

The Center for Volunteer Caregiving

Helping people live independently as long as possible



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Let's Go Bowling!

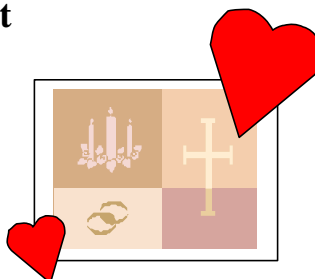
Dust off your bowling shoes, get out the poodle skirt, get ready for a blast from the past, and join our family fun! The 2005 Bowling Ball to benefit The Center for Volunteer Caregiving will be held on Saturday, February 26th from 6 – 10 p.m. at AMF South Hills Bowling in Cary.



This is a great opportunity to get out of the house to have fun with your neighbors! **This year we are offering special pricing for our friends and member congregations.** Call 919-460-0567 or email cargiving@ctrvolcare.org for more information about this great event.

Neighbor Spotlight

What started as a prayer, turned into a Cinderella story unlike any other. This story begins with two volunteers meeting at The Center. Jeanne Lindelow, whom many have come to know as The Center's Transportation Coordinator, became a volunteer with The Center in 2002. After retiring from Glaxo, Jeanne put her talents toward helping others. As a volunteer at The Center, Jeanne gave her time to Friendly Visiting and Telecare. It didn't take long for The Center to see her great talents and skills before they hired her as the Transportation Coordinator.



Dr. David Ullrich began volunteering in various capacities in 1999. David has a great heart and compassion for those in need of transportation, friendly visiting, or phone visiting. David has given to countless care receivers.

Before Jeanne became involved with the Center, she prayed for guidance with her life and relationships. A few years later, Jeanne and David developed a friendship that grew stronger than any ordinary caregiver/care receiver relationship. In fact, the two decided to get married on January 29, 2005 to share their lives as God has given them.

As seen through other Neighbor Spotlight stories, blessings of many forms come to those who serve others. The Center is pleased to be apart of that for many, and we congratulate the happy couple.

Updated Staff Directory

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Help your neighbors in their time of need, Volunteer today!

**Our Next Volunteer Training will be held on February 5, 2005
9 am – 12 pm
Sacred Heart Cathedral**

Please contact Michelle Hall for further information, or to register for the training.
mhall@ctrvolcare.org
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“Plant a word of love heart deep in a person's life. Nurture it with a smile and a prayer, and watch what happens.”

News from The Center

Thanks to all of you for helping The Center meet the Stewards Fund Challenge grant of \$11,000! These funds will help us continue to meet the needs of our care receivers.

In other news, The Center was recently awarded a grant from the Glaxo Smith Kline Foundation for \$5,000 to continue building The Center's important programs. Glaxo noted that they truly thought our proposal and program were excellent, and they are happy to give us this support.

Finally, we would like to thank the St. Luke's Circle Endowment Fund of the Triangle Community Foundation for their \$10,000 gift to The Center. These funds will help us to continue to expand our work in Wake County

Wish List: LCD projector, office supplies, computer equipment, portable TV/VCR, adding machine, phone headset. and dust buster. Your tax-deductible financial contribution is always needed and greatly appreciated.

Faith in Action Coalition of Neighbors

- ◆ Church of the Nativity
- ◆ First United Methodist Church, Cary
- ◆ Grace Fellowship Church
- ◆ NCSU Park Scholars
- ◆ New Horizons Fellowship
- ◆ Our Lady of Lourdes
- ◆ Prince of Peace Episcopal Church
- ◆ Sacred Heart Cathedral
- ◆ St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church
- ◆ St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church
- ◆ St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
- ◆ St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church
- ◆ St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church
- ◆ St. Paul's Episcopal Church
- ◆ Volunteer Caregivers of Garner
- ◆ Wake Chapel Church

Program Update

The New Year has begun with plenty of excitement and keeping staff busy serving our care receivers. First, Michelle Hall began her role at the Center as Program Manager in mid-January. She has an extensive history with non-profits as a volunteer, an Assistant Director and as a Resource Developer. Michelle is eager to meet and work with all our volunteers and care receivers.

Tomisha Turnage has increased her responsibilities with The Center and has become the Administrative Program Coordinator. She will lead the Telecare Program as well as other great initiatives.

Finally, with winter surprising North Carolinians in multiple ways already this year, the Center has worked to ensure volunteer and care receiver safety during these times. From rescheduling rides to volunteer trainings, we have worked around Mother Nature, and we thank our volunteers for their help and flexibility.

New Volunteer Opportunities

Do you like meeting new people, finding out what their needs are, or have a background in social work? The center is looking for volunteers interested in becoming Care Receiver Assessors. To learn more about what our assessors do or inquire about becoming an assessor, please contact Michelle Hall at mhall@ctrvolcare.org or 919-460-0567.

Thank you!

The Center would like to thank all our friends, volunteers and supporters. Your help touches the lives of many, and we are grateful to each of you!

A Letter of Gratitude

Dear Friends,

Living alone is hard, but I think it's time, after three years, to let you know how much I appreciate the wonderful service you are doing for me. I had to quit driving because of my poor eye sight. That is a traumatic thing to part with, and my independence drove out the driveway.

My many doctor's appointments, going to the hairdresser, bank, etc. left me needing your services. I must say, the volunteers couldn't be nicer. They need a lot of praise! Thank you so much! - A.H.

Hundreds of elderly and disabled residents of Wake County just "need a little help" to live independently. Please help us spread the word about the work that The Center and its volunteers are doing to meet this tremendous need so that we can help even more of our neighbors! To volunteer or for more information, please call The Center for Volunteer Caregiving at 919-460-0567.