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The Woodwork Shop



The Woodwork Shop has a long history at Camphill Village. For many decades, it has provided opportunities for people with special needs and volunteer service workers to engage in meaningful work and to learn new skills.

Today, up to 15 people at all levels of ability – a mix of residents with special needs and service volunteers – take responsibility for particular steps in the process of turning raw, unfinished wood into beautiful, functional items.

Most of our products are on display in the Gift Shop at the Village Green. These include a range of wooden toys and household items, which are sold locally and nationwide. In addition, the shop is busy filling furniture needs from within the Village, including tables, benches and shelving.

Some of the wood from which we craft our products has been harvested from forested areas of the Village. The entire work team is very enthusiastic about what we do and takes great pride in our work. **For information about the workshop and its products, please call 518-329-7914.**



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The Village View is a quarterly magazine of news and feature stories about the people and mission of Camphill Village USA. Located on 615 acres of verdant hills, pastures and farmland gardens in Copake, NY, our goal is to create a loving home life, meaningful work and vibrant spiritual, cultural and social activities for adults with special needs and the volunteers who live and work alongside them. For more information, please visit our website at www.camphillvillage.org or call 518.329.4851.

ON THE COVER

Many thanks to Michael Cooper for this lovely photo of his sister, Elisabeth, far right; their father, Saul, center; and Michael's fiancée, Nina Solomon, left. Michael also took the great photos on pages 4 and 5 of residents and their family members at Brothers and Sisters Day.

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Happy faces were the hallmarks of the annual Brothers and Sisters Day

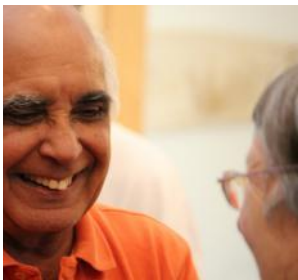


Brothers and Sisters Day on May 31st brought many of the residents' family members to the Village for visits with their sisters, brothers, parents, grandparents and cousins.

At a morning program at Fountain Hall, guests were welcomed with a selection by the Village Ensemble, and got updates and reports on various Village activities and programs. Those included a report on Holy Week observances, presentations about trips that groups from the Village had made to Russia and Scotland, and updates on the Village Master Plan and Capital Campaign.

After lunch, aside from tours of Hickory House and the new Bluestone Office, the rest of the day was free for families to spend as they wished, some even making time for dips in the pond. All in all, as these photos make clear, a good time was had by all.







the art of Joan Hill

Joan Hill is 24 and has lived at Camphill Village since 2010.

Q: Have you always been interested in drawing?

A: For as long as I can remember. When I was little I used to love drawing horses. I was very obsessed with horses. I would draw them everywhere.

Q: What interests you now?

A: It's pretty much Pokemon: a video game, trading cards, anime characters like my own character being half fox and half human.

Q: For people who don't know it, how would you describe "anime"?

A: Anime is any kind of animation from Japan – all animation is called anime. My work is anime inspired.

Q: And when did you become interested in anime?

A: When I was 14 or 15, I lived in a group home in Massachusetts and there was a boy living there at the time who also had Asperger's, his name was Jacob Hilton and he really got me started into anime. I always liked Japanese shows like Pokémon without being aware of their origins in "manga"

Q: "Manga" – another term I don't know.

A: Manga means "frivolous pictures" [or "impromptu sketches"] in Japanese and it refers to a style of Japanese comics that date to the 18th century. There are genres of manga where the emotions are exaggerated, and my Mom believes that's why people with Asperger's like anime because we sometimes have difficulty differentiating different kinds of emotions.

Q: Do you do art work other than drawing?

A: Mostly I just doodle.



The fall season
is filled with
many **great**
opportunities
to **SUPPORT**
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14th, at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Charles Sims and Nancy Wolf. Stay tuned for the full 2014-15 season announcement later this summer.

The 3rd Annual Joseph D. Freedman Bowl-a-Thon will take place on Saturday, November 15, 2014, from 12:30-3:30 p.m. at the Chicopee AMF Lanes in Chicopee, Massachusetts.

This fall, won't you help us raise our Annual Fund goal of \$1.75 million by participating in one of our events? We're thrilled to announce that **world-renowned pianist Richard Goode will kick off the 40th Anniversary Season of the Anne Ratner Concert Series** on Tuesday, October

Over the last two years, the Bowl-a-Thon has raised over \$127,000 in support of the Annual Fund. This year's event promises to be better than ever, with a silent auction, face painting and balloon twisting, and of course, a raffle filled with great prizes. Sponsorships ranging from \$500-\$10,000 are available. Want to learn more? Visit our Bowl-a-Thon website at www.camphillvillage.org/bowlathon.

Finally, the easiest way to help the Village raise its goal is by responding with a gift in the envelope included in this issue of the *Village View*, participating in this fall's annual phonation, or responding to one of our fundraising letters. Last year, over 1,200 donors helped us raise over \$1.8 million – we hope you'll consider helping us again this year!

For information on how you can help us raise this year's Annual Fund goal, please contact Jennifer Hemmerlein at 518-329-7924 Ext. 134

Two events this summer **RAISE AWARENESS** of Camphill Village
and help **RAISE FUNDS** for the **Annual Fund**.



"Come Fly with Me," a dinner benefiting Camphill Village, was planned, organized, and executed entirely by Culinary Institute of America (CIA) bachelor's degree students as a senior class project. Held on the beautiful CIA campus in Hyde Park, N.Y., the event attracted 150 guests and raised funds for Camphill Village USA and the CIA's Side Towel Scholarship Fund.

A very different event was held at the First Church of Wenham on June 8th, a concert by the Village Ensemble with special guest, the popular singer Miranda Russell, who generously donated her time and talent to benefit the Village.

The concert, which was followed by a reception at the nearby Wenham Museum, attracted 150 guests and raised more than \$52,000 toward the Annual Fund.





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On Thursday nights in July and August, many Village residents pack a supper and go hiking -- or, in this case, take a break from hiking!

Shown here at Taconic State Park is a group led by Stephen and Sabine Steen, Gabriel Markel and Sara Borchert.