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WARRIORS @ 45 NORTH RECEIVES ISHC COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD



The Board of Directors of Indian Stream Health Center (ISHC) is proud to announce ISHC's Seventh Annual Community Service Award. This award is being presented to the Warriors @ 45 North of Pittsburg, NH on August 12th at ISHC's Annual Community Meeting which is being held at the Spa Restaurant & Outback Pub in West Stewartstown, NH. The meeting is open to the public and a reception starting at 5:00pm will be followed by a 6:00pm dinner. A suggested donation of \$18 from those who are able to make a donation is appreciated to help offset the cost of the evening.

The Community Service Award was started in 2009 by ISHC Board of Directors to recognize the people and organizations that provide services that benefit community residents. Past recipients of the award have included Helping Hands, the Community Meals Program, the Kiwanis Club and the Mohawk Grange, all located in Colebrook; the Northeast Kingdom Community Action Program in Canaan, VT; and the Pittsburg Area Community Service program of Pittsburg. This year there were several nominations for the award and after considerable discussion by the ISHC Community Relations Committee, it was decided to honor the Warriors @ 45 North for caring for Veterans, both local and far spread.

The Warriors @ 45 North was founded by Jon "Chief" Worrall of Brentwood, who turned his planned retirement home into a camp for wounded veterans needing solitude and camaraderie. "Chief" Worrall along with the rest of the board of directors, which includes Patrick Phillips, Mike Burtnick, Scott Leigh, Shannan Brown, Mike Bane and Dick Hicks work tirelessly to uphold their mission statement which is - Providing care and rest through outdoor activities at NO cost to our Wounded or Deployed Warriors. It began six years ago with three veterans spending time at the camp. Last year the camp hosted more than 100 veterans. They have trips prepared for men, women and families as well as Blue Star weekends for the families of active duty warriors. The camp is always open to Gold Star families, the families of fallen warriors. Time spent at the camp includes opportunities to participate in numerous outdoor activities like fishing, hunting, boating, hiking, and of course, to relax and enjoy time spent with other warriors around a campfire. Upcoming plans include providing weekends for couples. The Warriors @ 45 North also participate in their community with events such as manning the cook shack at the Pittsburg 4th of July festivities and donating all the proceeds to the Pittsburg School for scholarship funds.

According to Gail Fisher, ISHC Board President, “We are very pleased to honor the Warriors @ 45 North with this year’s Community Service Award. The organization’s contribution to the welfare of those who protect our Country and freedom is very much appreciated by all.”

ISHC encourages community residents to attend its August 12th Annual Community Meeting. The event starts at 5:00 pm with light musical entertainment by Islay Mist Ceilidh. Two guest speakers; Deborah Amdur, Medical Center Director at the White River Junction VA Medical Center will be focusing on the importance of accessibility and high quality primary health care to Veterans and Dr. Sean Boynes, Director of Interprofessional Practice of DentaQuest Institute will speak about the importance of integrating oral health into the scope of comprehensive primary care services.

ISHC encourages community residents to attend its August 12th Annual Community Meeting. To attend, R.S.V.P.’s are required. Please contact Gaetane Boire, by August 3rd, at 603-388-2432. Visit us online at **Indianstream.org** for more details on the event.

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