



Meet Our Key Staff

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Activity Manager **Robin Lund, CDP**

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Robin Lund, Activity Manager, has been with SummerWood since 2010. Ms. Lund is responsible for providing quality social, cultural, educational, and entertaining programs for the members on-site as well as off-site. She oversees the

comprehensive transportation program and is responsible for driver in-services and vehicle upkeep. Additionally, she manages The Salon and other activity subcontractors.

In 2012, Ms. Lund became a Certified Dementia Practitioner (CDP) through the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners (NCCDP). Her experience encompasses almost 20 years in education and management of group homes for the developmentally disabled and she holds a degree in child development.

Coordinator of Environmental Services **Clenbert Senior**

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Clenbert Senior is the Coordinator of Environmental Services and has been with SummerWood since 2007. Mr. Senior is responsible for overseeing the day-to-day housekeeping activities as well as periodic commercial cleaning events. He

assists with maintenance work orders and participates in the preventative maintenance program.

Prior to SummerWood, Mr. Senior worked as a supervisor in the hospitality field, overseeing approximately 30 housekeepers, and in the environmental services education field. Mr. Senior received an Outstanding Resident Service Award in 2008 from the Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA).

**Director of Community Relations
Valerie Bartos, CDP**

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Valerie Bartos is the Director of Community Relations and has been with SummerWood since its opening in 2001. In addition to being responsible for the marketing and community outreach needs of the community, Ms. Bartos

plays a role in assisting members in all phases of the move-in process.

In 2012, Ms. Bartos became a Certified Dementia Practitioner (CDP) through the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners (NCCDP). She received a Champion Award from the Assisted Living Federation of America (ALFA) in 2010 and an Outstanding Resident Service Award

from The Connecticut Assisted Living Association in 2009. Her experience encompasses over 15 years in the senior living field, and she holds a Bachelor degree from UCONN.

**Executive Director,
Hoffman SummerWood Community
Joan Carney, CDP
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As SummerWood's founding Executive Director, Joan Carney is responsible for the administration and operation of all programs at SummerWood, from strategic planning through implementation. She brings a unique

combination of clinical and administrative skills to her role as Executive Director.

In addition to her role overseeing all aspects of SummerWood, since 2004 Ms. Carney has played a leading role conceiving of, planning, and supervising SummerWood's expansion, completed in 2009.

Ms. Carney has been with Hebrew Health Care, SummerWood's parent company, since 1995. Prior to becoming Executive Director at SummerWood, she was director of Hebrew Health Care's Home Health Care Agency (now part of Hebrew Community Services). Ms. Carney also worked for various Visiting Nurse Associations for 12 years, seven of them in a supervisory or management capacity.

In 2012, Ms. Carney became a Certified Dementia Practitioner (CDP) through the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners (NCCDP). In 2009, Ms. Carney was honored with the prestigious Executive Director Hero Award from the Assisted Living Federation of America (ALFA) for her extraordinary professional

service and commitment to senior living residents and their families. Under her leadership, SummerWood is proud to be the recipient of over 25 awards, both at the state and national level.

Ms. Carney began her career as a registered nurse, after receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from the University of Massachusetts, Lowell, MA.

Facility Manager

Jay Bourret

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Jay Bourret is the Facility Manager and has been with SummerWood since 2004. Mr. Bourret's responsibilities include overseeing both housekeeping and maintenance departments. As the Chairperson of SummerWood's Safety

Committee, Mr. Bourret is committed to keeping the building secure and clean, while also overseeing SummerWood's comprehensive preventive maintenance program. He played a lead role in the 44,000 square foot expansion of SummerWood, completed in 2009.

Mr. Bourret received the Employee of the Year Award in 2010 from the Connecticut Association of Non-for profit Providers For the Aging (CANPFA), now known as LeadingAge Connecticut. He also received the Outstanding Resident Service Award from The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) in 2009. He is a graduate of New England Technical Institute for HVAC/R and holds State of Connecticut licenses for Sheet Metal, HVAC/R, and Home Improvement. Jay has worked in the HVAC/R and hospitality fields for 24 years.

Manager of Operations

Karen Mudgett, CDP

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Karen Mudgett, Manager of Operations, has been with SummerWood since 2004. Ms. Mudgett works closely with the Member Services Coordinator while supervising the front desk staff and the volunteer program. Among her

other responsibilities, she annually reviews and updates policies and procedures including the three SummerWood handbooks, and assures staff receive the required annual in-services and complete the competencies specific to their departments.

Ms. Mudgett has more than 20 years of experience working with older adults. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in rehabilitation with a concentration in geriatrics and a minor in psychology from Springfield College. In 2013 Ms. Mudgett became a Certified Dementia Practitioner (CDP) through the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners (NCCDP). Ms. Mudgett was honored by the Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) with an Outstanding Resident Service Award in 2014.

Member Services Coordinator

Amanda Sisson, CDP

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Amanda Sisson, Member Services Coordinator, has been with SummerWood since 2007. Ms. Sisson works closely with the members and their families making sure that all of their needs are met, which means working closely with the Assisted

Living Services Agency (ALSA). She is the

staff liaison for the Member Council and she arranges educational in-services for family members and caregivers.

In 2012, Ms. Sisson became a Certified Dementia Practitioner (CDP) through the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners (NCCDP). Ms. Sisson was honored in 2011 with the Champion for Seniors Award from the Assisted Living Federation of America (ALFA) She began her career in 1999 as a social worker in a nursing home, working with both short and long-term care residents. She holds a Bachelor Degree in Social Work from Central Connecticut State University.

Membership Specialist

Anabela Ferreira, CDP

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Anabela Ferreira, Membership Specialist, has been with SummerWood since 2001. As a manager on the marketing team, Ms. Ferreira's responsibilities include handling inquiries and conducting tours of SummerWood. She plays a key role in

helping new members throughout the moving process, from start to finish, helping them acclimate to their new home.

She contributes to advertising development and often represents SummerWood at community events such as senior fairs.

Ms. Ferreira received an honorable mention certificate in 2012 for Outstanding Service and Dedication from LeadingAge Connecticut. She has over 11 years of experience working with older adults and their families. Ms. Ferreira holds a liberal arts degree. In 2013 Ms. Ferreira became a Certified Dementia Practitioner (CDP) through the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners (NCCDP). Ms. Ferreira received an Employee of the Year honorable mention certificate from

LeadingAge Connecticut in 2012 for her outstanding service and dedication to SummerWood.

Supervisor of Assisted Living Services Agency
Anne Mitchell, RN, BSN

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Anne Mitchell is the Supervisor of the Assisted Living Services Agency (ALSA) at Hoffman SummerWood Community. Ms. Mitchell works closely with members and their families in developing personalized care

plans. She enjoys working with older adults and helping to keep them as independent as possible in their home. Ms. Mitchell is responsible for overseeing all of the ALSA staff at SummerWood.

Ms. Mitchell is a graduate of St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing in Waterbury, CT and also holds an Associate Degree in Science from Mattatuck Community College. She has been a nurse for 33 years, of which 16 were spent in the assisted living field.

Member Transition Manager
Amy L. Miller, TRD, CDP

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As the Member Transition Manager, Ms. Miller welcomes incoming members to Hoffman



SummerWood
Community and helps
them acclimate to
their new home. She
is the primary contact
person for
SummerWood

members moving into our community and
liaison to their families.

The orientation process can be
overwhelming and the Member Transition
Manager helps our newest members
navigate through by introducing them to
their neighbors and to the abundance of
services and programs available at
Hoffman SummerWood Community. Ms.
Miller is also an ambassador to community
affiliations and encourages all
SummerWood members to enjoy the
benefits of being part of the Hebrew Health
Care family, the local Jewish community
and the town of West Hartford.
Additionally, Ms. Miller utilizes her
experience to assist with the activity
programs provided to the membership of
Hoffman SummerWood Community.

Ms. Miller has over 15 years of experience
in the field of senior health care and senior
living, including 8 years with Hebrew
Health Care and Hoffman SummerWood
Community. She is a Certified Therapeutic
Recreation Director (TRD) in the state of
Connecticut and in 2014 became a
Certified Dementia Care Practitioner (CDP)
through the National Council of Certified
Dementia Practitioners. Ms. Miller
graduated cum laude from Northeastern
University with a Bachelor of Arts degree.

**Director of Culinary Services and
Executive Chef Steve Shuman**

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Director of Culinary
Services and Executive
Chef, Steve Shuman,



brings talent and knowledge of kashrut, teamed with his exceptional culinary skills to SummerWood. Mr. Shuman orchestrates a staff of sous chefs and associates who

provide fine kosher dining on a daily basis for SummerWood members.

Steve is a graduate of the Culinary Institute of America (CIA) in Hyde Park, NY and is well known in the greater Hartford area for his successful kosher catering business, Catering by Shuman. Mr. Shuman's experience also includes lead culinary positions in area restaurants and supplying kosher take out selections for Bishops Corner Big Y.

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