



The Oak Leaf

A newsletter from
Trinity Oaks Retirement Community
Salisbury, North Carolina



Lives Filled with Different Strokes

From the military to education, the Boksleitners did it differently

Like many of his generation, Rudy Boksleitner had a military obligation. Unlike many, he fulfilled it in the Public Health Service (PHS), not the Army. Few men who perfected their “dress right dress” and “present arms” in the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) knew about alternate uniformed services. Rudy did and shortly after graduation from Drexel University, he was sworn into the PHS.



Deanna & Rudy Boksleitner

“The Army gave me away,” said Rudy. The PHS suited the biological science major to a tee – he spent the next 30 years in their service working with bacterial samples as well as investigating disease outbreaks and air pollution.

When Rudy met Deanna, she was the girl next door and the organist for a large Episcopal Church. They married when she was 19. She continued as church organist when they moved to Cincinnati, Ohio. Deanna delayed going to col-

lege until 1980 when the couple lived in Raleigh. “I was an odd ball,” she said. It took her eight years to get a bachelors degree in music from Meredith College. Shortly after graduation, she began her quest for a masters in church music at Concordia University in Chicago. It took her five summers. “I studied with the cream of the crop in Lutheran church music,” she said. Graduation was in 1997 and Deanna worked until 2005 as Music Director for Our Savior Lutheran Church.

Their move to Trinity Oaks was no spur of the moment decision. The Boksleitners visited a half dozen communities similar to Trinity Oaks in Charlotte, Matthews, Raleigh and Cary. Their daughter Lisa lives in Monroe; son Rowland in Wake Forest. Those cities defined the boundary of their search.

What led them to choose Trinity Oaks over the competition? “The floor plan and the full kitchen in the apartment,” said Deanna. That’s important because Deanna controls her cholesterol with diet and baked bran muffins are central to her plan.

Also topping their list was the distance to their daughter’s home. “We are just an hour away,” said Deanna.

“Pricewise, Trinity Oaks was reasonable,” said Rudy, “and a balcony was included, not extra.” And Trinity Oaks was quick to respond. Rudy called on a Monday and the couple had an appointment on Tuesday.

Merry Christmas

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Holiday Cheer at the Clubhouse

Imagine how enjoyable the holidays

could be if all you had to do was decorate your tree and welcome your guests! Residents of Trinity Oaks will share the blessings of maintenance-free living while sharing Holiday Cheer at the Clubhouse in our cottage neighborhood. Join them, **Sunday, December 4 at 4 p.m. at 408 Trinity Oaks Drive.**

Call Linda Agner for this event and Buddy Day at 704-603-9204 to RSVP.

Have you ever wondered if life in a retirement community was for you? Now you can "practice" for a

day. Your own resident guide will be with you as you take an exercise class or sing and ring with the choirs, enjoy a delicious lunch, and take a tour of campus to see our apartments and cottages. We'll offer Buddy Days in January, February and March. The first Buddy Day will take place **Thursday, January 19** from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Join Us for Buddy Day

Whether you

Save on your new home this holiday

prefer an apartment or a cottage, Trinity Oaks is making it even easier for you to give your family the gift of "peace of mind." You can save as much as 30% on our cottage Entry Fees and up to 20% on select apartments. We even have a lease option that will allow you to start your new life while giving you extra time to sell your home. Call the Marketing Office at 704-603-9204 today to learn how you can take advantage of these savings. It may be the best gift you ever give!

**Who's
New?**

Rowena & Charles Paulus moved into 318B from Kitty Hawk, N.C. Their children are Betsy Paulus, Salisbury; Amanda Vann, Charlotte; and David, Nottingham, Pennsylvania.

Charles is a retired engineer who enjoys woodworking, clocks, and reading. Rowena is a retired homemaker; gardening is her hobby.

Una Pursel moved to 330C from Salisbury, but she lived most of her life in Washington, D.C. Australia is the country of her birth. Her daughter is Lisa Lorenzen of Linwood, North Carolina. Una enjoys bridge and has been a member of First Presbyterian Church, Salisbury, for 20 years.

Dorothy Archie has made Apartment 231C her home. She moved here from Salisbury where she worked as a nurse. Dorothy is a lifelong member of Gay's Chapel United Methodist Church. Her hobbies include crossword puzzles, reading, and flower gardening. Dorothy's daughter, Andrea Jobling lives in Houston, Texas.

This Holiday Season Give Yourself a Gift!



Keep life simple and save money too!



*"I compared the options and I chose Trinity Oaks."
Betty Simpson*

MONTHLY COST OF LIVING COMPARISON WORKSHEET

YOUR HOME		TRINITY OAKS RETIREMENT COMMUNITY	
Mortgage Payment	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Association Fees	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Property Taxes	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Home Insurance	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Housekeeping & Cleaning	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Lawn Service	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Lawn Supplies/Equipment	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Electricity	\$	<i>Included (in apartments)</i>	0
Natural Gas	\$	<i>Included (in apartments)</i>	0
Water/Sewer	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Trash Removal	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Snow Removal	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Cable TV Service	\$	Cable TV Service	\$22.50
Telephone Service	\$	Telephone	\$
Meals at Home (Groceries)	\$	Breakfast	0
Meals Out	\$	Lunch or Dinner (One Included)	\$
Transportation - Car (Gas, Insurance, Maintenance)	\$	Transportation (Scheduled)	0
Wellness/Fitness Ctr.	\$	Remaining Car	\$
Home Security	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Emergency Pendant	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Home Maintenance & Repair:	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Roof	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
HVAC	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Appliances	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Painting	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
Hot Water Heater	\$	<i>Included</i>	0
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Total	\$	Total	\$

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Barbara Safley knew a lot of people at Trinity Oaks - all Methodists Her new home is different - a leased studio apartment

The sign at the entrance to C Wing makes it clear that the last apartment is 242. So where is 244? It is one of the few apartments located in the hall connecting B and C wings. Instead of a balcony, the living room overlooks the roof of the dining hall. And new resident Barbara Safley loves it.

The sun comes in her window, the apartment is quiet, safe and comfortable. Safley has visited Trinity Oaks for years. She is friends with at least ten residents, all members at First United Methodist Church, Salisbury. But "all the residents are nice. Dining services are wonderful. I'm making myself at home." She plans to join the Monday bridge group as soon as possible.

Safley moved to Salisbury in her teens to attend X-ray technology school at what was then Rowan Memorial Hospital. The Lincolnton native did not han-



Barbara Safley

dle X-ray plates very long. She met and married the late Jack Safley and settled into the life of a housewife. The Safleys had one daughter, Anne Bills of High Point.

Safley's lease arrangement is "like renting," she said. "I have a lease for a year and pay month-to-month. I pay a little more per month than otherwise." Leasing allowed Safley to move to Trinity Oaks while her home was still on the market. She is first in line for a larger leased apartment, but "I like this one so well I may not want to move."

Her move to Trinity Oaks was her daughter's idea. Daughter Anne thought her mother would be safer at Trinity Oaks and among people. "She made up my mind for me," said Safley. Anne, an interior decorator in High Point, helped her mother furnish her apartment and Anne's three children are "my pride and joy," said Safley.