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VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH ELLEN VAN WINKLE

Ellen Van Winkle found CONTACT to be a natural link with her former career.

"I worked for doctors for 26 years and did a lot of talking to people on the phones," says the Northern New Jersey native and one-time front-desk employee, who retired a few years back and moved here to be with children and grandchildren.

"Talking on the phone has been easy for me," she says. "For so many years it was answering questions like "when can you fit me in for a doctor's appointment' or 'how long will this take?'"Now Ellen is the one asking. About how clients are. Or whether there is anything particular on their minds. Ellen performs two shifts weekly from home and has found the experience gratifying.

"Some people know it is CONTACT, they are happy you checked in on them and that's fine, "she says. "Some people would like to chat for a while. When you think of how some people can be house-bound or not have any family, or that they could be lonely, you understand how difficult this can all be for them."

Ellen has enjoyed watching her grand-kids grow up and has attended many of their soccer games. She is an avid gardener, cook and a Linwood resident happy "to be in such a wonderful neighborhood. When I moved in here, people came up and introduced themselves. We have people here who are all ages."

Ellen's journey to this area produced a lifestyle she laughingly calls "happy but not exciting." Yet to the clients who receive her calls, Ellen is a valued, and caring, link to betterment in their lives.

By Dave Bontempo

46 Years of Service to the Community

CLIENT OF THE MONTH: DONNA LEOSE IS A GRANDMOTHER WHO LOVES EAGLES, ANIMALS & FREEDOM

Donna Leose, 77, moved from Las Vegas to Ocean City so her husband could get a job in the casinos in Atlantic City. She and her husband came with their 3 daughters who went to Ocean City High School. They were all very successful in Ocean City. One of her daughters was a cheerleader and later became a Philadelphia Eagles Cheerleader. Donna loves Eagles but not necessarily the football team. She loves animals of all kinds and is an avid supporter of wildlife and humane societies. She doesn't like to see anything caged in, without freedom.

Speaking of freedom, Donna's family was active in WWII. Her uncle was actually on Normandy Beach. Her grandmother was a Rosie-The-Riveter type lady because she worked in a factory making bullets when she was in her early 20s. Later, Donna's grand-mother invited WWII soldiers to the family dinner table.

Donna loves politics. She was once an actual activist, marching against busing in Las Vegas. She would love to help find a solution to many of the issues our country faces. She supports Native American schools in South Dakota.

Hats off to you, Donna!





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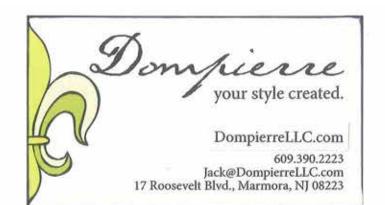
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Avalon 5 Miler Record Turnout

CONTACT Cape-Atlantic's 39th Annual Avalon 5 Miler was a huge success. Over 200 people turned out on a hot but beautiful day to run a professionally designed course that ended on Avalon's boardwalk. From ages 12 to 70, runners and walkers participated in this fun event. The overall race winner was Chris Pastore with a time of 28:24. The overall female winner was Brooke Deans with a time of 34:04. Congratulations to everyone!

CONTACT had some super sponsors for this year's race. Circle Pizza was a major sponsor and has supported the race over time. Ben Haberman and his three businesses, Blue Homes Real Estate, Shore Restoration and Blue Lawns gave strong support for the race. TD Bank was another sponsor, along with Rothman Institute, Judie Hall, Eleanor Rust, Voula Liacopulos, The Dib Family and Maggie Rohe-Miller. Thanks to Ann Magee for putting the event together. Thanks also to Sierra Sage, Nick Dib, Linda Carson, Jane Soreth, Becky, Jack and Matt McDevitt and Tina Colombo for all of their help making sure things went well the day of the event. We also want to thank the Avalon Police Department and the staff of the Avalon Community Center. Very special thanks to 10 students from St. Joe's Prep Hockey Team were very helpful handing out water at the water stops along the course.

We can't wait for the 40th Annual Avalon 5 Miler! A Run Committee is now forming. Call the office if you are interested in helping to plan this great event for next July!

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Reassurance

Debbi Holland Reassurance Coordinator

IT WAS A PLEASURE **TO SERVE** ALONGSIDE YOU!

Life changes! Here at CONTACT Cape-Atlantic, we manage many changes on a daily basis. Clients come and go, new volunteers begin, phone numbers change, people's schedules change, etc. It is all part of the wonderful life here at CONTACT! Some of us deal with change better than others. But it's great to keep in mind, life would be boring if things didn't change! Change is really what keeps us fresh and alive!

I was recently offered an unexpected opportunity to work as a Volunteer Coordinator with another organization. I have accepted this offer, which means this is another change for CONTACT. There will soon be a new Reassurance Coordinator. In the meantime, I hope you will help Alice get up to speed on all the different ways in which the Reassurance calls get made and covered.

I wanted to take the time to thank each and every one of you who are involved in CONTACT. My time here at CONTACT has been an absolute honor and delight!!! I thank all of our incredible, amazing, dedicated, beautiful volunteers for the service you provide to our Jy wonderiu, Jients!!! All of you have II... Ind I am so deeply grateful for having working with you. CONTACT will remain In III, as I embark on my new adventure! Thank you, thank you, thank you!!! May you continue to brightly shine vour Love in this world!!! Much Love to everyone!!!



Clients- Let us know before you go! Please call (609) 823-2109 if you will not be home for your **CONTACT call.** Thanks!

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DID YOU KNOW?

August's zodiac signs are Leo (July 23–August 22) and Virgo (August 23–September 22).

Birthstone: Agate or onyx Flower: Gladiolus or poppy

August in the Northern Hemisphere is similar to February in the Southern Hemisphere.

August 4th: National Friendship Day August 7th: National Lighthouse Day August 15th: National Relaxation Day

August 19: National Aviation Day, chosen for the birthday of Orville Wright who piloted the first recorded flight of a powered heavier-than-air machine in 1903

CONTACT Cape-Atlantic's Telephone Reassurance Program is partially funded through a grant provided by the Atlantic County Area Agency on Aging, under the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended.



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OceanFirst Foundation has provided a generous grant to support CONTACT's Gatekeeper Program Many Thanks!





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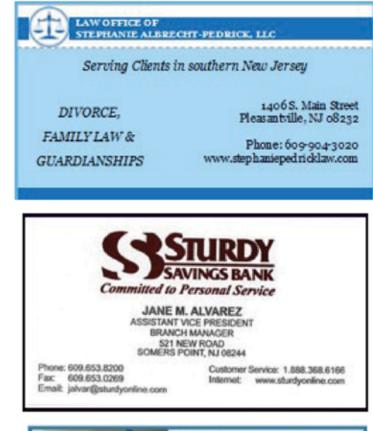
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CORPORATE SPONSOR UPDATE And Correction from last month

Visiting Angels of Egg Harbor **Township**

Are they safe? Are they receiving proper care? Can they still live at home? These are just a few of the questions that families face when caring for an aging loved one. During such a worrisome time, it can be difficult to know the answers. Luckily, for Atlantic County residents, Visiting Angels of Egg Harbor Township is here to help. Founded over 14 years ago by sisters Patty Laychock, RRT, CDP, CSA and Kathy Callahan RN, BSN, Visiting Angels is committed to keeping the elderly independent by providing in-home care.

Our supervised certified home health aides can assist with bathing, dressing, and toileting if needed, as well as preparing healthy meals, companionship, light housework, medication reminders, running errands. We do whatever it takes to keep our clients in their homes safely," says Patty. "People work hard all their lives for their home. Our mission is to help older adults and those with disabilities, remain in their homes, and we do everything in our power to keep them there, safely." While caring for the elderly of Atlantic County is guite a task, Visiting Angels' almost 90 employees is up for the challenge.

In fact, Patty explains, "it is so much more than a business, but our way of helping in our community and seeing the difference we make, keeps our passion alive.""When my sister and I launched Visiting Angels, we never imagined it would be this gratifying," says Patty. "It's not just our clients that we care for, it's their families as well. They have peace of mind knowing that they can leave their loved one home and not worry because Visiting Angels is a trusted provider." Visiting Angels' clients have good reason to place their trust in them. The business has won awards for Best In-Home Health Care five years in a row and as a Leader in Excellence. Call for more information.

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THE GOOD AND THE BAD ABOUT FATS

Are you worried about your weight and heart health? These are a few of aspects of your health that fats effect. First off, fats are good for you. Specifically, choosing the right fats and the right amount of fats will promote good health. Our bodies make fats from the excess calories we consume. Also dietary fats are found in our food, like in marbled pieces of red meat. Your goal is to identify and distinguish between unhealthy and healthy fats.

Some harmful fats that can affect your cardiovascular health, your heart health, include saturated and trans fats. Animals are the main source of saturated fats, remember that marbled pieces of red meat. I mentioned above. Also full fat dairy, which includes whole milk and butter, is a source of saturated fats. Trans fat are made from oils, this part of amethod of food processing. The trans fats are made through partial hydrogenation, are found in processed foods. Both types of fat can increase total cholesterol and low density lipid cholesterol.

Fats that are good for you include the unsaturated fats and omega-3 fatty acids. Monounsaturated fats are found in a range foods and oils and polyunsaturated fat is found mostly in plant based foods and oils. Both of these fats help improve cholesterol levels, thus decrease your risk of heart disease and may decrease the risk of diabetes. Both the mono- and poly- unsaturated fats are found in liquid form at room temperature; some examples include canola oil and olive oil. The omega-3s are a polyunsaturated fat that is found in fatty fish like salmon and tuna. Omega-3s are also found from plant sources, like flax seed and walnuts.

What can you do? You can read the labels on your foods. Avoid foods that have trans fats in them. Choose the healthier mono- and poly- unsaturated fats over saturated fats. For example, choose olive oil over butter when cooking on the stove. If you like meats choose the leaner meats, trim off the excess fat and take the skin off your chicken. You can increase the amount of fish in your diet. When you want a snack, choose fruits over processed and pre-packaged goods. All together, these changes can help will promote health, independence and happiness.

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Dr. Avelutto's Column

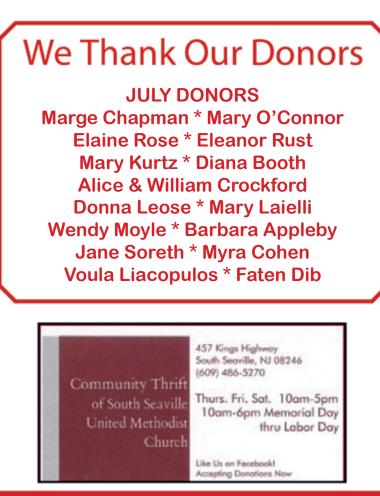
Gatekeeper Program

We continue to help older adults to remain living safely at home. Our Gatekeeper program provides information, brochures and business cards to those who are out in neighborhoods so that they can reach out to CONTACT Cape-Atlantic when they come across individuals who can use some help.

A confidential call to our office can be the start of helping someone. Many different people can be gatekeepers. We have trained UPS drivers, Comcast employees, New Jersey American Water employees, meter readers, bank tellers, etc. to help reach out to people they encounter on a day to day basis.

When we receive a call from the gatekeeper, we then reach out to the older adult and share information on the resources that are available to help them continue to live independently. These resources may include: a home health aide, visiting physician, mobile meal, transportation, or a personal alert button. We also offer the availability of our Reassurance calls.

We all should be neighborly and look out for one another. It is as simple as a call to CONTACT Cape Atlantic.





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Director's Corner



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I have been so thrilled to begin get to know some our CONTACT family, both volunteers and clients, and am looking forward to continuing to learn about each and every one of you. As I've been talking with you, I've been thinking a lot about kindness. So many of you have called or sent a note to say welcome or some other form of encouragement. Even when I have made a few errors in my first few weeks, many of you have let me know that we are all human and we are all in this together. I appreciate that so much!

Kindness is sometimes hard to find in this modern world. We get so caught up in our own life that we forget others are going through changes as well. It's not that we are unkind and have no empathy, it's that we all have something that we are going through. Sometimes a simple act of kindness can slip the mind and seems like a inconvenience. Or it may be our first thought to point out something negative. I'm guilty of this at time. But I have been practicing seeing the gift in every situations and it's making so much of a difference. I feel happier when I look for the positive in everyone and everything. And there is so much positive about each of you!



There are many ways to show kindness such as giving a person or an organization in need of money a few dollars, saying hi to a stranger, or even just telling someone you are proud of them for not giving up.Kindness is not just charity work, it's also letting people know that you're listening to them and will always lend a helping hand, or at least an ear when in need. Kindness need not be complicated. It can be a simple conversation or acknolwedgement. Kindness can seem like a little thing in a big world but helping someone in need can put a smile on a person's face even on the darkest of days. Every person who lends a helping hand in a act of kindness makes the world a better place. Encouragement is so easy yet we often don't remember how powerful it can be. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR KINDNESS! Enjoy the month of August. Stay cool. Warmly, Alice

FORE! CONTACT Golf Outing



Plans are going along smoothly for our 9th Annual FORE! CONTACT Golf Outing. Our host course will again be Heritage Links Golf Course in Ocean View. Join us Saturday, September 21st. Mark your calendar and plan to golf 9 holes with us. Please note that our tournament is now on Saturday not Sunday as it was in the past. For sponsorship and registration opportunities, please call our office at 609-823-1850.



Summer

Lifeline

Summer arrived on June 21st. That means our Summer Lifeline campaign is underway. This is the time of year when

we ask everyone reading our monthly newsletter to donate \$10. If everyone made this small donation, a big impact would be made. Your contributions help support our great service on a daily basis.

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