

## Judy's Cookie Jar

Many of you are familiar with CVIM (Community Volunteers in Medicine) that provides medical and dental services to people who work or live in Chester County but don't make enough money to purchase medical or dental insurance or prescriptions.

CVIM – on the Internet at <http://www.CVIM.org> - is located next to Ice Line on Lawrence Drive south of the East Goshen Township Airport near Five Points Road. CVIM has over 300 volunteers and had over 30,000 patient visits last year. Judy's Cookie Jar is a fund that provides CVIM patients with the ability to get surgical procedures and tests they are not able to afford.

The Committee of Judy's Cookie Jar - made up of volunteers at CVIM who live in Hershey's Mill – hosts an incredible cocktail party each year at the Sullivan House to raise money for "The Jar". This past year we raised over \$12,000 just from this party. It is held in the fall and is open to Hershey's Mill residents only.

Due to attrition over the last few years, we have lost many of our key Committee members. We are looking for people to join the Committee who live in Hershey's Mill. You **don't** have to be a volunteer at CVIM to join us. It costs **nothing** to become part of this effort except a **little** of your time in the late summer and early fall.

Each year The Committee divides up the tasks among the Committee members in order to make this party happen. For example: A Committee Member might volunteer to get all of the paper goods for the party and either be reimbursed for the cost or donate the items – tax deductible, of course. Or donate the cost of the ice. Or make a plate of appetizers. Or ask a restaurant or super market to donate a food item. All of the food is made by the Committee members or donated by individuals or companies in the area. **100%** of the money taken in for the party (\$60 a person – open bar) goes to Judy's Cookie Jar with exception of those items that are reimbursed.

When one gives money to charities, one doesn't necessarily know where the money goes or how much of it is for administrative costs. With Judy's Cookie Jar Cocktail Party, one KNOWS all of the money except for reimbursed items goes directly into Judy's Cookie Jar fund for surgical procedures and tests for qualified patients.

If you are willing to provide a little time – and it is a LITTLE time because the responsibilities are divided up among a number of people – please contact Cathy Thorn (Glenwood Village) or Margie Joyce (Robynwood Village).