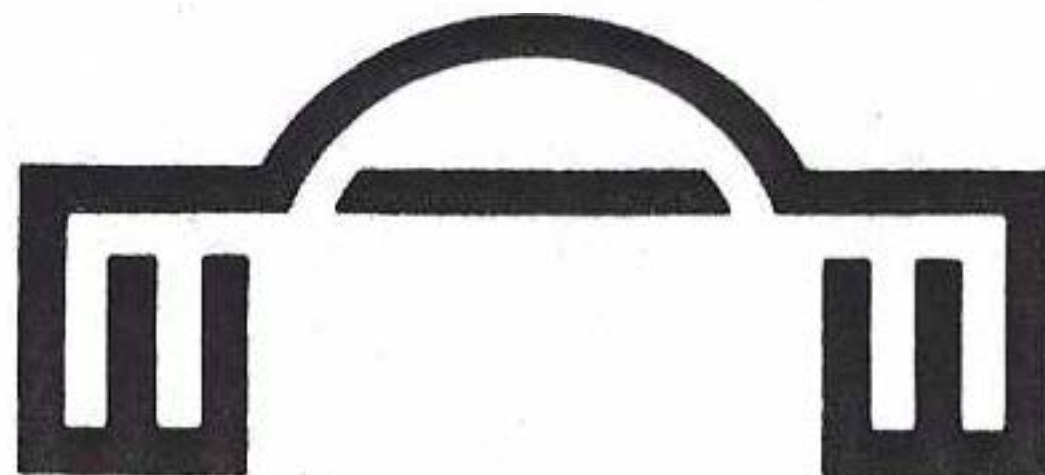




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Coordinator, Forums on Policies Affecting the Aging
(in Charlotte, Tuesday night and all day Wednesday, at the
Quality Inn Downtown, 372-7550)

On Wednesday, October 22, the N.C. Center for Public Policy Research is sponsoring a day-long forum on "Policies Affecting the Aging." To be held at the Quality Inn Downtown at 201 S. McDowell Street, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., the conference features discussions between policymakers and the older adult community.

Phillip J. Kirk Jr., N.C. Secretary of Human Resources, will be the morning keynote speaker. Lynn Etheredge, consultant to the National Governors' Association and former director of health staff of the federal Office of Management and Budget, will be the afternoon keynote speaker.

Panel members and discussion leaders include: Sen. Helen Marvin of Gaston County; Louise Brennan, former four-term member of the N.C. House of Representatives where she chaired the Human Resources Committee; Dr. Monroe Gilmour, former chairman of the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging; Rita Arundell, executive director, Charlotte/ Mecklenburg County Senior Centers; Helen Lipman, Human Services Administrative officer, Mecklenburg County; Kim Sturkey, Medicare services representative for Kaiser Permanente Medical Care Program; Stephanie Noonan, executive director, Selwyn Ave. LIFE Center and former president, N.C. Adult Day Care Association; Jacqueline Glenn, program chief for home health, Mecklenburg County Health Department; Heloise Merrill, attorney specializing in employee benefits with the law firm of Poe, Thompson, Bernstein, Gage & Preston; Johnnie Wallace, center supervisor, Alexander Street Neighborhood Center; and John Tanner, N.C. Division of Social Services.

"Policymakers and elected officials rarely get the chance to sit down with older adults and discuss long-range planning issues," says Bill Finger, forum coordinator. "We need a road map for this increasingly important policy area." This forum offers a beginning point for refining state policies affecting the aging."

"The N.C. Center is sponsoring the [REDACTED] forum, and three others around the state, in conjunction with The Ford Foundation," says Finger, who is editor of the N.C. Center's magazine, North Carolina Insight. "In a three-year project to examine and make recommendations on social welfare policies, The Ford Foundation is sponsoring a variety of programs across the country to learn what citizens and policymakers think about meeting human needs. The forums are based on the Center's special issue of North Carolina Insight on policies affecting the aging."

The cost is \$12 per person, which includes lunch, coffee breaks, and the 92-page issue of Insight on aging policies. The fee may be waived based on economic need.