



**COMMUNITYCAREGIVERS**  
*lending neighbors a helping hand*

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Diane Cameron will be the new Executive Director of Community Caregivers, Inc., effective January 9, 2006, Joseph Purcell, president of the Board of Directors, announced today.

Cameron was formerly Director of Development for the Albany Citizens Council on Alcoholism. She comes to her new position with an extensive background in fund development, public relations and administration with non-profit organizations, including the Women's Employment Resource Center, the Community Foundation for the Capital Region, the Ronald McDonald House Charities, Clearview Center, Albany Institute of History and Art, and Unity House of Troy.

"We are fortunate to have found such an experienced and energetic person to become our Executive Director," Purcell said. "I believe that Community Caregivers will thrive under her leadership."

Community Caregivers, based in Slingerlands, is in its twelfth year as a unique volunteer organization providing essential services to residents of Guilderland, Bethlehem, New Scotland, Berne and Knox. Services include transportation to doctors and other appointments, assistance with shopping, assistance to family caregivers, and temporary light housekeeping. A satellite organization, Caregivers Kids, gives younger volunteers an opportunity to serve as well. All these activities are summed up by the Caregivers slogan: "Lending neighbors a helping hand."

Although all the services are provided by 450 volunteers, they require substantial logistical support and financial backing. Cameron's duties will be in the areas of fund development, long range planning, administration and public awareness.

Cameron is familiar to readers of the Albany Times Union, which has published columns by her in its Sunday edition for several years. "I am thrilled to join Community Caregivers as Executive Director," she said. "It feels like the perfect organization for my skills and the things I feel deeply about."

She lives in Valatie with her husband, Peter. They have one daughter and a brand-new granddaughter.

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