

# *Notes and News from* **NaCCRA**

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Many NaCCRA members and prospective members do not have email to receive these *Notes and News*. You can help your fellow residents by putting a copy of *Notes and News* in every in-house mailbox in your CCRC. At the suggestion of a member who advised that shorter is better, *Notes and News* is now just one page.

## **NaCCRA Meets in New Orleans.**

As this issue of *Notes and News* reaches you, the LeadingAge meeting of providers is just finishing up in New Orleans.

It's become customary for NaCCRA to meet in conjunction with LeadingAge to benefit from the educational sessions and vendor exhibits and to spare the NaCCRA's leadership the mechanics of making meeting arrangements.

The NaCCRA meetings were productive and there are many changes about which you can read in this bulletin.

## **NaCCRA New Orleans Board Meeting.**

At its New Orleans meeting, NaCCRA's Board put in place an organizational and administrative transition. Partners in Association Management, which has supported NaCCRA for over five years, "reached the decision that is best for our business to terminate services."

That decision opened a discussion of how to manage NaCCRA's administration and support going forward. As a result, the Board has named Jim Haynes to the Board and to the office of President-Elect, succeeding Jack Cumming. Jim Haynes will take the lead in implementing new administration for NaCCRA working with Basil Pflumm and Ann MacKay.

## **A Fresh Start.**

With Basil Pflumm and Ann MacKay continuing as NaCCRA's President and Secretary, respectively, and with the addition of Jim Haynes, NaCCRA will now be led by people who have come into office since the restart announced last March. This gives NaCCRA a completely fresh start.

## **Active Aging Advocates (<https://ActionAging.com>).**

In line with NaCCRA's advocacy mission, NaCCRA supports [Active Aging Advocates](#), familiarly known as [Action Aging](#). Jack Cumming will now devote his time in partnership with NaCCRA to advocacy through [Action Aging](#).

If you are a NaCCRA member, you are automatically part of the Active Aging Advocates ([Action Aging](#)) movement. You don't need to do anything. You will receive regular action updates. Watch for messages.

## **Dues.**

By a split vote, the Board decided to increase dues. As President, Basil Pflumm cast the tie-breaking vote, but elected to defer action for now.

## **Provider Advocacy Panel.**

As part of NaCCRA's outreach to build better relationships between residents and providers, NaCCRA partnered with LeadingAge on a joint provider-resident panel presentation for the attendees at the LeadingAge New Orleans Annual Conference. The title for the panel: "Mobilizing Grassroots Advocacy."

## **NaCCRA Congress.**

The NaCCRA Congress met on Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> for over two hours. Katherine Pearson, the Elderlaw Attorney, was a featured speaker. You can experience the discussions first hand at [www.naccracongress.com](http://www.naccracongress.com) or by clicking on the link under Resources at [www.naccra.com](http://www.naccra.com).

More videos from the New Orleans meeting are in the works. The quality reflects the available equipment, i.e. it's poor, but the content will bring you into the meeting.

It's easy to join NaCCRA. Go to [www.naccramember.com](http://www.naccramember.com), click Join, and fill in the membership information, pay the dues, and you're instantly part of a growing organization of residents dedicated to making continuing care a reliable choice for older Americans. Existing members can also check their membership.

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