

Judy and Arnie Rothstein Why We Volunteer

When we started with CC it was to become involved in fundraisers. A need was there and we thought it wouldn't be an impossible task if we did it together. Our background wasn't in fund raising; our first event was a forerunner of the now very successful fall Gala. Since our first year in 1997, we continue to help with fundraisers. Often we do that as a couple. We also are on committees: Publicity, Arnie and Judy; Finance, Arnie; and Volunteer Recruitment, Education and Recognition, Judy. We also work on many projects CC is involved in.

All of this involves meetings - some are during the day, some at night. All in all we might put in 30-40 hours each month. Sometimes more, sometimes less. And we do this, volunteer for Community Caregivers, because we can and because we want to, and because we believe in the mission. Organizations need all kinds of people and talents.

Community Caregivers has approximately 30 couples that are volunteers. Some provide services together; some do them separately.

CC is a small organization. Our service area isn't vast. So there is a wonderful sense of accomplishment in helping neighbors. And in the scheme of things, all the people in our service area are our neighbors.

Seeing that community center on Gun Club Rd become a reality has been the dream of many people. We'd like to think we were part of the team that helped that dream come true.