

Colorado Gerontological Society 2009 Board of Directors

Harry Boling is retired from Novartis Pharmaceutical Company where he worked in government relations. Since his retirement, he has consulted with pharmaceutical companies helping to recruit and screen individuals to serve on the sales force. He has also served as the Secretary/Treasurer for the Society.

Beth Breen has a master's degree in gerontology. She is the Executive Director of the Gardens at St. Elizabeth, where she has provided excellent leadership to the residents of that community in the areas of retirement living as well as assisted living.

Marilyn Berry currently does marketing for Holly Creek, a continuing care retirement community located in Centennial. Prior to working at Holly Creek, she was employed by Evercare of Colorado.

Carol Gaylord is a registered nurse. As a nurse she has a history working in home care for much of her career. Recently she began working at the Village at St Catherine's in Greenwood Village. She has collected food and paper products for the holiday baskets over the past ten years or more for Senior Answers and Services.

Barbara Harmon is a partner in Colorado Seniors Resource Connection. She has experience in nursing homes, community relations for home health, crisis intervention specialist, and marketing consultant for assisted living facilities.

Carl Harris has a love for teaching. He is a retired businessman who owned private schools during his early career. In 1989 he changed careers and became a stock broker working for numerous companies in the Denver area until his retirement several years ago. He spends a lot of time traveling and visiting grandchildren.

Paula Hutchings is the Medicare Sales Manager for Kaiser Permanente where she supervises the Medicare sales force. She has been actively in the planning and securing sponsorships for the Salute to Seniors.

Ann Jonsen has a bachelor's degree in social work from Stanford University. Currently retired, she was previously a nursing home administrator where she started the Medicare unit at Frasier Meadows in Boulder. She volunteers with the Hospice of Boulder and Broomfield County in the thrift store. She is the past president of the Board of Directors.

Brent Kirk currently is employed at TIAA-CREF. He has done consulting with numerous grant making foundations in the community as they have refined their philanthropic giving goals. Prior to doing private consulting, he was employed at Blue Cross Blue Shield in their Medicare sales division.

Marcelo Kort works in government relations for Lilly with responsibility for Colorado and six other states. He is actively involved with guaranteeing access to health care at the state legislatively level, especially for Medicaid clients. He worked as a fiscal analyst for Governor Roy Romer when he was in office.

Arvella Lucas has been the director of the Silver Elite program for U S Bank for the past seventeen years. She is responsible for planning programs and other events for members of the bank. She has served as the president of the Board of Directors.

Karlene Martin is an account manager for Shield Health Care. She has been actively involved Colorado Association of Medical Equipment Services. She has worked to positively impact state legislation to benefit clients, especially Medicaid recipients.

Annell Mook is recently retired from Sunrise Assisted Living as the regional marketing director. She has worked in marketing and customer service for most of her career. She is best characterized as a community collaborator. In her leisure time, she raises Labrador retrievers.

Ruth Oppenheim is a retired Denver Public School science teacher. She is active in numerous volunteer programs including National Jewish Hospital, reading to children at Dora Moore School, and reading for the blind. She has been involved in numerous political campaigns and neighborhood activities.

Sandra Ortega is currently the marketing director for the Visiting Nurse Hospice. Previously she has done marketing for Saint Andrew's Village and numerous other long term care agencies. Early in her career, she worked in broadcasting.

Carol Wier is a nurse practitioner currently employed by Senior Care of Colorado. She clinically rounds in nursing homes and assisted living facilities. Previously she worked in quality assurance for Porter Hospital and Centura Home Health Care. She started the SAGE outpatient seniors' clinic at Saint Joseph Hospital, a health and wellness program.

Ron Wright is currently working as the marketing director for Colorado Health Connections. He has worked for several other home care agencies, both in marketing as well as branch management. Prior to moving into the home care field, he was responsible for Medicare sales for one of the original health maintenance organizations in Colorado. He is the newly elected president of the Board of Directors.