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Residents Dick and Regina Bruns moved to Abernethy Laurels almost a year ago. Regina, a former long-term care nurse, and Dick, who held a career in hotel management, knew exactly what they wanted when they began their retirement community search.

Before moving to North Carolina, the couple opened and managed a six resident assisted living facility in upstate Pennsylvania. “Dick and I combined our nursing and hospitality experience to create a place to care for older adults,” shared Regina. In addition to managing their assisted living business, both Dick and Regina cared for their own aging parents and understood the challenges associated with being a caregiver.

Eventually the couple sold their business and moved to Taylorsville, NC to be closer to their child and to escape the harsh winters of the north. While in North

Carolina, they began hearing about Abernethy Laurels. After a visit and tour, the couple decided that they wanted to take the next step towards the retirement lifestyle they desired. Dick loved the serenity and open space the community offered. “We did not want a high-rise building with little character. Abernethy Laurels offers beautiful grounds, relaxing views, and we found it so peaceful during our visits,” said Dick.

Both Dick and Regina are artists, so finding a home that could accommodate the equipment needed for their hobbies was important. They found a home perfect for their needs – one with a room that could be dedicated to Regina’s sewing machine and fabrics and another room with ample lighting that could provide space for Dick to paint.

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Not your “Cookie Cutter” Community

When searching for retirement communities, it is not uncommon to see the same homes and floor plans throughout the community. Abernethy Laurels is the exception. In fact, there are nearly 130 homes with varying floor plans making Abernethy Laurels anything but a “cookie cutter” community.

When resident Charlie Bittinger was searching for a retirement community, the idea of having flexibility to create hobby space was important. Charlie is a photographer with a 30” computer monitor for making adjustments to his photos and several large printers. When choosing his home at Abernethy Laurels, Charlie shared his love of photography and the importance of needing space for his equipment. The Marketing team worked with the Maintenance department to turn Charlie’s desires into reality – the large mechanical room was turned into what Charlie refers to as his “dark” room for processing photos – a few alterations made this area into the perfect hobby space.

“Listening to what is important to a person and tailor-making the home to their specific wishes is a key element in creating the perfect home for our residents,” explained Marketing Director Rob Hartsell. “Abernethy Laurels wants your home to suit your needs, hobbies, and desires. If one of our many floor plans does not conform to what you need or want, then we will work with you to create the home that does.”

Residents may choose from a selection of paint colors, flooring options, countertop styles, lighting choices, sun rooms, screened porches, patios.....the list goes on and on. Abernethy Laurels wants your home to be just that – “your” home. We believe your home should be personalized and not a typical cookie-cutter home with a floor plan identical to your neighbors. Let us help you design your dream retirement home, contact us today!

welcome
new residents

Richard Mazak
Lincolnton, NC

Dorothy Gregory
Connelly Springs, NC

Loretta Huffman
Conover, NC

Walter McBride
Sherrills Ford, NC

Robert and Barbara Lisi
Gilbertsville, PA

James and Lois Hunt
Hickory, NC

Betty Jones
Sunnyvale, CA

William and Jeanne Hass
Denver, NC

H.P. Browning
Newton, NC

Bruce and Janet Hoover
Biglerville, PA



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The couple has settled nicely into their Villa home. With maintenance-free living and the comfort of having care available, they have embraced the lifestyle at Abernethy Laurels. In addition to their personal hobbies, they began playing musical instruments, exercising, attending programs, and making friends. "We know that our move to Abernethy Laurels was the best gift we could give our children. They are comforted knowing that we are enjoying life surrounded by wonderful new friends and a team of exceptionally hospitable staff," shared Dick and Regina.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Meeting Monet - A Different Perspective

Tuesday, October 23
2:00 pm



Join Abernethy Laurels and Carl R. Shatley for an exploration into the life and art of

Claude Monet, a leader in one of the most sweeping revolutions in the history of art: Impressionism. Enjoy a presentation of a wide range of works created by Monet and delve into little known details of his life and work. Presenter Carl Shatley holds a Master of Arts degree from Duke University in History and a Bachelor of Arts in Art from Greensboro College.

Cider Tasting & Village Apartment



Tuesday, October 30
3:00 to 4:00 pm

We invite you to join us for our Village open house where we will feature our spacious one level two bedroom apartment, with a fully equipped kitchen, modern finishes and a welcoming neighborhood to make you feel right at home. Visit and see for yourself why this award-winning senior community thrives on hospitality and carefree living.

Cork and Canvas Art Show

Friday, November 9
5:00 pm



Don't miss this showcase of canvases featuring various media from local artists. Meet the artists and enjoy buying or viewing their stunning work. Celebrate our local artists and enjoy a stimulating evening.

Model Home Open House

Wednesday, November 14
2:00 pm

You will fall in love with Abernethy Laurels as you preview a model home and meet some of our sensational neighbors. The model home will showcase our interior finishes and single level floor plans. Enjoy the spices of fall with a seasonal favorite - pumpkin pie!

Holiday Candy Making

Tuesday, November 27
2:00 pm

Join Chef Craig, along with our favorite baker, Marvin as they delight your taste buds with holiday candy making. An all-time favorite, peppermint bark, will be a highlight of the candies; sampling these decadent treats is a must!

To register for these events, contact Rob Hartsell at 828.465.8519 or email rhartsell@uchas.org.



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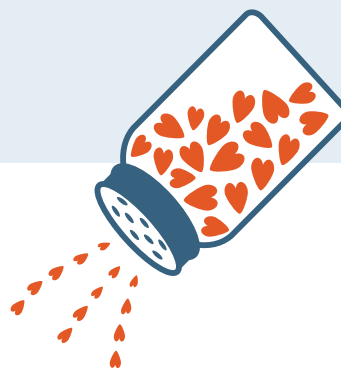
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Directions: From I-40, take Exit 132 (To Hwy. 16 South). Go approximately five miles then turn left onto Hwy. 16 South; Abernethy Laurels approx. ½ mile on left.



Sprinkling LOVE in Our Community



Residents Lou Grandmaison and Sarah Bostian have a strong desire to help others in their community. Lou and Sarah are both active with LINC (Linked in New Creative) Ministries and give freely of their time by volunteering in numerous capacities. When the two ladies heard about a need in our county to help foster children, they immediately jumped into action. “There are over 300 children in Catawba County currently in foster care. When children are placed into foster care, many times it’s unplanned

leaving the children without essential items,” shared Lou.

Lou decided that she wanted to organize a supply drive at Abernethy Laurels. “Our community is filled with others that want to make a difference. I knew when staff and residents heard about this need, they would open their hearts and wallets,” stated Lou. Sprinkle Some Love, the name of the supply drive, was an effort to collect school supplies, hygiene products, and therapy/calming items. Within a week, the once empty barrel was overflowing with supplies. “I’m so proud of our collection efforts,” shared Lou. “It warms my heart to know that we are making a difference in the lives of local children – we are sprinkling love right here in our own community.”