

Caregivers Corner April 9, 2009

Winston Churchill had a number of great ideas, one of which was to keep a stiff upper lip in bad times.

Another was this: “We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.”

Churchill knew what he was talking about when he uttered this now-famous quote, and his words still ring true today. At Community Caregivers we are fortunate to know so many like-minded people who give generously of their time and talent.

We have carpenters and painters and handy-persons who will lend their neighbors a helping hand by perhaps fixing a broken doorknob or light switch.

We have people who like to give a friendly call to a housebound neighbor living alone—just to see if she is OK.

We have “housekeepers” who might drop by occasionally to straighten things out for a disabled neighbor.

We have trained Alzheimer’s respite care volunteers.

We have a dedicated corps of office volunteers who help make the complicated machinery of service delivery work smoothly by answering phones, helping with mailings, filing, copying, and entering data.

Most of all, we have a roster of drivers, ready and willing to drive our clients to doctors’ appointments, dialysis treatment and shopping.

We are truly Community Caregivers.

Won’t you join us? We think we are making a life by what we give.

We will have orientation/information sessions at our offices at 2113 Western Avenue, Guilderland, across Route 20 from Twenty Mall: Thursday, April 23 and Tuesday May 5 at 11:00am. Call 456-2898 to register, or for information.

And here is a really special deal for Cupcake Lovers. During the last two weeks of Volunteer Month, April 17-30, they will be able to indulge themselves and provide support to Community Caregivers at the same time.

Bountiful Bread, of Stuyvesant Plaza, has generously arranged to donate \$1.00 to Community Caregivers for each cupcake purchased.

Advance orders of ½ dozen or more will be accepted at 438-3540.

The “Cupcakes That Care” promotion by the White Management family of restaurants is a part of their ongoing policy of supporting non-profit organizations in the Capital Region.

Here is a chance to celebrate with a sweet treat for yourself, your family or your entire office—and raise money for Community Caregivers .

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