



Center Harbor, Meredith and Moultonborough
Community Caregivers

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WELCOME FROM OUR BOARD PRESIDENT

Our first official newsletter!!! What an exciting event. A special thank you to the Caswell Foundation for the grant we received to fund this project. Our purpose in pursuing this newsletter is Communication. Your board of directors wants you to be informed about Community Caregivers. It is often the case that donors, neighbors and volunteers only see a small segment of what this organization does. This newsletter will be your window into Community Caregivers. It is

also your newsletter and we encourage you to contribute.

This organization could not function without each and every one of us; we are a team. As you give of your time, efforts and financial support, remember too, what you are getting back. Take a moment and review what it means to you to be a volunteer or a donor supporting such a vital service to others. Then turn around and tell someone about us. The best recruiting tool for

volunteers is word of mouth.

Thanks for being part of Community Caregivers. Each and every one of you really makes a difference.



*Mackie Heinrich
Board President*



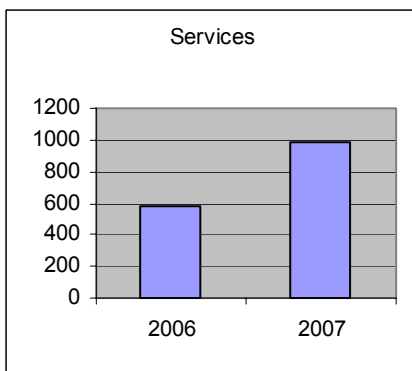
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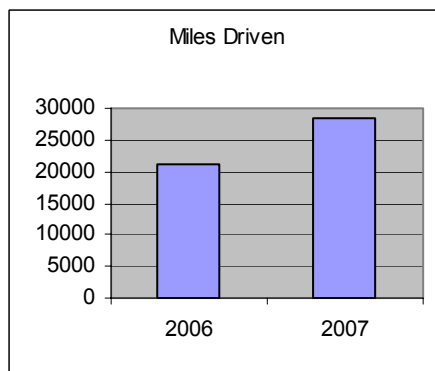
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2007 — IT WAS A VERY BUSY YEAR!

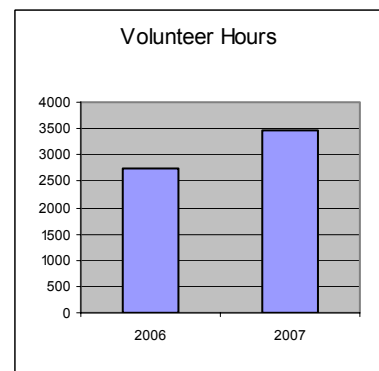
AS THE FOLLOWING STATS ILLUSTRATE, WE ARE IN NEED OF ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS. SPREAD THE WORD AND ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO GET INVOLVED BY VOLUNTEERING WITH CAREGIVERS. PLEASE HAVE ANYONE WITH INTEREST CONTACT US AT 253-9275.



Services provided increased 67% from 2006 to 2007.



Miles driven by volunteers increased 35% from 2006 to 2007.



Volunteer hours increased 26% from 2006 to 2007.

OUR 2008 ANNUAL MEETING WAS A CELEBRATION!

Amidst bouquets of yellow, green and orange balloons throughout Gilpatric Hall at the Center Harbor Congregational Church, volunteers, staff, Board members, donors and interested members of the community gathered to complete the required business of the Annual Meeting and to celebrate 10 years of providing supportive services to residents of Center Harbor, Meredith, and Moultonboro. The hall décor also included an arch of balloons, provided by Floral Creations, under which there was a slide show highlighting activities of the past 10 years.

Mackie Heinrich, Board President, opened the meeting with a warm welcome to all. The business session included the Director's report by Mary Joyce reporting on 2007 services. These included 981 services, 2,727 volunteer hours and 28,492 miles, all increases over the pre-

vious year. Mary was thanked for her service and presented with a plant. Denise Doyle, Treasurer, reported on a successful financial year in 2007. Thanks were extended to all individuals, businesses, and organizations that supported our organization and made it possible for Caregivers to continue its mission of enabling "neighbors" to remain independent.

Outgoing Board members and volunteers, Nancy Haigh, co-founder of CHMM Community Caregivers, and Kitty Bevington, who served on the original committee and as Board President from 2004 to 2007, were recognized and each presented with a plant.

The Nominating Committee announced the following proposed new Board members who were then duly elected by the membership: Hilda Schmidt, Robert Bradley, and John (Jack) Rogers.

Nancy Haigh and Charlotte Leavitt, co-founders of the program which was originally established as an outreach program of the Center Harbor Congregational Church, presented a brief history of the program including the transition to a separate non-profit organization (501c3) in 2004. They recognized the original group of 25 volunteers of which 12 were present to receive certificates recognizing their 10 years of services and also a floral corsage.

Refreshments served included a birthday cake, beverages and ice cream, which was donated by Ben and Jerry's of Meredith. Everyone then enjoyed a humorous program by the featured presenter, Rebecca Rule.



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Members of the first Caregivers training class



How sweet it is for Caregivers to celebrate their 10th anniversary!

COE HOUSE HOSTS “CASH IN THE ATTIC” FUNDRAISER



Mackie Heinrich and Dorothy Caswell



Mary Joyce, Luke Dupuis and Susan McCann

On the evening of May 21st, the Coe House Restaurant in Center Harbor hosted a fundraiser, “Cash in the Attic,” to benefit Community Caregivers. Although it was a rainy night, 60 people attended and all agreed that they thoroughly enjoyed themselves!

Guests were invited to bring an item from home to determine its value. Richard Hough of Waukegan Auction Services in Meredith donated his time and reviewed each piece individually, estimating its approximate value in the market. All of the items were displayed for everyone to peruse; they included an antique whistle from an oyster boat, a Brownie box camera, a variety of porcelain pieces including plates and vases, a metal bank and an old pocket watch. It was entertaining to see what treasures people brought from their homes!

Luke Dupuis and Chef Jeff Day, co-owners of the Coe House, hosted

this elegant yet relaxed and fun event. A variety of beverages were served along with a multitude of delicious hors d’oeuvres! Event tickets were \$35.00; those attending agreed this was an evening that was well worth it. The event raised over \$1,200.00 for Caregivers.

The original idea for this event came from Luke, who also owns Home Comfort in Center Harbor, during a “brainstorming session” this past January. Luke is a committed supporter of Caregivers and we are very grateful for his fundraising support.

We are planning another event at the Coe House this fall; look for details in our September newsletter and please come and support our events! It is a lovely social evening that serves a greater purpose!

CAREGIVERS’ STAFF UPDATES

Judy McInnis, who has served as our Office Manager for 6 years, has recently left the organization to pursue other business opportunities. Judy has been a wonderful advocate for Caregivers over the years for neighbors and volunteers.

Mary Joyce, who has served as our Executive Director for 2 years, will be leaving the organization on 6/17/08. Mary has a wonderful opportunity to be a Director at a camp on Newfound Lake which will enable her to spend more time with her young daughter. We appreciate all that Mary has done for Caregivers.

We wish both Judy and Mary continued success and much happiness.



Welcome Carol Gerken

Carol Gerken will join Caregivers in June as our Executive Director. Carol resides in Meredith and was the Director of the InterLakes Senior Center for 6 years. Carol is very active in our area communities and will bring a great deal of experience and energy to her position with Caregivers. Carol serves on the Plymouth State U. President’s Council, is a member of the Greater

Meredith Program Promotions Committee, the Meredith in Bloom Committee, “The Lakes Connection” and the Altrusa Club of Meredith. Carol is also the Co-Chair of the Page Pond and Forest Leadership Campaign Committee. The Board of Caregivers is delighted to welcome Carol to the organization and looks forward to working with her.

Part Time Office Manager

Once Carol is in the office, we will begin interviewing for a 20 hour a week part time office position. For more information, contact a member of the Search Committee: Mackie Heinrich, Denise Doyle, Joan Henderson or Charlotte Leavitt.



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LIONS CLUB HOSTS SUMMER SMORGASBORD



The Moultonborough Lions Club hosted our Summer Smorgasbord, a dinner to benefit Caregivers. This event took place on Saturday, June 21st. The menu included roast pork loin, baked beans, roasted vegetables, salad, rolls, dessert and beverages.

A special thanks to the Lions Club who donated use of the hall and up to \$500 to cover our expenses. The event was also supported by the Center Harbor Congregational Church for use of equipment, CG Roxanne for donation of water, EM Heath Supermarket for donation of rolls, Floral Creations for decorations, Pastor Bob Farah of the Center Harbor Christian Church, and of course by multiple volunteers from both the Lions Club and Community Caregivers who worked so diligently the day of the event. A good time was had by all.

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