



Residents News-Mail

Updated WACCRA website coming soon!

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Greetings WACCRA Members, New and Renewed! We are happy that you have made a commitment to support WACCRA as we continue to work on your behalf to assure that our wonderful CCRC lifestyle is the best that it can be for all residents.

These News-Mails represent one of the benefits of being a WACCRA member. In this installment, I would like to give you a heads-up about our website, **waccra.org**.

When was the last time you visited our website? If your answer is “I really don’t remember” or “I have never seen the website”, I strongly encourage you to go to the website right after you’ve read this News-Mail because soon that website will look a lot different! Why? Read on:

For the better part of a year, Skyline member Putnam (Put) Barber and I (Monica Clement, Timber Ridge), have been going through the current website, page by page, and transforming it. We were charged with not only updating but also with making the site more user-friendly. This project has proven to be interesting, frustrating, informative and very time-consuming! Put and I had never met before and in fact, we still have not ever met face-to-face! Zoom has been our communication mode (as it has been for all of us, I suspect). Luckily, we work very well together and we had a pretty good time with the project. Put suggested an editing mode that allowed us to share our work and comments with each other. This worked well.

Our documents were initially reviewed by two Board Member volunteers. Natalie Siegel (Mirabella) gave us her perspective as a longstanding WACCRA member and Cassandra Carothers (Horizon House) brought a “new” member eye to the documents. After their edits were incorporated into the documents,

all Board Members were given the opportunity to edit further, and these suggestions were incorporated. Thank you to all who contributed to the website update!

To be clear, neither Put nor I are web gurus. WACCRA has a web guru contractor who created the current website (the one I want you to visit after you read this) and she will also make our “new improved” web documents into an attractive new website using a GoDaddy platform. We handed off our work to our guru in early May, and she has shown us some preliminary mock-ups. We are pleased. She is currently working on the entire website. You can expect to see our new, improved website this summer! Stay tuned for an announcement about that.

In the meantime, please visit waccra.org now. I think you will learn some new things about what WACCRA does, and about other resources for seniors in WA State and across the nation. Then, when the new site comes online and you’ve had a chance to visit it, you will be proud of the work that WACCRA does on behalf of you and all CCRC residents in WA State.

In closing, I extend a very heartfelt thanks to my friend and working partner, Put Barber.

As always, thank you for your continued support of WACCRA!

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