## Carroll County Retired & Senior Volunteer Program

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### **RSVP Quilt Drawing**

A huge thank you to everyone that has donated to our annual quilt raffle.

The drawing for the winner of our beautiful quilt will be held on December 15th @ 12pm via Facebook live. The winner will also be called after their name is announced.

Good Luck Everyone!

Don't Forget to follow us on our website or social media at Carroll County RSVP for more information about upcoming fundraising events!



# From the Director

### **NEW BRAND, SAME LEGACY**

For 50+ years Senior Corps RSVP volunteers have brought out the best of America. Although we have a new name, our legacy will continue.

Earlier this fall, the federal agency responsible for AmeriCorps and Senior Corps programs, the Corporation for National and Community Service officially became 'AmeriCorps' in the first major update to the agency's identity in a quarter century. As part of this rebranding initiative, all national service programs are united under a unified AmeriCorps

identity and promoted under the AmeriCorps or AmeriCorps Seniors banner. RSVP is now part of AmeriCorps Seniors. This effort streamlines opportunities to serve for all Americans, at a time when their help is needed most.

AmeriCorps, a federal agency, brings people together to tackle the country's most pressing challenges, through national service and volunteering. Our AmeriCorps Senior Volunteers in Carroll County continue to serve with organizations dedicated to the improvement of communities and make service to others a cornerstone of our national culture.

The Gibson Center for Senior Services in North Conway is now offering free refurbished computers (desk top and laptop PCs) and free training in using them for email, Zoom, and Telehealth to seniors through their "Equip, Train and Connect" Program. Tutoring will be held at the Conway library in a COVID safe environment. The Center has a limited supply of computers. Please call Jill Reynolds at the Gibson 603-356-3231 for more information.

The staff at Carroll County RSVP continues to look forward to the day that we can welcome back all of our wonderful volunteers who have taken "Shelter In Place" seriously, minimizing their exposure to the virus and reduces their chance of getting sick.

### Holiday wishes to the world's best volunteers!

The Carroll County RSVP Staff Mary Carey Seavey Doris Dreyer Angelica Kitsis





John Colbath, Advisory
Council President



### Holiday Wishes from Our Advisory Council Chairman

As with everything else this year, the upcoming holidays are going to be totally different from any we have had before. The theme for 2020 has been "Change" as everything we knew has changed drastically around us. That is everything but what exists in our hearts. The true spirit of the holidays comes from within each of us, no matter how we celebrate. In doing this we are not going to be able to gather as we have done before. In wearing our masks and distancing ourselves we are making sure that when we are able to gather together again, there will be no one missing.

As chairman of the Advisory Council I encourage each of you to consider joining the council and making a difference in so many lives. It will be so worthwhile in many ways. For now, be safe, stay healthy, and enjoy the holidays in our new changing world.

John Colbath, RSVP Advisory Council Chairman

### A Thank you to Local Business Sponsors

Currently, Dine to Donate fundraising has been suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Carroll County Retired Senior Volunteer Program would like to thank the following businesses for continually hosting fundraisers for RSVP over the last several years: Barley & Salt Tap House & Kitchen of North Conway, Black Cap Grille of North Conway, Joseph's Spaghetti Shed of Glen, and Shannon Door Pub & Restaurant of Jackson. Thank you also to the following Valley businesses that have safely hosted Dine to Donate fundraising events during COVID-19: Tin Can Company Food Truck of North Conway, Flatbread Company of North Conway, and Trails End Ice Cream, with its two locations, Cannell's Old Fashion Country Store of Intervale and Settlers Green Streetside of North Conway.

Dine to Donate fundraising events help support volunteer mileage reimbursement for RSVP's Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Program and Meals on Wheels Driver Program. Thank you to all our volunteers and locals that came to support each event. Your contributions mean the world to us. Happy Holidays and don't forget to dine locally!

Marshall Allan, RSVP Advisory Council Vice-President/Volunteer



" May this holiday season be filled with laughter, joy, and peace."





Marshall Allan, RSVP Advisory Council Vice-President

### In Memoriam

Barbara Barker Isabel G. Crouse Dudley Hall

## Tales from the Road

### My Most Memorable Medical Transportation Trip

We had an elderly couple that needed to go to Boston Eye for an appointment. I picked them up and off we went. They were amazed at all of the things that had changed going into Boston over the years; speed pass at the toll booth, so many travel lanes, so many bridges in Boston, etc. The wife said she would never had driven her husband down there and he could not drive because of eyesight problems.

When we got there, I told her to cross the pedestrian bridge and go to the very tall building we could see and I will find a place to park and just call me when the appointment was over. I saw the panic in her eyes and then I realized that what we do at RSVP is more than just picking a client up and driving them somewhere. We make sure they are comfortable as they are depending on us to help them all the way.

I immediately retracted what I said and told her that I would find a parking spot and then just follow me to the doctor's office. When we got into the waiting room and his name was called, I looked at her and said they would allow her to go into the doctor's office with her husband, as I was sure he would have appreciated her being there.

She just needed some guidance as all of this was very foreign to her. I also found out that he was a truck driver so I found a truck stop to have a late lunch. It made his day.

Long story short...the RSVP drivers do so much more than just drive. These clients depend on us for comfort in knowing they are in good hands.

(by the way, I had never been to Boston Eye and had to study how to get there the day

before. When we left, I told them I had no idea how to get out of Boston and that I was just heading north. We had a great laugh!)

### Curtis Reynolds

# Tricky Brain Teasers

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Picture Puzzler  If you find the correct letter for each clue, you'll spell a word that make you happy!	t should	Winter Anagram
1. Find a letter that is in but not in		Hidden Word (circled letters):
2. Find a letter that is in but not in	8 <u>0-10-000</u> 9	@nos 
3. Find a letter that is in	-	mensitt
4. Find the letter that is in but not in		n@verereg tsorf
5. Find a letter that is in but not in		ate®ss egisOh
Write your letters again here to spell a happy word:		in (n) upegclod  Sircp

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## **New Volunteers**

Randall Dearborn - Tamworth Sharon Flaucher - Tuftonboro Ronald Gabaree - Conway Pete Herndon - Freedom Kathleen Johnson - Chocorua Jerry Ludwig - West Ossipee Mary Miller - Conway Dorian Norcross - West Ossipee Sabina Robbins - Chocorua Elizabeth Rowe - Tamworth Margaret Savage - Wolfeboro John Schellhorn - North Conway Alphonso Sorhaindo Jr. - Madison

## **Brain Teaser Answers**

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1.Snow	7.Sleigh	
2.Scarf	8.Penguin	
3.Mittens	9.Cold	
4.Evergreen	10.Crisp	
15.Frost		
6.Skates		
Hidden Word: Snowflakes		
	1.Snow 2.Scarf 3.Mittens 1.4.Evergreen 5.Frost 6.Skates	