the day of event.

Benefits to our neighbors: priceless!!

For more information, please contact: Mackie Heinrich 253-8266
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SAMUEL P. PARDOE FOUNDATION GRANT

CHMM Community Caregivers, Inc. proudly announces a first time grant award from the Samuel P. Pardoe Foundation. The funds will be used to support the volunteer program.

Founded in 1989, the Pardoe Foundation's focus is limited to 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organizations that support education, land resource management, and social service programs in the Lakes Region. Grants support programs that provide for basic human needs such as housing, job training and counseling, and health and human services.

The Community Caregivers mission "to provide supportive services and information for our neighbors to assist them in their daily lives" was cited as meeting and exceeding the grant requirements.

LENDING A HELPING HAND CAROL F. GERKEN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

When asked, "Why do you volunteer with Community Caregivers?" Many volunteers respond with these words, "I have been so fortunate and I want to give back, to lend a helping hand. Now that I have more time, I want to make a difference in my community." Achievement is possible when people come together in common purpose to make a difference.

At the recent Caring and Sharing Open House, two of our newest volunteers shared a similar response. They had stopped by to learn more about long distance driving needs, to discuss strategies to interest other drivers in long distance driving, and to participate in an idea exchange.

It was a wonderful opportunity for me to meet with and get to know new volunteers.

Volunteers bring skills, interests, energy, and optimism, all of which are ingredients for success. CHMM Community Caregivers is like a ship following a chartered course. Whether the weather is clear or stormy, we continue to read the signs, make thoughtful decisions, stay the course. Our neighbors enjoy the caring support from their community. Every day, in so many ways, your kindness makes a direct impact in their lives. Our volunteers experience the opportunity to share their time and talents and to enrich their lives through community service.

May our volunteers continue to enjoy this personal volunteer service, share the ideals of our dedicated volunteer team, and know in



their hearts that CHMM Community Caregivers is just the place for them.

Carol

BOARD OF DIRECTORS NEWS 2011-2012

Each member of the Board of Directors lives our mission. They focus on our volunteers, the heart of our organization. They prioritize goals - neighbors and volunteers come first. They create community networks and partnerships. They are passionate about our organization and share our compelling story within our organization and out in the community. Most importantly, they are motivated by principled actions.

Successful organizations and their leaders embody and model certain characteristics. They create a vision; articulate and passionately own the vision, and they drive the vision to completion. CHMM Community Caregivers is blessed with leadership that embodies these characteristics.

Board Members represent the three town area served by Community Caregivers.



Pictured left to right:

Back row---

Bob Phillips, Betsy Raffaele, Ellen Garneau, Mackie Heinrich, Ken Greenbaum, Charlotte Leavitt, Doug Whitley, Ed Touhey

Front row---

Mary Anne Skawinski, Joan Henderson, Linda Foster, Jane Foster
Not pictured—Bob Bradley

Welcome to the Board!

Betsy Raffaele, Center Harbor, is an experienced Caregivers volunteer.



She joined the Coordinators Team in January and has been very busy connecting neighbors with volunteers who provide supportive services.

At the 2011 Annual Meeting, Betsy was elected a member of the Board of Directors. When asked why she volunteers with Community Caregivers her response was, "Giving back to my community is important to me and I enjoy helping people."

When you think *recycle*, think the Caregivers office!

Please bring your used ink cartridges to the office. They can be left in our mailbox by the rear entrance of the Century 21 Building or come upstairs and say hello.

For each cartridge returned to Staples, Community Caregivers receives a credit toward office supplies.

Every little bit helps!



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HOW SWEET IT IS

The first day of spring for local residents *has* to be opening day at Ben & Jerry's Mill Falls Marketplace. Not only is this event special to those who wait patiently for their first taste of ice cream but it is special to CHMM Community Caregivers.

Through the generosity of Jayne Cohen, owner, and Liz Breton, manager, ice cream, cones, dishes, and sundae bar fixings have been the featured dessert at many Annual Meetings, Volunteer Thank you Events, and coming September 10th will be the tasty finale at the first Mini Family Golf Outing, held at Paradise Falls, Moultonborough.

As Jayne Cohen, owner, recently shared,

“Although I don't know all that Community Caregivers does for everyone, the idea of helping others who may be less fortunate or capable or who have less opportunity within our own community is very important to me. There are a lot of people whose lives are made so much better by a friendly phone call, a ride wherever and whenever needed, or a meal with others. Your volunteers are the caregivers to the people that make up our community. A happier, healthier, and friendlier community benefits all of us.

CHMM Community Caregivers, through its dedicated volunteers, gives back to others in the place we all live. It is our pleasure to support your efforts. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to help out in some small way.”



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