

## 17th Annual Friends Aware Ox Roast

Friends Aware's 17th Annual Ox Roast was held June 20, 2014 at the Ali Ghan Shrine Club Picnic Grounds. The **"Sold Out"** event raised \$15,216 with 1205 tickets sold. Over 1,350 people attended, including staff and volunteers. "Thank You!" to the many volunteers, staff and donors who made this event a tremendous success. Cramer Brothers and Tim Haines provided entertainment as the crowd enjoyed train rides, great food and lots of fun for a wonderful cause. All proceeds will benefit Friends Aware's "Building Independence" Capital Campaign. **Mark your calendars for next year... June 19, 2015!**



Cramer Brothers & Tim Haines shakin' it up!



Senator George Edwards (left) presents a Senatorial Resolution to FAI Executive Director Robert Godfrey, congratulating Friends Aware on 60 years of offering opportunities and care for those in need.



Big Winner Stella Neilson (left) receiving \$1000 check from FAI Executive Director Robert Godfrey.



More than 1,350 people attend Friends Aware's 17th Annual Ox Roast!



You're never too old to be... **CARDED!**  
FAI Residential Director Libi Williams-Ziler is "workin' the crowd" at the Ox Roast.



Emma Godfrey (left) and Tonya Clites spend the evening spinning the Big Wheel!



What a Great Day for a Train Ride!

### THANK YOU Ox Roast Donors!

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## 2014 Ox Roast Winners

- \$50 Winners –
  - Carly Kearchner
  - Jerry/Sarah Gracie
  - Hunter Douglas
  - Maureen Lennox
  - Harry Haag
- \$75 Winners –
  - Terri Fuller
  - Jacob Growden
- \$100 Winner – Mike Mitchell
- \$200 Winner – Bob & Barbara DeMoss
- \$300 Winner – Bonnie Sockriter
- \$500 Winner – Renee Buckbee
- \$1000 Winner – Stella Neilson

## Platinum Level Donors Show Their Support at the Ox Roast!



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## Ox Roast \$1000 Platinum Level Donors

Many Thanks to **Alhambra Wamba Caravan #89**, **First United Bank & Trust**, **Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC** and **The Belt Group of Companies** for your support!



Wamba Caravan #89



## Raising "Dough" for the Capital Campaign

Friends Aware Board member Lee Anne Santiago volunteered her time and recipes to help a group of bakers from the Friends Aware Life Enrichment Center prepare delicious "sweet treats" for an Ox Roast Bake Sale. The group raised a total \$405.00 to benefit the "Building Independence" Capital Campaign during the event.

Juliann Bascelli prepares cookie bars for the Ox Roast.

**SPECIAL THANKS** to our Ox Roast Basket Raffle Donors for helping us Make a Difference!

## Spotlight



**H**appy Retirement to Wayne Kennell! Wayne first began working at Martin's in 1992. He received job coaching support for only a few weeks until he had mastered his job duties. Following this initial support, Wayne began working independently, and under the direct supervision of Martin's personnel. Occasional drop-in visits by job coaches over the years were always met with the same question from Wayne's Supervisor: "What are you doing here... he is fine." Throughout many years of employment, Wayne handled his own scheduling matters and arranged for his own daily transportation, either through All-Trans or with a local taxi service. Wayne was always hyper-conscientious about how he packed groceries for customers, creating his own group of followers who always chose the check-out line where Wayne was stationed, because they knew that their groceries would be packed perfectly—their eggs would not be broken and their bread would not be squashed. This was something Wayne prided himself on and often spoke of how the "young-uns" didn't know how to pack. He was always willing to teach them. After 22 successful years as a "bagger" at Martin's, Wayne officially retired at age 73 in June 2014. Wayne is a true testament to how an individual with a disability has changed stereotypical assumptions. He has exemplified many qualities, including loyalty, dependability, and stamina—setting a shining example for others throughout his career. Congratulations Wayne!

## Maryland Charity Campaign



**T**he Maryland Charity Campaign (MCC) is a workplace charitable giving program that offers state employees the opportunity to contribute to charities using the convenience of payroll deduction. Nearly 700 charities currently participate in the campaign. Friends Aware, Inc. is a participant in this charitable giving program. If you or someone you know is a state employee and are interested in making a charitable contribution this year, please consider Friends Aware as the recipient of your generosity. Friends Aware's designation code is 5272 and must be included in your selection of our agency. Thank you for your support.

## Contributors to the "Building Independence" Capital Campaign

April 1, 2014 - June 30, 2014

**Hero... \$50 - \$1,499**

- Mr. James Zamagias, Sr.
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For more information on Friends Aware's "Building Independence" Capital Campaign, or to make a contribution online, visit [www.friendsaware.org](http://www.friendsaware.org). Contributions may also be made by phone at 301-722-7268.

## The Capital Campaign is Picking Up Steam!

**T**he "Building Independence" Capital Campaign is on its way to our \$2,000,000 Goal. The current amount raised is \$1.3 million. Help us reach our goal!

**You can make a difference...**  
Make your donation today at [www.friendsaware.org](http://www.friendsaware.org).



Watch our meter grow! Our sign is located in front of First United Bank & Trust's City Center Community Office on Harrison Street in Cumberland, MD.

## Catholic Heart Work Camp Lends a Helping Hand!



Students celebrate their hard work with one of their new friends at Rita's Italian Ice.

**S**tudents from Tennessee, Virginia, and Maryland participated in Catholic Heart Work Camp Projects to help clean, paint, and landscape several Friends Aware Residential homes. Students worked hard and spent time bonding with residents and making new friendships. Thanks to all of the volunteers, Stephanie Pratt and Wolfgang Hofacker, and the Bishop Walsh community for making this valued service project a success.



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Kaila England, FAI RN and CPR/First Aid Trainer, monitors Laurie Hendrick (right) during CPR training. Laurie worked hard and received her certifications.

**17th Annual Day of Caring and Sharing**

Over 350 volunteers from businesses and organizations gathered in Cumberland on May 9, 2014 for the County United Way's 17th Annual Day of Caring and Sharing. Crews worked on 37 projects throughout the city to make a difference in our neighborhoods. Friends Aware volunteered at the Centre Street Playground and Constitution Park Day Camp Buildings. Many thanks to the hard work of the County United Way staff and volunteers for their dedication to our community. Friends Aware would also like to thank First United Bank & Trust and CareFirst Blue Cross Blue Shield for their participation in beautification projects at Friends Aware's Residential Homes.



Jeremy Heavner (left) and Mayor Grim working at Centre Street Playground.



Mayor Brian Grim and volunteers from the Friends Aware Life Enrichment Center worked hard at the Centre Street Playground—cleaning, painting, landscaping and mulching.



Coty Twigg (left) and Jennie Myers are cutting back bushes.