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Community News

New Retirement Home Provides Tranquility

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Gearldine Moore was rais-... she only had in mind buytess pieces of furniture for her and her son's new apartment. Her husband, the Rev. Herbert Moore cringed every time his wife brought another hard-wood table or bed home, because he knew they were running out of storage space.

Little did they realize at the time-that they were working toward 'urnishing a new home -- not one they would live in, but one that would offer them a new business opportunity.

In the hustle and bustle of being one of thousands of commuters who travel up and down Maplewood Avenue each day on your way to doctor appointments, you might not notice Moore's Retirement Home Inc., the newly-opened, stone-facade retirement home nestled away on a

tranquil lot in the medical district. And as you walk along the

winding sidewalk through the spring-green front lawn, climb the few steps and hear the mellow reverb of the chiming doorbell, you forget the surrounding neighborhood and get the impression you are visiting a home as warm as your grandmother's.

Gearldine Moore said that after looking at a house in the Reynolds Park area, she decided it was too small. She looked at the Maplewood house last October and decided she liked it better.

When I looked at this one. I said This is the place. " she said.

But she said finding the right house was the easy part. The next question was how were they going to handle two mortgage payments.

To make matters worse, her husband had been laid off, so the Moores had to rely on her sole income.

"I just didn't see how I was

already paying for the house where ago. He said stashing away money we live. I thought, well, these people want to sell it. There's no other way. It's tough. But how we did it. I don't know.

Moore's Retirement Home is fully licensed by the state and has the capacity to house four residents in private rooms and two more in a semiprivate room.

The 5,880 square-foot house is as cozy as your own home and has two full baths, a living room, kitchen, formal dining room, laundry room, activity room and a business office on the main level. The upper level is not yet furnished, but the Moores said they have the option of using the area that has a finished half-bath and enough room for more bedrooms for employee quarters.

Owning their own retirement home has been a dream of the Moores for years.

Herbert Moore said he wanted going to do it." she said "I was to open a retirement home 16 years

in a savings account over the years has helped make that dream come true.

"When I was unemployed, if I had not tried to save something, we might not have been here," he said. "If you go into business and get a business loan, you still have to have something saved."

Gearldine Moore is well qualified for working with the elderly. She has been a nurse for 28 years, and a geriatrics nurse for 14 years for Carolina Medicorp Inc. at Knollwood Hall Nursing Home, where she currently works with 50 Alzheimer's disease patients.

The Moores said they are equipped to handle any elderly patients who are able to walk and are not completely bedridden.

The home also offers at least 10 hours a week of physical activity for its residents. The Moores plan to take the residents on field trips when the whether is warmer.



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Gearldine Moore and her husband, the Rev. Herbert L. Moore have fulfilled their dream of establishing their own retirement home.

Gearldine Moore is the home's president and administrator; Herbert Moore is the vice president; and their son, Darryl Moore, is the bookkeeper and treasurer. They plan to

add at least two full-time staffers on each of the three shifts to attend to residents in addition to other staffers who will assist with physical activities.



Students Eli Beaty (left) and Samuel Walker (right) attended the YMCAs of North Carolina Youth Legislature last weekend in Raleigh with Michael A. McIntyre, youth program director of the Winston Lake Family YMCA.

Winston Lake YMCA Youth Attend Legislature

Youth from the Winston Lake Family YMCA's "Youth 'N Govern- ence for the youth," McIntyre said. ment Program" participated in the first "YMCAs of North Carolina Youth Legislature March 3-6.

Michael A. McIntyre, youth program director at the Winston Lake Y. along with students Samuel Walker and Eli Beaty, represented the Y in the legislature held at the state capital. For four days, youth from throughout the state gathered to carry on the task of writing bills, discussing those bills in committee. defending those bills on the floor of the Senate and the House, and deciding which bills would become law.

"This was a fantastic experi-"It gave them a first-hand look at how our state government really works. It more importantly gave them a very positive forum to express their concerns and issues while giving them practical training on how to articulate those issues and concerns both in written form as well as verbally."

"This was an experience that we enjoyed tremendously," said both Walker and Beaty. "It was both fun and quite a learning experience. and we both would highly recommend it to all students."

Walker said the most enjoyable

part of the legislature was the debating.

"I really enjoyed the exchanging of viewpoints. This gave me the opportunity to go up against some very bright students." he said.

For Beaty, it was getting to learn about the concerns of other students from around the state that was most enjoyable.

"The legislature gave me the opportunity to meet and talk with my peers from around the state of North Carolina, and although we come from different geographical locations, most youth share the same concerns."

Walker, a 10th-grader at Glenn

High School, and Beaty, a 9thgrader at North Forsyth High School, both plan to be a part of the program until graduation.

The YMCAs of North Carolina plan no make the legislature an annual event held in March.

McIntyre indicated that the YMCA was forming a "Youth 'N Government" club at the YMCA, where emphasis would be the leadership development of high school youth. One pat of participation would be attending the annual youth legislature. Any youth interested in becoming a part of the "Youth 'N Government" club should contact Michael McIntyre at 724-9205.



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7 p.m. — North Carolina Central University

alumni will meet at East Winston Library for a

special meeting. Mel White, region vice presi-

dent, will be the guest speaker. A region meeting

will be held March 27. For information, call 924-

ter, 1201 Alder St., will hold tax consulting ses-

sions led by Rose Lindsay, tax consultant.

Another session will be held March 24. Bring

W2 forms, child care information and any inter-

est forms from your bank account. You tax infor-

mation is confidential. The sessions are free. Call

Justice Council will hold a panel discussion,

"Issues in Juvenile Justice," in the assembly room

of St. Paul's Episcopal Church on the corner of

Summit and Pilot View streets. The panel will

include: Judge Chester Davis of the 21st District;

Diane Campbell, chief court counselor; Bennie

Murrill, director of youth center; Sgt. Bonnie

Heflin of the Winston-Salem Police Department;

Lucy Lancaster, lead school social worker; and

Robert Beasley, director of Youth Opportunity

Homes. The public is encouraged to participate in

ONGOING EVENTS

THURSDAY, MARCH 18

12 p.m. — The Forsyth County Juvenile

727-2837 to set up an appointment.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

5:30 p.m. - The William C. Sims Sr. Cen-

For information call 767-2932.

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How to Schedule Your Events: Send your information, concisely and neatly printed or typed, to the Chronicle Calendar. 617 N. Liberty St., Winston-Salem, N.C. 27102, before 5:00 p.m., the Monday preceding the week in which your event will occur. Our FAX number is (919) 723-9173.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 11

6 p.m. — The Board of Education will hold special meeting in the Administrative Center auditorium to hear a staff presentation on redistricting. The meeting will be televised on Cable Channel 2.

FRIDAY, MARCH 12

7 p.m. - The Spirit of Life Community Choir will host an African Feast and Fashion Show at Dudley Cosmetology University. For more information call David Allen at 661-9528.

SATURDAY, MARCH 13

9 a.m. — The Winston-Salem Urban League presents "Health is Hype for 'Mo Better Bodies," a community health fair at the Forsyth/Stokes Mental Health Center, 725 N. Highland Ave, The fair will feature health screening, games, prizes, goodie bags, give-aways and food samples. Transportation is available for seniors. For information call 725-5614.

MONDAY, MARCH 15

5 p.m. - Police Officer Del L. Anthony will ead a model car building course at the William C. Sims Sr. Center, 1201 Alder St. Another class will be held March 22. A model car contest will be held March 29 at 3 p.m. at the center. For information, call 727-2837. The classes are free and open to the public.

TUESDAY, MARCH 16

6:30 p.m. - Alderman Larry Womble will speak at the Black Political Awareness League's monthly meeting to share highlights of his travels to Africa. The meeting will be held at the Neighborhood Government Services Office, 2301 N. Patterson Ave. It is free and open to the public.



· The Women's Center at Forsyth Memorial Hospital offers free classes each month for expectant parents. Classes include topics of prenatal, sibling preparation, c-section and life after delivery. All classes are free and meet in Forsyth

Memorial Hospital's main lobby. For information on class scheduling and to register, call Health Connections at 760-0122." For information on class scheduling

 Medical Review of North Carolina is charged with the responsibility of protecting Medicare beneficiaries and their rights. If you would like to schedule a free meeting for your group to answer questions regarding quality of care for Medicare beneficiaries, call or write MRNC, P.O. Box 37309, Raleigh, NC 27627, 1-800-682-2650.

· Seniors of Forsyth County, you can be as lucky as St. Patrick if you let Senior Financial Care assist you with your budgeting, check writing, check-book balancing, and health insurance filing. Call 725-1972 for an appointment. SFC is a United Way agency.

· Entries are now being accepted for the SilverArts Literary Competition sponsored by Piedmont Plus Senior Games. Deadline for entry is March 31. The competition is open to seniors who are at least 55 years old. For information, call the Elms at 727-2505.

 The Northwestern Region of the American Lung Association of North Carolina offers the Golf Privilege Card for area golf lovers. The card lists 141 golf courses statewide, among them some of the top public courses. For \$35, the card entitles the holder to one free round of golf on each course listed. The card is valid through Dec. 31. For more information, call 723-3395 and ask for the Golf Privilege Card brochure which lists the courses.

· The city of Winston-Salem Workforce Development Department is accepting applications for JTPA summer jobs. Interested youth, 16-21 years old (by June 14) For more information, call 727-8004 or 727-2420.

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