

## **Bodies in Motion, Stay in Motion**

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It's never a good idea to mess with Newton's First Law and NYFOA's age-defying Chainsaws for Charity Team is absolutely staying in motion. It's been a bit quiet at the log landing since the holidays, but all that will change soon as Spring kicks into gear.

As you know, NYFOA has begun a fun project whereby firewood is generated for the purposes of raising money for charity and providing a social function for NYFOA members. The project's short-term goal is to generate 100 face cords in the first year, which may net up to \$10,000 for charity. For example, thanks to The Rotary, Camp Onseyawa for disabled children ([www.onseyawa.org](http://www.onseyawa.org)) has already received significant firewood money and NYFOA's youth forestry programs are being funded.

With special thanks to William Anderson (Bath, NY) and Rich Gamrod (Rich's Karts & Parts, Honeoye, NY) and the hard work of our Chris Howard and Dale Schaefer, C4C has added a log splitter to improve productivity. Mr. Anderson donated the splitter and Mr. Gamrod donated parts and labor to make the splitter functional again. Rich diagnosed the problems quickly, added electronic ignition, new gas line and filter, and recoil starter. We're extremely grateful for their generosity!

Do you want to stay in motion? Do you love woodlands and want to help people in need? Please join us in Avon, the camaraderie and food are great. Some folks cut, some split, some stack and some walk around, eat, and look busy like me! Just let Eileen ([dschaefer1@frontiernet.net](mailto:dschaefer1@frontiernet.net)) know and she will put you on the mailing list. If you would like to make a donation of cash to help with expenses, delivered logs/firewood, or equipment, please send me a note ([dfaklis@frontiernet.net](mailto:dfaklis@frontiernet.net)).

There are several C4C articles at the Cornell Forest Connect Ning site. Lots of pictures and explanations of how things work, including information on the beneficiaries. Check them out!

<http://cornellforestconnect.ning.com/>

Click the Blogs tab near the top and search for Chainsaws for Charity or C4C; there are several articles with a bunch of fun pictures.

Our region is large. If Avon is too far to drive for you, won't you consider helping to create a new C4C location in your area? Let's hear from you!

Caption for Photo: Rotarians Loading Up: Steve Smythe, NYFOA's David Deuel, and Dr. Ben Gullo, with