



## Residents News-Mail

### **WACCRA's first ever Zoom Annual Meeting a Success!**

We are all aware of the upheaval this pandemic has caused. One casualty was our in-person Annual Meeting, scheduled for March 7th. We are happy to report that we held our first ever Annual Meeting via Zoom Webinar on Wednesday, October 14th! We extend a warm thank you to those of you who joined us for this historic, and hopefully unique, meeting. For those of you who missed it, keep reading to see what you missed.

Our speakers, attorneys Kathy Van Olst and Page Ulrey, provided a thorough review of financial scams perpetrated on seniors, including one very chilling case study of a scam carried out against a senior by trusted "friends." Information about who to contact should you suspect a scam was shared with attendees. We extend a special thanks to our members who asked questions during the presentation. The technology worked well! You can find the presentation on our website, [waccra.org](http://waccra.org).

We also heard from our lobbyist, Donna Christensen, who shared with us the work she has been doing with legislators in Olympia on WACCRA's behalf. This 2021 legislative session will deal almost exclusively with reducing the state budget. We will likely have to rally to protect spending for seniors.

Our Members approved the Minutes of the 2019 Annual Meeting, as well as the Restatement of the WACCRA Bylaws. Both of these documents were sent out to all members in advance of the Annual Meeting. Rick Baugh, our outgoing president, presented WACCRA's accomplishments for the year, and Donna Kristaponis, our incoming president, spoke about the mediation results between LeadingAge, the CCRC executive directors, and the WACCRA representatives who participated

Joining Board members Orin Brustad (at large), Donna Kristaponis (Emerald

Heights), Natalie Siegel (Mirabella) and Ruth Werntz (Emerald Heights), are new and incumbent Board Members Nickie Askov (Mirabella), C.R. (Rick) Baugh (Skyline), Cassandra Carothers (Horizon House), Monica Clement (Timber Ridge), and Judy Love (Timber Ridge). Congratulations to all!

The entire Annual Meeting Zoom Webinar can be accessed on our website, [waccra.org](http://waccra.org).

WACCRA leadership has been hard at work on several initiatives, and we look forward to sharing progress with you in the coming weeks and months.

Keep an eye out for News-Mails in your inbox.

Until then, please stay healthy! We thank each of you for your continued support!

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