



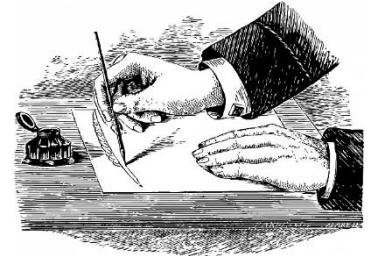
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Letter from the President



Dear Friends of the Care Center,

As I write this newsletter we are completing a very successful annual fundraising effort for this year. Thank you to all of you who contributed to our Center. To those of you who have not had a chance to make that donation yet, we hope you will use the enclosed envelope for a gift that will help with the ongoing needs as our building ages and the cost of running the place continues to escalate. We are continuing work on formulating a plan to equip the Center for the future. Our futures committee and in fact, the entire Board has been assigned duties to produce historical data about our residents and their needs and to project future population requirements and capital needs. Depending on the outcomes of our research, we plan a feasibility study to learn the best way to make our facility meet the needs of future residents while keeping us financially viable.

Our next big fundraising event is the annual Sugar on Snow and silent auction. It is scheduled for April 7th and we hope to see all of you there. We will have a silent auction and plenty of sugar on snow for everyone. Please reserve that date to join us.

On July 28th, we will be holding our annual cookout and auction. This is one of our major fundraisers for the year. As you do your spring cleaning, please consider donating any items you may have that would be appropriate for our auction. We are more than willing to pick them up if you are unable to deliver them to the Center.

As always, we want to thank the staff and you for the ongoing support of our efforts to run a state of the art facility. We could not be successful without all of your help.

Lastly, I want to thank our outgoing board members who have played a pivotal role in our successes to date. Cilla Bonney-Smith is stepping down after many years of service and Emma Pudvah is leaving after being a very active member of our team. Thanks to both of them for their outstanding service.

Think spring.

For the Board,
Dan Hill, President

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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The Family Perspective

Having lived in Greensboro for a long time, my family felt that we were familiar with the Craftsbury Community Care Center. We remembered when it was being built, had read newspaper articles about it over the years, and knew it to be a place where older people could live in their own space, while enjoying the convenience of prepared meals and the safety of living in a community setting. Through personal experience, however, we learned that it is so much more.

Last year our 96-year-old mother, Angela West, reluctantly gave up living independently in her Connecticut home, and moved to Vermont to be near family here. When we brought her to the 4C's to visit before deciding to move in, the bright, comfortable and beautifully maintained common areas and rooms made us all feel that this would be a place where she could live happily. It was the things we couldn't see, though, that really made it be the right place for her.

The degree of caring and welcoming on the part of the staff was truly remarkable. Everyone there made a tremendous effort to introduce themselves, to make her feel a part of the community, to get to know her and to make her feel welcomed and loved. That goal was accomplished within a very short time.

Sadly, our mom lived for only a little over a month after she took up residence. Upon her passing, we, her family, became the recipients of the same spirit of caring and love that was shown to her. We will be forever thankful that this was the setting in which our mom got to spend the final weeks of her life, in happiness and peace, and surrounded by such loving and compassionate people.

—The family of Angela West

Joanne Chase — Staff Spotlight

Salad Chef par excellence

Interview with Joanne Chase

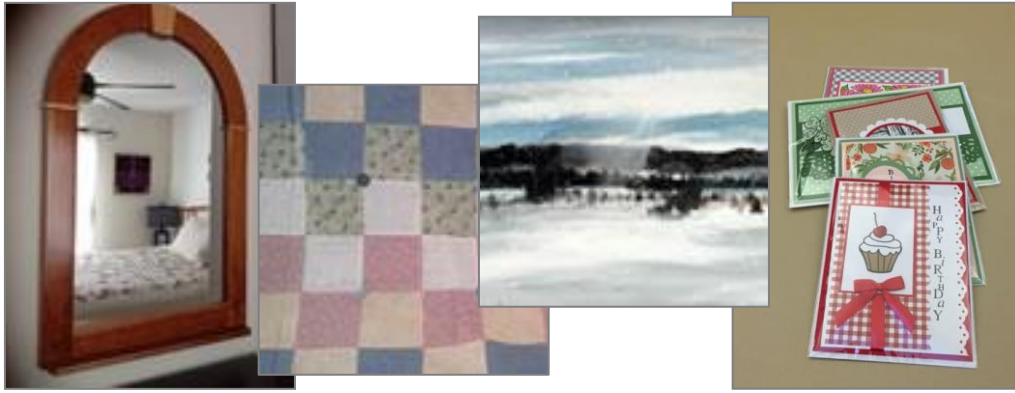
Joanne Chase joined the staff of 4 C's seven years ago. She has performed a variety of duties primarily in the kitchen and dining room but is most recognized in her daily role as the Salad Chef. The salad bar is a cart which circulates to each table in the dining room from which she prepares a plate of veggies and fruit for each resident according to their individual preferences, creating a truly unique personalized touch to the dining experience at the 4 C's!

Joanne is a life-long resident of Albany and Craftsbury. Prior to coming to the Center, Joanne was employed for 20 years at Ethan Allen in Orleans where she managed inventory. She has also filled in part time as postal clerk in many towns of the area. The center of activities for Joanne outside of work is her family which includes Rudy, her husband of 39 years; two daughters, a son, and two granddaughters. With departure of the children from home, Joanne and Rudy are also enjoying opportunity for travel exploring nearby states, a trip to Mexico and visits with a daughter living in California.

In summarizing her personal satisfaction in working at the 4 C's, Joanne says "...I am here because of the residents. Each person is so interesting and unique in their stories and ways; and so appreciative of our attending to their needs. If I were to retire I would have to come back as a volunteer!"



— Norm Hanson



Sugar on Snow Party

April 7, 2018
2-4 PM

This year's Sugar on Snow Party will be on the Saturday following Easter from 2 – 4 pm. It promises to be another fun gathering both for the residents and their families, and for the community. We are fortunate to again have Louise Calderwood's expertise boiling the syrup to the perfect stage. There will be donuts and dill pickles to go with the sugar on snow.

This year's raffle prizes are featuring local artists' remarkable work and are exceptional. John Paterson has handcrafted a beautiful maple/cherry wall mirror. Liz Nelson has given us a framed print titled "Confetti" which is a snowy landscape in Craftsbury. There is a beautiful twin-sized quilt hand-made by the Knit Wits and a box of greeting cards designed and made by Emma Pudvah, a CCCC Board member. The raffle tickets sell for \$1 apiece or 6 for \$5 and are available now at CCCC or at the event.

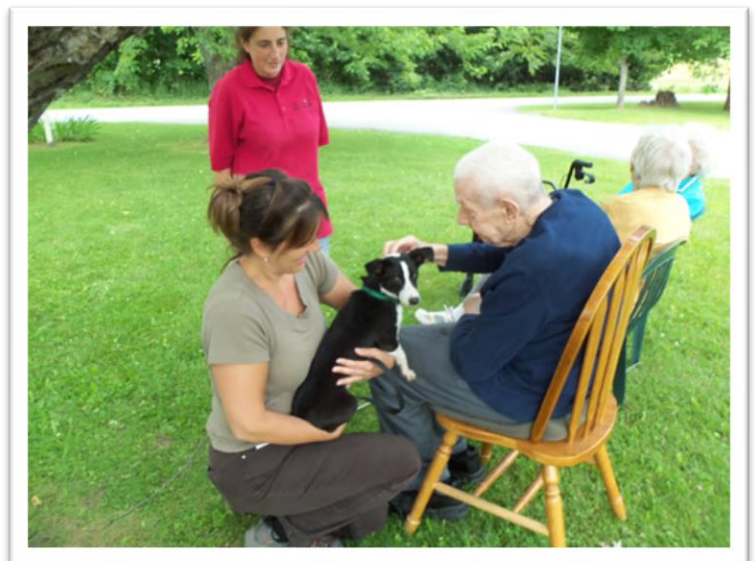
The Lucky Draw will feature a wide variety of baked goods including bread, pies, cakes, cookies and other scrumptious items. In addition, a new feature this year will be a special Lucky Draw table only open for children and featuring items that appeal especially to them. All children will win at least one item. Drawing for these gourmet treats will begin at 3:15 PM and you must be present to win. It's a great community event and a good time will be had by all.

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ON SATURDAY, APRIL 7TH

Dani Hoppe — Volunteer Spotlight

For the four years that she has worked at the North Country Animal League, Dani Hoppe has looked forward to her monthly visit bringing a dog to visit with residents of CCCC. For the dogs at the shelter, where older dogs usually stay more than 2 weeks, this is an outing, a chance to get out of the kennel and be out in the community. The shelter's director says it helps the lucky dog de-stress.

Dani says she really enjoys her visits at CCCC, sharing her love of animals and bringing joy to others. For the residents, it provides an occasion to enjoy petting a friendly pet and to hear the dog's story. Many residents had their own pets for years and being able to share the joy of a friendly dog brings back memories and often encourages stories.



Thank you, Dani and North Country Animal League, for bringing canine delight and snuggles to the Care Center.

Resident Highlight — Miriam Carter

Miriam was born in Rockland, Massachusetts. She was the younger of two children. An interest in ice skating began when she was five years old. She continued skating into her 60's. Her family enjoyed music. Miriam took piano lessons and in high school sang in the Chorus. She also took dance lessons including tap. Helping her father with his flowers was the beginning of a big part of her later life.

After graduation from high school, she continued her education and graduated from Brockton Business College. Her first job was working in Boston at Factory Mutual. Her next job was working at Harvard College in the Veterans Guidance Center. While living in Cambridge, she met her husband, John Carter, a student at Harvard Graduate School. They were married and the two of them moved to Gloucester, Massachusetts where John got a job teaching history at Gloucester High School.



While living in Magnolia, a part of Gloucester, she was active in the church. She typed and ran off the bulletin for the service each week along with church reports. She joined the Woman's Club where her singing and dancing contributed to the performances they put on. She was also a member of the Harmonettes, a woman's singing group. Working at the community library as a volunteer was another interest. Here was where her interest in flowers GREW! Each week she had tea for a group in the community. For decorations she would create a centerpiece of artificial flowers to use on the table. Every week was something new. She enjoyed talking with others. After fifty five years of marriage, John passed away. She moved to Vermont to be close to her daughter.

She misses the ocean, taking walks along the shore, swimming, and talking with the many people she knew. However, she finds the mountains, fields, lakes, and flowers of Vermont beautiful. She still enjoys singing, decorating with flowers, and meeting and talking with new people. She's very much enjoying living at Craftsbury Community Care Center.

Thank you— Annual Appeal

Sincere appreciation to all of you who contributed to the successful 2017 Annual Appeal. With rising costs, your donation is needed more than ever to help cover our expenses. If you intended to donate but were distracted, an envelope is enclosed in the newsletter for your convenience.

*Thank
You*

Wish List

10 x 10 pop up canopies —

looking for donations to be used at the Cook Out and Auction in July



Craftsbury Community Care Center Photos



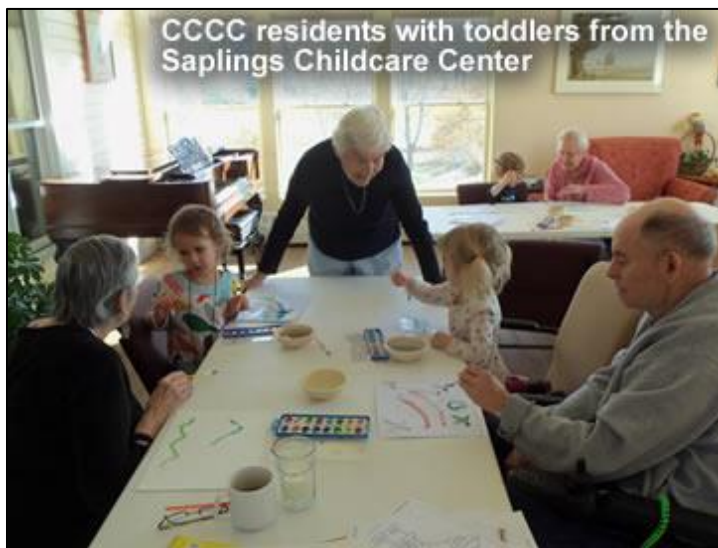
Dave Linck, representing uniform of Revolutionary War soldier



Highland Views Center Ensemble at CCCC



Santa, Marcel Masse, visits residents on Christmas morning!



CCCC residents with toddlers from the Saplings Childcare Center



CCCC residents on New Year's Eve!



Dorian drawing a crowd twice a month at CCCC

Upcoming Events



- **Monday, March 12:** Singing with Jim Currier at 11 AM.
- **Saturday, March 17:** Northern Lights Singing Group at 9:30 AM.
- **Monday, March 19:** Dorian Saris on piano at 3 PM.
- **Tuesday, March 20:** Music with Rip Keller and Family at 3 PM.
- **Friday, March 23:** Historian Dave Linck with "Sailor Slop and Artillery" at 3 PM.
- **Monday, March 26:** Dorian Saris on piano at 3 PM.
- **Tuesday, March 27:** Music with Ted Lambert and Tony Washburn at 10:30 AM.
- **Friday, March 30:** Good Friday Service with Pastor Debbie McKinley at 3 PM.
- **Saturday, April 7:** Sugar on Snow Party from 2-4 PM. Sugar on snow, lucky draw for delicious baked goods and casseroles, and raffle.



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