Jefferson’s Ferry Reaches Out by Preparing Food and Serving Guests at Welcome INN

Setauket, NY...August xx, 2014 ... Volunteers from the management, staff and residents of Jefferson’s Ferry Lifecare Retirement Community (Setauket, NY) recently prepared and served the first in a series of monthly dinners to guests of Welcome INN, a Port Jefferson mainstay that serves five meals weekly to hungry people in the community at Christ Episcopal Church.

“Jefferson’s Ferry takes its role as a member of the Three Village community to heart and helping to feed our hungry neighbors is one of the many ways we can contribute,” said Karen Brannen, President and CEO of Jefferson’s Ferry. “Our kitchen is well equipped with both the expertise and wherewithal to provide nutritious, delicious meals. It’s a terrific way for the Jefferson’s Ferry community of residents and staff to give back to the larger community.”

The Jefferson’s Ferry team delivered a full meal and beverages, from appetizer to dessert, to Welcome INN’s Monday night program and stayed to serve, visit, and clean up. Close to 50 individuals and families were served that evening.

Jefferson’s Ferry contributes to the larger community in many ways; through service to schools, social service agencies, and through its advocacy for senior services policy on local, state, and federal levels. Jefferson’s Ferry is currently raising funds for its Successful Aging Project, a comprehensive and multi-disciplinary program of community services to benefit older adults throughout the Long Island community. For more information visit http://www.jeffersonsferry.org/images/SuccessfulAging.pdf.

About Welcome INN (http://www.the-inn.org)
A 100% volunteer operation, Welcome INN has offered nutritious, hot meals and words of encouragement to hungry folks in the Greater Port Jefferson area 5 nights every week for 25 years. Since 1989, Welcome INN has operated under the auspices of the Interfaith Nutrition Network. Today, there are a total of 14 soup kitchens operating as part of The INN’s network across Long Island. More than 5,000 people are fed each week. The organization welcomes volunteers and guests of all faiths, as well as those who follow no religion.

About Jefferson’s Ferry (www.jeffersonsferry.org)
Jefferson’s Ferry is a not-for-profit lifecare retirement community for active adults aged 62 and above, with cottages, apartments, assisted living, and a quality health care center all on one site. Located in South Setauket, a vibrant community along Long Island’s north shore, Jefferson’s Ferry is surrounded by
various attractions, shopping, beaches, theaters, and a world-renowned university. Jefferson’s Ferry offers exceptional living and amenities, including restaurants, fitness center, indoor pool, computer center, library, recreational areas, gardens and gazebos. A mix of cultural excursions, civic activities, and a community of residents who participate in shaping Jefferson’s Ferry’s future, ensures a spirited and engaged lifestyle.

**Photo Caption: Jefferson’s Ferry shares its kitchen’s bounty with guests of Port Jefferson’s Welcome INN**
A volunteer team from Jefferson’s Ferry Lifecare Retirement Community recently donated a three course hot meal to Port Jefferson’s Welcome INN soup kitchen. Jefferson’s Ferry volunteers provided, cooked, served and cleaned up after the meal, which included appetizer, main course and dessert. Pictured here (l-r): Volunteers Annette Guidice, Matt Caro, Jane Willsey, Patti Gallagher, Bob Caulfield and Jennifer Barrett.