

The Caring Times

Newsletter of Interfaith Caregivers

Fall 2021

INTERFAITH CAREGIVERS 30TH ANNIVERSARY

How wonderful it is that Interfaith Caregivers is celebrating 30 years of providing services to seniors and those with disabilities. Despite the limitations imposed by the pandemic, Interfaith continued to operate, albeit on a limited basis. That's a tribute to the staff and Board of Trustees who recognized the importance of Interfaith Caregivers' program and volunteers who offered what service they could.



Ginny Ritchie

As I reflect on these thirty years, I continue to marvel at how it began and how it has thrived. From its inception, Interfaith Caregivers has successfully operated its program on the firm foundation started by its founder, Dr. Joan Gault, and carried on by dedicated staff and committed volunteers.

Joan worked diligently to secure the support of the local clergy, then Mayor, Tish Colombi and the Borough Commissioners. She sought legal help from John Reisner, III (who is still Interfaith Caregivers' legal counsel) and start-up funding from the Haddonfield Foundation, headed by the late Bill Reynolds. It all came together in November of 1990 when Interfaith Caregivers was incorporated and the first Board of Trustees met. Services were offered early in 1991 with 50 volunteers trained by Dr. Gault.

Interfaith Caregivers' mission is the same today as it was when Joan began the program. It serves an important need and thrives because people see that "neighbor helping neighbor" is a significant contribution to the well-being of all. Hundreds of volunteers have offered thousands of hours of service to hundreds of clients over the last thirty years.

Starting as a Founding Board Member, I have shared in its work over these many years from serving on the Board of Trustees, working on various committees, and driving clients to their appointments. What makes Interfaith Caregivers so successful is the people who have been involved in the organization – the staff and volunteers, and those who receive the services. Staff members through the years have shown a passion for the mission of Interfaith Caregivers and have given fully of their time and energy to carry it out. Volunteers have faithfully offered their skills, abilities and time to ensure that clients' needs are met. These are the people who serve as trustees, committee members, social workers, and direct service volunteers. Over and over the feedback from the clients and volunteers is that both find it a satisfying experience. Clients are thankful for the services and volunteers are enriched by their contact with the clients. It's a win-win situation.

To make sure that happens, I'm counting on Interfaith Caregivers to continue to offer its services. For, you see, I'm now a client.

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“Steadfast and Loyal for 30 Years!”



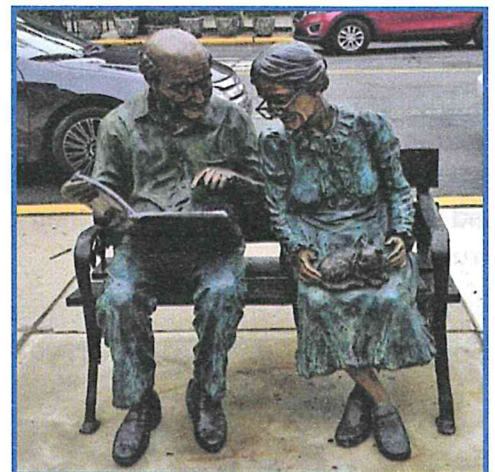
I am sure that most readers of this newsletter have been admiring and appreciating the many sculptures that now beautify and enrich the streets and neighborhoods of Haddonfield. My favorite is the one entitled “Steadfast and Loyal”, pictured below, and donated by my dear friend and Interfaith supporter, Nancy Broz. While there is a very sweet and loving personal story behind the sculpture, to me there is also a story about community and what it takes to build and sustain a community that upholds values of care, outreach, and wellness for the greater good

of all.

In Haddon Heights and Haddonfield, we are blessed to have many examples of non-profit, volunteer-based organizations that strengthen our very foundation of life each day. This year, we can all join in celebrating 30 years of Interfaith Caregivers’ exemplary work! For three full decades, our volunteers, donors, Board members, and staff members have been steadfast and loyal to the vision of Interfaith Caregivers’ founders, especially the vision of Dr. Joan Gault. Through the loyal selfless service and steadfast generous support of hundreds upon hundreds of individuals, our neighbors of two generations have had assistance one ride, one conversation or one grocery delivery at a time, allowing them to remain independent in their homes and in our neighborhoods for as long as possible.

The story of Interfaith Caregivers is truly a remarkable one! No flash in the pan, fleeting idea; no hype or ingenuine mission. For 30 years, Interfaith Caregivers has been steadfast and loyal to the greater community just as the community has been steadfast and loyal to this wonderful organization. So please celebrate with us in multiple ways! Volunteer with us and/or donate to help carry us forward into our next 30 years!

The next time you walk on Kings Highway and walk by this precious sculpture, think of all the acts of steadfastness and loyalty that matter in our world and give thanks for them!



John Reisner III
Our counsel from the beginning

A Walk Down Memory Lane

A spotlight on some of the volunteers and supporters whose dedication to Interfaith Caregivers has enabled the organization to provide extraordinary services for the past 30 years.



Lydia & Matt Moeller



Lola Riggs



Dr. Bob & Terry Carroll



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Founder Dr. Joan Gault & Director Emeritus Norie Wisniewski



Marie Steeb & BJ Dean



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Jane Bloom & Bob Twitchell



Mary Ann Bigelow, former Executive Director & volunteer Elizabeth DiMaio

- ◆ Thursday & Friday, November 25 & 26 the office is closed for Thanksgiving. No services will be available.
- ◆ Friday, December 24 & Monday, December 27 the office is closed for Christmas and no services will be available.
- ◆ Friday, December 31 the office is closed for New Year's and no services will be available.

Welcome New Volunteers

Stacey Behm	Tammy Hahn	Suzanne Ritter
Gina Carola	Paul Jenkins	Stacy Thompson
Deborah Cary	Jane Keegan	Paul Whitman
Jessica Clements	CC Mooney	Larissa Willison
Candice Coley	Emilie Oberstaedt	Scott Wilson
Donna DiMuro	Tom Overholt	Joanie Wolf
Ralph Eastwick	Sophia Peifer	Jean Yudin
Curt Gruber	Betty Pluta	

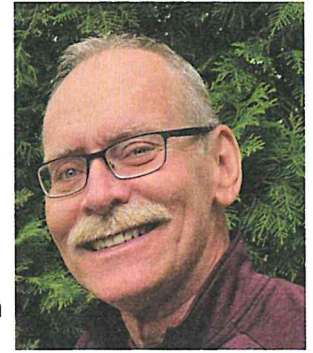
ORDER YOUR HALLOWEEN LUMINARIES TODAY!

Halloween is that special time of year when we all love a good scare. As you plan your house decorations to celebrate this spooky holiday, consider adding our Halloween luminaries. Bats fly over a smiling jack-o-lantern on an orange bag. You can set the mood with these luminarias on your walkway or front steps and support Interfaith Caregivers' mission at the same time.



Your luminary packages include 10 luminary bags and 10 tealights. The cost is \$20 per package. Purchase online at www.ifchaddons.org or at our offices, 20 Chestnut Street, Haddonfield. Thank you for your support and Happy Halloween!

Peter Hurd has been selected as our 2021 Volunteer of the Year. He is a second generation volunteer. Both his parents Bunnie & Chuck volunteered with Interfaith Caregivers. Pete joined us back in 2013 and has been volunteering ever since, including helping clients get to their doctors during covid.



Peter grew up in Haddonfield. He married his sister's best friend, Lisa Keay. Peter spent most of his career working for Warner Brothers in the recording and home video industries. Peter gave up his career when his parents needed extra help as they aged. Caregiving comes naturally to him.

Join us in the spring of 2022 when we gather to show Peter our appreciation for all he does for Interfaith Caregivers.



Scottie

Scotty is an orange tabby adopted from the Gloucester County Animal Shelter. He loves sitting in windows and inspecting any birds and critters that pass by. His favorite times though are when his people are all home so they can play with him.

There are many ways you can help us provide vital services to seniors and the disabled in our communities.

Donate Your Time and Talent

- ◆ Volunteer with us. Volunteer when you have time to give a ride, grocery shop, or run an errand. We make it easy to do.
- ◆ Put your skills to use serving on a committee.

To get information about volunteering, contact Suzan at suzand@ifchaddons.org

Ways to Give

- ◆ Give monthly through a recurring gift - www.ifchaddons.org/donate
- ◆ Create a legacy by including us in your Will or Estate Plan
- ◆ Donate through Qualified Charitable Distributions
- ◆ Donate by giving stock
- ◆ Name us as the charity you support on Amazon Smile

Donations are accepted online at www.ifchaddons.org/donate or by mail at 20 Chestnut Street, Haddonfield, NJ 08033

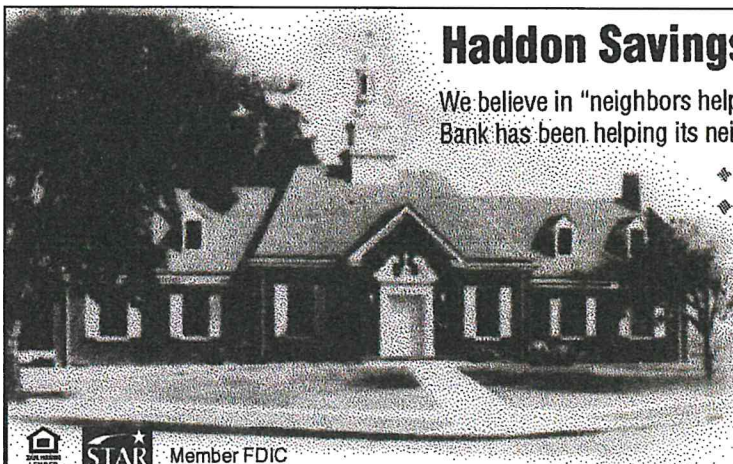
For information about donating, contact Executive Director Larissa Willison at lwillison@ifchaddons.org or call 856-354-0298.



July Mileage Challenge a Big Success!

The Haddonfield High School Boys Cross Country team again selected Interfaith Caregivers as the beneficiary of their July Mileage Challenge, and they broke their record. They exceeded their goal and ran an amazing 1888 miles! As a result, over 30 individuals and families pledged over \$3000 to benefit the team and Interfaith Caregivers.

We would like to thank the team, and coaches, Nick Baker & Dave Stewart for their hard work and support. We would also like to thank everyone in the community for their pledges. Your support of these fine young men and your generosity is much appreciated. In uncertain times, it will help us to continue our mission, providing transportation and other essential services to seniors and people with disabilities.



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- ◆ Free Visa debit card
- ◆ Free ATM card
- ◆ Free online banking
- ◆ Free online bill-payer
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Haddon Savings Bank

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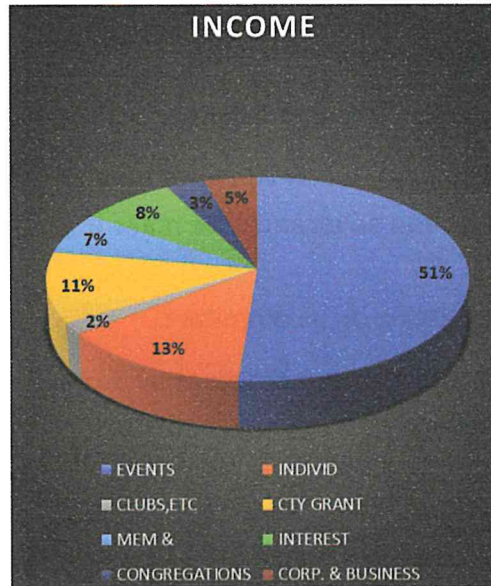
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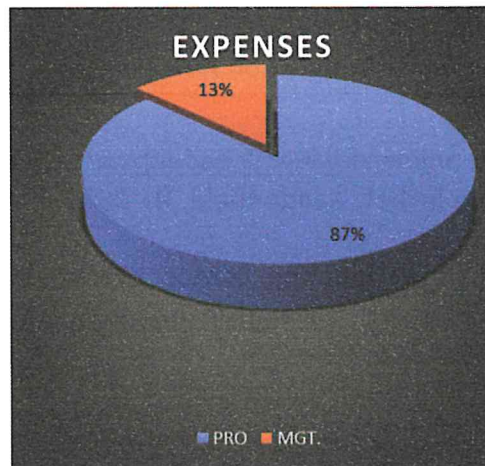


2020 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

EVENTS	\$68,899
INDIVIDUALS	18,014
CLUBS, ORG., & FOUNDATIONS	2,450
CTY. GRANT	15,000
MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS	8,797
INTEREST	10,704
CONGREGATIONS	4,400
CORPORATIONS, & BUSINESS	5,990



PROGRAM	\$185,855
MANAGEMENT	27,782



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February 1 – August 13, 2021

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