



December Newsletter

Triform's Christmas Play

Triform performed the play "Twas the Night Before Christmas" on December 18th and 19th. Friends of Triform in the local area, such as people from Camphill Hudson and Camphill Village, also came to see.



The actors and all the people involved worked very hard to make this play possible. It was wonderful that so many people could come together at the end of the year to see the performance, and also to enjoy being with each other.

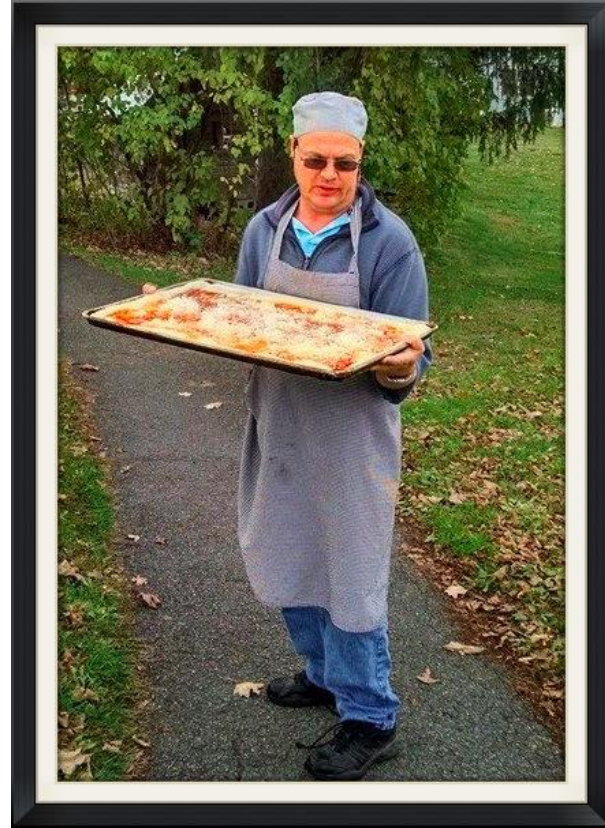
To read and see more about the play

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Karsten Moves to Copake: We will miss you Karsten!

Our good friend and long time community member, Karsten Rau, has been accepted at Camphill Village. After Thanksgiving, he moved to Copake after completing two trial visit months. Karsten has lived in Triform since 1988, and his family all became very involved with Triform over the years. Ingo Rau served on the Board

and we are very appreciative of his service and support. We all have special memories of Karsten's time in Triform, from his daily check in's and hand shakes at the office, to his delivering pizza with the sweetest smile you ever saw! He was a baker and was very loyal to his profession and dedicated to specific jobs in the Bakery. Karsten was well known and made connections to many short and long term coworkers over many years. He is loved and respected by all, and we wish him well in his new home!



Hudson Winter Walk



On Saturday December 5th, several Triform houses went to the famous Hudson winter walk. Among all the action, people walking in front of Solaris would just stop and stand, mesmerized by the sweet sound of bells coming from somewhere, but where? Inside the Solaris entrance Triform Bell Choir was performing! Akiko and her crew of Triform musicians were creating magic with those sweet bell sounds. People stood mesmerized for the whole concert and there were so many interested people we ran out of room!

Bravo Bell choir!

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Check Out our Blog!

Every month our blog features articles from community members, coworkers, employees and friends. This month includes pieces on the Christmas play, an article about raising a family in community and more!



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Singing to the Cows



On the Sunday of 3rd Advent, Triform invited friends and neighbors to the Churchtown Dairy to sing Christmas carols to the cows. This has been a Camphill tradition for a long time, but it's the first time ever the wider community was invited. What an event it turned out to be! There were families with little children, teenagers with cameras, neighbors and new faces. The guests were welcomed with wide smiles and hot chocolate. The sweet sound of a flute indicated what song we were going to sing and guided singers through the carols. The round barn was filled with harmonies. People were commenting on the cows' reaction to the carols. They were initially very excited and after the first Carol, they began to calm. Everyone left feeling festive and happy, animals included.

Welcome New Students

During the last couple of months, Triform has welcomed several new day students and one residential student. It is wonderful to



experience fresh faces and new energy!

Molly Pearlman successfully completed her trial visit in November, and has joined Halcyon House. Molly's sweet disposition and quiet interest in all that is going on around have endeared her to her class and housemates.

Taylor Jones hails from Philmont, NY. Taylor is attached to Farmview and has charmed us with his cheerful manner and aptitude in the Pottery.

Brian Doherty comes from Copake Falls, NY. Brian has quietly become a part of the Forestry crew, where he showing great potential and interest. Brian was warmly welcomed to be attached to Oona house.

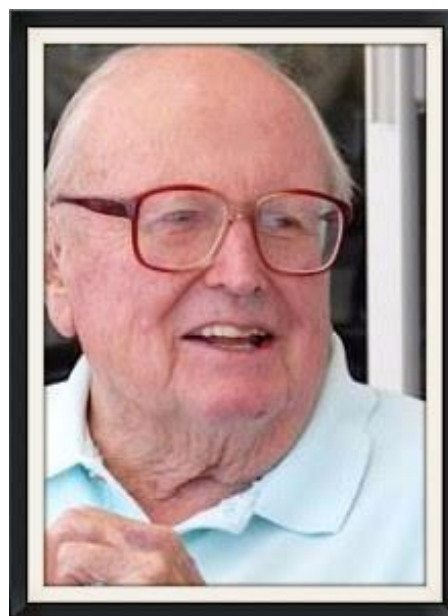
Dominick Baglio completed his dayhab trial and is now an enthusiastic and welcomed member of Christopherus House. He is a part of the hardy farm crew in the mornings. Dominick lives with his parents in Greenville NY.

Ruby Rose Mongil is our newest day student, and has graced the White Pine household with her sweet presence. She lives in Pine Plains with her mother and has joined the creative pottery crew in the mornings.

Welcome all of our new students and families to Triform. May the New Year bring new friendships, new skills and enriching experiences to all of you!

In Memoriam of Ron Furse

G. Ronald Furse (known as Ron) passed away on December 8, 2015 in Essex, Connecticut. The father of longtime friend and former student William Furse, Ron was very supportive of Triform and remained in contact with Camphill even after William had moved out to live independently. Marcia and Meg went to see Ron recently and experienced his engagement in the world, charming stories from his travels long ago and deep caring about William's future and also of Triform's future.



Ron was ever the English gentleman, although born in Irvington, New York in 1921, he spent most of his life in Sussex, England and was educated at Eton and Cambridge University. He had a very successful career working for Fiduciary Trust in both New York City and London. Together with his wife Pam (who died in XXXX) they also had four daughters; Diana, Charlotte, Elizabeth and Rosie. Ron was known to be a warm-hearted man who was humble yet generous, never looking for any recognition. All at Triform are thankful for his friendship and wish to honor his memory and his family. He will be missed by many.

