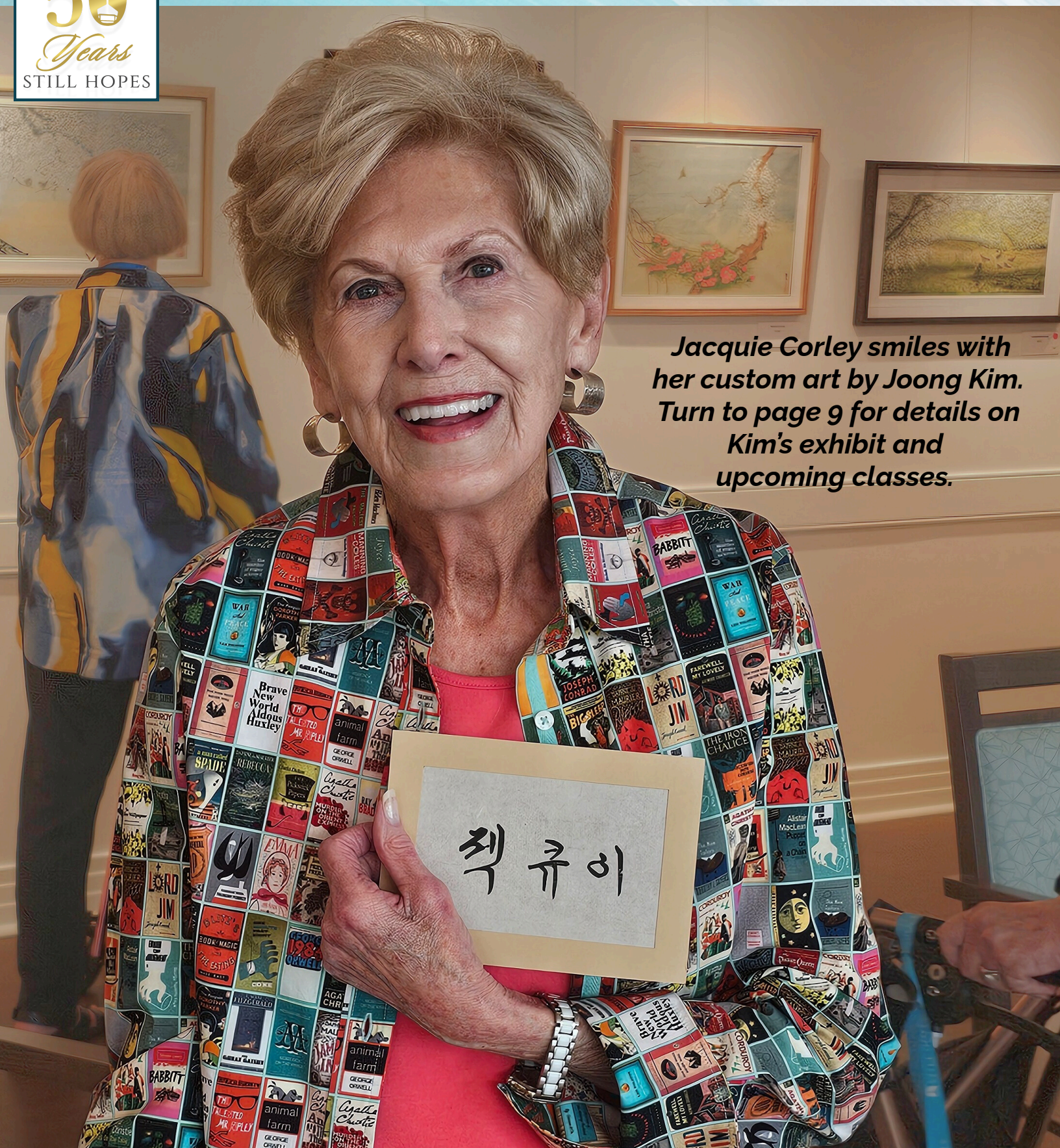


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CONNECTIONS

The Still Hopes Community Magazine



*Jacquie Corley smiles with
her custom art by Joong Kim.
Turn to page 9 for details on
Kim's exhibit and
upcoming classes.*

JULY BIRTHDAYS

01 Lois Jo Franklin	16 Tommy Atkinson
01 Sharon Johnson	16 Joan Yelverton
03 Ada McIver	16 Carol Parker
05 Cookie Cloyd	16 Kathleen Rogers
05 Barbara Cobb	17 Hettie R Dargan
06 Robert Rimbo	18 Richard Harris
06 John Baggette	19 Paul Goodman
06 Barbara Boyd	19 Frazer McCrorey
06 Kay Grigsby	20 Margaret Prentice
06 Fred Pohl	20 Harriett Thornton
06 David Sennema	21 Jane Dorn
08 Elizabeth Richardson	21 Jim Smith
09 Diane Wishart	21 Kitty Vickery
10 Margaret Senn	22 Judy Beazley
11 June Allston	24 Ed Shmunes
12 Jim Sims	25 Claire Farrell
13 Malcolm Foster	25 Jack Parrish
13 Margaret Payne	26 Carroll Williams
13 Ellen Wickersham	27 Caldwell Barron
13 Marcia Jacocks	27 Sharon Dantzler
14 Joan Dornbusch	30 Edward Haile
14 Nancy Maulding	30 Tom McLean
15 Nancy Bymaster	30 Judy Shaw

Summer Film Series with



Dr. Don Greiner

**Fridays at 1:00 pm
Keenan Event Center**

July 4

Out of the Past
1947 1h. 37m. CC

**July
11**

The Maltese Falcon
1941 1h. 40m. CC

**July
18**

Don's Favorite
Laura
1944 1h. 28m. CC

**July
25**

The Big Sleep
1946 1h. 40m. CC

**Each screening includes a brief introduction
and an optional post-film discussion
led by Don.**

SOUTH CAROLINA

Where the Revolution was Won

Presented by Molly Fortune
CEO of the South Carolina American
Revolution Sestercentennial
Commission (SC250)

TUESDAY JULY 1ST

3:00 PM

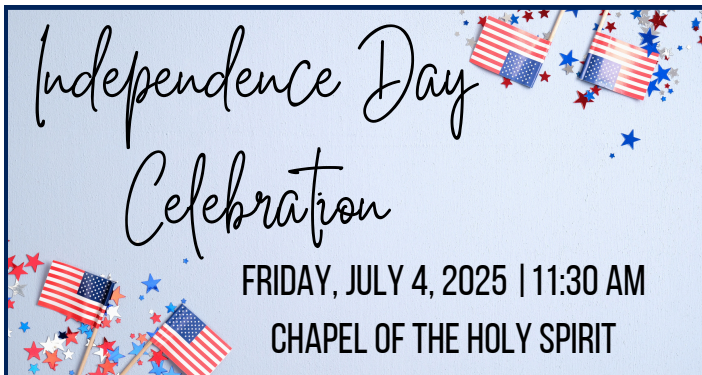
KEENAN EVENT CENTER



*Independence Day
Celebration*

FRIDAY, JULY 4, 2025 | 11:30 AM

CHAPEL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

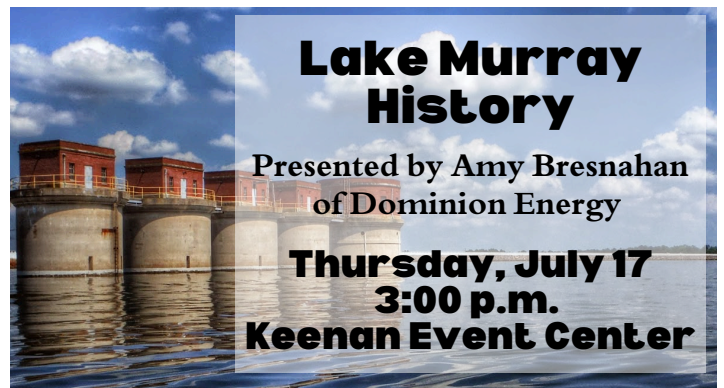


Lake Murray History

Presented by Amy Bresnahan
of Dominion Energy

**Thursday, July 17
3:00 p.m.**

Keenan Event Center



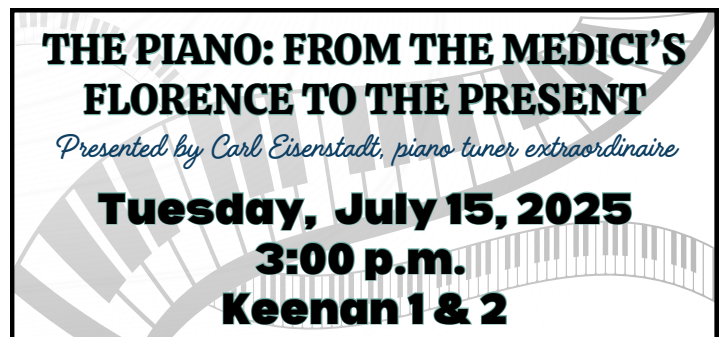
THE PIANO: FROM THE MEDICI'S FLORENCE TO THE PRESENT

Presented by Carl Eisenstadt, piano tuner extraordinaire

Tuesday, July 15, 2025

3:00 p.m.

Keenan 1 & 2



Welcome New Residents!

Margaret Jennings
Genie Manning
Patty & Steve Johnson
Sally King & Jim Buggy
Richard Butler

SPIRIT OF LAKE MURRAY

History Cruise

Saturday, July 12, 2025

Board Bus: 10:15 | Depart: 10:30

Tour: 12:00-2:00 pm

Cost: \$65

Depart from McDowell Front Entrance

Purple Martin Tour

Thursday, July 24, 2025

Board Bus: 5:15 | Depart: 5:30

Tour: 7:00-9:30 pm

Cost: \$110

Depart from McDowell Front Entrance

RSVP IN LE BOOK, RESIDENT CHARGE

Heroes & Villains: The Art of the Disney Costume *SC State Museum*



TUESDAY, JULY 8, 2025

BOARD: 2:00 DEPART: 2:15

COST: \$23.00

MCDOWELL FRONT ENTRANCE

RSVP IN LE BOOK, RESIDENT CHARGE

Lunch Bunch

LA CIENEGA MEXICAN GRILL

FRIDAY, JULY 11, 2025

BOARD: 10:45 AM DEPART: 11:00 AM

MCDOWELL FRONT ENTRANCE

BY RESERVATION, SELF PAY

Apartment, Cottage & Concierge Suites Life Engagement Bus Departure Times

Publix

Wednesday, July 2 | 10:15 a.m.

Fireworks with the SC Phil

Wednesday, July 2 | 7:15 p.m.

Heroes & Villains: The Art of the Disney Costume

Tuesday, July 8 | 2:15 p.m.

Lunch Bunch:

La Cienega Mexican Grill

Friday, July 11 | 11:00 a.m.

History Cruise on the Spirit of Lake Murray

Saturday, July 12 | 10:30 a.m.

Purple Martin Tour

Spirit of Lake Murray

Thursday, July 24 | 5:30 p.m.

Columbia Museum of Art

Friday, August 1 | 9:45 a.m.

COLUMBIA MUSEUM OF ART

*Sam Gilliam: Printmaker
and Let's Have A Talk: Black
Artists from the CMA Collection*

Friday, August 1, 2025

Board Bus: 9:30 | Depart: 9:45

Depart from McDowell

Front Entrance

RSVP in LE Book



Still Hopes Employee of the Month: **Tiffany Dunlap**

Tiffany has been a valued employee of Still Hopes for almost 20 years. She consistently demonstrates dedication, care, and excellence. Tiffany is known for her commitment to both residents. She builds strong relationships with residents and their families. Tiffany takes the time to

understand individual preferences. She creatively addresses any changes that arise. Tiffany ensures residents comfort and well-being. Colleagues respect her knowledge and experience. She works in both Riverbanks and Rose Gardens. Tiffany is a true embodiment of our culture, values, and commitment to outstanding service.

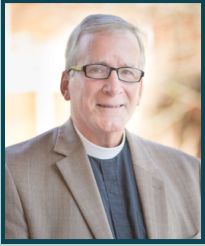
Submitted by: Natalie Hinkle, RN, ADON

My mother had dementia and was at Still Hopes from 1994 until her death in 2010. She started in assisted living in the Mansion, then moved to Rose Gardens, Sanders, and finally Jane Bruce. My mom was the first activities director at Still Hopes in the late 1970's. I came to visit a friend recently in Rose Gardens and Tiffany recognized me! She jumped up and gave me a big bear hug. And it just so happened that we were right outside of what used to be my mother's room! It meant so much, especially being my first time back in Rose Gardens since my mother's death. Tiffany's memory, support, and enthusiastic welcome is certainly a tribute to her commitment to the residents and their families!



Submitted by: Susan Greenlee White





Chapel of the Holy Spirit

REV. DOUGLAS GRAY, CHAPLAIN 803.739.5033 | dagr@stillhopes.org

REV. ERIC DYE, ASSOC. CHAPLAIN 803.240.8278 | erdye@stillhopes.org

Sunday Worship Service

*Join us for Worship
in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit
Sundays • 11:00 am or live stream
service on channel 1390/122/.*

Chapel Healing Service

Led by Trinity Cathedral Clergy
**The next service will be held on
Wednesday, July 9 • 11:00 am
Chapel of the Holy Spirit**
All residents are welcome to attend.
*Holy Communion and
prayers for healing.*

We fondly remember...

HENRY HASSEL
RICHARD ANDERSON
ALBERT "PARKER" BARNES



The steadfast love of the
Lord never ceases; his
mercies never come to an
end; they are new every
morning; great is
your faithfulness.

Lamentations 3:22-23 (ESV)

Bible Studies

Monday Bible Study

Led By Ella Pfaehler

Where Do We Go From here?

By David Jeremiah

Mondays • 11:00 am

Chapel of the Holy Spirit

Monday Bible Study

Weekly Gospels

Mondays • 1:30 pm

3rd Floor McDowell Activity Room

Men's Bible Study

The Gospel of Luke

Tuesdays • 11:00 am

3rd Floor McDowell Activity Room

Thursday Bible Class

"The Alpha Course" with

Nicky Gumbel and

Doug Gray

Meets at 10:30 am in the

Chapel of the Holy Spirit



Ukraine & its Neighbors

A TRANSYLVANIAN AND ROMANIAN PERSPECTIVE ON LIVING
NEXT DOOR TO A BATTLEFIELD
PRESENTED BY REV. ZSOLT SOLYMOSI, HUMANITARIAN & TEACHER

FRIDAY, JULY 18, 2025 | 4:00 PM | KEENAN EVENT CENTER

LIFE ENGAGEMENT

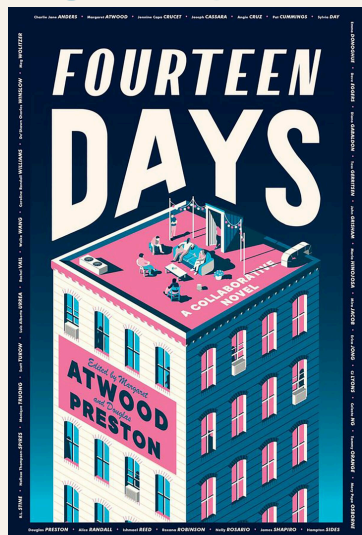
Living a vibrant and full life!

Residents are given many opportunities and choices of maintaining a full, active lifestyle



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BOOKENDS BOOK CLUB



*Fourteen Days:
A Collaborative Novel*

LED BY MICHELLE RABON
TUESDAYS @ 11:00 AM
HOPEWELL PETITE STUDIO

*Book Club will begin
Tuesday, July 1*

VOLUNTEER WITH LIFE ENGAGEMENT

Opportunities available:

- Shoppe on Main
- Activities and Strolls in Jane Bruce Guignard
- Newsletter
- Calling Trivia or Bingo
- Filling birdfeeders
- Visiting neighbors

If interested, contact
Michelle Rabon at
mrabon@stillhopes.org

DEEP BLUE SEA BASH

Featuring The Endless Summer Band

Sink Your Teeth Into an Evening of Dinner & Dancing!

Thursday, July 31, 2025

6:00 p.m.

Keenan Event Center

*Reserve your spot in the Life engagement book beginning July 1st.
This is a Resident Charged event!*

COST: \$28.00/PERSON



2025 RUMMAGE SALE RESULTS



Thanks to your purchases in the 2025 Rummage Sale, the Resident Assistance Fund grew by \$7,000!

Thank you to Life Engagement staff members Kimberley Koon and Hope Sendler for a well-organized and executed event. Kimberley entered every purchase into our accounting system – her data entry work is the reason I can share the news of our profits so quickly.

I am grateful for our many resident volunteers who unpacked, categorized, and priced every sale item that entered the Keenan Event Center on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Several of the volunteers returned Thursday and worked the entire sale. This is a resident-driven event, and I am so proud of their efficient work. Such amazing people who reside here!

Special thanks to Plant Ops for hustling on Monday through Wednesday, picking up furniture and other items from resident apartments and cottages.

Unsold items were donated to several non-profits, including Blythewood Ministry Thrift Shop.

What a great team residents and employees make at Still Hopes. We definitely exemplify the word community. Kudos to all!

Michelle Rabon, Director of Life Engagement



The Columbia Summer Band kicked off our patriotic celebrations at Still Hopes in late June with a performance that had all the fireworks needed to usher in our love for the USA. Under the direction of Tucker Reese, the band consists of musicians from Chapin, Sumter, Lexington, and Columbia. These musicians come together once a year in the summer to perform. The band played everything from Motown, our favorite hymns, and our traditional patriotic military songs. It is one of our most inspirational events at Still Hopes!



The Palmetto State STARS visited Still Hopes in June. The Miss South Carolina Organization is a service organization with a focus on giving back. The "Stars" are future Miss South Carolinas in training and are learning ways to serve their communities through experiences and being mentored by local candidates. They were excited to spend time with the residents sharing patriotic songs alongside Miss South Carolina 2024, Davis Wash.





Artist Joong Kim wowed us with his stunning gallery display for June and July—and he didn't stop there! He also offered custom name calligraphy in Korean, adding a personal touch that delighted many. And there's more good news—Joong will be leading three unique art classes in July. Spots won't last long, so sign up in the Life Engagement Book.



Joong Kim Art Class

THURSDAYS:
JULY 10
JULY 17
JULY 24

10:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M.

ARTS BY DESIGN STUDIO

CLASSES ARE LIMITED TO
FIVE PARTICIPANTS
PER CLASS.
(\$5.00 PER CLASS)

To ensure as many residents as possible have the opportunity to attend, please sign up for only one day. During the 2-hour class, you will complete a finished piece of art under the instruction of Joong Kim.

The Trenholm Artists Guild (TAG)

August and September
Hopewell Art Gallery

*TAG is the oldest art guild in Columbia and
was established in 1971.*

POUT ON DEVINE

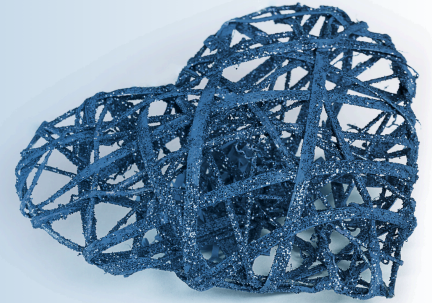
Wednesday, July 23, 2025
9:00am to 3:00pm
Keenan 3

Pricing and Information available in the LE RSVP Book
Call POUT at (803) 254-5051 to book an appointment



ANNE HARRELL AND THE GREAT INTERWEAVE

By Judy Milone



The interweave of relationships that Still Hopes residents have with one another reveals itself constantly. Many people know each other from prior schools, neighborhoods, civic associations, personal and professional lives. "I went to school with her". "He was my doctor for many years". "My son married his daughter". "He was the best Sunday School teacher my son ever had". This all spins a lovely web of inter-relationships, shared memories and local pride.

One resident who epitomizes this well is Anne Turner Harrell. Born in Winnsboro, South Carolina, she attended Columbia College in the 1950's, majoring in History. To this day, she values the excellent education she received there. Columbia College has produced a number of Still Hopes residents and some of them have been on the faculty there as well. After graduation, Anne taught English and Social Studies at the middle school level and at least one of her former students is a now a neighbor. She raised two children and maintains, her keen interest in world events, politics and government.

While working at Columbia College, Anne met Flynn Harrell who was then beginning his remarkable career. In addition to many civic, governmental, and church voluntary positions, Flynn served as CFO of the South Carolina Baptist



Convention and Executive Assistant to the state's Attorney General. Anne describes Flynn as open-minded and ahead of his times in many ways. A champion of both Church and State, he knew that keeping them separate was a gift to each, and that became an area he concentrated on. One highlight of his work led to an invitation to the White House when Jimmy Carter was President. Carter had however just lost re-election and was literally negotiating the release of the Iranian hostages the day the Harrells visited, so he was not able to meet with them. (continued on page 11)

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But Anne still glows recalling the specialness of such a visit.

Flynn and Anne moved to Still Hopes in the summer of 2005. Flynn passed away in 2021. Recently, Anne has moved from Independent Living to Assisted Living. She knew she would miss her friends on the fifth floor of building six but agreed with her son and daughter that she needed an extra level of support. Anne has made a good adjustment and admits she's better off with more staff around to help her. She loves the River Banks activities and the dining room-and has made friends there.

While making her move to River Banks, Anne unearthed her college yearbooks. She was pleased to learn of a project managed by the Richland County Library on Assembly Street of collecting old yearbooks from Midlands junior and senior high schools and colleges. The yearbooks are available to library users. Donors can give yearbooks to the library to keep, or loan them to the library who will scan and return them. Resident Fran Wheeler has more information about this valuable historical project.

Like Ann Harrell discovered, the Great Interweave is not exclusionary. As a newcomer myself to 'these parts', I have only felt warmth and welcome at Still Hopes. So perhaps we should think of the Great Interweave not as a closed system, but as an alive, ever-evolving web of relationships, valuing the old but open to the new.





Representatives from the Busy Needles—Joyce Steele, Laurely Nance, and Judy Milone (pictured left to right) gathered for a heartwarming visit to donate 10 hand-knitted blankets to Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), represented by Erin Bouknight and Kim Cockrell (also pictured left to right). The group shared meaningful conversation and enjoyed ice cream while learning more about MADD's mission. This generous donation brings the Busy Needles' grand total to 812 blankets. They look forward to continuing our partnership with MADD in the future!



A weather delay didn't stop the fun! Residents enjoyed a great evening as the Fireflies triumphed over Kannapolis with a 2-1 victory!

Fireflies Baseball

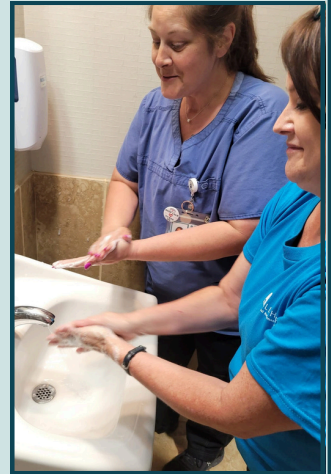


Still Hopes Skills Fair

Recently, 267 of our CNAs and nurses (including Patient Care Specialists, Companions, Med Techs, Solutions Partners, RNs and LPNs) came through each of the skills stations for the 2025 Fifth Annual Combined CNA and Nurse Skills Fair and we had the **HIGHEST** completion percentage (89.6% overall) ever (yay Rose Gardens with 100%)!

I know it required a great deal of work, but thank you to those who helped execute and make this such a successful event. From those who assisted with planning, set up, and breakdown to those who volunteered to work at the stations, I could not have done this alone and I so appreciate you! From the feedback I've received thus far, the CNAs and nurses left the Skills Fair feeling valued and empowered knowing that so many of their leaders and fellow team members took time out of their days to be there and make this happen.

Appreciatively,
Debbie Carroll, MHA, BSN, RN
Training and Development Coordinator



Rose Gardens Resident Spotlight: Mary Clarkson



Resident Mary Clarkson ranks as the most senior resident in our Rose Gardens neighborhood. She turned 97 on Sunday, June 15. On the Friday before her birthday, Rose Gardens residents celebrated her life in their monthly Spotlight event. She was interviewed at the event by her son. Her daughter shared a presentation highlighting Mary's life history to include photos of grandchildren and great-grandchildren who were also present for the weekend birthday celebrations. Mary moved to Still Hopes in her early 80s and has resided in various neighborhoods over the years.

Community Services

AN ONSITE, ONGOING PROGRAM FOR
APARTMENT, CONCIERGE SUITES &
COTTAGE RESIDENTS

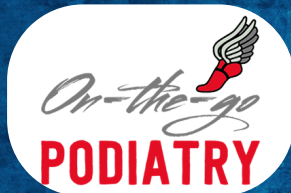


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HEALTHY DYNAMICS

NEWS YOU CAN USE!

Thursday, July 24 at 3:00 pm
Keenan Event Center



Putting Your Best Foot Forward:
Why Geriatric Footcare Matters
presented by
Dr. Keyoka Smith
with On the Go Podiatry

Join us as Dr. Smith speaks about the
importance of maintaining your foot care and
keeping you and your toes happy!



And of course, there will be chocolate!

PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION DISPOSAL

Bring your outdated or unused
prescription medication to
the McDowell Front Desk
on Tuesdays and Thursdays
from 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Please mark through all
personal information on the
medication label.



Hearing Services

Hearing Device Specialist Mike Arndt
Please call Mike's office,
Digital Hearing Outlet at 803-490-2920
to schedule an appointment to be seen
at Still Hopes.

Open To Hope Grief Support Group

Please join group leaders **Nela Edgar,**
& **Patsy Malanuk** for support and resources
following the loss of a loved one.

July 9 & July 23
1:00pm – 2:00pm
Guignard Music Parlor

PODIATRY SERVICES

Podiatrist Dr. Keyoka Smith will be
at Still Hopes in the
Wellness Center Spa Room
on Wednesday, July 9 and July 30

Please sign up to see Dr. Smith in the
Healthy Dynamics book on Main Street.
**We will call you to schedule your
appointment.**

Due to high demand, we occasionally
experience a waitlist for new patients.
If you are interested in becoming a patient of
Dr. Smith's, Holly Faulkenberry is happy to
discuss her current availability with you.
Please call Holly at 803-995-8133.

WELLNESS CHECKS

**Mondays and Thursdays
from 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM**

**Monday Location:
McDowell Card Room 2
on McDowell 2nd Floor**

**Thursday Location:
Spa Room 1
In The Wellness Center**

**Wellness Checks are performed
by our Solutions for Living at
Home staff members.**

Parkinson's Support Group

**Welcomes those living with Parkinson's
Disease and their care partners to join us
at our next quarterly meeting on:**

**Friday, August 15
11:00 am
Keenan Room 3**

Clearing the Path & Finding The Way: Dementia Resource Group

**Open to all residents who are care partners
to those navigating cognitive challenges.**

**Tuesday, July 8 1:30 pm-2:30 pm
McDowell 3rd Floor Activity Room**

SHARE: *Caregiver Support Group*

*open to all residents who are care
partners for a spouse*

**Tuesday, July 1
1:30 pm-2:30 pm
McDowell 3rd Floor Activity Room**

Mindfulness and Meditation

**Each Wednesday from
4:00pm -4:30 pm in the
Guignard Mansion**

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!

*"It always seems impossible until it's done."
Nelson Mandela*

**THE VISIONARIES:
LOW VISION SUPPORT GROUP
WILL NOT MEET IN JULY.**

Shopee on Main

*Gifts, Lifestyle Items, Cards, Snacks,
Martha's Menna Cheese, and more*

10:00 am to 12 pm & 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Life Engagement Services

**MAIN STREET HAIR SALON
Jessica Crawford & Rachael Johnson
Monday-Friday
803.739.5017**

**ALTERATION SERVICES
DESIGNS BY JUANITA
Every Wednesday, 10:00-11:00 am
McDowell Second Floor Card Room #1
No Cash, Resident Charge Only!**

**MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION
Monday-Friday
James Gary
Transportation Coordinator
803.995.8126**



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