

Voices OF CHERRY LOG

“A friend is one of the nicest things you can have, and one of the best things you can be.”

~Douglas Pagels



Myra Kibler

Born B’ham; formative years in MS in segregation era, became outspoken thinker; English degree from Millsaps, PhD British Lit from Emory; 13 yrs teaching; 10 years admin. Barnes & Nobles and Borders (ask about draft horses); 2 sons, 5 grands.

Hiked Appalachian Trail (entire) 6 ½ mo. at age 59—life-balancing; chose Ellijay for mtns, hiking, nature, and forgot to ask for community; found that at CLCC.

“..[though] Unitarian, TM meditator, and somewhat-Buddhist...found a place for me here...exploring Christian dimensions of my faith has contributed to my spiritual growth. Not only did CLCC accept me as I am, but I [am] changed because of experiences here...continues to wonderfully enrich my life.”



Wendy Cox

Born Decatur, raised in Marietta; after HS met and married Bill while working in printing and graphic arts; seeking more meaningful life “prayed myself into nursing”, went to Kennesaw State U; did clinicals at Grady and felt “called” to ER nursing—incidentally fulfilling (20 yrs). For two years, night Clinical Supervisor, Kaiser at Chastain.

Loved mountains. House hunted 2 years; found it on 4+ acres including a “tiny” waterfall.

Reads; jigsaw enthusiast; knits; workouts; violin (learned with Zachary); “gardening with no gloves”; share 4 children, 2 grands

CLCC: followed family (Pat and Don Baker); “an amazing place”, the openness and the love for everyone “just as they are.”

David Lakes

Born and raised Brookville, Indiana; US Marine 4 years; BA Marketing, Ball State U; met and married Carolyn there & began banking career Bank of Ohio; MBA Xavier; climbed the bank mgmt.. ladder to Presidency, Lincoln National Bank; semi-retired as consultant, Dave Lakes & Assoc., Inc.; assoc. with many non-profits

Vacationed often in Ellijay; searched for and found mountain view: came to stay April 2012

Interests: golf (Creepy Crawlers); physical workouts; started and led many Bible studies; 2 children, 6 grands, 3 dogs.

CLCC: Tried “all” churches in the area and after one visit to CLCC, knew “this was it”



Ann Doster

Early life in Winder, GA; Undergraduate work, Woman’s College “Convent” of Georgia (English); post graduate, UGA and U of West Georgia (Library Science); professional life: 5 ½ years public library; 25 years Griffin school system; 8 years part time leadership with Junior Achievement of Central Georgia most personally fulfilling work.

Hobbies: reading—favorite is British mysteries; gardening; travel, 34 countries, 5 continents; news junkie; passion for hats; share 4 children, numerous grands and God-children.



Married Hal (chief cook) 2000 and lived on Lake Sinclair; came to CLCC as interim 2003; found their spiritual home and stayed; active in most every aspect of church life.