

North Carolina Notary Association

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We have the 2016 NC Notary Manual for sale for \$20.00 plus \$6.45 for postage and handling. Contact us at info@ncnotary.com if you are interested in receiving this new book at this reduced rate. While supplies last.

NC Notary Association Annual Professional Development Conference held in Raleigh



The NC Notary Association held its Annual Professional Development Conference on Saturday, April 16, 2016 at the Blue Ridge Ramada Inn in Raleigh. It was a beautiful Spring day in Wake County and we were quite pleased to have so many in attendance.

The Association was most fortunate to have as speakers Mr. David Crabtree, Anchor/Reporter, WRAL-TV, and Attorney Lynn Calder, Immigration Attorney with Allen-Pinnix, P. A.

Mr. Crabtree's presentation, "Planting Seeds", was so inspiring. He spoke to our group about how to be successful with fairness, accuracy and compassion. Mr. Crabtree gave every-

one in attendance plenty to think about in terms of how a small token of kindness towards others can go a long, long way in making this a better world for all to live in.



David Crabtree

Ms. Calder's presentation focused on immigration documents requiring notarization, the unauthorized practice of immigration law, and "Notarios". She also discussed the do's and don'ts of immigration law that every North Carolina Notary Public should be aware of.



Lynn Calder

After lunch, Donna Wray, NCNA Vice-President, led a discussion on notary public challenges. She gave examples of several situations and asked the audience for suggestions on how they would solve each one. Not surprisingly, there were several solutions offered from various attendees.



Donna Wray



A Tribute to the Chief

Many of you may remember Otto DeBruhl as one of North Carolina's most revered Elder Statesmen. He was appointed in February 1978 by the Buncombe County Executive Committee to fill the unexpired term of the late Registers of Deeds at that time and elected to this post in 1980 and re-elected seven more consecutive times. Mr. DeBruhl's resume reads like a "Who's Who" in North Carolina Government. Beginning his career as a self-employed businessman and a licensed real estate broker, he later presided over the Small Claims Civil Court Division of the General Court of Justice as a Magistrate Judge; appointed by the North Carolina General Assembly Speaker of the House to serve as a member of a Study Commission to implement the North Carolina Criminal Code Procedure, and later being appointed as a member of a Study Commission to serve on the State Infrastructure Needs and Local Government Study Commission; appointed by the Legislative Research Commission to study the Administration of Criminal Procedures. And the list goes on, as well as the long list of awards, achievements, and accolades pursuant to his many years of distinguished service to the State.

I met Otto in 1980, and he became, over the years, a personal and true friend and mentor. Otto was instrumental in the success of our Association and a loyal supporter of our cause. While he was still able, he attended every single one of our conferences. There has never been a more caring, giving, and generous man.

Otto passed away in January of this year. As his obituary read, "Chief, we will miss you dearly."

Patty Holloway, NCNA President, 2006-2015

MEET YOUR NEW 2016–2018 OFFICERS

PRESIDENT - CRYSTAL CRUMP



Crystal Crump is a Union County native and a graduate of King's College in Charlotte, NC. Crystal worked as a legal secretary and real estate paralegal from 1990 until being sworn in as Register of Deeds for Union County in 2004. Crystal has been a notary since 1990. Crystal is Past President of the North Carolina Register of Deeds Association and has served on various committees and remains actively involved within that Association. Crystal is also a member of IAoGO, PRIA, and the North Carolina Notary Association. Crystal also participates on various community boards within Union County. Crystal has two boys and is a member of Bethlehem United Methodist Church in Waxhaw.

VICE-PRESIDENT—DONNA WRAY



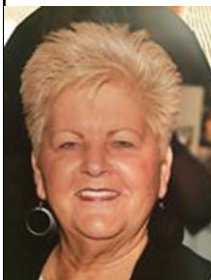
Donna Wray has been a North Carolina Notary Public since 2008. She was a Florida Notary Public also as well as a Closing Agent for a Title Company. Donna is a certified Signing Agent, member of the National Notary Association as well as Vice President of North Carolina Notary Association.

TREASURER-FAYE SENTER



Retired Notary Public Instructor for 25 years. Taught for Wake and Durham community colleges and also Central Carolina Community college. Served as Trainer with NCDMV for 20 years, trained personnel for operating license plate agencies, financial institutions, law enforcement, car dealer seminars and in-house personnel. Volunteer activities: Volunteer with Wake County Special Olympics working with basketball and spring athletic games. Volunteer with Note in the Pocket; Green Chair Project, and Servant Saturdays with her church, White Memorial Presbyterian Church; Leader of Russian Knitting and Crocheting Group –make scarves, hats, sweaters, mittens, etc. for 1000 plus children in Smolensk Russia. Hobbies include reading, knitting, cross stitching, and traveling.

ILA PENNY –RECORDING SECRETARY



Graduate of Williams Township High School and Miller-Motte Business College. Former Register of Deeds of Columbus County, NC (1962 - 2000); Past President, V-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Historian of NCARD; Former substitute teacher Columbus County Schools; Former Treasurer of Democratic Party; Past President of Legal Secretaries of Columbus County, NC; Past President of Southeastern Genealogical Society; Former Notary Instructor; Member and former Secretary of Williams Township Educational Foundation; Secretary of NCNA; Past President of Woman's Auxiliary - Pee Dee District; Board Member of Free Will Baptist Children's Home; Advisory Council of Dept of Aging; Recipient of The Order of the Long Leaf Pine; Member of Beaverdam Free Will Baptist Church. Married to Woodrow "Jack" Penny, mother of two, "Granny Vee" to five grandchildren.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—PATTY HOLLOWAY



Patty Holloway is a native of Knoxville, Tn. and attended East Tennessee State University. She has been a North Carolina resident since 1978. Having served as a North Carolina Notary Public since 1997, Patty currently teaches the Notary Public Commissioning course for Wake, Durham, and Central Carolina Community Colleges. She has served the North Carolina Notary Association as Vice-President (2004-2006), and as President (2006-2015).

Previously held professional positions include: State and County Sales Rep. for Clerks of Courts and Registers of Deeds computer systems and supplies; Land Records Management Consultant for the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and the Department of the Secretary of State; and the Administrative Procedures Act Coordinator for DENR. Patty retired from State service in 2012 after 30 years.

Personal: Married with one daughter, two stepsons, and three grandchildren. Favorite pastimes include pottery, reading, traveling to the mountains and the beach and her dog Hannah. Patty also volunteers at Rex Hospital as a Newborn Infant Hearing Screener.

HISTORIAN—JUDY CHAPMAN



Judy Chapman is a native of Union County (Monroe) NC. She graduated Cum Laude from North Carolina State University in 2001. She has been a notary since 1978 and a notary instructor since 1983. She has been an E- Notary and E- Notary Instructor since 2007.

She was Union County Register of Deeds from 1986-1988. She was organizer for South Piedmont Notary Society of Southern North Carolina 1990-94. She was organizer and First President of North Carolina Notary Association 2001-2003. Chapman was a Notary of the Year Nominee and Runner Up at the National Notary Association in 2003. She is currently owner/operator of A Notary Store + More.

Chapman served from 1989-1997, as Uniform Commercial Code Director with the Secretary of State, and from 1997-2004 as Special Assistant to the Director of Correction Enterprises, North Carolina Department of Correction. She is now retired from state government and is currently in Real Estate sales in the greater Charlotte area.

Judy has been involved in a number of civic organization and active in her church, Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church in Monroe, NC. Married to David Chapman, the couple has three children and seven great grandchildren and reside in Monroe, NC.



The new 2016-2018 Officers were sworn in by David Crabtree at the April 2016 Annual Conference. Left to right : David Crabtree, Lynn Calder, Faye Senter, Patty Holloway, Judy Chapman, Ila Penny, Donna Wray, and Crystal Crump.



