

What Is The CCCR of NC?

An organization of residents of continuing care retirement communities in the state. Its objective is to protect and further the interests and welfare of residents of CCCRs throughout the state.

How Did It Begin?

It was incorporated in 1988 under the leadership of Dr. Harry Groves, a retired law school dean who was concerned about our inadequate state laws covering CCCRs. Its first project was to win enactment of basic legislation for the licensing and regulation of such communities. This was achieved in 1989. The position of Manager of Continuing Care Retirement Facilities was created within the NC Department of Insurance. Currently Jeffrey A. Trendel is the Manager. He has jurisdiction over 47 facilities (housing 14,000 residents) across the state. There are six more CCCR facilities awaiting licensing at this time. The Department has recently reactivated its Continuing Care Advisory committee on which CCCR of NC is represented.

What Does It Do?

CCCR of NC monitors Federal and State legislative proposals that may impact on our communities and their residents. These include health care and long term health care insurance bills before Congress and the State Legislature; Federal and State tax proposals; major changes suggested nationally in health care and HMOs; and potential changes in Social Security and Medicare.

CCCR of NC encourages development of strong, effective resident associations in every retirement community across the state and active resident participation in the formulation of policies and programs that affect them. It seeks to support the fiscal soundness and effective management of all our communities. It strives to work closely with community administrators and boards of trustees (and with all other agencies and organizations concerned) to develop the best in safe, happy and productive retirement living.

Please Join Us Now

CCCR of NC Membership

Name(s) _____ Date _____

Mailing Address _____

_____ City _____ NC _____ Zip Code _____

Your Retirement Community _____

Please check as appropriate: New Member Renewing Member

Individual

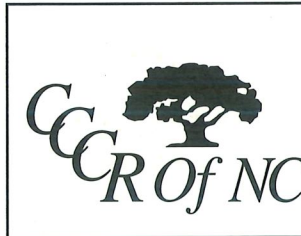
- One year \$5.00
 Life Membership \$50.00

Couple

- One Year \$10.00
 Life Membership \$100.00

Please make checks payable to CCCR of NC and give to your representative. If you do not have a local representative mail to:

Management Services for Organizations
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Salisbury, NC 28145-1783



THE HOTLINE

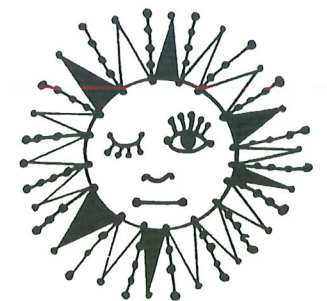
THE HOTLINE is published four times a year for the *Continuing Care Community Residents of North Carolina* (CCCR of NC), incorporated in 1988 "to further the interests of residents of continuing care residents communities in North Carolina.

Buns, Bread Pudding and Brogans Reflection on 35 years

The other day I saw one of the residents standing by the salad bar. She was wearing a tie-dyed tee shirt and jeans. This gave me pause. Are the baby-boomers here already? No not yet, but she is quite a contrast to the folks I first served as a dishwasher in a "Home for the Aged", when I was in high school thirty-five years ago. Gone are the gray-haired old ladies with their pinned-up buns, brogans, shawls and weird undergarments, and yes I know this is a stereotype, but I'm sorry that's what old ladies in "Homes" looked like back then. And, we didn't have salad bars. Ring the bell. Dinner is served. Six at a table. Sit where you are assigned. Service is family style with meat and potatoes in heavy china bowls and platters. And then you scrape and bus your own dishes. You might even help cook and clean-up if your finances are a little thin. Select menu—give me a break. But the warm bread pudding sure was good. You want two rooms in your apartment? Forget it. How about a small room with a sink and small closet on one wall? Bathroom? Yes, we have nice two-seater with tub down the hall, shared with twenty of your closest friends. But the staff and volunteers loved the residents, and the residents cared about each other. We were community. The current versions of our "Homes", the modern CCRC's, are really quite

remarkable. Swimming pools, libraries, bar room lounges, prime rib and oysters, oh my. We've come a long way. I look at my portfolio and the way my fellow baby boomers are saving for retirement however, and I wonder if we just might come full circle. Pass the bread pudding. I'm ready.

Tom Hauer, Executive Director
Covenant Village



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CCCR Meeting at Belle Meade

A total of 114 members registered for the Board meeting at Belle Meade on Wednesday, January 15, 2003. Also present were Ms. Susan Williamson, President, CEO of NCANPHA, and Mr. William Palmer, Management Services for Organizations.

John Sloan welcomed everyone to Belle Meade. Then asked Bill Stockhausen, President of the Residents' Association to report on the legal complaint filed in the Superior Court of Moore County in June 2002. The complaint involves the difference in language related to fee increase between Disclosure Statement and the Residency Agreement. Other issues of Residents' Association/Management conflict were discussed. Frank Earnheart of Piedmont Center reported on the increase of 15% in their monthly rates as of October which is more than in other CCRC's run by the same administration.

Whether residents have a voice in management was discussed. It was noted that although 29 of 47 CCRC's in NC have a resident on the Board of Directors their impact may be minimal as they might not be included in any important decision making committees.

Don Hasty, President, reported the following from the Executive Committee meeting of November 15, 2002:

1. He had been authorized to set up an ad-hoc committee to consider the financial survey conducted in 2002 and other issues such as "liability insurance." This committee includes John Sloan (Belle Meade), Paul Carter (Trinity Oaks), Frank Earnheart (Piedmont Center) and Quinten Lindsey (Glenaire). Found in last year's survey were: significant concerns about financial reports. Corporate level information was not meaningful at the local level for some

and eight organizations' reports were incomplete or not in written form.

2. He will meet with Dr. Berry and others to discuss her proposal for a "Lifelong Learning Center Group" as part of CCCRoFNC.

3. The Executive Committee affirmed the need to ask all member CCRC's to name an "alternate" Board member to assure continuity and connection.

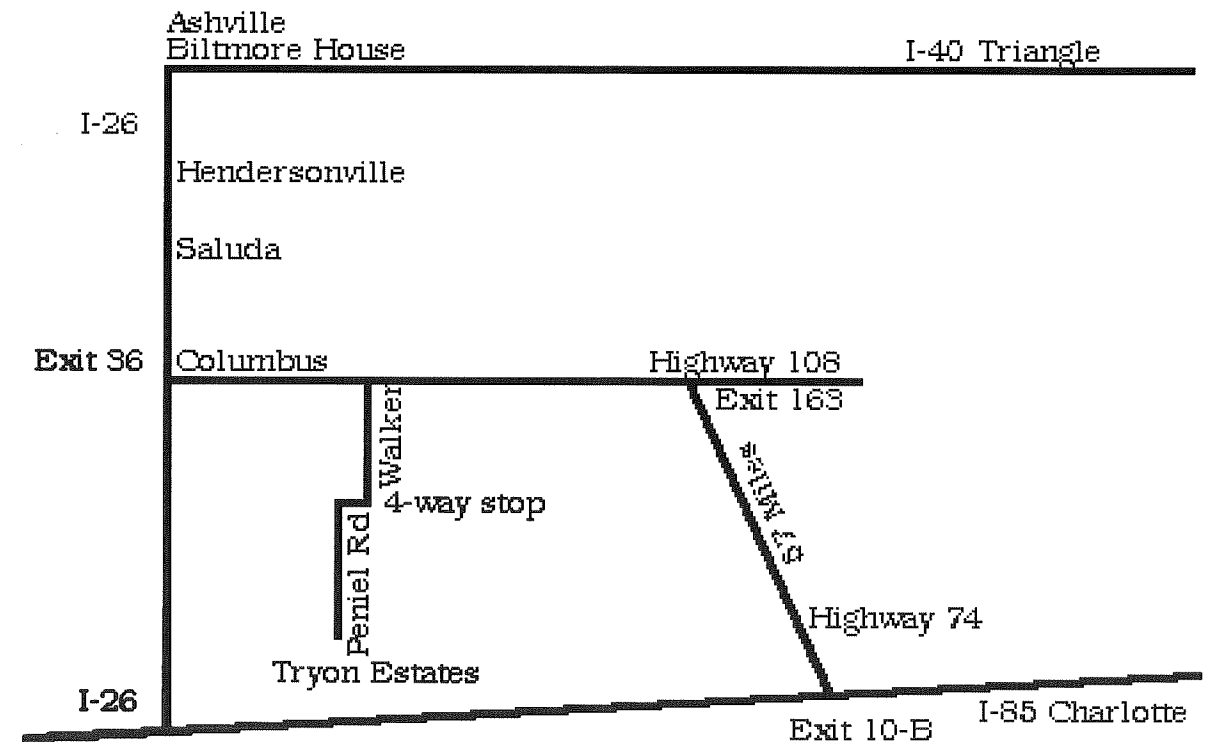
4. It had been agreed that one or more subjects as educational components should be presented to Board members and visitors during regular Board meetings. Send suggestions of topics for these meetings and for the Annual Meeting to him (Don Hasty).

The President also made special mention of a new pictorial directory that has been prepared for all Officers and Board members by the Treasurer, Ken Sell, and commended him for his excellent work. He also commended Lisbet Nielsen for her good work on the HOTLINE.

Ken Sell, Treasurer, in addition to giving his financial report (see page 10) noted that the organization had changed banks in order to save money, but in doing so there had been a delay in processing checks; hence, he asked that we have patience. He also stated that over 30 individuals who had reservations for the Annual Meeting neither came nor paid for their reserved meals.

Myles Walburn reported on the National Association of Continuing Care Residents (NaCCRA). He stated that leaders of other state organizations greatly appreciate the HOTLINE and remark favorably about it. Member state organizations include CA, NC, MD, FL, MASS, PA and VA. Resident communities and individuals can also be members. NaCCRA was started in 1994 and was fully organized in

Board Meeting at Tryon Estates March 15, 2003 at 10:30 AM



**From I-40 take I-26 South to Exit 36
Go left across bridge
Turn right at 1st traffic light (Walker)
Right at 4-way Stop and follow Peniel
To Tryon Estates entrance.**

**From I-85 take Exit 10-B
Right on Hwy 74 - 57 miles
At exit 163 go left on Hwy 108
Turn left at 2nd traffic light
(Walker) Right at 4-way Stop and
follow Peniel Rd. to Tryon Estates.**

Suggestions From Tryon Estate Representative

Those coming across I-40 to I-26 will find two choices depending upon time and/or sightseeing. From Asheville East on I-26 to Hendersonville, take exit 18. There are several chain motels and many eating places close to the exit. You will be half an hour from Columbus exit 36. Further South at exit 22 is a Holiday Express and a new Mountain Inn and Suites, both are recommended. A Cracker Barrel is also at that exit and it is less than a half hour from Columbus.

Those traveling I-85 South to 74 will find a large mall on the outskirts of Shelby where there are many eating places and a Hampton Inn. You will be less than an hour from Hwy108 Columbus.

You can call me at 828-894-3924 or email her at jbrb@alltel.net to register for the Board Meeting. Lunch for guests will be \$8.00. Make checks out to Ruth McCollum.

Ruth McCollum
Tryon Estates

CCCR of NC Financial Report - October 1, 2002-January 14, 2003

Checking Account Balance, September 30, 2002 \$4,744.94

RECEIPTS

Membership dues	\$7,989.00
Interest income	3.44
	\$7,992.44

Total Receipts \$12,737.38

DISBURSEMENTS

Hotline expenses	2,416.70
Annual Meeting	1,303.48
Board & Executive	
Committee Meetings	56.43
President's expenses	135.26
Secretary's expenses	0.00
Treasurer's expenses	172.51
Management Services	350.00
Legislative Monitor	o.oa
Membership Development	146.21
Dues - NaCCRA	300.00
Representation (at NaCCRA)	785.61
New Program Development	0.00

Total disbursements \$5,666.20

Checking Account Balance January 14, 2003 \$7,071.18

5 CD's \$26,356.87

Kenneth D. Sell, Treasurer 1/1403

Acronyms Again Per Request

CCRC: Continuing Care Residents Community
 CCCR of NC: Continuing Care Community Residents of North Carolina
 AAHSA: American Association of Homes & Services for the Aging
 CCAC/DOI: Continuing Care Advisory Committee, (NC) Department of Insurance
 CEO, ED: Chief Executive Officer, Executive Director
 FEMA: Federal Emergency Management Administration.
 HMO: Health Maintenance Organization.
 NaCCRA: National Continuing Care Residents Association.
 NCANPHA: NC Association of Non Profit Homes for the Aging.
 MSO: Management Services for Organizations (takes care of CCCR membership dues).

1997. He noted that CCCR of NC is entitled to two members on their Board. "NaCCRA LIFE-LINE," their publication, gives a picture of what is happening nationally. New leaders are seeking to strengthen the organization to serve residents around the US. It is the only network where state organizations gather and seek resources and information on services available to residents in other states. It also provides a way to coordinate and enhance lobbying on the National level. There is a bill now in Congress dealing with the liability insurance issue which, if passed in its present form would pre-empt state laws. In response to a question from the floor, Myles noted that NaCCRA used to have a good, full-time lobbyist, but does not currently have one.

Lisbet Nielsen, Editor, expressed gratitude for newsletters being sent to her and for proof-reading done by Ava Neil Collins and Kitty Mackie, of Covenant Village. She stressed the need for each CCRC to have an alternative representative in order to prevent the expense of having HOTLINES returned and that representatives were responsible for letting her know how many HOTLINES were needed.

Don Hasty also noted that the contest for a design for the cover of the Reference Guide for Continuing Care Retirement Communities had been won by Ms. Kitty O'Meallie of Glenaire.

Future Board Meetings

March 19 at Tryon Estates in Columbus, NC

May 21 at Croasdalein Durham, NC

Annual Meeting -
 October 15 at Grace Ridge, Morganton, NC

Attention Long Term Care Advocates

Long Term Care Policy Conference and Long Term Care Advocacy Day will take place in Raleigh on March 24 and 25 respectively.

The Long Term Care Policy Conference will be held at The Brownstone Hotel (Holiday Inn). The event will provide an opportunity for volunteer advocates and professionals to learn about long term-care and current proposals for legislative changes. Participants will have an opportunity to learn and practise legislative advocacy skills needed to effect changes in long term care.

Long Term Care Advocacy Day will be at the General Assembly and it will offer citizens "front row" exposure to legislative issues in long term care. Those who attend will get up-to-date information on proposed legislation. Advocacy tips will be discussed and fact sheets provided to encourage dialogue between legislators and constituents.

You may attend one or both of these events, but registrations must be made by March 15.

For further information and registration call Carol Teal, Friends of Residents, (919) 782-1530 or Helen Savage, AARP, (919) 508-0262. If you plan to attend the Advocacy Day you should schedule an appointment with your legislator. If you are not sure who he/she is, log on to www.ncleg.net, click on "Representation," then on "Who Represents Me?"

In Memorium

Pat Hoyt, HOTLINE editor 1999 and 2000, died at Carol Woods December 3, 2002. She was predeceased by her husband, and leaves a son, daughter-in-law, and two grandsons.

NCANPHA/CCCR of NC Leadership Meeting

Don Hasty, our President, and Susan Williamson, CEO and President of the North Carolina Association of Non-Profit Homes for the Aging (NCANPHA), arranged a first meeting, January 10th, to discuss common interests and goals. Steve Fisher, Bill Pleasants, Ivor Collins, and Sterling Whitener were present at the meeting.

Susan Williamson placed the following simple agenda on the table and asked Don Hasty for CCCR of NC items.

1. Importance of Ongoing Discussions (3 times a year?)
2. Anticipated public policy posture for NCANPHA for upcoming legislative session
3. Anticipated Medicaid reimbursement changes
4. Increasing insurance costs
5. NCANPHA website
6. Quality First- National initiative
7. Monthly Service Fee Increases

Don Hasty, after seconding the issues of improving communications, discussion of increasing insurance costs and the issue of monthly service fee increases, added:

1. Understanding of "community benefits" as related to tax issues (such as offering staff scholarships)
2. Examining legislative initiatives being pursued by NCANPHA and determining cooperative approaches.

3. Recognition of "imputed interest" as outlined by NaCCRA (National Continuing Care Residents Association)

4. Some planning for diversity and the recruitment of minorities—Afro-American, Asian, Muslim etc.

5. Joint research and planning for bulk purchasing of medications for residents in nursing care—an effort to relate to the fact of shrinking resources and escalating costs.

6. A long-range data-gathering project for how North Carolina will provide care for the frail elderly particularly when home care becomes insufficient.

It was agreed that the group would meet again on February 12th to discuss the upcoming legislative agenda which might affect residents and our facilities. It has become obvious that we have many common interests requiring more time.

Sterling Whitener

Friends Home West

Buy or Sell on the Internet.

Geezer.com was started on December 1, 2000 by the U.S. Departments of Labor and Agriculture, and the nonprofit group Experience Works to supplement the incomes of seniors, particularly those in rural areas of the United States. The idea is to link buyers with sellers of the work of older artisans in a sort of modern craft bazaar.

"We are going to market the site itself and encourage people to go to the site, but we are also hoping to find artisans," said Billy Wooten, the mid-Atlantic regional director for

Booklet Makes Record Keeping Easier

Do you have a record of your important papers? Do you know where they are stored? If anything happened to you who should be notified? A Carolina Meadows resident has come up with a simple way to collect this information and keep it in one handy place.

Trudy Couch, now 91 years old, has a long and distinguished career in health education. She received a master's degree from the University of Chicago and a doctorate from the University of Michigan. She was professor of Health and Patient Education at the Universities of Ball State, Illinois and Wayne State.

When Trudy retired to Chapel Hill, she put together an unusual 32 page booklet for her two daughters, Barbara and Joanne. She called the loose-leaf book "A Helpful Guide for Record Keeping." It included pages to record personal information that she wanted to pass on to her family.

Friends asked for copies, and she has now published it. In fact, it is in its second edition. The booklet has found wide use in Government offices in the Nation's Capital. Carolina Meadows neighbors lined up for copies at a recent campus Arts & Crafts Show. It is also available in the Carol Woods Gift Shop.

"Events in your life can take a sudden turn and catch you unprepared," Trudy notes. "Before it's too late, create one complete record of all that's important to you and those close to you. The most thoughtful gift you can give to your family is a carefully prepared guide to 'who,' 'what,' and 'where' to find accurate information on you and your personal affairs and assets." The booklet opens with a page to list personal and family information. Sections on legal,

financial and health affairs follow. Funeral plans are listed, as well as significant life events. There is an excellent glossary of such important documents as advanced directives, living will, health care power-of-attorney, durable power of attorney, financial attorney-in-fact and revocable trust agreement, as well as adequate space to record where you have any of these items stored.

There is space for listing safe deposit box contents and family and friends to notify in an emergency. The question and answer approach makes it easy to fill in the answers as you go along, and Trudy suggests that review things and update the information once a year. "Since September 11, 2001, we have all been made aware of the need to put our houses in order against the uncertainties of today's world," she commented.

Would you like a copy for your own use? Individual copies sell for \$10.00 and if you include \$1.52 to cover postage, Trudy will be glad to send you one. For bulk orders she offers a discounted price. Write to her at 12 Carolina Meadows Villa, Chapel Hill NC, 27517 or call her at 919-967-5470 if you would like to know more about this very useful publication. I highly recommend it and feel it's an easy and practical way to get your affairs organized.

Des Reilly

Carolina Meadows



Stormy Weather

"It was a dark and stormy night." Exploding sounds of falling trees and branches signaled lost electricity at 2:15 am on Thursday, December 5. The Health Center and Assisted Living buildings immediately went on backup power, but the rest of us awoke to cold rooms. The landscape was a stunning display of glittering ice one inch thick on every twig and branch. Attempts to make instant coffee with hot tap water met with dismay.

Keeping us informed, the central communications desk warned us of the hazards of icy sidewalks and littered walkways and welcomed us to warm places in the health care buildings. Security vehicles were available for those in need. It was the worst ice storm in Duke Power history and a million and a half people in the Triangle area were without power—no light, no heat, no TV, no computers.

Despite dimmed lighting in the main kitchen, the staff prepared three hot meals each day. We lined up in our woolies amid the romantic glow of little oil lamps. Senior staff managers performing unusual assignments and resident volunteers serving as helpers and clean-up corps added to the shared sense of community. Staff members slept in corridors and lounge areas.

Warm locations filled up with refugees reading around the fireplaces and in the Health Center Clinic, and finding spots for bridge or board games. One set up an informal "office" in a hallway, complete with books and writing materials.

The new Garden Assisted Living houses did a star turn in their debut. Cots and mattresses appeared. Several people moved in. Others came for hot showers, visits, meals and hospitality, bringing friendly dogs. It was a splendid

way to introduce this new setting. A resident who had objected to the destruction of woodland for these houses wrote to say that she had "crow on her menu" after experiencing the pleasures of these new facilities.

Both evenings, as the daylight waned, various satisfying beverages appeared and a party atmosphere prevailed with stories and laughter shared. Close to five pm on Friday, forty hours after the power failed, loud cheers went up as the electric juice joined the other flowing juices.

Natalie Piess

Carol Woods

Telemarketing Calls Continued!

Senior citizens can look forward to a reduction in the number of telemarketers calling their homes in the new year, if new regulations establishing a national "do not call" registry by the Federal Trade Commission are funded by Congress.

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has amended the Telemarketing Sales Rule (TSR) to give consumers a choice about whether they want to receive most telemarketing calls. Consumers will be able to put their phone numbers on a national "do not call" registry and it will be illegal for most telemarketers to call a number listed on the registry.

Once the Commission gets Congressional approval for funding, it will begin implementing the registry. About three months after that, the FTC will begin enforcing the registry, and consumers who have signed up will start receiving fewer calls. Consumers will be able to register for free online or by calling a toll-free number.

From:

<<http://www.seniorjournal.com/NEWS/Features/2-12-31NoCallFrame.htm>>

Experience Works. Alice Crittenden, Geezer's project manager, hopes consumers will also discover the stories behind the crafts that make Geezer distinctive. Online shoppers can read biographies of such artisans as Albert Petrik of Missouri, who used his skills to help design the 747 airplane, or Georgina Gonzalez-Acevedo of Puerto Rico, who has continued a tradition now in its third generation of making blankets from bobbin lace.

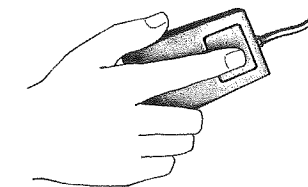
Items on geezer.com range from a \$2.40 knitted bookmark to a \$25,000 oil painting and everything in between. Shoppers can snag hand painted goose eggs, miniature glass hummingbirds and cherry-stained birdhouses shaped like bells—all for under \$40.

When a buyer makes a purchase, the site's customer service center sends an order slip to the artist and then the product is shipped. For the high-tech artists, that means an e-mail. For low-tech types, it means a telephone call.

Summarized from article by

Christina Holder

Winston-Salem Journal 1/4/2003



Use Your Mouse For Education and Enjoyment

The number one activity of senior citizens on the Internet is staying in touch, but close behind is the search for news and events, according to a recent SeniorNet report. This follows a recent report by Forrester Research that found almost half of North Americans 58 and older are using the Web.

You may want to try these:

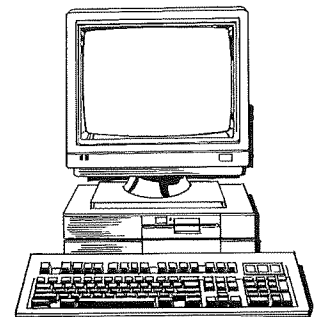
<http://www.aahsa.org> - American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging. It is an excellent website for finding out what is going on in Federal Legislator.

<http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/ltc> Presents the NC Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) organizational structure for long term care; provides DHHS leadership forum to articulate goals; and tracks the work of the long-term care Cabinet. It identifies and provides access to DHHS plans, reports, and other resources. It provides answers to frequently asked questions, and has information on whom to contact for help.

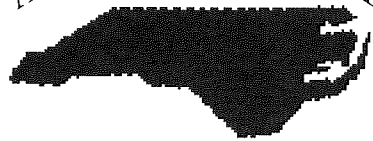
<http://www.RetirementLiving.com>: The Retirement Living Information Center, Inc., was established to assist seniors in living out their retirement years. Part of that process involves finding housing that matches the lifestyle or needs of seniors. Through the website, they also offer access to an array of resource materials, including books and online publications, tax information, a guide to state aging agencies, retirement news, shopping for special assistive products and services, and links to online stores. More resources will be added in the future.

Plus of course the <http://geezer.com>

Note: The CCCR of NC web site is at <http://www.cccofnc.org/>, but we are currently looking for a new web master, so it is somewhat out of date.



AROUND THE STATE



Innovative Artist-in-action Program

Beverly Miller is an amateur artist who is also the Volunteer Coordinator at Carolina Meadows. As such, she lines up helpers for the CLEO (Community Life Enrichment Options) programs. She likes to watch artists at work and see them demonstrate their processes as they create, and she thought that other residents might like that too. She also felt it would be a novel way to invite neighbors from surrounding communities to Carolina Meadows as volunteers.

Where would Beverly find the artists and how would she convince them to come and show us how they worked. During last year's Studio Tours in Orange and Chatham Counties she visited many artists at work and contacted those whom she thought would enjoy doing this kind of thing and who would have a personal rapport with older residents. She looked for artists who had something to bring and show to our audience that could be easily seen and would be interesting to residents. As Beverly recalls, "The invitation was for the artist to share with us about and demonstrate for us - to the extent possible - the process of creating their work."

Surprisingly, most of those she invited had never before been asked to work before a live audience, but were quite taken with the idea. With the help of residents and staff, six month-

ly programs were presented to groups of 12 to 20 residents—one artist at a time.

The first to appear in April was Jacqueline Hammer of Fearington Village, creator of an unusual kind of wall-hung art. Her work has been exhibited up and down the East Coast. She uses large pieces of paper that she first softens in water. She shapes the pieces into abstract sculptures that she paints and mounts. Residents were fascinated by both her demonstration and the finished products.

In May our guest artist was Amy Lanou, a Carrboro resident and creator of colorful contemporary quilts and fiber collages. While she is a fiber artist and creative spirit by vocation, Amy is a nutritionist by profession and a director of the nutrition department at the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine (PCRM). While here she demonstrated her techniques and created a sunset collage. Later she enhanced the work and titled it "Carolina Meadows" and hung it for a two-artist show at Carrboro's Century Center during the month of August. "I enjoyed sharing back-grounds with some of the residents, and I would love to do it again with such an appreciative audience" Amy commented.



The artist in June was Ginny Chenet, from Orange County, who specializes in large-scale vivid floral paintings and impressionistic landscapes in oils and acrylics. She had just returned from Greece and showed some of her work from there. She also demonstrated the artist's travel kit she uses when she paints landscapes. It was her first visit to a senior group and she was delighted at the interest shown and the willingness of residents to share their life-

time recollections with her.

Guy Wilkins from Chapel Hill, with his bold-stroke expressionist paintings, was our July guest. He visited with his daughter, who is also a painter. Before applying paint, Guy sketches his subject on a canvas. While here he painted, on the spot, an already-sketched canvas and talked about his work. Guy was very impressed with the helpful staff and the level of audience participation. He was, in Beverly's opinion, a great sport. He stepped back toward the end and asked "What do you think?" Several suggestions came from the audience and he followed them, with friendly banter back and forth, much to the residents' enjoyment.



In August our visiting artist was Zen Palkoski, a 77-year old retiree living in Fearington Village and a remarkable woodcarver. He is best known for his Wood Spirits, that look like wise old bearded men, carved from weathered fence posts and aspen stumps. He creates birds, bowls, Santas and fruit. His work has been displayed at the North Carolina Botanical Gardens. Residents watched as he carved a piece. They particularly liked being able to see and feel the figures of Uncle Sam, the birds that he passed around. In Beverly's opinion Touching and feeling the finished work was a very important part of most of the artists' visits.

The last program in September was the visit of Joel Hunnicutt, an insurance executive by profession, but a self-taught innovative wood-turner by avocation, who has his home and studio in Siler City. He brought a lathe and exhibited what he called his Segmented Turning style. Rather than turning a single piece of wood to make a vessel, he cuts out between 20 and 200

separate blocks of different woods arranged in colorful patterns. The blocks are then glued together and set on a lathe. While the lathe rotates at 300 or more revolutions per minute he carefully carves the vessel's final shape with a sharp steel gouge. As he worked on carving a new bowl, residents watched the chips fall and asked questions, such as what happens to the chips? Joel gives them to a local farm where they make excellent bedding for horses. Joel uses native hardwoods, such as ash, cherry, maple and walnut. Each piece is a unique creation in both color and shape. Besides his studio in the Hall-London House in Pittsboro, Joel currently shows pieces in Chapel Hill at the Green Tara in Eastgate and in the Red Wolf in Brevard.

In the opinion of both the administration and the residents at Carolina Meadows, the series provided a new and different experience for the residents. The artists enjoyed the encounters and would come back again.

Des Reiley

Carolina Meadows

Out of the mouth of Babes!

My grandson was visiting one day when he asked, "Grandma, do you know how you and God are alike?" I mentally polished my halo while I asked, "No, how are we alike?" "You're both old," he replied.

A little girl was diligently pounding away on her father's word processor. She told him she was writing a story. "What's it about?" he asked. "I don't know," she replied. "I can't read."