

Origin of the Senior Resource Directory



The value of a senior resource directory was seen by Dorothy Elsenius who knew this had been done in Contra Costa County and brought it to the attention of the Vacaville Senior Advisory Committee in 1997. The project to produce such a magnificent document was undertaken by Kris Delaplane - Conti and her husband, Charles Conti, who supervised and oversaw the complete project in conjunction with members of the Senior Advisory Committee and the community.

The first issues were available for distribution at the inauguration of the City of Vacaville's *Tribute to Seniors* event in 1997. The outstanding success of the Solano Seniors Resource Directory was immediate. It proved to be tremendously valuable to have this information available in such a "hands on" document.

Even though we are aware of moving into the world of computers and technology, there is still a solid need to have such a document available for seniors, their families, care givers and all the support lines of communication that are valuable to a "caring community." This booklet has been greatly received by health care providers, hospital discharge nurses, social workers, counselors, physicians and many others caring for Senior Citizens.

I am very pleased to have been involved with both the Solano Resource Directory and the *Tribute to Seniors* event since their inception. I am quite proud of the continuing efforts of the City of Vacaville to assist seniors in this wonderfully caring community.

"A CIVILIZED SOCIETY CHERISHES ITS ELDERS"

Dorothy Locke,
Vacaville Commission on Aging

