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A Newsletter for Friends and Supporters
of Moore Free Care Clinic
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Our Mission Fulfilled in The Life of One Patient

A 43 year old lady was referred to the MFCC Cardiology Clinic to evaluate shortness of breath and chest pain. She was found to have a heart murmur which was typical for a leaking mitral valve (mitral regurgitation), and this was confirmed by an echocardiograph performed without charge by FirstHealth. She was referred to a Pinehurst Medical Clinic Cardiologist, Dr. Patrick Simpson, who volunteered his services to perform a cardiac catheterization. FirstHealth provided the staff and facilities for the cath to be performed at no charge to the patient.

The cath confirmed the finding of mitral insufficiency, but to everyone's surprise, the patient also had an "anomalous" coronary artery. That is, the left main coronary artery originated from her pulmonary artery rather than her aorta! She has had this congenital abnormality since birth and, all these years had blood low in oxygen being fed to her heart muscle! This extremely rare abnormality needed surgical correction and was beyond the scope of care provided at FirstHealth.

The patient's low-income status proved to be a barrier to her being accepted for surgery at some university centers, but when Dr. Ross Ungerleider at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center was consulted, he immediately arranged for her to have corrective surgery in collaboration with Dr. Neal Kon of Wake Forest School of Medicine. The patient had an uneventful recovery and returned to her family with a new lease on life and to the care of the MFCC.

We all owe Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center a debt of gratitude for their charitable and very valuable service to our patient.

Dr. James Tart, retired cardiologist & MFCC Volunteer

"With Deep Gratitude"

It is with the deepest of gratitude that we depart from the Moore Free Care Clinic in an official capacity as staff. We are turning over our leadership to Tony Price as CEO, who will give strong guidance to the clinic. August 31 is the "magic date" of transition, although we will be available to offer some consultation through the end of the year.

One can be sure that we will remain attached to the clinic in some way, always desiring to follow its progress in the years to come. We have had the joy of witnessing good growth in the work and mission of the MFCC. As always, there have been challenges along the way, but we are delighted by how far the clinic has come, the many partnerships we have developed, and all the employed staff and volunteers who have cham-

pioned the cause of the uninsured in Moore County. We are sincerely grateful to the whole Sandhills community: medical providers, donors, churches, civic clubs and businesses who have done so very much to support the mission of the MFCC. You have been outstanding, and we are assured that you will continue to be. Thank you.

In addition, we would be VERY remiss if we did not express our deepest appreciation to David and Frieda Bruton, who have hosted us in their home for about three years now. They have become the most wonderful of friends and their faithful commitment to the improvement of the Sandhills community occupies much of their time and energy. We are confident that Dr. Bruton will continue to offer the outstanding leadership

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Our Mission

With a spirit of compassion and with the utmost respect for the dignity of all persons, the Moore Free Care Clinic provides high quality primary, preventive and specialty care to limited income people of Moore County who are uninsured and can't afford access to health care.

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to the clinic which he has done from the earliest days of the founding of the MFCC. Thank you David and Frieda for your love and support of us.

Equally so, we must confess, we will miss our patients. We have come to deeply appreciate who they are, the compassion they deserve, and the gratitude which they have constantly expressed. We serve an incredible people who in most cases have very little control over circumstances which have deprived them of quality health care. We have been privileged to be a part of their lives by partially filling this gap for them. Our deep gratitude goes out to these patients who have taught us many wonderful lessons of life, mingled with loving companionship along the way. Thank you.

We will miss you all and we will miss this valuable and fulfilling work. But we press on with other calls to life and work; both in Latin America and in Warren County, our primary residence. We encourage your strong support for Tony Price, all the staff of the MFCC, and its Board of Directors. Press on with your generous commitment to the MFCC's mission! Blessings to all of you.

Mark and Beth Wethington

MFCC Welcomes a New CEO in September

Moore Free Care Clinic is proud to introduce, Anthony (Tony) C. Price, as its new Chief Executive Officer. Tony replaces outgoing CEO, Mark Wethington, who will be leaving August 31. Tony is a retired Vice President, Business Solutions Group, Retail Markets – Verizon Communications. The Business Solutions Group provides communications solutions to mid-sized and emerging business customers through the Verizon footprint.



Anthony "Tony" Price
 New CEO

Price had a long career with Verizon and held a variety of Executive level positions in the marketing, sales and operations areas. His career track moved from operations to marketing where he held several management positions in product and business development, marketing and sales, with a focus on strategic product planning; broadband data and video services, market management and strategic relationships for the Business Market.

Tony attended Virginia Tech where he studied Political Science and Environmental and Urban Studies, and George Mason University where he studied Marketing. He has served as member of the Diversity Advisory Board of George Mason University; Executive Board Member and Treasurer of the Christiansburg Institute; Executive Board-Developmental Roundtable for Upward Mobility; and a Visiting Professor for the Black Executive Exchange Program. Tony is a member and chairman of Staff Parish Relations of Pinehurst United Methodist Church and is active in other community activities.

Serving as a Director for the last two years on the clinic's board, Tony has gained valuable insight into the many challenges he will face in accepting the role as Chief Executive Officer. He is very committed to the mission of MFCC through his service for those who are uninsured and continues to be one of his personal goals.

Post retirement from Verizon, Tony is currently co-owner of Quantum Technologies Consulting and works part time for Pinehurst Resort. He and his wife, Sherry, have two sons, and live in Pinehurst.

The "Together We Can Do MOORE" Semi Hits the Road!!!



Medical Exam Stations in Semi

Here's what we accomplished on the Semi in just eight days in June and July

St. Joseph of the Pines has partnered with the Moore Free Care Clinic (MFCC) for the utilization of the 53 foot Semi to provide healthcare to the uninsured, low income residents of Moore County who find it difficult to reach our main clinic in Southern Pines for treatment. The following stats reflect just how the semi is being used by the MFCC and other non-profits:

- 75 patients were seen by the MFCC on the Semi. These are patients who have not been able to get to the clinic in Southern Pines, but can get to the Semi in their own hometown.
- 58 new people were screened for future treatment by the MFCC on the Semi.
- 20 people were screened by the Benefit Bank of NC for human service assistance.
- 850 bags of food were distributed to families in the Back Pack Program and the Northern Moore Family Resource Center summer camp. The Back Pack Program distributes food to children on Fridays during the school year. Parents of children in the program in Robbins and Carthage were notified that they could pick up food on the semi during the summer months.

The semi will be in Robbins the third Tuesday and Wednesday of each month, behind the First Bank parking lot on Middleton Street from 9-5 each day.

The semi will be in Carthage the fourth Tuesday and Wednesday of each month, behind the Municipal Township Building on 15-501 from 9-5 each day.

If you are interested in more information about how you can "get on board" the semi to volunteer, host an event, or donate funds for operations, call or email Susie Buchanan, Director of Community Relations, St. Joseph of the Pines, 910-246-3125 or sbuchanan@sjp.org.

Susie Buchanan, MFCC Volunteer