



NEUSE NEIGHBORS NEWS

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Helping Our Members Age in Place

SUMMER

From the President

The excellent feedback from our Member Survey is a credit to our wonderful team of volunteers. And as NNN continues to grow, we need volunteers more than ever! In addition to fulfilling our Member's traditional service requests, we're looking for individuals who would like to help in a variety of specialized ways. We could use help with administrative functions, new volunteer training sessions, member orientation, and so much more. You'd work directly with a current board member to assist with NNN's growing responsibilities. You might even want to consider joining our board when a current member's term expires! We're always looking for new talent! If you're interested in learning more, please send us an email at neuseneighbors@gmail.com - or call our Help Line at 252-665-8807. Thanks to all who volunteer! We can't do it without you! Jayne Demers, President

SURVEY RESULTS ARE IN!

Recently we surveyed our Members to discover what they think about NNN's volunteers, our services, and the value of Membership. We're delighted to report that virtually 100% of respondents report being happy with the services our volunteers provide, the support of our Help Line, our website, and the quality and frequency of NNN's communications. We also learned that relatively few of the respondents use our coupons, and therefore NNN's board will investigate whether to offer them next year. Of course, we will continue to grow our highly successful Sponsorship Program - extending our benefits to neighbors who need a helping hand paying our full membership fee. If you didn't respond to our survey, it's not too late!

Email us at neuseneighbors@gmail.com

Call our Help Line! 252-665-8807.

We love hearing from you!



Welcome To New Volunteer, Vicki Courtney

Vicki Courtney moved to Pamlico County 22 years ago to accept a work opportunity, but it wasn't until her husband's health prevented him from driving and needed more extensive care that she remembered reading about Neuse Neighbors Network on Town Dock. "I felt so helpless," she recalls. "I couldn't bear to ask anyone for any more help, and many of our friends had moved away." So Vicki became a member of NNN. Shortly afterwards, she also decided to join our volunteer team. "This is a community of aging people like me, who need help, too, but may not ask for it," she says. "I'm fine, I'm healthy, and I can do things for others." The idea that even the smallest things can make a difference in the lives of others was an eye-opener. "Little things like walking someone's dog when they've had surgery, or changing a light bulb, these are things you don't think about until you can't do them anymore," Vicki says. As a former network administrator providing technical support to a staff of over 200 people, she is the perfect volunteer to help members with their technical questions. "I'm sort of a geek," she laughs. Vicki also signed up to help with members' transportation requests, and likes the flexibility of being a NNN volunteer. Personal experience has taught Vicki that as we age, we will all experience difficulties. "None of us gets a free pass," she says, "but life changes and you learn to move on." Thanks to volunteers like Vicki, "life's changes" are just a bit easier to handle for our members.



Mark Your Calendar!

JUNE 22

PRIME TIME SPICE BOUQUET COOKING CLASS

Join Prime Time for a 2-hour culinary adventure at Spice Bouquet in Kinston at 12:00, Wed. June 22nd. The Chefs will demonstrate preparation of a citrus salad, chicken picatta and chocolate ganache cake! Enjoy the tasty meal, win raffle prizes, and take home recipes of the dishes served! To reserve your spot, register by emailing director@primetimpamlico.org Cost is \$25 and must be received by Prime Time at the Oriental United Church by June 13. For more info, you can also call Debora Steenson at 252.675.0909