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Hello Friends,

Our agency is blessed in so many ways: the trust of our community to care for our elderly, the dedication and compassion of our volunteers, our hard working staff and Board, and our generous financial supporters.

All of these combine to allow us to not only fulfill our mission, but as you will read in this newsletter to continue to grow and change with emerging needs.

My sincere and heartfelt thank you to all of you reading this newsletter. Whatever role you play in the life of our agency, please know you are truly appreciated and you do make a difference!

Sincerely,
Lynette Whiteman, Executive Director

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CVCJ was honored to be chosen by the National Council on Aging to pilot an exciting new project. We were 1 of only 7 sites nationwide that were selected! 25 homebound elderly individuals received tablets with connection to the internet free for a year. The seniors were then partnered with an amazing group of volunteers who are providing instruction and year-long mentorship. We are hearing wonderful success stories, like Mary Ann who has been reading the NY Times on line and Ed who is now a YouTube expert & enjoying the music of Louis Armstrong. We can’t wait to see all our new followers on Facebook!
Caregiver Canines® Goes National!

An exciting strategic partnership is forming between CVCJ and the National Volunteer Caregiving Network. Under the guidance of Danielle Maley, our Caregiver Canines® Coordinator, in 2015 three nonprofit sites will begin to offer this wonderful program to their clients. Our pilot sites will be in Ohio and Texas. Going forward, we hope to expand this unique program to more nonprofit sites throughout the nation. Watch out America – who let the Caregiver Canines® out...

Our Honor To Serve

Did you know that Ocean County is home to the largest veteran population in the state of New Jersey? In recognition and support of our ongoing assistance to veterans, CVCJ received a grant from the Disabled Americans Veterans Foundation. By driving to medical appointments, grocery shopping and offering respite and companionship, we are proud to help veterans and their caregivers remain independent and live their lives with dignity.

Isabel, who is 95 and a Veteran of World War II, is still living independently in her home with the help of CVCJ. Isabel believes that if it weren’t for CVCJ’s wonderful services and volunteers that she probably would not be living in her own home anymore and for that she is truly grateful!
Linda Conroy
Director of Development

I am so thrilled to have joined the wonderful staff at CVCJ! As a member of our Board of Directors since 2009 and a shopping volunteer since 2010, I have come to truly respect and support our mission.

One of my goals is to increase the number of volunteers so that we may serve more people who need us. You may see me out and about at your community club meetings and at your congregation giving presentations to recruit volunteers. Please come over and say “hello”. Let me know if your group would like a presentation. Just call me at 732.505.2273, ext. 203.

We also have some fun and exciting events planned. Our CVCJ “Dancing with Their Stars” event is May 30th AND our SUPER 50/50 raffle with a $10,000 prize to the winner (only 200 tickets will be sold) tickets will go on sale March 30th. For our golfers, our Caring Classic Golf Outing is scheduled for May 11th.

To keep up with all our news and events or if you would like to join my team to help us grow, check out our website at www.caregivervolunteers.org or give me a call. I look forward to speaking with you!

CVCJ Welcomes New Congregation!

Redeemer Lutheran Church of Manchester under the leadership of Rev. Philip Matarazzo has been serving the Manchester Community since 1985. We are so glad they joined our coalition of care and look forward to assisting their elderly parishioners.

Right: Rev. Philip Matarazzo & CVCJ’s Linwood McWilliams meet at Redeemer Lutheran’s first volunteer recruitment.
Caregiver Volunteers of Central Jersey (CVCJ) is dedicated to providing vital assistance to the elderly, disabled, veterans and those who care for them. Our goal is to enable individuals to remain independent and to allow them to live with dignity and joy.

**Mission Statement**

To live in a world where the elderly are cared for and honored.

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**Enhancing Your Access to Health Care**

CVCJ was selected as a Jay and Linda Grunin Foundation “Impact Toms River” recipient. Their mission is “to bring world class performing and visual art, health care and education to Toms River through focused community-based planning and problem solving.” Our dedication to providing access to healthcare and enhancing the quality of life to our community will be greatly enhanced through this partnership.
We Are Grateful!
Thank you to our generous supporters for caring about Ocean County Senior Citizens.

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Happy Birthday Aunt Mim & thank you for designating CVCJ to receive donations in honor of your special day!

Standing (L-R): Santina Villari, Lynette Whiteman, Stephanie Rogers & Lori Marsden celebrating Miriam Sodergren’s “Aunt Mim” 100th Birthday.

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Toms River HS North Students
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Your Grandmother’s Cupboard
Upcoming Event!!

Caregiver Volunteers Of Central Jersey (CVCJ) Presents

Dancing With Their Stars

May 30, 2015 - 6-10pm

La Bove Grande
800 Route 70
Lakehurst, NJ 08733

Our CVCJ Stars

Jerry & Laura Bove
Anne Kraljic & Kenny Malagiere
Joel & Stephanie Markel
Dawn Marzarella & Ray McArdle
Sue Moll & Shawn Michaels (WOBM)
Pat & Mike Scimeca
Rev. G. Scott Shaffer & JoAnn D’Anton

Music by: DJ David Lettice

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Contact Linda at 732-505-2273, EXT:203
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Through your generous support, we care for the elderly, individuals with dementia, veterans and their caregivers who love them. We connect people to their so that in their time of need, they know somebody cares.

We help:

- John – a WWII veteran who receives his care at the VA Clinic in Brick. With our help, he is able to see his doctors and remain healthy and independent.
- Ethel – an 86 year old woman caring for her husband who has Alzheimer’s disease. Because of our volunteers, Ethel is able to attend a support group to help her through this difficult journey.
- Bob – a charming man who is very lonely with no close relatives or family nearby. Each week he has something to look forward to because he knows his very own Caregiver Canine® is going to visit to give him lots of kisses.

And so much more. With your support, we can do almost anything. Your planned gift will make a world of difference. To learn more and to receive our free “Legacy of Care” Brochure please contact our office at 732.505.2273.

Memorial Gifts

We offer our sincere condolences and gratitude to the families of:

Sophia Depetris
Rose DiGioia
Anne-Marie Neveroski

for designating Caregiver Volunteers of Central Jersey to receive donations in lieu of flowers.
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April 30, 2015 ~ 5:30pm
Volunteer Appreciation
Interfaith Worship Service & Dinner
First United Methodist Church of Toms River

May 9, 2015 ~ 9:00am
FCDC 2nd Annual Fun Run-Benefits CVCJ
Seaside Heights Boardwalk (Hiering Ave.)

May 11, 2015
15th Annual Caring Classic Golf Outing
Eagle Ridge Golf Club
2 Augusta Blvd., Lakewood, NJ

May 30 2015 ~ 6-10pm
Dancing With Their Stars
La Bove Grande, Lakehurst, NJ

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