

## Joseph D. Vaughan Award

This year marks the 52nd anniversary of the Joseph D. Vaughan Awards. It memorializes the Honorable Joseph D. Vaughan, a New Hampshire legislator. Representative Vaughan was an early advocate for older residents of the State and was instrumental in creating a State Agency dedicated to the well being of older people.

The Joseph D. Vaughan Award is presented each year to individuals or couples, over the age of 60, who have shown outstanding leadership or demonstrated meritorious achievement as volunteers, on behalf of the older citizens in New Hampshire.

One award is made for each of New Hampshire's ten counties.

## 2014 Selection Committee

### State Committee on Aging

The mission of SCOA shall be to advocate on behalf of ALL older residents of NH on issues they face daily.

Kathryn Cauble

Larry Flint

Robert Ritchie

### EngAGING NH

EngAGING NH promotes citizen leadership and the active involvement of NH's older adults in the development of communities and public policies that support all individuals as they age.

Carol Currier

Margaret McClellan

Roger Vachon, Coordinator

Jack Liberman, Consultant



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## 2014 Vaughan Award Winners

### Belknap County

#### Emily LaPlante

Emily understands the importance of giving back to the community. Giving her time and friendship, dozens of seniors in town count on her each day. She uses her passion and leadership to inspire others to help seniors.

### Carroll County

#### Bill Volk

Humble, kind, dedicated and trustworthy do not adequately convey the goodness of Bill. He has helped build nine Habitat homes and is currently involved on a four unit condo project. His shared skills go far beyond carpentry. Bill donates his time and talents to other organizations and friends.

### Cheshire County

#### Tuck and Bobbie Gilbert

For over 7 years, Bobbie and Tuck worked tirelessly to create a local “aging in place” organization enabling elders to live independently in their own homes for as long as possible. After 4 years of operation, Monadnock at Home is a huge initiative that brings their vision to reality.

### Coos County

#### Patricia Rife

Having admirable spunk and a “let’s get it done” attitude, Pat has volun-

teered over 4,500+ hours in 11 years through the Retired Senior Volunteer Program. The local American Red Cross Blood drives; Androscoggin Valley Hospital Professional Services Department; the annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner; the Dummer and Gorham Meal Sites, and the RSVP One to One and Handy Helpers Programs have benefited from her efforts. Her dedication and compassion for the people she helps is inspiring.

### Grafton County

#### Maud Thompson

“A one-of-a-kind lady who makes aging look good!!” Maude, a three time cancer survivor, is a happy and positive addition to the Littleton Senior Center. Sharp, funny, resourceful, she goes above and beyond as a volunteer, staunch supporter, and advocate.

### Hillsborough County

#### Jim Orr

As volunteer Wood Bank coordinator, Jim is responsible for every aspect of the program. It is wonderful to see Jim, at 77, working up a sweat, side by side with teenagers splitting and stacking fire wood used by families in need. Responsibility, hard work and dependability are learned by working with Jim.

### Merrimack County

#### Doris Morrow

“Dorie” volunteers at Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice. For 15

years, she’s served in the hospice program, administrative office, Good Day Respite program, and flu clinics. In the past year, she logged 300+ hours and 1500+ miles. She is reliable, efficient, and consistently proficient.

### Rockingham County

#### Elaine Houde

For over 12 years, Elaine has shown outstanding leadership, volunteering on behalf of the older Salem residents, and giving 4,500+ hours of her time, talent and knowledge at the Salem Senior Center. Elaine's positive, can-do attitude benefits her community.

### Strafford County

#### Richard Cooper

Richard has been a dedicated volunteer for 17 years at an Assisted Living facility where he conducts his weekly “Trivia Hour” and “Current Events” program and the annual “Langdon Place Super Bowl Party”, a big event that male residents particularly enjoy.

### Sullivan County

#### Elaine Bevilacqua

One of the first Goshen community members to step up, Elaine as a patron, reached out to other seniors to support an ambitious program of events, classes and community outreach services and revive the flagging attendance at the Goshen library, making it a growing, viable center of the community. Elaine builds community.