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### RiverWoods Auction Raises \$50,000

**Commons Sense:  
Monthly Column in the  
Exeter NewsLetter**

Read about The Commons the third Tuesday of every month in "Commons Sense," our column in the Exeter NewsLetter. Community members will be offering perspectives based their fields of expertise. Learn about The Commons and how it will change our community through a variety of viewpoints and experiences.



On October 24th RiverWoods at Exeter presented The Commons with a grand check for \$50,000, the proceeds from RiverWoods' most successful auction yet. "We were just completely blown away," said Carter Siegel, co-chair of the Campaign Steering Committee. "The number of people who attended to support us in the community was really humbling. We are honored that they chose us as their beneficiaries."

#### Participating Agencies

Exeter Center for Creative Arts providing high quality arts education and resources for people of all ages and abilities in the community.

Great Bay Kids' Company providing quality early childhood education and school-age enrichment programs for children.

Richie MacFarland Children's Center helping young children reach their full developmental potential and supporting their families

"In the midst of a financial crisis, every person there could have said 'no' right now," said Cathleen Toomey, Vice President of Marketing at RiverWoods. "But it is a testament to how important this community center is, its vision. It showed that the important things they are willing to fund. That was so affirming."

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#### Agency Spotlight

##### Where Would We Be Without Volunteers?



##### Camp Lincoln Hosts Volunteer Appreciation Event

The short answer is, not nearly where near where we are now! Without volunteers, we wouldn't be able to run programs of the caliber and ambition we currently offer. Without volunteers, we wouldn't be serving the needs of the community nearly as effectively. Without Volunteers, we wouldn't be able to

through the process.

Rockingham Community Action preventing, reducing and working towards the elimination of poverty by helping people in need.

Seacare Health Services providing access to medical care for uninsured adults, prescription assistance for low-income families and home visiting & health education services for uninsured children.

Southern District YMCA/Camp Lincoln creating strong kids, strong families and strong communities through the operation of a full service recreational facility for Seacoast residents of all ages and economic capacities.

consider building a new community center and YMCA facility.

Volunteers are the foundation of our organizations. They come from many walks of life: retired seniors, at-home parents, teens, working men and women -- and all of them dedicated to making a contribution to their community. We can't possibly thank them enough for the difference they make -- but we're happy to try.

Camp Lincoln is hosting a special appreciation event on November 18th, recognizing and honoring all of their hard-working and dedicated volunteers. If you'd like more information about this event or if you're interested in becoming a volunteer, please call Camp Lincoln at 642-3361. If you're interested in volunteering for Squamscott Community Commons, please call 778-4722 or visit the [volunteer page](#) on our website.

### Running 30 Miles to Send Children to Camp

Congratulations to Kevin Farrer for completing a 30 mile run to benefit the Camp Lincoln Scholarship Fund. The fund defrays camp tuition for children in need. It's amazing the difference just one inspired and motivated person can make. Thank you, Kevin!



### Holiday Fine Arts Fair

**Friday, November 21st,  
6-9pm  
Saturday, November 22nd,  
9am-6pm  
The Gallery at the Exeter  
Town Hall**

Looking for a unique holiday gift that will be cherished forever? The Holiday Fine Arts Fair will feature paintings, ceramics, sculpture, fine jewelry, fiber arts and more - all crafted by local artists. Proceeds will benefit Exeter Center for

Creative Arts. For more information, call ECCA at 778-8441.

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