



Photo courtesy Pete Gregorio

# The Claiborne Clarion

A Newsletter for the Claiborne Community  
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## December Events At the Village Hall

### Work Day

THIS Tuesday, 12/ 2 10 AM  
All Welcome

### Association Board Meeting

Tuesday, 12/ 9 - 7:00 PM  
All Welcome

### St. Michaels House Tour at Claiborne Village Hall

12/13 11:00 to 5:00  
12/14 11:00 to 4:00

### CLAIBORNE COMMUNITY HOLIDAY DINNER

Sunday, Dec. 14 6:45pm

## December Birthdays

Liz Fellingner 12/ 6  
Lida Klunk 12/ 8  
Jess Murphy 12/ 9  
DeDe Ritner 12/ 11  
Dani Murphy 12/ 16  
Cecelia Boos 12/ 17  
Edward Schaefer 12/ 22  
Norm Haddaway 12/ 26  
Owen Bond 12/ 28  
Devin Lednum 12/ 29

## Christmas in St. Michaels Comes to Claiborne

Mary Gregorio, Claiborne Village Association, president

As you may recall from Kirke Harper's article in the November Clarion, the Claiborne Village Hall will be a stop on the Christmas in St. Michaels House Tour this year. We saw this invitation to participate in the tour as an opportunity to kick off a fundraising campaign for 2015. Tour visitors will hear a bit about the history of the building, its current use as a Village Hall, and our future plans for a resilience center, and they will have an opportunity to make a contribution to our efforts.

If you've stopped at the Hall to pick up your mail recently, you might have noticed that work continues in the Annex. Our goal is to proceed with work that will allow us to expand into the Annex for events and activities, and while most of the labor comes from our very skilled neighborhood volunteers and many donations have come from very generous neighbors, our long-term goal is to create a self-sustaining community center through a variety of fundraising opportunities.

The tour will be held on Saturday 12/13/14 from 11:00am until 5:00pm and on Sunday 12/14/14 from 11:00am until 4:00pm. Shuttle buses will transport groups of visitors and the Village Hall will be the first stop along the way.

Once the tours end on Sunday, Claiborne elves will magically transform the Hall back into its usual welcoming spot for gathering. Some of the sponsors and organizers of the tour will join us for dinner. (see below)



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2014

6:45pm

### CLAIBORNE COMMUNITY HOLIDAY PARTY

(Dinner, Holiday songfest, Special guests)

Mary Lou McAllister, Founder of Christmas in St. Michaels, Libby Moose, and the Claiborne Village Association Program Committee are hosting a catered dinner to celebrate our Village's participation in the festivities!

If you have not yet sent an RSVP, please do so!  
[gregorio27@gmail.com](mailto:gregorio27@gmail.com) or 410-745-9920

**Claiborne Scrap Metal Drive Report**  
**Kirke Harper**, Claiborne Village Association, vice president

It was Friday, November 21 and Claiborne's Scrap Metal Drive was in full swing. A number of people brought small items to the Hall, and we used the community truck (Thanks, Jack and Judy!) to pick up larger items.

By Friday afternoon the truck was nearly full and the pile of donated scrap metal remained in front of the Hall. Yet to be loaded were an old boat trailer, a kitchen stove, a riding lawnmower, an 8 foot culvert section, some six inch drain pipe, about 150 feet of iron pipe, part of an old roof, an air conditioner and a collapsed tent frame. Now the community trailer was needed.

Mike Kabler and Jake Flory had already been out to Leonard Wroton's place, picking up the stove and water heater, while I had collected the small stuff - old BBQs, lawn mowers, fence posts, tomato cages, lamps, a gas engine with pump, plus assorted odds and ends. Bill Sewell and Peter Gregorio helped load their items. On Saturday Mike and I put the remaining items on the Community trailer. The culvert was too heavy for me so it had to be rolled up boards onto the trailer. Back at the Hall we sorted the copper, aluminum, and stainless steel. Sometime later Mike and Jess Murphy picked up the old boat trailer at Katie and Dick Snowden's and threw it on top of the truck.

The Scrap Metal Drive was a great success, raising \$365 for the Claiborne Village Association. Our thanks to everyone who donated their formerly valuable things, and everyone who helped load the truck and trailer. Good work, everyone!



Photo Kirke Harper

**A Cornucopia of Talent at the Village Hall in November**

We were so excited to have Mo McHugh's brother, **Tim Mooney** back with his wonderful one man show: **The Greatest Speech of All Time**. This was the second time Tim performed this show here, and both returning fans and folks new to his work were thrilled with the evening. We were also pleased to have many guests attending from Mo and Tim McHugh's new neighborhood in St. Michaels. A fun evening!



**Tim Mooney**

Photo courtesy Tim Mooney

Busy Graham brought her friend, **Pete Sutherland**, and **Pete's Posse** – Oliver Scanlon and Tristan Henderson – for an evening of originals, old ballads, and fiddle music followed by contra dancing. Claiborne, as always, won the prize for enthusiastic effort (if not skill) in line dancing. We exhausted ourselves with both trying and laughing!!!



**Busy and Pete**

Photos of concert and dance  
 Courtesy Busy Graham



**Pete's Posse**



**Claiborne Dancing**

And last, but no means least, The Otter/Moorhead household shared their musical family with us once again for a wonderful **Hootenanny Sing-along**. Becky's son, Jonathon Williams {also known as j willie}, brought his 12-string guitar and his laptop loaded with the words to a zillion songs. These were projected for all to see so we could easily join in. And we did! Paul's daughters, Ann and Emily Moorhead, added wonderful harmony on many numbers. Lots of requests as well. Very fun!!!



**Becky & Paul on their way to the Awards Ceremony**  
Photo Terry Babb



**Jonathon Williams**  
Photo Linda Harper



**Ann & Emily Moorhead add lovely harmonies**  
Photo Judy Harrald

**Paul Moorhead Named As Co-Recipient of the 2014 John Scott Science Award**

On November 21<sup>st</sup> the Board of City Trusts at the American Philosophical Society founded by Benjamin Franklin honored Claiborne's Paul Moorhead in Philadelphia. Dr. Moorhead shared the prestigious John Scott Award, one of the top prizes in the world of science and medicine, with Dr. Leonard Hayflick for their work in proving that normal human cells have a limited capacity for dividing before they die out. This was a revolutionary idea in the 1960s that helped launch the modern era of research on the causes of human aging.

Paul, who lives on Miracle House Circle with Becky Otter, is the latest in a long line of winners of the highly coveted Scott Award. It was endowed by Scottish chemist and pharmacist John Scott (unfortunately, not the also famous Claiborne John Scott). The award is intended as a legacy to the scientific achievements of Benjamin Franklin and has been awarded in Philadelphia each year since 1822 to "ingenious men and women who make useful inventions" to benefit society as a whole.

Past recipients include 15 winners of the Nobel Prize, among them Marie Curie, Guglielmo Marconi, R. Buckminster Fuller, Baruch Blumberg, Kary Mullis, K. and Barry Sharpless. Other prior honorees include Dr. Christian J. Lambertsen (2010) for his invention of the underwater breathing apparatus known as SCUBA; Jonas E. Salk (1954) for discovering the Salk Poliomyelitis vaccine; and Sir Alexander Fleming (1944) for his discovery of Penicillin.

Dr. Moorhead, now retired, is a renowned cytogeneticist who co-authored the research with Dr. Hayflick in 1961 at the Wistar Institute in Philadelphia. He later served at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia & the University of Pennsylvania Medical School.

*Thanks to Terry Babb and Mary Gregorio, this article is excerpted, adapted and mangled by Patti Cruickshank-Schott based on articles from the Fox Chase Medical Center & PRNewswire, found on the abc27 website. - <http://www.abc27.com/story/2743941/three-world-renowned-scientists-are-named-as-recipients-of-the-2014-john-scott-science-award>*



**Becky & Paul at the event.**  
Photo Jonathon Williams



**Paul Moorhead with his medal and citation.**  
Photo courtesy event photographer

## Aging in Community Group Begins in Claiborne

Patti Cruickshank-Schott

The first gathering of Aging in Place in Claiborne met in November with 9 enthusiastic participants. Below are a few excerpts from the conversation.

Claiborne folks help each other in many ways already and there are a lot of important things in place. It could be better organized so we're not always hesitating to help someone though. We absolutely don't want people to think we're getting overly involved in their personal lives, and, at the same time we want to be sure folks know there are people who are more than happy to offer rides to the doctors, to repair lamps, to sweep snow... whatever needs to be done. There were several comments about how it is often much harder to ask for help than to give it and that we all want to be better at asking.

I am informed by my own mother, 94, and things she is interested in: a social life, rides to the doctor & grocery store, help with electronics, and sometimes figuring out her calendar. I anticipate following her route: living to 90 and going strong, but I want to do it in Claiborne.... I want to find out what elders need to continue to live well here in Claiborne.

And this isn't just about older people. We hope to support residents of all ages and to invite help from all members of the community. Everybody needs help with something, and everybody can help with something!

The group made a quick a list of possible projects/ideas, We'd love input from you on things you'd like to see offered in Claiborne:

- Create a simple and flexible system with one person to call with questions and requests for help. Someone who sounds thrilled that you called!
- Flu Shots offered in Village Hall (most people already have for this year but plan for next year).
- Fog Delay childcare offered for working parents.
- Get Clarion and community emails out to all/ share this task.
- Inaugurate an interactive Claiborne morning CB radio show (share duties of moderator; get CB for each household).
- Invite a wider range of people to work days and clean up projects.
- Mixer dinners – small get-togethers that aren't just your usual social group.
- Movie Night with Soup Supper, maybe monthly.
- Offer classes – everyone has a field of expertise/ interest they could share.
- Perhaps Mary would offer a mental health first aid course
- Reduce driving – consolidate trips to Trader Joe's, Lowes, prescriptions, etc. One person gets things for several families.
- Share a nurse with St. Michael's Clinic who visits various villages one day a week for regular medical issues (a link to the person's own doctor).
- Shoveling/ blowing snow (share a community snow blower, enlist younger children to shovel, etc.)
- Snow/ Frozen Roads Shopping Service – generate a list of folks with 4-wheel drive; make a plan (call by 9 am with list, etc.).
- Watch movies about aging together. Linda Harper suggests, 'All Together'.
- We each agreed to bring one more person to next meeting.

There seemed to be consensus about offering the Snow Shopping this winter. If you have a 4-wheel drive vehicle and would be willing to be on a rotating list to pick up necessities for people when the weather is bad, let-us know. Kirke 410-745-9348 Patti 919-696-6630

Our next Claiborne meeting will be after the holidays, in early January. **PLEASE JOIN US!!**

**Questions, comments, ideas call or email Patti 919-696-6630/  
awayhome@happynomad.com**

**SAVE THE DATE  
DECEMBER  
Sherwood Seminars**

**Al Bond Tues 12/16  
Coffee 6:30 pm  
Talk 7:00 pm**

Sherwood Seminars are the  
2nd Tuesday of each month.

The Sherwood community  
sponsors this speaker series  
in the Church Hall on  
Sherwood Landing Road.



**Khalifa Tower** in Dubai is the tallest manmade building in the world at 2,716.5 FT & 160 stories! In this photo Les is about 1.5 KM away. It is more than 2 1/2 times taller than the Empire State Building.



**Skyline of Dubai**, with Cayan Tower, the world's tallest twisted skyscraper - 1, 010 ft./ 75 stories.



**AIDar HQ**, the first circular skyscraper in the world, Abu Dhabi 361 ft./ 23 stories.  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QnfTq90PAe8> Beautiful footage of this building!

## Les Burdett "It's the Kind of Thing I Do..."

Interview with Patti Cruickshank-Schott

*A few months ago, Pete Gregorio told me he thought I should talk with Les about his recent work project in Dubai. He'd heard some of Les' stories and found them really interesting. He was right...*

Mostly you will be reading Les' own words [in regular type], with my questions and additions [*in italics*], and a bit of research [**in bold**].

*So tell me about Dubai...*

My company, Lane, flew me over to the United Arab Emirates (UAE) last March and I stayed 3 months... Usually people need to agree to a 2-year contract. I was only willing to go over to get it started.

*The UAE is 2.5 times as big as Maryland, but only .75 the size of Virginia.* It's small, but very rich. Les explained it this way – Sheikhs, who might be compared to governors, run it, but really the area they govern is more like a county here. That is like their fiefdom, and whatever money comes from the oil in that the Sheikh to the local Arabs then distributes area. These 'true citizens' get stipends from government, so they don't have to work.... They might build a business, then give it to a nephew to run. The real workers/ laborers are from other countries – India, Pakistan, Malaysia, and many countries in Africa.

*According to Wikipedia (of course you should never depend on Wikipedia, but I often do: "The United Arab Emirates (UAE) is a federation of seven constituent monarchies... According to convention, the ruler of Abu Dhabi is President of the UAE - the head of state - and the ruler of Dubai is the Prime Minister of the United Arab Emirates - the head of government."*

**In late 2013 it was announced that Dubai would host the 2020 World Expo. World Expos attract millions of visitors with hundreds of exhibitions, cultural events, and pavilions... But what will really be showcased is Dubai itself, and the Sheik of Dubai hopes to transform Dubai into a leading global hub. [Adapted: <http://www.dubaiattractions.com>]**

So construction is at a fever pitch. And, of course the airport needed to be upgraded to accommodate the huge number of tourists they hope will visit.

Abu Dhabi and Dubai are about 80 miles apart and between is just sand, nothing else... Everything (but sand for cement) has to be imported... The resources are very minimal - no food, no cattle, or even chickens. It is all shipped in. All the water is desalinated from the gulf. We drank imported bottled water, and the ice was even made from bottled water. That's probably why the drinks cost \$8.00 each!

*A* When I got there, at night it was about 80° and in the day 110°. By the time I left on June 1<sup>st</sup> it was 115°, and it was not true summer yet. Someone said, "Now it will start getting hot..." I like the heat so I adjusted... I accepted it...

I thought we would be staying in some kind of compound, but instead we were all housed in great hotels. We were all out on an island, which they did to keep all us infidels separate. Where we were there were bars and such... It was more of a giant summer resort. Drinking and gambling are illegal on mainland of course. Right across the street from my hotel was a formula racetrack and the grandstands were a ¼ mile long! There was a yacht club near my hotel, but we weren't allowed there. They had to have a control tower to let the boats in and out... The yachts are so huge only one can go in or out at a time - boat traffic control! And the food was incredible. I tried everything – Indian, Pakistani, Malaysian – so much flavor! Food here tastes bland to me now.

The rules are very strict in the UAE. One of my people got cut off in traffic one day and made a rude gesture. He was immediately taken to jail. When I brought his US passport (with some money slipped inside) he was released. They are more lenient with Americans ... [*Wikipedia notes that kissing in public is punishable by deportation, so imagine how much trouble Americans could get in just being themselves...*]

The architecture in both Dubai and Abu Dhabi is amazing. I actually thought the new



**Rashid Tower, 92 stories,  
382 meters.**

terminal was a roller coaster the first day I arrived. It looked just like one. Early in the development of the two cities they often built replicas of buildings from around the world. I was so surprised one day to come upon Atlantis... exactly like the one in the Bahamas! Now they seem to want original nontraditional designs. There are almost no straight or parallel lines in any building. None of the buildings are regular - all the sides flare out and every one is different, though occasionally two buildings might be mirror images.... All their bridges are very unique as well...

The tallest building in Abu Dhabi is named the Rashid Tower. According to Les, the local Sheikh ran out of money (oil) while it was under construction and got the funds to complete it from another Sheikh who agreed only if the tower was named after him! It's a big deal to have your name in another sheikhdom.

*A more official version of why the head of Abu Dhabi would name a building after the head of Dubai reads like this: It "reflects the strong bonds of fraternity and love between all emirates, and reflects the high status of Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid in the UAE and internationally..." [http://gulfbusiness.com/2014/11]*

*I like Les' version better!*

*Tell us about the project you went to work on:*

There was an airport expansion going on with a new terminal being built and upgrades to the runways and it has to be done by New Years. Partway through the project, someone realized they had neglected to create a way to get from one terminal to the other. The solution was a tunnel under one of the runways, but it had to be designed and completed quickly. This is the kind of thing I do... figure out problems... Bridges are what I really do. But I have done metro stations, which are half bridge half tunnel... So I've done all that.

We worked 2 eleven-hour shifts, 7 days a week. There were 500 crew during the day and 400 at night... Here I probably would have built a similar project with 120 people, but the work ethic is different there [*maybe because it was 115°?*] Here I'm a wild man running around... but that didn't work there. I worked all day, took a few hours off to eat...then came back to the second shift. At first I had a driver, but he was logging 20 hours a day, and my boss said I couldn't do that. They finally just gave me the truck...

This project is a 120' wide 3 bore tunnel with 3 lanes of traffic in each direction and also a separate space for the utilities. We started where the runway needs to go [then added sections on either side] so the runway project could continue as soon as possible.

This isn't an area of sand dunes. The sand is about 6" deep, then there is limestone, which degrades through the centuries making more sand... There is no soil there at all... We had to step back the walls, so when chunks of limestone would fall off, they didn't just plummet down and kill somebody.... The trucks that hauled all this away are called 'tipper trucks', and they are twice as big as a big dump truck here.

**A few statistics\*:**

**540,000+ cubic yards of fill was excavated**

**15,600 tons of rebar had to be fixed**

**112,000 cubic yards of structural concrete had to be placed**

When it was time for the concrete, there were 50 trucks to supply the 4 pumps, for continuous supply. The arm on the pump is 50 meters (150' long). We poured concrete at night cuz it was too hot in the day. And because of security, every single truck had to be inspected every single time it entered the area... That really took up time, but it had to be done...

We couldn't get a local to do the quantities of asphalt we needed so we shipped modules for an asphalt plant over on a freighter.... We do that a lot in this country now. Instead of trucking asphalt long distances, we just move the plant to where the job is.... Then the product is still hot.

We also had to put under drainage even though it only rains there 2 or 3 times a year. It was something to do with sea level changes, kind of like 100 year floods here... Another seemingly nonsensical requirement was that I had to run rollers on the stone to be sure the limestone could bear the weight of the tunnel. That was because the specs for on the surface required that because of the sand there... Just no common sense....



**Les surveying for the wheelchair ramp at the Hall...**  
 I'd say he's qualified!!!!  
 Photo P. Cruickshank-Schott



**Wilder Dam Fish Ladder**

While I was there we completed 10 sections (100' long each). When that was completed it was really just repetition... The last segment will be poured December 1<sup>st</sup>. Then it will need to have waterproofing and back fill completed, but the structural part will be done....



**The Tunnel Project, at the 3-month point**

**You can get a glimpse of the tunnel under construction though!! To see a video of the Abu Dhabi Airport Runway Project, copy and paste this link:**

<http://www.adac.ae/english/mtp/MTP/latest-news/2014-05-18-Southern-Runway-Development-Update---Video>  
**The section about the tunnel begins at the 2:15 mark.\***

*Give us a little background information on how you got to be doing such things...*  
 I worked in a lumber mill when I was a kid, then went to school for architecture for a year, then self taught myself in rebar and engineering... I was a carpenter building houses, after that, but because I could read prints and understood the reality, I became a kind of in between person with engineers. I'm the oldest structure supervisor in the company, so if there's a problem, I've probably had some experience with it... And so that's where they want me to go...

These days I work with the designers to help them adapt their thoughts and designs to the reality of actual construction and hopefully make things easier and cheaper in the application part of the project. I'm there to bring them down to earth.... I've done this for the last four designs. In many ways working in the office is better than out in the field, because I can catch things before the building begins. My bosses now have me set up with all the equipment at home – laptop, oversized printer, etc. so they can just send me plans here and save travel time. They even got me a portable printer to take out on the boat, and with my jetpack, I get internet anywhere and can just stop fishing to deal with a problem.

My company has encouraged me to go back to college any number of times to 'get the piece of paper'. I always say, "I don't want to get stupid like you guys." You never develop common sense unless you are out there doing it. There you have made the mistakes and say, "I'll never do that again!" You have to learn, not through education, but through the school of hard knocks. After 50 years I have learned some things... and I still learn something every day...

*What has been one of your favorite projects?*

Most interesting was a fish ladder on a dam in White River Junction, Vermont. The White River runs between Vermont and New Hampshire. White River Junction, VT and Lebanon, NH are really the same city but are separated by the river (and a state line!). The Wilder Dam was built in the 1950s ... but it was given some years to make it fish accessible. We designed steps for the salmon to jump with windows below the water so the smaller fish – perch and bass could also swim up... There is a walkway for observers and some Plexiglas windows so you can actually see the fish swimming up... It had to be 1000' long and has switchbacks to get from the bottom of the dam to the top. We also were asked to design and install an additional turbine into the project AFTER we had started, so that was a huge undertaking... and fun to figure out!

*As I was looking at pictures with Les, Flo suggested that he should give a presentation at the Village Hall. I agree that this would be the only way you'd get any kind of sense of either the architecture or the scope of the project he was involved in.*

**All photos courtesy Les Burdett unless otherwise noted.**

**Anna Kabler Receives Sailing Award**  
Kirke Harper, Claiborne Ferry owner and sailor

On November 22 the Herring Island Sailing Fleet celebrated its 37th year of racing at its annual award ceremony and dinner at the Miles River Yacht Club. Long-time Claiborne resident, Hugh Kabler, the Fleet's first Head Herring, organized HISF in 1976 to provide an informal racing program open to boats of all designs and sizes. HISF sponsors races in 5 series: Spring, Summer, Fall, Jib and Main, and Frostbite.

Anna Kabler, age 10  $\frac{3}{4}$ , Hugh's great granddaughter, was recognized as the youngest person to skipper a boat in an HISF race. She also accepted a trophy on behalf of *Flyer*, a Cal 40, for winning the Main and Jib only races.

*Claiborne Ferry*, the J30 owned and sailed by 9 Claiborne sailors, received a trophy for winning all three races in the Frostbite series.

**From the Herring Island Sailing Fleet Photo Archive:** Herring Island Sailing Fleets' first office, shown here, consisted of a table, typewriter, a phone and 2 chairs (underwater). Hugh Kabler, wearing the beret in the photo, organized the fleet and sailed until he was 92. Congratulations Anna, and may you have a long and equally enjoyable sailing career!!



**Local Singer Has Busy Holiday Season**

Ask Ella Murphy, daughter of Dani and Jess Murphy and sister of Taylor Murphy, what she's up to, and there is usually a long list – singing lessons, plays, musicals.... You name it, she's involved. We asked for a December update. It turns out Ella just finished singing in *Aladdin* with the Chesapeake Children's Theatre. Now she is playing the part of the "Dutch Girl" in the Avalon Theatre's holiday production of *Miracle on 34th Street*. There will be performances on December 19-22 and 27-28! We're also hope she'll sing her traditional solo at the Claiborne Christmas Gathering.



**Ella Murphy**  
Courtesy Danielle Murphy



**Aladdin Kids**– Ella, center row, 4<sup>th</sup> from left.  
Photo Chesapeake Children's Theatre



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### LOOKING AHEAD

#### Movie Night Returns!!!

Wed, 1/07. Join us for the first movie of 2015!!

Please send suggestions for movies you want to see to [jakeflory@gmail.com](mailto:jakeflory@gmail.com) or [patflory@gmail.com](mailto:patflory@gmail.com)

See the January Clarion for more!

#### January Birthdays

Barbara Haddaway	January 2
Koa Cureton	January 21
George MacMillan	January 23
Ciara Lednum	January 23

### Freecycle Comes to the Claiborne Clarion

Here are two like new items you might be interested in. They are each **free** to the first person to contact Patti [919-696-6630 or awayhome @happynomad.com]

1. Gaiam Sol Premium-Grip Yoga Mat (8mm). Very thick & surface is fabric like.
2. Vicks Warm Mist Humidifier. Used only a few months.

**If you have items you would like to offer for free in the Clarion,** contact Patti at 919-696-6630 or Awayhome@happynomad.com.

### Welcoming New Neighbors

**Jeanne & Mike Kuperberg** just bought Nancy Clark's former house down at the Landing.... They spent their kids' growing up years in Tallahassee, Florida and moved to Bethesda about 11 years ago. They have two daughters – Jessica, (26) a third year law student at the University of Washington in Seattle, and Jordan, (23) working for the marine search and rescue program at Eckerd College in St. Petersburg, Florida. Jeanne is a nurse working for a vascular device company and Mike is a biologist working for the Department of Energy. Jeanne said they hit the jackpot with neighbors in Bethesda, and we hope they'll come to feel that way about Claiborne as well... They plan to be down many weekends and want to be involved in the community. They already joined us for dancing at the Hall recently and Jeanne came to Ladies Night as well! They have an elderly golden retriever named Ben. Jeanne's mother, Grace, lives with them and has a Yorkie named Sparky. They encourage the neighbors to stop in and introduce themselves.

We have other new neighbors to welcome on Claiborne Road - Becky and Dave Anderson Sheila and John Taylor. More on those lovely people in upcoming issues.

### Correction and Apology!!

Mea culpa! We were told in no uncertain terms recently that we were listing Barbara Reisert's title - editor emeritus - in error – as emeritus is the *masculine* form. We did a bit of investigation on this, and the academic (emeritus) with substantial credentials seems to be quite correct... We have changed the masthead to **editor emerita** and offer our most sincere apologies. We do want to be proper! In the meantime another suggestion came in: that the Latin scholar can now "*chillus out*" unless of course it was a female, in which case they should "*chillae out*". There are so many smart people in Claiborne!!!