

# AANHR

Arkansas Advocates for Nursing Home Residents

PROTECTING NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

July

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#### **AANHR's Mission Statement:**

"To protect and improve the quality of care and life for residents in Arkansas nursing homes."

# Next Meeting July 13

MEETING PLACE:

First Assembly of God
Church
4501 Burrow Road

North Little Rock
Directions to church on
back of Newsletter.

MEETING TIME: 10:00 a.m.

Meeting for members, family and friends of residents (Closed to persons representing the nursing home industry).

11:00 a.m.
Public Meeting
(see article at right)

#### Please Note

AANHR will have <u>NO</u> newsletter <u>NOR</u> meeting in August. Have a safe summer and we look forward to seeing you in September.

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Newsletter Is
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## July Program topic: MEDICARE MATTERS

Speaker: TRACEY JONES, Volunteer Program Coordinator

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On Monday, July 13, 2009, at 11:00 AM our speaker will bring us a message she calls "Medicare Matters". She will bring information about the services provided through the new SHIIP program and will answer questions you might have regarding Medicare, Medicare Part D or Medicare Supplemental Insurance plans available in Arkansas.

SHIIP is a Medicare education and information program of the Arkansas Insurance Department and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The SHIIP program provides free one-on-one counseling regarding Medicare health coverage, supplemental insurance, long-term care insurance, advantage plans, drugs plans and senior referral services. SHIIP also provides educational programs and information to individuals of all ages with Medicare

Tracey Jones is a Volunteer Program Coordinator for Senior Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP). She has been working with SHIIP for two years educating, informing and assisting Medicare Beneficiaries with Medicare related issues they may be experiencing. Prior to working with SHIIP, she worked with Accounting for 10 years.

This issue is our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual CNA Luncheon Commemorative Edition.

# **Calendar of Events**

July 13	10:00 AM	AANHR Meeting
August		No meeting nor Newsletter (summer break)
Sept 14	10:00 AM	AANHR Meeting
Oct. 5	11:00 AM	Residents' Rights Rally - State Capitol



### From the President's Desk . . . . Martha Deaver

#### 110 CNAs Feted at 5th Annual AANHR Banguet

AANHR proudly honored the caring Certified Nursing Assistants who provide the primary care for residents in Arkansas nursing homes on June 8, 2009 at First Assembly of God Church in North Little Rock. Those honored have provided loving care for the infirm of our state in spite of low pay and few words of thanks, some for ten, fifteen, and even twenty years. One-hundred-ten men and women from across the entire state, representing sixty-three nursing facilities received personal thanks for their untiring service. Each received a framed Certificate of Merit, a pin, and a Wal-Mart gift certificate. AANHR was also honored to entertain facility DONs, Administrators, friends

and family members as invited guests of the honorees to the tune of 220 total luncheon guests. Participants came great distances from the four corners of the state.

AANHR President Martha Deaver read a proclamation from Governor Mike Beebe. Kathie Gately, Arkansas' State Ombudsman, delivered inspirational remarks using an old/new gift bag example which illustrated that residents have accumulated many valuable life experiences and that one cannot judge a book by its cover. Two CNA honorees, Pamela Brewer (Stoneybrook- Benton) and Yoana Toxqui (Fayetteville Veterans Home), chose one of the two bags to both become winners of a nice cash gift enclosed in an old or new book (pictured below).

Next, Ms. Carol Compas, Nursing Home Quality Initiative Project Manager for Arkansas Foundation for Medical Care spoke. Ms Compas completed her presentation with an interactive project to ferret out the "best listener" present. The winner received a cash award from Ms Compas.

AANHR greatly appreciates these two special ladies, Kathie & Carol, and all they do to promote good care in nursing homes. Special thanks are also in order for their substantial roles in making the 2009 luncheon the great success that it truly was. Following the presentations, CNAs were recognized and rewarded. As a luncheon finale, Ms Compas drew Morrilton Riverview Healthcare CNA Tracy Ann Meaders' name as the winner of the one-hundred dollar AANHR door prize pictured below.







"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy." Proverbs 31:8 NIV

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#### **AANHR Officers and Board Members**

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Honorary Board Members: Jim and Faye Sandstrum, Searcy. Newsletter Editors: Martha & Ernie Blount, Searcy

























































































































































































































Luncheon group picture and article posted on AANHR website aanhr.org under special events.







2009 AANHR CNA Awards Luncheon attendees



Some of the AANHR members at the 2009 CNA Appreciation Awards Luncheon



Honored CNAs at the Fifth Annual CNA Award Luncheon

AANHR congratulates each of these CNAs on being chosen to represent your fellow CNAs at your nursing home. Thanks to each of you for allowing AANHR to honor you at the awards luncheon. AANHR is very proud of each of you and appreciates your dedication to our dear family member nursing home residents.

#### CNA Honorees For 2009:

Girva Abner - Pleasant Manor Nursing & Rehabilitation Ama Aggrey - Salem Place Nursing & Rehabilitation Lindsey Amerson - Twin Lakes Nursing Center Jeremy Atchley - Highland Court Nursing Center Audra Barfield - Nursing & Rehabilitation at Good Shepherd Patty Bell - Jonesboro Healthcare Lynn Bierman - Garland Nursing & Rehabilitation Marilyn Blair - Wynne Healthcare Jasmine Bonds - Lonoke Nursing & Rehabilitation Bonnie Boyles - Dardanelle Nursing & Rehabilitation Pamela Brewer - Stoneybrook Nursing & Rehabilitation Diane Briggs - Monticello Healthcare Ruthie Brown - Magnolia Health & Rehabilitation Stephanie Byrne - St. John's Place of Arkansas Elaine Campbell - Truman Health & Rehabilitation Tonya Cason - Lakewood Convalescent Home Terry Chamberlain - Rich Mountain Nursing & Rehabilitation Brenda Clark - Siloam Springs Nursing & Rehabilitation Martha "Liz" Clark - Bryant Healthcare Bobbie Cochran - Southfork River Therapy & Living Center Jessica Crawford - Eaglecrest Nursing & Rehabilitation Lecheon Dickerson - Garland Nursing & Rehabilitation Lola Duckworth - JRMC Transitional Care Chad Dukes - Greenhurst Nursing Center Dorothy Fancey - Stone County Nursing & Rehabilitation Suzette Fleming - Batesville Health Care Tiffany Flowers - Byrd Haven Nursing Center Tosha Flowers - JRMC Transitional Care Michelle Gattis - Greenhurst Nursing Center Scotti Gerhardt - Good Samaritan Campus Bonnie Gibbs - Rich Mountain Nursing & Rehabilitation Annie Goercke - Highland Court Nursing Center Pam Goff - Oak Manor Nursing & Rehabilitation Tina Green - Whitehall Nursing & Rehabilitation Monica Gregory - Southridge Village Retirement Center Sherry Hackler - Byrd Haven Nursing Center Lolita Hall - Searcy Healthcare Bertha Harris - Golden Living Center of Arkadelphia Marchelle Harris - Wynne Healthcare Wanda Hunter - Nursing & Rehab at Good Shepherd Sharnell Jiner - Northridge Nursing & Rehab Ethelrene Johnson - Ouachita Nursing & Rehabilitation Sandy Johnson - Southridge Village Retirement Center Amanda Jones - Ash Flat Healthcare & Rehabilitation Edith Kee - Spring Brook Health & Rehabilitation Cora Kieselbach - Morrilton Healthcare Center Elizabeth Kilburn - Spring Brook Health & Rehabilitation Irene Kilgore - Lake Village Healthcare Marie Knapp - Southridge Village Nursing & Rehabilitation Jonathan Kurnick - Glenwood Nursing & Rehabilitation Ann Leach - Dardanelle Nursing & Rehabilitation Amiee Lewter - Care Manor Nursing & Rehabilitation Francis Linam - Fayetteville Veterans Home Iva Littell - Heritage Park Nursing Center Denise Marks - Stoneybrook Health & Rehabilitation

Christean McCoy - Care Manor Nursing & Rehabilitation Tracy Meaders - Riverview Healthcare Amanda Mills - Oak Manor Nursing & Rehabilitation Samantha Moore - Bryant Healthcare Denise Neal - Broadway Healthcare Kerrie Nelson - Davis East LaDonna Pasley - Arkansas Health Care Theresa Pekarek - Lakewood Nursing & Rehabilitation Alexandria Phillips - Robinson Nursing & Rehabilitation Arthur Polk - Whitehall Nursing & Rehabilitation Linda Poole - Woodland Hills of Jacksonville Lola Powell - Golden Living Center of Arkadelphia Mary Raines - Truman Health & Rehabilitation Patsy Rameriz - St. Andrew's Place Naomi Randle - Magnolia Health & Rehabilitation Sabana Ray - Jonesboro Healthcare Christina Richards - Batesville Healthcare Melinda Richardson - Lakewood Convalescent Home Cynthia Robertson - Russellville Nursing & Rehabilitation Brenda Sears - Heritage Park Nursing Center Maxine Simpson - Twin Rivers Health & Rehabilitation Carin Sloss - Perry County Nursing Center Felicia Smith - Mine Creek Healthcare Center Flora Smith - Ouachita Nursing & Rehabilitation Keisha Smith - Sherwood Nursing & Rehabilitation Mary Lou Smith - Lake Village Healthcare Peggy Snipes - Woodland Hills of Jacksonville Lyn Sponer - Riverview Healthcare Tonya Stafford - Glenwood Nursing & Rehabilitation Sandy Stead - Fountain Lake Health & Rehabilitation Shaconna Steward - Twin Rivers Health & Rehabilitation Donna Stockman - Searcy Healthcare Tina Swopes - Mine Creek Healthcare Center Chandra Tate - Davis East Lora Taylor - Salem Place Nursing & Rehabilitation Rhlonda Tellis - The Pines Nursing & Rehabilitation Monica Thomas - Sherwood Nursing & Rehabilitation Susan Thomas - Benton Healthcare Erric Totty - Twin Lakes Nursing Center Angela Townsend - Lonoke Nursing & Rehabilitation Yoana Toxqui - Fayetteville Veterans Home Maria Treat - Stone County Nursing & Rehabilitation Kathy Turner - Southfork River Therapy & Living Center Vicky Turner - Southridge Village Nursing & Rehabilitation Amanda Verette - Siloam Springs Nursing & Rehabilitation Angie Vines - Robinson Nursing & Rehabilitation Danielle Ward - Benton Healthcare Bridget Watkins - Broadway Healthcare Pam Watt - Monticello Healthcare Vanessa Wesson - Pleasant Manor Nursing & Rehabilitation Christy Wilson - Perry County Nursing & Rehabilitation Center Vicky Woods - Ash Flat Healthcare & Rehabilitation Pam Wyman - Good Samaritan Campus Jeanie Yarber - Russellville Nursing & Rehabilitation Bill Young - Northridge Nursing & Rehabilitation



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Won't you please lend your support to us by joining our organization? Your membership dues help to pay for our activities that support our mission statement. Memberships are available on a calendar year basis. Join now and you will be a member through December 31, 2009.

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( ) I wish to receive the AANHR newsletter. ( ) \$15 per individual membership enclosed.

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#### **Driving directions to** First Assembly of God Church, 4501 Burrow Road, North Little Rock

#### Coming from the North:

When driving South on Highway 67/167, take exit #1 onto Warden Road. As soon as you safely can, move into the right-hand lane, as you will be turning right at the Golden Corral Restaurant onto Commercial Drive.

#### Coming from East, West or South:

If you are on either I-30 or I-40, take Highway 67/167 North. Take exit #2 onto Landers Road. Stay in the lefthand lane, as you will be turning left and going under Highway 67/167 and enter Warden Road going southbound. As soon as you safely can, move into the right-hand lane, as you will be turning right at the Golden Corral Restaurant onto Commercial Drive.

Commercial Drive terminates at the church. Proceed straight across Burrow Road into the church's parking lot and turn right at the far side of the building into the narrow alley-like drive.

The entry door is located about half-way down this side of the church and the meeting room (#113) is immediately inside the entrance door.