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BIRTHDAYS...

Wendy Russell	1/04
Robin Liles	1/04
Mark Metcalf	1/06
Burgin Beale	1/10
James Boles, Jr	1/16
Robert Johnston	1/18
Leigh Baggs	1/20
Fred Hobbs	1/20
Paul Honeycutt	1/20
Billigene Garner	1/28
Suzanne Mong	1/28
Nathan Summers	1/30

We meet at noon on Wednesdays at the National Golf Club, Midland Road, Pinehurst. Prospective members will receive a free lunch!

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CASINO NIGHT!

Plans for Casino Night continue, so sharpen your wits and get out the old rabbit's foot! SATURDAY, JANUARY 21 is the day—and the night—for a two-part event. Both will be held at the Little River Golf Resort, 5.1 miles north of the Pinehurst Traffic Circle on highway 15/501. Note that that is 5.1 miles, not 5.0 miles.

FOR A \$50 DONATION, participants will receive food, two drink tickets, and \$5000 in play money. From 6 to 9 pm, that \$5000 stake can be wagered on roulette, blackjack, stud poker, craps, and slot machines. And during the evening, additional play money may be purchased. From 9 to 10 pm there will be a live auction; players will use their winnings to bid on valuable items. There will also be a silent auction and door prizes.

THE OTHER EVENT IS A TEXAS HOLD 'EM TOURNAMENT. It begins at 12 noon and ends at 6 pm. The entry fee is \$225, for which the participants will receive food, two drink tickets, and \$5,000 in chips. The top three finishers will share prizes valued at \$11,500.

FOR INFORMATION AND TICKETS, PLEASE CALL Charlie Carleton at 910-235-0271 or Jim Lewis at 910-695-1454.



CALLING ALL KIWANIANs!

YOU ARE INVITED to the MIDYEAR CONFERENCE in Myrtle Beach, February 3-5, 2006. Embassy Suites at Kingston Plantation will be the host site. Friendship, fellowship, and information about Kiwanis service are the main events. Check out the website: www.kingstonplantation.com and put those dates on your calendar!

THE ARC...

of Moore County provides individuals and families in the Sandhills whose lives are affected by a developmental disability with a rich resource to which they can turn for information and support, reports Club President-Elect Wendy Russell. She serves as Executive Director of the Arc.

The Arc of Moore County is one of more than 1,000 chapters nationwide (45 in North Carolina) that provide advocacy, information, and direct services to individuals of all ages with cognitive, intellectual, and developmental disabilities. The Arc, formerly called the Association for Retarded Citizens, is driven by this mission. The Arc today:

- Supports full involvement of people with disabilities in all aspects of community living
- Helps those with disabilities develop meaningful personal relationships
- Aims to build the capacity of the community to include all its citizens.

An estimated 3 per cent of the general population is directly affected by a developmental disability. A disability generally occurs before the age of 22, is likely to last a lifetime, and results in substantial limitations. These may be in the areas of self-care, language, learning, the ability to live independently, mobility, and the ability to earn a living or hold a

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job. One in ten families may be affected. In Moore County, that means that more than 2,200 individuals and families are affected.

The Arc offers several important services:

- The Respite Care Program
- The Social and Recreational Program
- First in Families
- The Aktion Club

Respite Care provides qualified one-on-one care to an individual, relieving primary care givers (usually family members) from the stress of caring for a person with a disability. The Arc's Respite Care program provides an average of 1500 hours each month to more than 100 families; there are nearly 100 families on the waiting list.

More than 150 youth and adults participate in the Social and Recreational Program, which provides monthly events, such as dances, cookouts, and day trips.

First in Families is a statewide initiative whose purpose is to raise community awareness and create/locate resources for individuals and families. This program enables affected people to find a way to obtain needed support, equipment, therapy, home adaptations, and many other categories of support. First in Families is able to meet specific needs not covered by other services by leveraging financial contributions from community partners and families.

The Arc is also the lead agency sponsor of the Aktion Club, a Kiwanis-sponsored community service organization for adults with disabilities. The Kiwanis Club of the Sandhills and the Seven Lakes Kiwanis Club are the two sponsoring clubs for Aktion Club of Moore County.

The Arc is often the first place people turn when a loved one is diagnosed with a developmental disability. During 2005, the Arc provided advocacy, information, and referral services to nearly 300 individuals and families.

Funding for the Arc's programs is diverse and includes:

- State dollars
- The federal Medicaid program
- The County of Moore
- The United Way
- Private contributions
- Fundraising efforts

State dollars are received through contracts with the Sandhills Center for Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services. A fundraiser which should be of interest to this Club is the Barbeque Cookoff held with the Carthage Buggy Festival. The 2006 Cookoff will be Mother's Day weekend, May 12-13, at the Nancy Kiser Park in Carthage.

On Friday evening, May 12, there will be a band, a dance contest, and the arrival of cooker teams and the pigs. The pigs are cooked all night, judged on Saturday, and the BBQ pork is sold on Saturday by the Arc.

Wendy Russell invites her fellow Kiwanians to contact her at 692-8272 to learn more about the Arc, how to help, or to become involved. More information is available on the Arc's website: www.thearcofmoore.org.

Aktion News....

The Aktion Club of Moore County, assisted by two American Red Cross volunteers, packaged 50 health kits bound for Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and victims of Hurricane Katrina. Bay St. Louis is the adopted town of a program called Moore Friends for Mississippi. The health kits contained washcloths, combs, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, and nail files. The Club purchased some of the items, but most were donated by area businesses. The Club held a special meeting and completed the project in less than two hours.

LEGION OF HONOR

The Legion of Honor recognizes four new members:

Larry Johnson, Past
President
55 years

Bill Saunders
49 years

Mike Huggins
25 years

John Neal
25 years

These men have compiled a highly worthwhile record of service to the Club and to the community.

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This presentation will give an overview of the Given Memorial Library. With the use of video projection, we will have a journey through some of the history behind the library and the Tufts Archives.

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Mohsin Ali's presentation, China Rises, will touch on some of the world leaders he has known, to include Churchill, Roosevelt, Chou En Lai, and DeGaulle.

Points To Ponder....

Why do croutons come in airtight packages?
Aren't they just stale bread to begin with?

If Fedex and UPS were to merge,
would they call it Fed UP?

You never really learn to swear
until you learn to drive.

If lawyers are disbarred and clergymen
defrocked, doesn't it follow that electricians
can be delighted, musicians denoted, cowboys
deranged, models deposed, tree surgeons
debarked, and dry cleaners depressed?



QUOTABLE....

Teenagers wonder where their parents
learned all the things
they tell them not to do.

Many people fail because their train
of thought is only a local.

