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(2) IN WHAT AREA OF THE COUNTY YOU LIVE  
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to order call 888-955-6264 or visit namifourseasons.org

Cost for MAHEC Participants $20.00

MAHEC designates this continuing education activity as meeting the criteria for .25 CEU's as established by the National Task Force on the Continuing Education Unit. Pre-registration is required.
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"If you ask most people today where the mentally ill are in our society, they will tell you they're in state mental hospitals. They're wrong... They are in our jails and prisons."

~ Judge Steven Liebman, Miami, Florida

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Our Goals

Awareness about Mental Health and what it really is, not what people think it is.

Advocacy for proven programs, like Crisis Intervention Training for law enforcement officers, that help people recover and regain their dignity.

By the numbers

335,000 adults + 99,000 children: The number of people in North Carolina living with mental illness.

1,000: The number of North Carolinians that die by suicide each year - almost always the result of untreated or under-treated mental illness.

1000 adults + 800 children: The number of North Carolinians living with mental illness in our criminal justice system.

The power of words

People with diabetes or heart disease are “ill”.
People with mental illness are “crazy”.
It’s time to change the meaning through understanding.

Mental illness is a disease of the brain, a chemical imbalance, and a health issue.

Visit our website to learn more.

NAMI Four Seasons
National Alliance on Mental illness

www.namifourseasons.org
888-955-6264
SUPPORT

NAMI Four Seasons knows that effective support groups are a key facet of NAMI’s grassroots organization.

HENDERSON & POLK COUNTY
Family Support Groups
2nd Thursday of every month at 5:00pm
Pardee Education Center.
Blue Ridge Mall.
Call: 1-888-955-NAMI (6264)

4th Saturday of every month at 10:00am
Grace Lutheran Church.
Corner of Sixth Avenue and Blythe.
Call: 1-888-955-NAMI (6264)

POLK COUNTY
1st Monday of every month at 10:00 am
Steps to Hope, Columbus, NC
Contact Annie Ewing 864-457-7278

NAMI Connection (for persons with mental illness)
2nd & 4th Tuesday of every month at 4:30pm.
The Sixth Avenue West Clubhouse
Contact Gail: 828-697-1581

NAMI Four Seasons Educational Program
Open to all those who are suffering from a mental illness as well as their family members, partners and friends.
3rd Saturday of every month at 10:15am
Includes a short business meeting and social networking.
Call: 1-888-955-NAMI (6264)

EDUCATION

The FAMILY-TO-FAMILY Education Program is designed to help caregivers, family members and significant others, understand and support individuals with mental illness while maintaining their own well being. There is no other program that is so full of information and practical assistance! The course is taught by volunteers who have been trained by NAMI and have personal experience with loved ones suffering from brain disorders. This is a free 12 session course. Call 1-888-955-NAMI (6264)

ADVOCACY

Advocacy for public policy change is a NAMI priority, with the goal of improving the quality of life and the possibility of recovery for those living with mental illness and their families. NAMI acts as ‘watchdog’ to alert all those concerned about ‘negative impact’ legislation at both state and national levels.

Your membership dues help to make this possible!
MEMBERSHIP FORM
JOIN US AND LEND YOUR VOICE TO OURS, STRENGTH IN UNITY!

As a member of NAMI Four Seasons you will automatically become a member of NAMI North Carolina and the national organization NAMI. We are 1,600 affiliates strong and counting!

- Individual Membership $35
- Family Membership (one household) $35
- Mental Healthcare/Professional Provider $50

Open Door Membership.
For those with limited incomes, including those living with mental illness and their families.

- Individual Membership $3
- Family Membership (one household) $3

Donations are always appreciated and are tax deductible.

- Friend $50-$99
- Sponsor $100-$199
- Benefactor $200+

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PO Box 2108
Hendersonville NC 28793-2108

Or help reduce our costs!
E-mail via our website: namifourseasons.org

NAMI FOUR SEASONS
is a grassroots affiliate of NAMI National and NAMI North Carolina.
Serving Henderson and Polk Counties.

OUR MISSION
is to provide support education and advocacy for families affected by mental illness in our local communities.

OUR MEMBERSHIP
consists primarily of family members, friends of people who have mental illnesses and mental health professionals.

OUR SUPPORT
comes from memberships, donations, grants, fundraising and time donated by our volunteers.

NAMI Four Seasons is a 501(c)(3)
Non-profit organization.

PO Box 2108 • Hendersonville NC 28793-2108
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Information Line Available M-F 8:30-5:00
Suicide Help 24 hours: 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS
We are here to help four seasons of the year!

Providing support, education and advocacy for individuals and families living with mental illness.

We are a volunteer organization.
With understanding and knowledge gained from lived experience.

Website: namifourseasons.org
Phone: 1-888-955-NAMI (6264)
E-mail: info@namifourseasons.org
Please join us in celebrating Mental Illness Awareness Week, this October 8, 2011. We are honored to have Pete Earley, author of *Crazy: A Father's Search Through America’s Mental Health Madness*, as our keynote speaker. Beginning at 10am, at Blue Ridge Community College, we plan to use this opportunity to bring together a cross section of law enforcement officers, judicial representatives, mental health providers, elected officials, families and community members who are affected by mental illness.

The cost to attend this event is $10. We feel this is a tremendous value to the community and to the members of the judicial system who might attend. The proceeds from this event will be directed towards *Crisis Intervention Training* for more police officers.

Pete Earley has been identified by the *Washingtonian Magazine* as one of the ten journalists in America who “have the power to introduce new ideas and give them currency.” He’s also the father of a son who lives with schizophrenia.

*Crazy* describes Pete’s attempts to help his son, Mike, after he is denied treatment during a psychotic break and is arrested. Pete explains why jails and prisons have become our new asylums, why this is wrong and what we need to do to turn mental health back into a health issue instead of continuing to make it a criminal justice problem.

We hope you’ll join us, either as a sponsor, a partner or as a participant. With your participation we will begin to sow the seeds of change. Most of our sponsorship levels include tickets, a signed copy of Earley’s book, and recognition in our promotional materials. A book signing will follow Pete’s presentation.
New Cape Fear Reservoir Could Alleviate Water Woes

By Michael L. Lawhey
Associate Editor
RALEIGH
New Hanover County commissioners are proposing that a large new reservoir be built on the Cape Fear River in Bladen County. The proposed reservoir would help alleviate future water supply issues for the greater Wilmington area, report the Wilmington Star-News and Fayetteville Observer. Wilmington sits in a unique position. As the Cape Fear River flows through the city, it discharges the water it carries into the ocean. As such, these are no downstream users to consider. Even so, the region will reach its maximum withdrawal from the river in about 30 years, potentially limiting future growth.

The solution, according to New Hanover County Commissioner Rick Callin, is to construct a reservoir on the river, turning the river basin into a lake covering some 5.5 square miles in Bladen County. "We get millions of gallons of fresh water that we don't capture, and it runs into the ocean. The ability to store any portion of that is a positive thing," said Callin.

A new state law will make it easier to turn Callin's idea into reality. House Bill 809, which the General Assembly passed in June, allows money from the Clean Water Management Trust Fund to be used to build reservoirs. The idea is that state and local governments would partner to increase water supplies.

Local water authorities have responded positively to Callin's proposal. Turning the idea into reality will take many years. "It may be decades before we reach completion, but the value of future water supplies will distinguish our region and promote our success," Callin said. "Good projects need to start with a vision. This is a good starting point. It is a conversation starter."

PART cuts more

The Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation continues to struggle financially. The Triad's regional transit service's latest proposal to close a budget gap includes additional fare increases, service reductions, and a possible merger with a newly created regional government organization, report the Greensboro News & Record and Winston-Salem Journal.

PART faces a $1.1 million budget gap. It plans to save nearly $250,000 by reducing frequency on 10 of the 11 routes it runs. Cuts in office staff and marketing are planned. The agency also has proposed a fare increase from $2.20 to $3 on all routes outside of its PART Express service between Greensboro, High Point, and Winston-Salem. It raised the fare on all its routes to $2.60 in July; the one-way fare previously had been $2. As a result of the fare increase, PART experienced a 13 percent decrease in riders. The pending additional fare increase is expected to reduce ridership further and cut into PART's income from grants tied to ridership. PART estimates the higher fares will not only an additional $15,600.

PART Chairman Darrell Fries also has suggested the transit organization come under the control of and share space with the Piedmont Triad Regional Council to achieve further budget savings. The council was created by merging the Piedmont Triad Council of Governments and the Northwest Piedmont Council of Governments.

Wake open-space ordinance

As expected, the Wake County Commission has ended its policy of requiring developers to set aside land in new subdivisions for open space or contribute to a county fund to provide parkland. The program has proven unworkable, reports the Raleigh News & Observer.

The county adopted the ordinance in 2009. Since then, it has collected $1.7 million from developers that chose to pay rather than provide open space. However, the county has spent only $42,633 from the fund. The Recreational Land Dedication Ordinance specified that the land to be acquired with the funds should be within three miles of the development. That proved difficult, as suitable affordable land was scarce, particularly in popular parts of the county.

The move does not mean that the county is giving up on acquiring more open land. Wake County has issued $31 million in bonds to buy 4,600 acres of property for use as parkland. "The county has more strategic methods to preserve open space and require parkland — methods more effective than this impact fee," noted Tim Maloney of the Wake County Division of Community Services.