



108 Utica Road
Clinton, NY 13323

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Testimonials

The following notes were received by Your Neighbors, Inc. from clients of the meal program:

To All Concerned,

I'm writing to let you know how thankful I am for all you've done for me. I spoke with Cindy a few days ago on the phone and she made me feel very welcome to call her when I need meals. I've been trying not to become a burden to you.

There's something inside me that makes me feel ashamed to ask. Never did I ever think I'd be this low in life. I always tried to earn a living and help others when I could but my health has stopped me from doing many things I once did. You've all been so helpful to me and I'll never ever forget.

Thank you all so very much. You are forever in my prayers.

Dear Cindy & Staff,

Thank you very much for the delicious meals that were delivered last week. I don't know the last time I have eaten so well. It's a blessing to know that your program is available to those in need. You and the volunteers are angels on earth. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Your Neighbors News



A Neighbor's Independence is in Our Hands!!

Spring 2017

Your Neighbors, Inc.
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315.235.7149

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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- Program Coordinator's Message
- Save The Dates

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President's Message Betty Abel-Jellencich

Hello, to all our volunteers, donors and clients-

I am thrilled to serve as President of the Your Neighbors, Inc. Board, returning full circle to the days when I served as Executive Director of the East Side Senior Center and we began a group called The Jonathans which evolved into YNI.

Currently, we are experiencing a growing demand for volunteers to provide meals, transportation and/or simple companionship. Our client referrals are increasing steadily and we find ourselves seeking enough of these volunteers to continue to offer our services in order that no one in need is turned away. That's a pretty tall order.

In addition, Your Neighbors, Inc. is seeking assistance in a variety of venues: show your support of our fundraising efforts, bring together a group for a "cook-in" to prepare frozen meals, ask people you know to volunteer, donate financially - just get involved. Your gifts make a tremendous difference in the lives of our clients.

In order to accomplish all that we are striving to do, the Board has undertaken the formation of Committees. Should you have an interest in sitting on one or more Committees or in having someone from our Speakers' Bureau speak to your organization, please email me at babeljell@msn.com.

Blessings as Spring returns.

Betty Abel-Jellencich
Board President, Your Neighbors, Inc.





Please remember that our volunteer drivers don't go out in inclement weather and when schools are closed. In that instance, it is best to reschedule your appointments.

Your Neighbors is community volunteers dedicated to serving the frail, elderly and those with limited independence in the greater Utica area.

Our volunteers offer: Welcome companionship, medical & personal transportation, friendly assistance, healthy home-cooked meals and so much more.

YNI is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Your contributions are very much appreciated and tax deductible.

Please call us at 315.235.7149 to learn more about our services

Program Coordinator's Message Cindy Shepherd

Happy Spring,

To update you on what was a very busy year: In 2016, volunteers delivered 3,597 meals to homebound individuals and made 502 volunteer calls/visits including 468 medical transports. None of this would have been possible without the help of our very dedicated core of volunteers. Right now, our volunteer base is very small as many head to warmer climes for the winter, several prefer not to drive in inclement weather and two are recuperating from surgery. If you have ever thought of volunteering, please consider volunteering for Your Neighbors. You will meet some wonderful people, serve a need in the community and reap the rewards of helping the frail, elderly, mobility-limited who rely on our program for our services.

Please keep in mind and save the dates for our upcoming annual events (below). We are accepting donations for the Garage Sale which may be dropped off at Our Saviour Lutheran Church on Genesee Street in Utica beginning Monday, May 1.

If you would like more information on Your Neighbors, volunteering or on our annual events, please feel free to contact me at 315.235.7149.

Enjoy the months ahead,

Cindy Shepherd
Your Neighbors, Inc. Program Coordinator

Save the Date for these 2017 Events

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| Friday & Saturday, May 5 & 6 | Annual Garage Sale |
| Saturday, June 24 | Drive Thru Chicken BBQ |
| Sunday, September 10 | Grandparent/Grandfriend Event |

Recent Donors to Your Neighbors, Inc.

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In Memory...
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- St. Mary of Mount Carmel/Blessed Sacrament
- Sauquoit Valley United Methodist Women
- Tabernacle Baptist Church
- Turbine Resources Unlimited
- Zion Lutheran Church



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