



# *The Hotline*

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## Notice of Annual Meeting!

### **NorCCRA will hold its Annual Membership Meeting at Well-Spring Retirement Community 4100 Well Spring Dr., Greensboro, NC 27410.**

The meeting will be held **on Tuesday October 8, 2024**. Check-in, coffee and socializing will begin at 8:30 AM, and the meeting **will begin at 9:00**. See pages 5-8 for the agenda, registration information and proposed 2024-2025 NorCCRA officers. We highly encourage all members to attend.

NorCCRA's Executive Committee has planned an informative program for this meeting. The financial troubles of Aldersgate Retirement Community in Charlotte, NC have made headlines in both local and national news over the last year. It is disturbing to all of us that any CCRC's finances put them in a hazardous condition, especially one in our own state.

We will have a panel highly knowledgeable about Aldersgate's problems **and what all CCRC residents can learn from them**. The panel will be Jeff Trendel, Deputy Insurance Commissioner overseeing CCRCs, Paul Johnson, President of Aldersgate Residents Council, and Tom Akins, President and CEO of Leading Age, North Carolina. Each panel member will make an opening statement about Aldersgate's financial problems, and what all CCRC residents can learn from them. The panel will then take your questions, **and we urge you to ask them**.

Lunch will be provided by Well-Spring Retirement Community followed by the annual business meeting and election of officers for 2024-2025.

**See Page 7 for Agenda  
See Page 8 for Registration Instructions  
Note there is no registration fee  
Final registration ends Tuesday, September 24, 2024**



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## *President's Message . . . . . from Skip*

I had hoped that I would be able to tell you the rewrite of the CCRC Statute had been passed by the NC House, but that has not yet happened. We are still waiting for the House to take up the proposed rewrite. The General Assembly has basically adjourned until the end of November.



Alex Miller Government Affairs (NorCCRA lobbyist) tells us, "Under terms of the adjournment resolution, the General Assembly will come back to take up a limited number of items (including veto overrides, appointments, election bills, conference reports) on:

- July 10;
- July 29-August 1;
- September 9-11;
- October 9;
- November 19-22 (possible budget session, see below); and
- December 11-13 (adjourning sine die on Dec 13th).

During the session that starts on November 19th a wider variety of issues could be taken up, including budget bills, bills that passed one chamber but not the other, bills implementing the recommendations of various commissions that meet during the interim, etc."

NorCCRA will continue to lobby the House to take action on the CCRC proposed Statute in November, but there are over 280 bills sitting in the House rules committee awaiting action. We are prepared to continue the fight in the next session if that becomes necessary.

Sindy Barker and Martha Wood have devoted their Legislative Update page to provide information related to the new voting rules implemented by the NC General Assembly. Adherence to these new voting rules is required to ensure that your vote counts in the very important November General Election. **You are encouraged to copy page three and distribute it to all residents and staff in your community and post it on any community bulletin boards.**

I look forward to seeing all of you at Well-Spring Retirement Community on October 8, 2024.



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## **Voting Reminders for the November 2024 General Election**

### **Voters must show an acceptable photo ID:**

- NCDMV NC driver's license
- NCDMV non-operator ID
- NC Voter ID issued by the County Board of Elections
- US Passport
- Note: If 65 years or older, voter may use an expired form of acceptable ID if it was unexpired on their 65<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**If the voter does not have an acceptable ID: 1)** they may complete an ID Exception Form and vote by provisional ballot, or **2)** they may vote by provisional ballot and take their photo ID to their County Board of Elections by November 14 (second Thursday after the general election day).

### **Updating Voter Registration:**

Voters may update their change of address by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 11 (25 days prior to Election Day). **Important:** You may also register to vote or make address changes at early in-person voting.

### **Absentee Voting:**

Absentee voting is available in NC, but requires advance planning, see instructions at <https://www.ncsbe.gov/voting/vote-mail>

### **Early in-person voting:**

Early in-person voting is available Thursday, October 17 through Saturday, November 2 until 3:00 p.m. Check with your local Boards of Election for specific voting sites at [www.ncsbe.gov/about-elections/county-boards-elections](http://www.ncsbe.gov/about-elections/county-boards-elections)

### **Voting at the polls on November 5:**

You must vote at your designated precinct on Election Day. Polls are open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on November 5. Anyone in line at 7:30 p.m. is eligible to vote.



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## Volunteers

My personal plea during the NorCCRA Board of Directors Meeting for statewide NorCCRA elected officer volunteers went unanswered. According to the NorCCRA Bylaws, I am the chair of the Nominating Committee charged with finding volunteer candidates to fill the President, VP, Secretary and Treasurer positions for the coming year. The committee is composed of an appointed representative from each of the three regions, and the serving past president as chair. Our search resulted in not finding a candidate for the Secretary position. As a result the Executive Committee (EXCOM) sought solutions which included contracting various functions; combining roles; using artificial intelligence (AI) via ZOOM recordings, etc.

The contracting options were way too expensive for our dues structure. Thankfully, the current President (Skip Kingan) and Vice President (Joe Liegl) have agreed to remain in their current roles for an additional year. We decided to rotate the secretarial minute writing function between EXCOM members using the Zoom AI now provided with their recordings. If a viable secretary volunteer appears after the annual meeting and election on October 8, the president will have the option to appoint that person as secretary.

These selfless decisions do not mean we have solved our volunteer problem – we have just “kicked the can down the road.” NorCCRA has an ongoing need for volunteers at all levels of our organization – CCRC representatives; Regional chairs and volunteers; and elected Statewide officers. If all levels of volunteers were filled, it would not be such a problem to find volunteer candidates for the statewide positions. The Central and Western Regions are still struggling to fill their regional vacancies. **We need you.**

John Olmstead

NorCCRA Past President



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*The following by-laws change will be voted on at the October 8, 2024  
NorCCRA Annual Meeting:*

## **Official Notification of Proposed Amendment to NorCCRA Bylaws**

### **ARTICLE XII - Amendments**

These Bylaws may be amended at any Annual Meeting of the membership by a majority vote of those present and voting, provided that at least 20 days advance notice of the proposed amendments has been given to all members according to the requirements set forth in the Standing Rules.

Amendments may be initiated by either the Executive Committee or the Board of Directors. They may also be initiated by a petition from fifteen (15) members delivered to the Secretary with a copy of proposed text at least sixty (60) days prior to the date of the Annual Meeting.

The NorCCRA Executive Committee is hereby requesting the amendment of the bylaws dated October 10, 2023 be amended to allow all NorCCRA officers to be elected for three consecutive terms.

### **ARTICLE V - Officers and Elections**

#### Section 1. Officers

##### Paragraph 2

The members of the organization shall elect each officer for a term of one year or until such time as a successor is elected. The term of office shall commence at the end of one Annual Meeting and terminate at the end of the next succeeding Annual Meeting. **All officers may be elected for a total of three consecutive terms in the same office.** For the purposes of determining eligibility, an officer who has served more than a half term is considered to have served a full term. If there be Co-Presidents, or Co-Secretaries, tenure restrictions shall apply to each person individually, not to the team. Officers shall be current members of NorCCRA in good standing and must remain as such throughout their term of office.



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## Officer Nominees as Submitted by the Nominations Committee

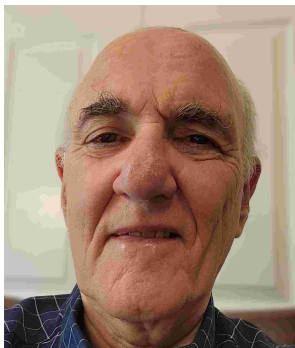
### **NorCCRA Officer Nominees for 2024-2025**



For President: Charles "Skip" Kingan  
Skip has been a member of NorCCRA since moving to Croasdaile Village in 2019. He served as the Croasdaile Village NorCCRA Representative from for the years 2020, 2021 & 2022. Skip was elected NorCCRA Treasurer in October 2020 and became Vice President in October 2021. Skip has served as NorCCRA President for the last two years.



For Vice President: Joseph "Joe" Liegl  
Joe's undergraduate and law degrees are from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Joe spent his legal career first with a small firm in Wisconsin, then four years with the US Department of Justice in Washington DC, and finished his career spending 15 years for a management consulting firm in New York. Joe was the NorCCRA Treasurer for two years and was elected Vice President in October 2023.



For Treasurer: Stuart "Stu" Rosenstein  
Stu began his career as a mechanical engineer. He received an MBA in Finance from the University of Tennessee in 1979, he was employed as Capital Budgeting Manager for Vetco Offshore. Stu received a Ph.D. in Finance from the University of Colorado in 1987, and subsequently taught and did research until his retirement in 2008. He became a Chartered Financial Analyst in 1999. He has served as Treasurer of the Croasdaile Village Residents Association since 2022.



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## NorCCRA Annual Meeting at WellSpring Residential Community Tuesday, October 8, 2024

### General Session Agenda

8:30 - 9:00 AM Check-in, Refreshments and Socializing

9:00 AM Welcome.....Misti Ridenour, Well-Spring Executive Director

9:10AM Meeting Called to Order

Welcome, Acknowledgements and Comments Skip Kingan, President

9:15 AM Introduction of Panel Members Joe Liegl, Vice President

Mr. Jeff Trendel, Deputy Commissioner, NC Department of Insurance

Short Break

Mr. Paul Johnson, Resident Aldersgate Retirement Community and President of Aldersgate Residents Association

Mr. Tom Akins, Executive Director of Leading Age North Carolina

Approx. 11:30 AM – Lunch (Compliments of Well-Spring Residential Community)

### Business Session Agenda

Approx. 1:00 PM - Call to Order - Quorum - Skip Kingan

Approval of Minutes of Oct 10, 2023 Annual Meeting

Budget Report/Adoption of 2024-2025 Budget

Legislative Report Sindy Barker, Chair Legislative Committee

Nominating Committee Report/Floor Nominations John Olmstead, Past President

By-Laws Updates Bill Lambe - Presidential Appointee

Election of Officers Affirmative vote by a majority of members present

Installation of Elected Officers John Olmstead, Past President

**SEE PAGE 8 FOR REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR NORCCRA**

**ANNUAL MEETING**



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## Registration Instructions for NorCCRA Annual Meeting

**All NorCCRA Members are invited and encouraged to attend our Annual Members Meeting**

**When:** Tuesday, October 8, 2024, starting at 9:00 AM and expected adjournment by 2:00 PM

**Where:** Well-Spring Retirement Community, 4100 Well Spring Dr., Greensboro, NC 27410

**Lunch will be provided compliments of Well-Spring Retirement Community. There is NO registration fee.**

**To Register for the meeting:**

Email the name(s) of those attending, email address(es), residence community and any dietary restriction to:

**[n100824annual@gmail.com](mailto:n100824annual@gmail.com)**

**Registration ends Tuesday, September 24, 2024**

### **Application for membership in North Carolina Continuing Care Residents Association**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Community: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Fee:** \$12 for individual; \$20 for couple, \$80 individual life membership, \$135 life membership for a couple. Please make check payable to NorCCRA.

Give your check and application to your local NorCCRA representative, otherwise mail to Susan Rhyne, 3913 Muhlenberg Court, Burlington, NC 27215 **Thank You.**

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