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COMING TOGETHER

Walt Disney once said, "If you can dream it, you can do it." In 2012, Carol Woods will break ground on a \$14 million Campus Enhancement Project. Each component of the project reflects feedback from both current and future residents and will increase opportunities for well-being through conventional as well as creative approaches.

Although Carol Woods plans to fund most of these enhancements with traditional debt arrangements, residents have made the decision to launch a \$1.5 million capital fund-raising campaign to support the project, knowing that every dollar raised is one less dollar that needs to be borrowed. After receiving input from residents during four listening sessions in August, the Capital Campaign Steering Committee is excited to announce the Campus Enhancement Capital Campaign Kick-Off to be held on Wednesday, September 28, from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. in the Assembly Hall and Social Lounge. Priority List members will be able to learn more about the Campus Enhancement Campaign at the October 14 Open House.

We hope you will join us for refreshments, entertainment and information concerning campus-wide games, competitions and community-building activities to help us reach our goal of 100% participation at a level that is comfortable for each individual.

If you have questions, please contact Ken Reeb, Jr., VP of Finance and Planning at kreeb@carolwoods.org or (919) 918-3280.

Dottie Heninger

WOMEN'S ROLES: A STUDY GROUP

"What does a woman want?" Freud famously asked. He called this "the great question that has never been answered." We now know that the answer depends on whom you ask. When members of an OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute) class on the history of women felt so much enthusiasm for their topic that they were loath to disband at the conclusion of the class, they formed a study group at Carol Woods to examine the roles of women. Each member chose a topic, presented a report, and led a discussion.

Meetings were anything but dull, as shown by these responses: "It's a really stimulating intellectual atmosphere and I'm learning things I wish I had learned in college." "Is it really intellectual? It's more visceral." "Discussion could get pretty intense." "Yes, but we didn't have any fights!"

Participants' varied backgrounds created an invigorating mix: a specialist in the Mideast, a former state legislator, a medical doctor, a community organizer, a founder of an international organization, an entrepreneur, a medical researcher, among others.

Several participants were native southerners, while others were transplants who said they learned much about the South. Everyone learned more than she expected about the roles of women as exemplified in the lives of individuals, each of whom would no doubt answer Freud's question differently.



Vanna Condax

CAROL WOODS FORUM ON MUSLIMS

Many residents of Carol Woods have no personal knowledge of Muslims. The Community Relations Committee sponsored a panel on “American Muslims in the Triangle” to address the common lack of knowledge and the narrow picture of American Muslims often painted by media.

Three leading local Muslims joined residents for an interchange on June 4. Iyad Hindi, an IT specialist, and Samar Shawa, an expert in Arabic language and culture, are a husband and wife team who have helped develop Muslim community organizations. Their personal mission is to educate Muslims and non-Muslims on mutual interests and to seek dialogue within “Abrahamic” faiths and beyond. The third speaker, Baseemah Krystal, a senior in Arab studies at UNC-CH, described her conversion experience and the reactions of family and friends.

The audience of almost 70 had many questions. Some asked about the role of women and the veil. Samar described the wide range of her activities, including serving as Media Director of a national Muslim organization and currently teaching at UNC and NCSU, even while she chooses to wear both the veil and a floor-length robe. Baseemah, alternatively, wore only a simple veil and otherwise was dressed as any other university student, namely in jeans. Both women speak several languages and have traveled widely. Baseemah will work with a human rights group in Sweden with her Swedish husband after graduation.

Iyad Hindi’s message pointed out commonalities of social and spiritual values among Jewish, Christian, Muslim and Buddhist traditions. He often gives the *khutba* (sermon) at *Jumaah* (Friday) prayers in the Triangle area, including at the Chapel Hill Friends Meeting.

Nancy Milio

A CAROL WOODS MOMENT

Alice Mennell was seen leading the Carol Woods Taptations in a dance, holding a cane in each hand, as her feet twinkled in between. **David Jones** observed, “Aha... two Canes make one Able!”

IN PRAISE!

It’s been a very hot summer, but evenings here in the Carol Woods Assembly Hall have been cool and delightful with Summer Festival 2011. What a pleasure to sit alongside our friends, enjoying all sorts of music, drama, and dance performances! We’ve been there for jazz, chamber music, clogging, opera, incredible jump-ropers, and even a sing-along when we could be part of the show—and much more. From June 1 through August 26, three nights of each week, we’ve been there. This is one happy part of living here at Carol Woods. Thanks to the Summer Festival Committee for making it happen!

Anne Wright

HEARING HELP AT CAROL WOODS

Are you a victim of *presbycusis*, the slow loss of hearing that occurs as people get older? Language aficionados may recognize the word as Greek for “old ears.” Last year a group was started at Carol Woods to understand this process better and to find ways to cope with the problems it causes in everyday living.

If you are so afflicted, you know that such loss ranges from not hearing the TV without disturbing the neighbors to struggling to follow a conversation in the dining rooms. At its worst, it can cause us to avoid situations that tax our hearing ability, and at best it is a nuisance we would just as soon do



without!

The group meets monthly during the academic year. Past topics included audiograms and the speech “banana,”* how t-coils in hearing aids can enable us to access sound via a “hearing-loop,” why hearing aids are expensive, and how to get some help hearing at the movies.

Jon Haebig and **Wayne Benson** can tell you more about the group. We welcome you!

Wayne Benson

* Ask Wayne or Jon!

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS



Patricia and Frank Fischer (Apt. 2214) moved to Carol Woods in late July. Frank was born in Oppeln, Germany,

and when he was nine his family escaped Nazi Germany and settled in New York City. He has many memories of his early life as a refugee in America in the 1940s. While serving in the US Army in the early 1950s, he realized that he wanted a career as a rabbi. After his discharge he completed his undergraduate education at Brooklyn College and entered rabbinical school at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in New York. He spent his entire career serving college and university students in Georgia, New York, Florida, and North Carolina.

Pat grew up in San Francisco and received a BA from Stanford University and an MA from the University of California at Berkeley in biology and genetics. She moved to North Carolina in 1962 and raised three boys in Chapel Hill. She received a doctorate in public health in 1972 and was on the faculty of the UNC School of Public Health until her retirement in 1998.

Pat and Frank married in 1991. Their four sons and their wives and children all live in North Carolina. Frank just finished a year as the interim rabbi at Beth El Synagogue in Durham. Both Frank and Pat are involved in the Jewish community and in Re-Evaluation Counseling, a peer-counseling network. They are meditators and both have participated in long silent retreats.



Joyce and Paul Munk (Apt. 1313) grew up near each other on Indiana farms. Paul claims he met Joyce when he decided to sit

beside her on the school bus! After high school, Paul went off to Purdue to study electrical engineering and Joyce explored her interest in mission work by enrolling at Fort Wayne Bible College. However, they must have missed each other because within a couple of years they married and settled in West Lafayette. Here they began their

family, which eventually numbered seven children. Today the family includes eleven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Paul worked for Bell Telephone Laboratories, as he says, “bouncing between New Jersey and North Carolina.” During the early years of their 62-year marriage, the family enjoyed sailing, rock climbing, camping, and other outdoor activities. Joyce completed her bachelor’s degree at Fairleigh Dickinson University and taught elementary school children for more than twenty-six years, meanwhile earning her master’s degree from UNC-Greensboro.

The Munks say they are avid readers, and a conversation with them makes evident their commitment to and joy in their work with prisoners at the Hillsborough Correctional Unit. They are active with other Carol Woods residents in the local Friends Meeting and also attend the Mennonite Congregation’s worship services.

Louise Baker



Margaret Annie Mays (Apt. 1101) was born in St. Johnsbury, VT and spent her childhood in that lovely state. She has a sister there still.

Heading out to college, she received a bachelor’s degree in physical education from the University of New Hampshire, and a master’s degree in education from Boston University. Later, Margaret earned a doctorate in physical education from Springfield College, and finally an associate degree in data processing from the University of Cincinnati.

For ten years Margaret taught physical education, from junior high school to college. She then turned to a career in computers. She worked as a programmer at the Hartford Insurance Group in Connecticut and at the University of Cincinnati, for a total of 30 years.

Margaret moved to Chapel Hill from Cincinnati when she retired in 2003. She is happily involved in many activities. She likes reading, sudoku and canasta. She is active in the Robert and Pearl Seymour Center. She also enjoys the “Knitting for Charity” group at the Chapel Hill Public Library. A sports fan, she naturally cheers the Red Sox and New England Patriots teams. She loves to swim and to play bocce. She travels often, including a tour of our American national parks, a trip to Hawaii, and cruises to Alaska and to the Aegean. Next October she’ll be on a tour of France. Welcome to Carol Woods, Margaret!

Margaret Mays and Anne Wright

COMING EVENTS

Concerts – Wednesday Evenings – 7:30 p.m.

Sept. 14 – Nate Leyland, cello

Sept. 21 – Hungarian Music: Petra Berenyi,
cimbalom, and others

Sept. 28 – Vincent van Gelder, piano

Lectures – Thursday Evenings – 7:30 p.m.

Sept. 15 – Kevin Stewart, Geology of NC

Sept. 22 – Robert Joyce, Election Law Updates

Sept. 29 – Anne Casselbaum, Down the Haw:
The History of a North Carolina River

Oct. 6 – Jonathan Oberlander, The Future of Health
Care Reform

Oct. 13 – Bill Friday, College Athletics

Special Programs – Assembly Hall

Sat. Sept. 24, 3:00 p.m. – Student piano recital



WALL SCONCE FACTS

Whether you hurry or stroll through our main building and its intersecting hallways, look up to admire the Art Deco touches high on the walls. These shiny metal sconces not only add a bit of 1930s glamour to the décor, they also serve an important function: they are convex mirrors that let us see around corners and avoid collisions with approaching people and vehicles. So, look up everybody!

Janet F. Campbell

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