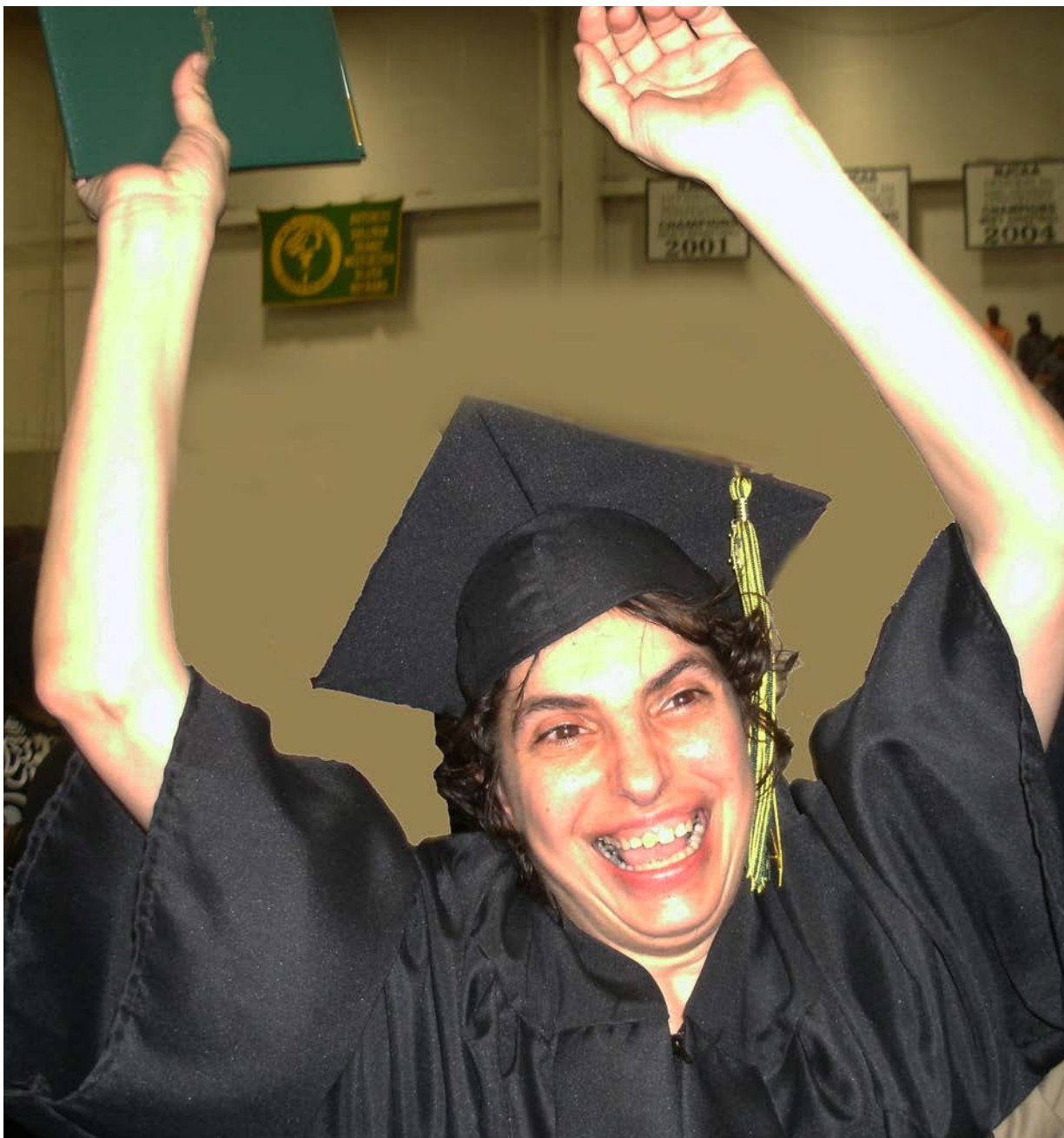


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A Message from our CEO

Thank you to all who supported our Annual Golf Outing. We had a great day of golf at the Otterkill Country Club in June. Your support continues to help bridge the gap that CRVI's funding from OPWDD does not cover. As we move further into the NYS implementation of managed care in the Intellectual and Development Disabilities service system, your support is more important than ever. You make it possible to meet the outcomes of the people we support which puts smiles on people's faces every day.

The proceeds from our Annual Appeal allowed for the purchase of a wheelchair accessible van for one of our homes in Sullivan County. The new vehicle allows people more ability to spend time in their communities enjoying opportunities that many people take for granted, as well as making it easier for them to get to their medical appointments and other commitments. Your support also provides for the funding of our vacation home in Lake George, the Annual Luncheon event, Family Fun Day, enhancements to our homes like wheelchair ramps and generators along with birthday and holiday gifts.

Recognizing a family member, someone special or an organization with a onetime donation that will last a lifetime is possible through the CRVI Foundation. We are offering the opportunity for you to purchase an engraved brick that will be placed at the base of the lighted flagpole and bench at the new CRVI Administrative Support Building, which will be opening soon.

We would like all of our donors to consider Planned Giving opportunities as well. By placing the CRVI Foundation in your will, providing a bequest or naming the CRVI Foundation in your life insurance policy, you can support our organization in the future with less financial impact today. We truly appreciate your support at whatever level you can afford. All contributions are meaningful and help us reach our goals. On behalf of the CRVI Foundation, thank you to all of our contributors for your ongoing support. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Hartley, Foundation Director at 845-673-4224. Thank you again for your support.

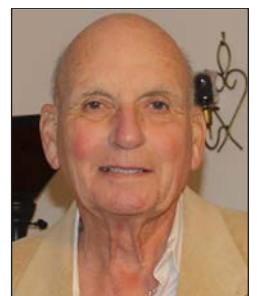
I hope you are having a great summer!

Bill

William J. Sammis, Chief Executive Officer
CRVI, CRVI Foundation

From the CRVI Foundation Board President...

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you who supported our goals this past year, you certainly make our efforts rewarding. We are so happy and proud that we were able to provide a new wheelchair accessible van to one of our residences. We could not have done this without your support. The funding we receive is not enough to provide for all of the needs of our residents. We are aware that there are many unmet needs throughout the agency. We are constantly looking for ways to come up with solutions for this challenge so we can meet our goals of providing for the people we support. We have been exploring Planned Giving as a means to ensure that we will be able to provide for the needs of the people we support in the future. We will be getting in touch with you to provide Planned Giving options you may want to consider. As the summer comes to an end, I hope you have enjoyed the warm weather and have been able to relax. Please know that we are dedicated and working hard and we appreciate all of the help and support that you give to the CRVI Foundation.



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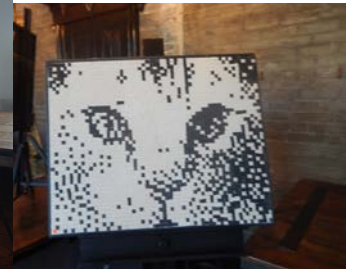
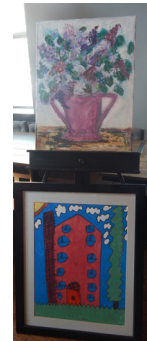
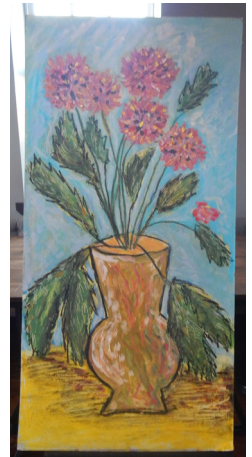
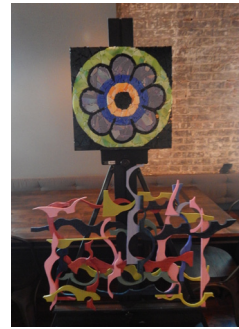
Edward J. Hoblin
President, CRVI Foundation Board

CRVI Foundation Hosts a Brewtasting and Art Show

Clemson Brothers Brewery in Middletown was the setting for the Brewtasting and Art show hosted by the CRVI Foundation. A special thank-you to CBiz who was the generous event sponsor. We were fortunate to have a beautifully sunny and warm afternoon; our guests enjoyed good food, good brews, good music and the first taste of beautiful Spring weather. The art, provided by our own Open Vistas artists, was grouped inside and outside in the Beer Garden; several Open Vistas artists were in attendance.

Mike Jackson entertained us with great jazz guitar, and 50 attendees from the artists' families, Board members and the local business community enjoyed every minute of it.

Congratulations to the artists who created these stunning pieces of art. Several artworks were sold at the show. Thank you to the Open Vistas team who displayed the art so skillfully and thank you to the CRVI staff volunteers who contributed their time and effort to help make the Brewtasting & Art Show a success!

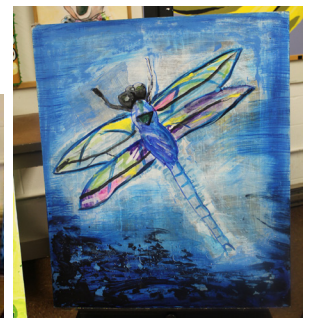


CRVI Foundation's 2nd Annual Open House at Open Vistas

The second annual "Open House at Open Vistas" was held on November 2, 2017 at our Open Vistas Day Habilitation Center. Open Vistas Day Habilitation program helps individuals realize their goals to achieve high levels of choice, independence and personal growth. Our person-centered, accomplishment driven approach and staff-to-individual ratio offers individuals the support and encouragement they need to learn and excel in the activities that interest them. At Open Vistas, there is something for everyone. Each day, Open Vistas continues to nurture confidence, growth and personal fulfillment while having fun and cultivating lasting relationships.

Many pieces of fine art created by our individuals who are enrolled in the Open Vistas program, were beautifully displayed. Families of those we support and the local business community were invited to see the stunning art. The Open Vistas staff was available to conduct tours through the building and Loughran's provided the refreshments.

Many thanks to Hudson LTC Pharmacy for sponsoring this event!



Your 2017-2018 Annual Appeal Dollars at Work!

In our 2017-2018 Annual Appeal, the CRVI Foundation dedicated itself to raise funds to contribute towards the purchase of a wheelchair accessible van to "help us get where we need to go" so the residents who use wheelchairs will have an easier time getting to their medical appointments, programs, community events and personal shopping.

Thanks to the generosity of you, our donors, we were able to raise more than \$38,000.00, enabling us to purchase the new van. You helped the people we support get where they need to go! The van can transport four individuals in wheelchairs as well as the driver and one passenger. The van has state of the art technology; a wheelchair is easily raised on the motorized ramp and it is secured in the van in a matter of minutes!

This wheelchair accessible van is already making a vast difference in the lives of the people we support. Thank you for helping us continue our mission of empowering, fostering growth and developing independence!



Excited to have their new wheelchair accessible van at their home, everyone is anxious to have it "help them get where they need to go"!

Help Us Pave the Way to New Directions... New Lives



Buy a Brick for an Everlasting Tribute

Recognize someone with a onetime donation that will last a lifetime! The CRVI Foundation is offering engraved bricks for placement at the base of the lighted flagpole and bench at the new CRVI Administrative Support Building that is opening this Fall. Your brick will be personalized with your custom message; it can be in memory or honor of a loved one, a family or a company. The funds from your brick will help open the door to more independence and the opportunity to achieve the best lives possible for the people we support.

Fill out and return the pull-out form to order your engraved brick today!

Each 4" x 8" brick is \$125 Each 8" x 8" brick is \$1,000

Mini replica bricks to remember your donation for your home or office are an additional \$25



It takes a family...

Karen Hartley, Foundation Director

It is especially satisfying to receive an Annual Appeal donation from a new donor. When the CRVI Foundation received a generous donation from Ms. Valentine Michielini, I was curious to know what inspired her to write that first check. As we spoke on the phone, I learned that her niece, Joan Henderson, a CRVI resident, has been receiving support from CRVI for many years. Joan's brother, Anthony, lives in Manhattan, and Joan's sister, Margaret, lives in Savannah, GA, while Val lives in Elmhurst, Queens. It truly is "a family from all over". (Joan, Margaret and Anthony's parents have passed away.)

When she isn't with her family, Joan is busy attending program and painting and drawing. She is also an avid WWF fan! Joan took some classes at SUNY Sullivan several years ago and she participated in graduation (see her exuberant photo on the cover).

So, why did Val write that first check? She explained that she comes up to visit Joan at her CRVI residence once a year. Val is always impressed that Joan is truly content in her home, and that the caring attention she receives from CRVI staff is remarkable. "I just had to do something; I know it is difficult for non-profits these days and Joan has been getting such wonderful care for so long."



Joan wants to live each day to the fullest. The love and support she receives from her family as well as her CRVI family who supports and truly cares for Joan has a lot to do with Joan saying "Yes!" to life!



I invited Val for lunch, and we met in her neighborhood in Queens. As we chatted, I learned that although the family is scattered in different areas of the eastern seaboard, they always have a family reunion at Joan's CRVI house at her birthday time, and every holiday, they fly down to Margaret's house in Georgia to enjoy the festivities of a southern Christmas. Both occasions are highlights of Joan's year and it isn't necessarily just about the birthday and holiday gifts.



Donor Gifts

Below are gifts made by our donors honoring a family member or friend, denoting a special occasion or in memory of a loved one. These gifts will be used to meet CRVI Foundation's most pressing needs or in some cases, the gift will be allocated toward a specific request made by the donor.

In Memory of Amiel Bar-Ziv

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In Memory of Frances Weisbrot

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Thank You!

The CRVI Foundation is proud to celebrate the generosity of our contributors to our **Legacy Society** through their donations to the 2017-2018 Annual Appeal:

Legacy Society Silver Pillar \$5,000 - \$9,999

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The Foundation Receives a Generous Bequest

A \$10,000 bequest from the estate of Eileen Breindel was received recently by the CRVI Foundation. The gift was most appreciatively received and it will be used to supplement funding for the individuals that we support. Your donations are the cornerstones of helping us achieve our mission. Those special needs that are not covered by Medicaid funds are funded through the CRVI Foundation. It is your dollars that support many worthwhile and necessary projects that may not otherwise occur.

Family Fun Day and the Annual Luncheon would not be possible without the generosity of our donors. Your donations are an inspiration to us to continue and evolve our vision of the many ways the CRVI Foundation can help those we support.



Passings

Dr. Leland Green, MD, CRVI philanthropist, passed away in May 2018, during a trip to California. Through his generosity, the CRVI Foundation initiated the *Sara A. Green Scholarship fund*. Dr. Green's son has been a CRVI resident for many years.

Aysha Webster and Meria Petit-Bois are Fall 2018 Sara A. Green Scholarship Recipients

The Sara A. Green Scholarship was created by the late Dr. Leland Green, the father of a longtime CRVI resident. Dr. Green asked that the scholarship be set up to benefit CRVI staff who are continuing their education in the field of Health & Human Services.



Aysha has been with CRVI since September 2014. She started as a DSP and is now the Supported Employment Coordinator. Aysha is known to go above and beyond her job responsibilities and she is extremely dedicated to her work. Aysha is currently taking courses at Mercy College for her Master's degree in Organizational Leadership. This is a great step in her career at CRVI. The committee agreed that with Aysha's tenure, dedication and growth of the SEMP department makes her a great fit for the Scholarship.

Meria has been with CRVI since January 2016. She is currently a DSP at the Greenhill program. Meria is an exemplary employee and approaches all her assignments with dedication. Meria is known to have excellent communication and creative abilities which make her a great asset to the program and a role model to the people that we support. Meria is currently pursuing classes at Mount Saint Mary College to complete her nursing degree. The committee agreed that with Meria's dedication and passion, she would be a great fit for the scholarship.



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Annual Reunion Luncheon - Sunday, October 14, 2018

