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Craftsbury Community Care Center, Inc. is a 501(c)3 organization and Equal Housing Opportunity Facility.

Our mission is to provide a caring, homelike affordable residence for seniors, in a setting that encourages independence, activities and involvement with families, friends and the larger community.

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## Letter from the President

Dear Friends of the Care Center,

Thank you for helping us achieve our best ever year in fundraising. Both our annual appeal letters and our Sugar on Snow party were very successful and much appreciated. Our costs of keeping the Center up to 1<sup>st</sup> class standards seem to continually rise every year. We continue to look for ways to gain efficiencies and improvements to maintain our level of care and to keep the facility in great shape while holding our prices as reasonable as possible. We could not do this without your ongoing support.

We are currently preparing for our annual Cook-out and Auction which will happen on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. We are accepting all types of donations for the auction and will be canvassing neighbors for items until the end of June. If you have something you would like to donate, please contact the Center or me at [danhill230@gmail.com](mailto:danhill230@gmail.com). Hopefully, we will be spared the monsoon we had at last year's event.

Most recently, we have completed new updated job descriptions for all staff and restructured the salary schedule for our employees. We are now looking at all of our internal policies and procedures to make sure they are current. We are reviewing the surveys we received from you, the public, about what you want us to be going forward. We will keep you up to date with our progress as we begin to formulate a strategy for meeting the needs of our residents into the future.

Thanks to all of you for your ongoing support of the Center. Your help allows us to be at the forefront of senior assisted living.

Enjoy your summer and we hope to see you on July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

—Dan Hill for the Board

## Resident Highlight — Kelli Kelley

Dorise Kelley - better known to us at the 4C's as Kelli Kelley was born in Boston, Massachusetts. When she was eight years old, she and her mother moved to East Burke, Vermont, to take care of her mother's uncle. Kelli went to school at Lyndon Institute. She told me that she loved school. When Kelli was nearly 18 she decided to move to Boston and get a job working at the Raytheon War Plant until the war ended. After the war Kelli went to work at another plant in Newton, Mass. Kelli said she enjoyed being on her own and living in Boston.

At 21 Kelli moved back to East Burke and finished school at St. Joseph's in St. Johnsbury and also worked at the Star Theater. After her schooling was finished, she moved back to Newton, Mass. At age 26 Kelli decided that she wanted to go to hairdressing school in Atlanta, Georgia, so she drove to Atlanta and enrolled in hairdressing school. She rented a room at the Church's Home for Girls for \$8.00 a week which included two meals per day.

Upon graduation Kelli worked in a salon and participated in many styling competitions. She did a lot of work for Rich's Department Store, styling hair for fashion shows until 1978. She was also a salon manager. Along with Kelli's hairdressing, she also worked as a night auditor at a Quality Inn in Macon, Georgia, and became the manager there. Later she worked for the Better Business Bureau in telephone sales.

In 2002 Kelli retired and moved back to Vermont. Before moving to the 4 C's, she was a senior companion for the Area Agency on Aging in St. Johnsbury and volunteered at Northern Vermont Regional Hospital in St. Johnsbury.

Kelli has been a resident at the 4 C's for two and a half years and says that she absolutely loves living here.

—Emma Pudvah



## Our Wonder Woman

Who do you think edits and assembles this newsletter? Who designed and implemented the CCCC website and added our Facebook page? Who do you credit with organizing and printing the lengthy Auction list? And who updates and prints the labels for annual appeals and newsletters?

MICHELLE WARREN!

About seven years ago Michelle became aware that CCCC's website was badly in need of updating. She felt that CCCC was a residence to be proud of and that it was worthy of better advertising exposure. Coincidentally she was looking to practice and improve her marketable skills. Then to our great benefit Michelle volunteered to join the Board and took a significant role in the fledging Marketing Committee. With her guidance and knowledge CCCC came into the media age. The website became an essential fixture, constantly updated with new improvements, content and photographs. We learned the value of Facebook, we moved from radio to television commercials and assembled a contact list for all areas of advertising. She helped with the content and layout of the CCCC brochure and the Capital Campaign pamphlet.

After several years of balancing her work commitments and various CCCC meetings Michelle reluctantly turned down the invitation for a second term on the Board but she continues to provide her invaluable and significant contributions behind the scenes. Her belief is that CCCC is a "magical place", the people of our area are fortunate to have such an outstanding resource and she wants to do her part in promoting it and seeing it succeed.

CCCC is not the only beneficiary of Michelle's dedication and talents. She manages the Town of Craftsbury website and calendar and is Secretary of the Craftsbury Select Board. In addition, she holds a full-time job, is the bookkeeper and secretary of the Church on the Common and does freelance website consulting. Truly a wonder woman!

Our abundant thanks to an irreplaceable CCCC friend.

—Anne Cassidy



## Joe Hickey — Staff Spotlight

Joe Hickey is one of the chefs at the Craftsbury Community Care Center. He was born and raised in Massachusetts and has seven siblings.

He received his culinary training at the Cambridge School of Culinary Arts in Cambridge, Massachusetts. After finishing school, Joe lived in the Boston area and was a chef there. He also was a chef at a 300 bed nursing home in Fall River, Mass. Among Joe's other culinary talents, he owned a restaurant for three years.

Before Joe moved to Vermont to live, he came here often to ski. He loved it here so much that when the chance to move here came up, he bought a home in Albany, Vermont. Joe has lived here for 15 years.

The 4C's has been lucky to have Joe cooking here for the past 14 years. He enjoys cooking for the residents and takes pride in the meals he prepares for residents and their families.

Some of Joe's hobbies are skiing, riding his motorcycle and fishing. He loves to have his grandsons, Lucas and Logan, come up and spend time with him in the country. Lucas and Logan, sons of Joe's daughter Laura, live in Fall River, Mass., with their parents.

Residents, family and staff compliment Joe often on his culinary talents with the homemade meals as well as their presentation.

—Emma Pudvah



## Thoughts From Family Members

A few words cannot begin to express how grateful we are that our father, Bob Twiss, was able to reside at the Craftsbury Community Care Center. Years before our father became a resident, we were well aware that the center was a wonderful and comfortable place to be. We were not disappointed at all. Our father received excellent 24-hour care and attention from the staff and management. His every wish or need became an instant reality, all thanks to the many dedicated workers at 4 C's. On many occasions, the staff involved and extended themselves to make any adaptations that he needed. The staff was like an extension of our family where they treated each of us with love and respect. And, he was most fortunate to have made loyal friendships with the residents. It is our hope that we can continue to support the efforts of the Craftsbury Community Care Center with donations for their annual Cookout/Auction in July or in another capacity, in the loving remembrance of our father.

—Debbie Dickovick and Jeff Twiss



## Mark Your Calendar for 4C's Annual Cookout & Auction July 22!

**Date & Time:** Saturday, July 22 12 Noon (Auction starts at 12:45 PM)

Would you like to own a part of the Celtics 2016-17 winning season? Come to the Craftsbury Community Care Center Cookout and Auction on July 22. You'll have the opportunity to bid on a pair of basketball shoes worn in a game by star point guard Isaiah Thomas. The shoes are signed and include a letter of certification. A basketball signed by General Manager Danny Ainge and Head Coach Brad Stevens, also with a letter of certification, will also be among the items auctioned off. The live auction starts at 12:45 PM, with the silent auction starting at noon. New this year: absentee bids will be accepted for these two Celtics items only. To submit an absentee bid, please download the form from the Craftsbury Community Care Center website and submit it for the auction.



This year's Cookout and Auction are dedicated to Bob Twiss. Bob was a former Board Member and Board President, a resident of the Center and one of its most enthusiastic supporters. Bob was an athlete and fan of basketball and baseball. Bidding on the two Celtic basketball auction items mentioned above would be a wonderful way to honor Bob's memory.

Ron Sanville is back to run the live auction featuring many specialty items. Going up for bid are many pieces of furniture including unique bureaus and room dividers. In addition, there will be a cord of seasoned wood, flowers and vegetables from Stillmeadow Garden, picnic baskets, fur jackets and tickets to a Celtics game. The silent auction, starting at noon, includes a wide variety of gift certificates, jewelry, local pottery, children's toys and jigsaw puzzles.

The annual fundraising event includes a noon meal of roast pig, turkey and delicious sides. Kingdom Creamery's truck will be on site to dish up chocolate, vanilla and maple ice cream.

All proceeds benefit this uniquely special senior residence. The Craftsbury Community Care Center offers a warm and caring atmosphere and a safe environment for seniors, encouraging independence, activities and involvement with families, friends and the larger community.

Cookout tickets are now on sale at the Craftsbury Community Care Center - \$12.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children and free for children under five.

***We look forward to seeing you for the Cookout and Auction on the 22nd!***

—Deborah McKinley





# Craftsbury Community Care Center Photos



**Wolcott Ballet**



**Craftsbury Chorus**



**Craftsbury Preschool**



**Watercolor painting with the Art House, Wonder and Wisdom seniors & the Care Center residents**



**Cathy and Gail, who have each worked here over 20 years**



**Volunteer Emily Touchette facilitates a word game with residents.**

# Upcoming July Events



- Saturday, July 1 at 10 AM  
Greensboro parade
- Monday, July 3 at 2 PM  
Singers: Sentimental Journey
- Wednesday, July 5 at 1 PM  
Singer: Carol Ann Jones
- Wednesday, July 12 at 2 PM —Singers: Rich Atkinson and Friends
- Friday, July 14 at 2 PM — Singers: Skip Sedore and Friends
- Saturday, July 15 at 9:30 AM —Northern Lights Singing Group
- Saturday, July 22 at 9:30 AM — Roger Waible on guitar
- Saturday, July 22 — Cookout at Noon, Auction starting at 12:45 PM
- Wednesday, July 26 at 10:30 AM — Dave Stoner Tree Farm Presentation
- Tuesdays, July 11, 18, and 26 at 6:15 pm  
Craftsbury Chamber Players ( for seniors in area )



## Board of Directors:

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- Bob Twiss, honorary member

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