

# Falconbridge Resource List



## *Our Neighborhood “Angie’s List”*

To update or correct a listing, please email Lisa Anthony (lisaserene@outlook.com). If you have an unsatisfactory experience with a provider on the list or if you find one has gone out of business, please let Lisa know.

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**NOTE:** The initials in bold after each recommendation indicate who has recommended the provider. The list of referral sources is at the end of the document.

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## Household Help: Housecleaning, Handymen

### Housecleaning

**Angie Ibarra and Carlos Hernandez** — 919-316-8752 — hdezibarra@hotmail.com  
“Reliable, trustworthy, thorough. I’ve used Angie for several years and recommended her and her husband Carlos to others who have also been pleased. (Her husband Carlos Hernandez is a good ‘honey-do’ type too.)” (see entry under Handymen) **(BA, GA)** “Carlos helped me with a sliding door that wasn’t working properly.” **(EM)**

**Antonio and Rosa Lucero** — 919-619-9211 — friendly-cleaning@hotmail.com —  
“They are fabulous and completely dependable. I know people who have used their services for 7-8 years. They use environmentally friendly products. (He also does handyman jobs.)” **(FB)**

**Beth Chiron** — 984-209-0996 — bettybritenc@gmail.com — “A hard worker and very reasonable. Uses natural products. Readily will do ‘extras’ at \$25/hr. or just charge you hourly if your needs change from week to week.” **(JM)**

**Alba Roccio Johnson** — 919-428-6699 — “She is just amazing, She has two others working with her. She ‘hits’ everything. I use her every other week and the place shines.” **(HC)**

**Marta Figueroa** — 1-646-833-6466 — “Lovely, trustworthy, thorough.” **(MH)**

**Catalina Chavez** — 919-265-7941 — “Couldn’t recommend her any higher. She works for us and a couple other neighbors in Falconbridge.” **(JN)**

**Lucie’s Home Services** — (919) 949-1761 — <https://lucieshomeservices.com/>  
“Dependable, detail-oriented. Reasonably priced, great employees. Woman-owned local business. Strongly recommend.” **(JH2)**

**Maria Valasco** — 919-923-4294 “Awesome!” **(SB3)** “Wonderful!” **(JK)**

**Santos Gomez** — 919-519-1961 — “Wonderful cleaner, trustworthy, does a fantastic job. Reasonable charge.” **(HN)**

### Handymen

**Carlos Hernandez** — 919-475-6563 calhdez@hotmail.com — “He is terrific as a house husband of every kind: cleans, does repair, garage, yard, paints, caulks, etc. He is even a chef and I've used him to help me prep for parties! He does everything but electrical. My friends and I use him for all the above. He's the hardest worker I've ever known. Everyone I've ever recommended him to has been so pleased they have re-hired him and recommended him to THEIR friends. Carlos happily works on weekends.” **(BA, SM, LA,EM)**

**Larry Henderson** — 919-818-7484 — “A retired electrical engineer has done several jobs for me. He is a wonderful man—does all kinds of work. He has almost finished building a

screened-in back porch for me—he is multitalented, very neat and reasonable.” Also does electrical work **(JR)**

**Joe Bengson (Monitor)** — 919-697-2812 — EnvyNCHomes@gmail.com Master tiler, cabinet maker, general maintenance/home repair, pressure washing, painting. — “Joe tiled our backsplash in our new kitchen and did a special tile piece on our floor—did beautiful work. Would highly recommend him.” **(LA)**

**Jeff Monsien's Aluminum Company** — 919-620-8500 All things exterior: gutters, siding, windows, etc. **(JS)**

**Carlos Carpinteyro** — 919-903-7712 — cmcarpinteyro@gmail.com — “Skilled carpenter/handyman; no project is too small! Fast, kind, affordable, and excellent work. References available upon request.” **(EH)**

**Legend Remodeling Groups, Inc. (LRG) (Monte Hausman)** — 919-798-0518 gotolrg@gmail.com — “Does many kinds of home repairs. Has done wonderful and reliable work.” **(MN)**

**Robert Belcher** — 919-672-8982 — “Retired carpenter, does all kinds of minor home repairs. Also put in new sliding glass door sliders/wheels and replaced the tracks in both doors. He is wonderful!” **(PM)**

**Bill Haste** — 919-818-7386 — wahaste@gmail.com — “Prompt, efficient, and very reasonable in cost. Has done several small jobs for us, including plumbing, electrical, and light carpentry. Our go-to man for the small stuff around the house. Always available, honest, affordable.” **(LA, GH, TD)**

**Onesimo Martinez** — 919-358-2670 — “We have used him for over 15 years for handyman, painting, minor repairs Can’t recommend him highly enough, for quality of work and price.” **(PP)**

**Tom Sanders** — 919-291-8064 — “He’s a handyman for small jobs (no remodeling). Very happy with his work.” **(NS, CP)**

**George Abell** — 919-239-9231 — roeGeorge@earthlink.net — “He’s my go-to guy who is always here at the agreed-upon time for replacing overnight light bulbs, turning mattresses, helping clean the garage, sourcing and spreading mulch, etc.” **(RK)**

**David Park** — 336-5163842 — chfdpark@yahoo.ca — “Very pleased with his work, price, and his promptness. He replaced a garbage disposal, new valves, and supply hoses for a bathroom vanity, and straightened a crooked story door.” **(JF)**

## House Upkeep and Repair

### Appliance Repair

**A & E Appliance Repair** — 1-888-698-1673, from 6 a.m. to midnight, 7 days a week, to schedule service. Or go to the Web site — [aefactoryservice.com](http://aefactoryservice.com) — and schedule online. **(KB)**

**Scott Gentry** — 336-503-2118. — “Has great reviews all over the place. He’s repaired my appliances and I’d call him first!” **(JS)** “Responded quickly, very efficient, reasonable fee.” **(SM2)** **(Best way to reach him is his mobile number.)**

**The Appliance Pro (Michael Crosby)** — 919-462-0634 — “The most honest and talented appliance repair person I’ve ever used. Can fix absolutely anything, and I trust his advice about whether to repair or buy new. Good advice on which brands have fewer repairs.” **(PM, JE, MW2)**

**Tommy Crittenton** — 336-703-8730 — [t.crittenton@yahoo.com](mailto:t.crittenton@yahoo.com) — “Great results and reasonable.” **(DW)**

**Service Plus (David Mabe)** — 252-726-1041. — “Did a great job of preventive maintenance on 3 of my appliances, also does duct cleaning.” **(LA)**

**Triangle Appliance Repair** — 919-281-0340 — “Have used several times. They are wonderful.” **(HC)**

**Pro Appliance (Taylor)** — 919-948-3696 — “Have gotten good service.” (

### Blinds / Shutters

**Window Designs | Lee and Donna Monsein** — 919-220-1145 | 919-880-6280 (cell) [info@windowdesignsinc.com](mailto:info@windowdesignsinc.com) 3213 Roxboro Street • Durham 27704 — “Happily recommended.” **(RK, RW2)**

### Built-In Closets

**California Closets | Joseph Marengi** — 919-598-3100 — [rcloset@calclosets.com](mailto:rcloset@calclosets.com) — “A good company—have used them in several states. Good design and installation. [Used here about 17 years ago.]” **(RK)**

### Carpet and Furniture Cleaning

**Professional Carpet Care | Jason Lund** — 919-384-7003 — “Very good work, reliable, reasonable. Have used them for at least 30 years. They also clean upholstered furniture—did a beautiful job on all the chairs in my church.” **(LA)**

**Triangle Carpet Cleaners** — 919-471-8159 — “I’ve used this company for over a decade and they are great.” (BK2)

## Chimney Cleaning

**Chimneys Plus** — 919-967-7979 — [www.chimneysplusgutters.com](http://www.chimneysplusgutters.com) 65 Moncure Pittsboro Road, Pittsboro 27312 — “I have used them in my real estate business for gutter installation and repair and most recently for chimney cleaning and inspection.” (DB) “Have used them for chimney cleaning for years and am very pleased with their work. Nice local, family business.” (CP, JR)

**Janney's Chimneys** — 919-732-7742 — “Excellent service! Noticed missing chimney cap which I didn’t know about.” (RB, LA)

## Clock Repair

**Thomas Englund** — 919-493-6218 — “He restored an antique wall clock for us. He has many years of experience—he’s great!” (JE) “Not cheap, takes time, but does very good work.” (SB3) “Wonderful—used him for years.” (HC)

## Concrete

**Barbares Concrete** — 919-842-9000 — [www.barbaresconcrete.com](http://www.barbaresconcrete.com) — “They did excellent work for me.” (RC)

## Contractor / Carpentry/Home Renovations (Room additions, remodeling, etc.)

**Kevin Stedman | Wood-N-Works** — 919-605-2795 — [kevin@woodnworksnc.com](mailto:kevin@woodnworksnc.com) Decks, porches, remodel, and more. “He’s built on a room for me in my former home, remodeled our kitchen and bathroom, replaced our deck with Trex, and does wonderful work. Very trustworthy. We just give him keys to our house.” (LA)

**Ken Chan & Wally Blackler** — 919-360-8521 — [kenchan@mebtel.net](mailto:kenchan@mebtel.net) — “They just completed our new room addition and installed our new wood floor. They are capable of any home addition or repair. Wally was part of the carpenter team that trimmed many of the houses in Falconbridge when it was being built. They have amazing skills and high ethics. They take pride in their work and make sure it is done correctly for the owner. They don’t advertise, as their customers recommend them to others, so they end up being passed around, as they are in this neighborhood. They only charge you for their time, no markups on material or profit. Once you have them work for you, you won’t call anyone else.” (JN)

**Chuck Campbell** — 919-291-4864 (cell) — “Chuck worked with me on number of changes in my townhouse including a granite countertop, replacing appliances, modifying some cabinets, bathroom upgrades, etc. He's easy to work with, skilled, and reliable.” (HG)

**Garuda Decks | Gary Weiker** — 919-460-8802 — “They came with excellent references and lived up to those glowing recommendations. Beautiful work (taking off old deck, adding big new deck and big screened porch) and stayed on budget. The people on his crews are nice and take pride in their work, as are the contractors he works with (gutters, electrical, etc.). Absolutely terrific, high-quality, end result—couldn’t be happier!” **(MA)**

**BRW Design and Construction/ Glenn Ahrens** — 919-929-1723  
www.brwdesignandconstruction.com/ — “Did extensive addition for us years ago and recently worked with me drawing plans for another addition.” **(SB2)**

**Actual Size Builders** (contact Chase Pickett or John Campbell) — 919-806-9213 — “We did a kitchen remodel with some structural changes to the house, and these are the guys I wholeheartedly recommend. If I were in the market to build another house, they are the only one I’d ask.” **(SB2)**

**Southerland, Inc.** — 13 Balthorpe Place, Chapel Hill — 919-215-1167— “Did a wonderful job on a screened-in porch addition for me in 2008.” **(EM)**

“Did a complete kitchen renovation in our house plus another project replacing windows and siding. Work was done on time and within budget with quality work.” **(WC)**

**Mongovan Builders** — (919) 270-9837 (Carrboro) <https://mongovenbuilders.com/> —

**Max Isley** —Hampton Kitchens — 919-812-9547 — [www.hamptonkitchen.com](http://www.hamptonkitchen.com) — [max@hamptonkitchens.com](mailto:max@hamptonkitchens.com) — “Totally remodeled my kitchen and it’s magazine worthy. Beautiful, high-quality design. Has also done bathrooms for several of our neighbors. Max and his team have a reputation for being top notch at what they do; honest, trustworthy, and no surprises.(Max lives in Falconbridge.)” **(BA)**

**Adrian Santos** — 919-951-9469 — “Took over a down-to-the-studs remodel/addition of 2 bedrooms upstairs. Have used him for several other projects, small to large, including another whole-condo remodel. He handled everything from flooring to paint to tile electrical to a fence to cabinet/fixture install. He did a great job. Best communication I’ve ever had from a contractor. Since then, he has remodeled a bathroom for me, renovated another condo, and done countless quick/small jobs. Can’t recommend him enough. Does amazing work and is reasonable and quick.” **(SB3)**

**Doug Ramsey** — 919-608-8741 — [dougramsey56@gmail.com](mailto:dougramsey56@gmail.com) — “Competent, capable, and painstaking. He’s replaced a door, patched an unsightly part of a soffit, and done other repairs to this nearly 40-year-old home.” **(RK)**

**Many Hats Services** — 919-972-8173 — [ManyHatsNC.com](http://ManyHatsNC.com) — “We recently had our bathroom redone and worked with Many Hats. We had a good experience! **(LL)**

**Brian Walsh** — 919-704-5518 — [walsh7304@gmail.com](mailto:walsh7304@gmail.com) — “Brian is a master carpenter who can seemingly do anything. He’s very detail oriented, reasonable, and easy to work with. He can do anything from a kitchen remodel to punch list stuff. I’ve been using him since 2010 and recommend him highly.”**(PL)**



## Dryer Vent / House Duct Cleaning

**J-N-J Dryer Vent Cleaning** — 919-228-8368 JNJDryerVentCleaning.com  
JNJDryerVentCleaning@gmail.com — “Jimmy is a Chapel Hill Fire Department fireman, highly recommended by a good friend.” (LA)

**The Duct Doctor | Phil Herndon** — 919-319-3333 or 919-669-6308 (cell) — “Did a superb job of cleaning our vents and cleaning up a wall behind a bed that had become mildewed from dampness.” (LA)

**Vent Cleaning | Mad Hatter** — 919-847-1119 — “Efficient, pleasant.” (RT)

**Service Plus / David Mabe** — 252-726-1041 — “He does service on appliances and also says he does duct cleaning. Did good service on appliances.” (LA)

**A/C Dryer Vent Cleaning** — 919-694-0075 — “Great work on my peculiar vent challenge.” (SK)

## Electrician

**Alwon Electric | Dennis Alwon**, owner — 919-933-8777 —919-614-9855 (cell) “Highly recommended by Tommy Young of Sparrow and Sons plumbing.” (SB)

**Larry Henderson** — 919-818-7484 — “A retired electrical engineer has done several jobs for me. He is a wonderful man— does all kinds of work. He is almost finished building a screened-in back porch for me. He is multitalented—very neat and reasonable.” (JR)

**Creative Electric** — 919-698-9485 or 919-868-6240 creativeelectric@gmail.com “We’ve been very happy with their work and will have them back.” “Great job on my renovation!” (RD, JS, RK) **Note: they are not licensed to work in townhomes.**

**Thomas Johnson** — 919-602-1352 — “Excellent work.” (JS)

**MAK Electric** — 919 201-2041 — “We have known Mike for years and have the highest recommendations for him. He has done extensive work for us here and at other properties - always a first-class result.” (DZ)

## Firewood

**Mike Sturdivant Firewood** — 919-968-0155 — “Will cut seasoned wood to any length, deliver, and stack. His price was the best of 3 we called. He did a good job stacking, etc.” (in 2020, \$190 for ½ cord) (LA)

**Will Davis** — 919-971-3544 — “He’ll deliver the wood cut any way you want it and it’s always well seasoned. He also has the woods separated by species of anybody needs a particular kind of wood for a smoker. Great quality.” (\$145 for a face cord 4x80, 18” long) [price several years ago] (AP)

## Foundation Repair / Waterproofing / Drainage

**Ram Jack | Residential Foundation Solutions** — 888-309-9727 [www.ramjack.com/](http://www.ramjack.com/) — “We used them in about 2010, at which time they did extensive foundation work., which has kept the house stabilized with minimal shifting. We would certainly get estimates from them if we had any new issues.” (CS)

**Lindsley Waterproofing | Jim Lindsley** — 919-596-7877 — [waterproofing.com](http://waterproofing.com) — [service@lindsleywterproofing.com](mailto:service@lindsleywterproofing.com) — “For drainage and foundation waterproofing--they are experts. I've worked with Jim on numerous occasions, and always impressed by his thoroughness and knowledge. They've proven there is an art to digging. Their site is also very informative.” (NG, DD)

**Healthy Home Restoration** — 919-526-0447 — Mold remediation, crawl space encapsulation, dehumidifier. “We used them for all of these (listed) when we moved in and have been thrilled with the results. Every single service person we've had in the crawl space since has commented on the quality of the work and results.” (RD)

**Giles Flythe Engineers** (Richard Holt) — 919-465-3801 — “Had them do an evaluation because of multiple interior wallboard cracks. Did a very thorough inspection of house, foundation, and crawlspace and produced a written report with photos. Bottom line: I did not need my foundation jacked, so saved me a lot of money.” (PM)

## Garage Doors

**Garage Door Services** — 919-542-0667— “Have used them several times and found them to be knowledgeable, efficient and reasonable.” (PM)

**Precision Overhead Door** — 919-296-3501, 919-323-8020 — “Fast efficient service. Highly recommend, .good people to work with.” (RP,DZ,RK,LA)

**Grand Openings Garage Doors** — Michael Ropelewski — 919-669-0532 — Installed a new garage door for us—did a great job.” (JE)

## Gas Logs (installation, service)

**PSNC Energy/Dominion Energy (Natural Gas)** — 877-776-2427 — “They provided excellent service, installation, quality products. We have been 100% satisfied with their work and products.” (DT)

**K.D. (Ken) Bradsher** — 919-885-5316 — “He is wonderful—specializes in gas log repair. Thorough, professional, very competent.” (PM)

## Gas Plumber

**Bud Matthews Services** — 919-929-0203 — Gas engineers /plumbers have special formal qualifications. Can work on gas lines, help with installing gas range, etc. “We highly recommend this company, They did excellent work for us.” **(BD)**

## Gas (propane) Provider

**Ferrell Gas.com** — 919-851-1262 (Raleigh) — “Been using them for 5 years. On initial visit, inspected and explained it all, very thorough. Definitely recommend.” **(GB)**

## Granite/Marble/Quartz/Stone Countertops

**Schneider Stone** — 919-942-4774 — 141 Chatham Downs Drive, #202P (short way past Southern Village). “ Would recommend---did my granite countertops.” **(MG)**

**Absolute Stone** — (919) 462-8084 — “Have used them twice and been very satisfied. They will let you look not only at a vast set of sample pieces, but also the stock in the back if you’ve narrowed down your choice.” **(CS2, PS)**

**Marble Unlimited** — (919) 596-2325 — “Have used them several times. They have great prices and do a very good job. “ **(SB3)**

**Mogastone** — (919) 465-1644 — “Very good results—they replaced our entire kitchen countertops. Very competent, highly recommend.” **(RK2)**

**Hands On Granite** — (919) 977-4448 — <https://www.handsongranitenc.com/> — “Happy to recommend this company. They are a mom-and-pop operation, and the owner does the install. Prices are reasonable.” **(CL,DB3)**

## Gutter Guards / Siding / Storm Doors / Phantom Screens

**Gerald Jones Company | Todd Mann** — 919-286-1700 — [geraldjones.com](http://geraldjones.com) — “They have done my siding, storm doors, replacement windows, and gutter guards. They do excellent work and have done many houses in Colony Woods area.” “Replaced a window and front door for me. Very nice to work with and happy with service provided. “ **(MD)**

**Phantom Screens: JW Distributing Inc. (Janice Ward, President, Mebane, NC)** — 919-304-5756 or 1-800-PHANTOM — [jward@intrex.net](mailto:jward@intrex.net) — “They have installed phantom doors and a retractable window screen for us and they’re great!” **(LA)**

**Premier Paint and Home Improvement (Bill Scarf, owner)** — 929-815-4303 — “Bill does excellent siding work (he is head of the company” (also see Painting section, below). **(BA)**

## Hardwood Flooring

**Family Hardwood** — 919-201-7929 — Christine is their estimator. “We and our clients have been very happy with them.” (CL)

**Accent Hardwood of Durham | Genia Smith, Owner** — 919-682-3941 — genia.accent@gmail.com “They had to install adjacent to existing hardwood and did a wonderful job matching the color. They were knowledgeable, prompt, very professional, did exactly what they said they would do, very meticulous, and did an outstanding job.” (PM,RS)

**Ken Chan & Wally Blackler** — 919-360-8521 — kenchan@mebtel.net — “They just completed our new room addition and installed our new wood floor. They are capable of any home addition or repair. Wally was part of the carpenter team that trimmed many of the houses in Falconbridge when it was being built.” (JN)

**Viktor Pimenta** — 904-258-3535 — Epoxy, flooring, painting “He completely changed the look of my kitchen with new flooring. He is respectful, neat, punctual, artistic, and a complete pleasure to work with.” (MH)

**B&D Hardwood Flooring** — 919-847-7444 — “They installed hardwood flooring and refinished our downstairs flooring. Did a great job and used the super Bona finishing product to protect the floors from our dog.” (CS2)

**C&N Hardwood Floor** — 919-600-4149 or 919-610-0869 — “They did a great job with flooring for our total kitchen remodel—ripped up old vinyl flooring and plywood subfloor, then put down new LVP flooring. They got the surfaces to match up with the other LVP flooring in adjacent rooms. Very responsive and prompt, great to work with.” (DG)

**Bruce’s Carpet** (in Chatham County—a small family-run business) — www.brucescarpets.com — 919-967-0208 — “We had white oak pre-stained hardwoods installed along with 2 rooms of Berber carpet. Excellent service, price, and installation. Highly recommend them.” (SW)

## Heating / Cooling

(See also Dryer Vent Cleaning, above)

**Jeff Daulton AC Systems** — 919-644-0800 — “He did amazing work , getting and installing a particular type of HVAC system when mine died [late 2021].” (JS)

**Randy Knight** — 919-951-8390 — “An excellent choice for repair or replacement. He is a straight shooter and has been doing HVAC for over 40 years. It is just him and occasionally his son so you will not pay big company prices. I have bid many companies against him in my contracting business and he is usually at least 20% less expensive.” (EP, JA) (Though another resident said he’s hard to reach and get follow-up from, and they were not happy with the results.)

**Happy Home Heating and Cooling** — 919-383-0158 — “Were very helpful.” (AS,EM,CL)

**Service Experts: Heating, Air Conditioning, and Plumbing** — serviceexperts.com Chapel Hill: 919-968-4386; Durham: 919-383-4899 — “They’re extremely thorough and competent. I signed up for biannual maintenance, so they come in Spring and Fall to check equipment.” (SM)

**Boer Brothers Heating and Cooling** — 919-929-9886 (Carrboro) — boerbrothershvac.com — “Very pleased with their work. Corrected some issues; they don’t recommend unnecessary things.” “Installed a new A/C system upstairs for me—good work.” (CP, JH2, RB3, RC, SL, SW, CA,LA) “Have done great work for us.” (TK) “Were very persistent in finding and fixing a tricky problem for us. Have done good work for us over and over.” (KB3)

**Alternative Aire, Inc.** — 919-404-9040 — “Fantastic.” “Fixed my AC promptly; reasonable.” “Highly recommended.” (TQ, MN, GH)

**Carolina Air Co.** — 919-683-2421 — “I have used Carolina Air for over ten years. I have had them replace all my duct work in the attic and under the house, and had them put in two new heat/AC systems. I find them to be thorough and very responsive if I need some type of emergency need.” (LS)

**CWJ Heating and AC** — 919-383-2490 — “Competent and very responsive when we had an issue.” (JF)

**Progressive Service Company (Heating and Air)** — (919) 325-0180 — “Highly recommended.” (BD)

**Maynor Service Co. (formerly Accu-Air)** — 919-361-0993 — [info@maynorservices.com](mailto:info@maynorservices.com) — “A family-run company. Responsive, competent. Other professionals who’ve seen the installation of my gas furnace have said it’s the best they’ve ever seen.” (PR)

**Klimatology HVAC** — 919-434-6094 — email: [info@klimatologyhvac.com](mailto:info@klimatologyhvac.com) — “For anyone considering upgrading or replacing their system, Klimatology is excellent.” (VN)

**Andrews Heating and Air** — 919-923-1736 — “Local, responsive, affordable. They’ve serviced or replaced my HVAC systems across several properties.” (SB3)

**Stone Services, Inc. (Tyler Stone)** — 919-933-1423 — [stoneservicesnc.com](http://stoneservicesnc.com) — “He does heating/cooling and duct repair. Super nice with average prices. We needed vents directed to the outside.” (SW)

**Raleigh Heating and Air (Doug Banks)** — (919) 878-0008 — <https://www.raleighdurhamheating.com/> — “Very proactive, reasonable yearly contract fee. Used for 30 years in 3 different houses. Highly recommend. Great about staying in touch for maintenance calls, quick in an emergency. His employees are wonderful and have been with him for years. Honest, reliable.” (MP, BA)

**MTC Heating and Air Conditioning** — 919-675-7481 — “They are not only completely knowledgeable about all heating and air systems, they are reliable and friendly.” (HC)

## House Siding/Gutters

**Gerald Jones Company** — geraldjones.com -- 919-286-1700 —

“Replacement windows, siding, roofing, decks. They have done many jobs in Colony Woods and Briarcliff. Very professional and meticulous.” (LA, from a friend)

## Moving/Junk Removal

**Junk Doctors** — www.junkdrs.com — 919-626-9209 — ““They removed a lot of ‘junk’ including broken printers, microwave, scanner, and no-long-needed stuff. They were on time, professional, efficient, friendly, and reasonably priced. Highly recommended them.” (SB)

**Truck Buddy** — Rob Hughes — 919-215-0757 — “Moved a piece of antique furniture to an auction house.; also moved my treadmill. Was recommended by the auction house. Very impressed with his service.” (RK)

## Painting

**Francisco Garcia** — 919-451-1086 franciscogv.fg@gmail.com — Painting and useful for a variety of projects (interior and exterior paint, strip and stain deck, pressure wash, remove wallpaper). “He is very polite, professional, meticulous, and completely trustworthy with over 20 years painting experience. He can provide references.” (MW,LA)

**Donald Prost** — 919-929-0859; 919-270-6511 (cell) — “I have relied on him to paint my Durham homes’ exterior and interior since the mid-90s. He/his crew power wash my home every spring, point out any needed repairs, refer me to professionals to make those repairs if I don’t know the proper craftsmen, and counsel me about when a repaint job is necessary. Not only are he and his crew good painters, he is a business owner who takes great care of his employees. I highly recommend him.” (RK)

**Coulon Painting | Greg Coulon** — 919-942-3314 — “They did an excellent job—prepped well and worked at a very reliable pace.” (JT)

**Roberto Ziranda** — 919-730-7456 — “Did a great job of indoor and outdoor painting on two of my houses.” (GG)

**Norman Smith Painting** — 919-812-7194 — “Can't recommend him highly enough. Has painted in this area for 25+ years. Loves pets; is very careful.” (JS)

**Jack Sanders** — 919-942-4914 — jacksanderspaintco.com — “I have been very happy with their work; they've done work both inside and outside of my home.” “Very good, professional. Have used them for painting and carpentry.” (EM,PM)

**Gonzalez Painters** — 919-477-6058 — “Did a wonderful job on my house, both interior and exterior—extremely meticulous, very clean, and reasonably priced.” **(JC)**

**Yoyani Painting** .— 919-423-3338, 919-520-7485 — Oscar Palma and Oscar Bardales. Interior and exterior painting, carpentry, repairs, pressure washing, roof replacements and gutter replacements. “They are experienced and give and give free estimates.” **(HN)**

**Lorenzo Solarzano** — 919-697-9448 and 919-697-1301 — “We had our house and driveway power washed, all windows and sills as well as a deck painted. Some boards had to be replaced. The work that was done is truly excellent and it was completed promptly. The painters kept social distance and had masks available. These folks have painted another house we owned in the past and did very good work.” **(HN)**

**Hicks Paint Company (Mark Hicks)** — 919-730-9175 — “Referred to us by our former neighbor. Painted outside of house and inside the garage. where he replaced seam tape, cleaned/restored woodwork. He did an EXCELLENT job. Outstanding attention to detail and addressed underlying issues such as bad boards, etc. before painting. Very professional and reasonable rates.” **(BK)** “Mark replaced an air duct vent for me and did an excellent job. Very reasonable.” **(MS2)**

**Premier Paint and Home Improvement (Bill Scarf, owner)** — 929-815-4303 — “Highly recommend using this trusted business. No cutting corners, no faulty work; quality workmanship, quality products. Please ask for Pablo to supervise your work, a professional with many years’ expertise in carpentry and painting.” **(BD)** “They painted our entire house inside and did a stellar job. Three bids, theirs was the best, and their job was superb. (He also does siding repair.)” **(BA)**

**Paz Painting** — 919-225-4961 or n.paz74@gmail.com — Nacisco Paz says that his company is now available for interior painting jobs. The Falconbridge Townhomes (FHA) have used Paz for exterior painting with very good results. Paz are offering a 15% discount to Falconbridge residents. **(MC)**

## **Pest and Critter Control**

**Terminix** — 1-800-284-7911 — “We’ve been very pleased with their service. We pay \$85 every 3 months and they come then, AND they’ll come any time you want them if you see ants, etc. etc.—as much as you want.” **(LA)**

**Critter Control** — 919-382-0651 — crittercontroltriangle.com —Service call is \$99. — “Lee Ann and Mona are very good customer service people.” **(RK, SB, SB4, AB)** “One of the best in the area.” **(CK)**

**Animals Be Gone** — animalsbegonenc.com — 919-245-3300 — “One of the best in the area.” **(CK)**

## Plumbing (also see “Gas Plumber”)

**Sparrow and Sons Plumbing and Heating** — 919-942-5171 — “I’ve used Sparrow and Sons Plumbing for 45 years, and they are great! They’ve always come the same day in a real emergency! They do an excellent job and are a pleasure to work with.” (LA, SB, RC, JE)

**Greg McKenzie | McPlumb** — 919-215-4148 — “He did a fabulous job and was very reasonable. We were very pleased with his work, he was professional, on time and we were very pleased with his reasonable price. He was the only one we called who did not charge for travel time.” (MN)

**Mike Fratte** (pronounced Frah'-tay) — 919-730-3560 (cell) — “Has fixed multiple leaks, changed out toilets, changed a hot water heater that was in a small storage room in which the water heater was installed before framing (because nothing would go in or out that little 22-inch door) and most recently replaced a garbage disposal and straightened out the maze of pipes under the sink into a normal efficient pipe route.” (JS, PM, LA, GH)

**Mike Childress | Childress Plumbing** — 919-883-8349 — “Reliable, nice, capable, licensed!” (SB2, TP, JH2, RS, RB, JN)

**APN Plumbing** — 919-383-5678 — “Have had good experience with them. Reliable and not as expensive as RotoRooter.” (JE)

**Michael Jordan** — 919-656-0134 — “Honest, reasonable, and has always done good work. (Works at UNC Hospitals so not available during the day.)” (EM)

**Alternative Plumbing Services** — 919-563-1201 or 919-282-4459 (Gene Smith) — [www.alternativeps.com](http://www.alternativeps.com) — “He is my favorite plumber. He is delightful, courteous, and an excellent plumber. He doesn’t advertise—word of mouth is how he gets new customers!” (CH)

## Roofing

**Chief Roofing** — 919-732-5028 — “Totally professional, gave us much more detail than the 8 other companies about exactly what all was involved, different choices we could make; quality installation, which was done quickly, with a professional crew who were meticulous about the details and about cleanup afterwards. Their price was in line with other estimates that we got. The company owner came back afterwards to make sure everything had been done correctly. (Plus we learned so much about roofs that if anyone in the neighborhood is considering one, we'd be happy to share our checklist of details.)” (PM, LDP)

**Roof Crafters | Mark Stith** — 919-542-5530 — [ncroofcrafters.com](http://ncroofcrafters.com) — “We got three estimates and Mark came in mid-line cost. He was very helpful in listening and making suggestions. He did everything as he had contracted on a prompt schedule. His work has held up well with no problems. We would call him again for roofing.” (CS)



**Carolina Professional Roofing | Joe Mareka** — 919-942-8040 — “He was recommended by Barry Slobin. He responded promptly to my request; gave an estimate and was on the job the next day. Good service at a reasonable price.” **(RW)**

**Cole Roofing and Construction** — 919-999-3669 — <http://www.coleroofingconstruction.com> — “Cole did a wonderful job replacing our roof — crew was fast, exceptionally considerate of our property, and the cost was even less than the estimate, while the estimate was 38% less than the average of two others I got. Greg Cole is a delight to work with and follows up after the job to make sure it is satisfactory.” **(ERW)**

**Collins Roofing and Gutter Service** — 919- 688-3386 — “Highly recommend. He was the only roofer who insisted I did not need a new roof, when others did not tell me that. He was right—it was only halfway through its roof life! Local, owned by him and his son. Honest, experienced (30+ years in business), good prices.” **(JS)**

**JCSolutions** — 919-636-1875 — [www.jcsolutionsnc.com](http://www.jcsolutionsnc.com) — [jason@jcsolutionsnc.com](mailto:jason@jcsolutionsnc.com) — “They do roofing, roof repairs, general home repairs, gutters, siding/fascia/soffits, emergency repairs. Jason repaired a small part of our roof. He communicated well, was time efficient, and provided great follow up.” **(SO)**

## Skylight Repair/Replacement

**Sun4Light** — 919-977-4271 — “I did a lot of research on skylight repair/ replacement. Decided on New Velux skylights which have a 20-year warranty. Velux company said that Sun4Light is who they recommend highly. Very impressed with the guy who came out to evaluate and measure. They were wonderful! Kept to their estimate, were meticulous about protecting my furniture inside, put everything back afterwards, made photos on roof to show me, explained everything in detail and they did a quality job.” **(PM)**

## Solar Panels

**Yes Solar Solutions (Cary)** — 919-459-4155 — <https://yessolarsolutions.com/> — “They did a solar panel system for us, and we’ve been happy with their services.” **(SF2)**

## Tiling

**Tile Pro | Rich** — 919-819-0006 — “We highly recommend Rich who is the principal at Tile Pro. He did a complete bathroom renovation. He is thorough and is very skilled. He is very experienced, and his expertise shows in the finished product. We were out of town some of the time he was working, and he was in contact with photos and texts. He deftly problem solved where to put the niche in the shower. The results were even better than we expected” **(RS)**

**Joe Bengson (Monitor)** — 919-697-2812 — [EnvyNCHomes@gmail.com](mailto:EnvyNCHomes@gmail.com) Master tiler, cabinet maker, general maintenance/home repair, pressure washing, painting. “Joe tiled our backsplash in our new kitchen and did a special tile piece on our floor—did beautiful work.” **(LA)**

## Upholstery

**Durham Upholstery** — 919-682-8301 — 809 Midland Terrace • Durham — “Did a beautiful job on reupholstering a chair.” (CP, LA, JT)

**Finish Pros** — 919-848-3848 — “They recently refreshed and recovered two chairs and refinished a coffee table for us. They were outstanding to work with. They came out promptly for an estimate, picked up and delivered the chairs, and had access to lots of fabric.” (DB3)

**Angel Upholstery** — 919-967-7951 — “Did a terrific job on 2 armchairs and my Grandma’s love seat.” (MH)

## Wildlife Abatement (also see Snake ID/Relocation, p. 26)

**Critter Control** — 919-382-0651 Service call is \$99. — “Lee Ann and Mona are very customer service people. One of the best in the area.” (RK, SB, SB,CK)

**Animals Be Gone** — 919-245-3300 — “One of the best in the area.” (CK)

## Window and Gutter Cleaning (Including Power Washing)

**Precision Window Washing (and Power Washing/gutter and roof cleaning) / Roberto Lopez** — Mobile number: 919-795-9018, 919-786-3857 — info@precisionwashingnc.com — “Pressure washed my brick patio, walkway, and Trex deck; did a very meticulous and thorough job. (June 2022) Would highly recommend.” (LA)

**Window Wizards | Adam** — 919-928-8548 windowwizardinfo@gmail.com — “Responsive, reliable, and affordable!” (EH)

**Mr. Squeegee** — 919-452-3919 — Also does business as **ASAP Spotless**. “Excellent work, excellent customer service. Couldn’t have asked for a better experience. They also do ‘bunch’ neighborhood work.” Rosemarie Kitchin reports: “When we first booked on the same day, we got a discount. That pricing continues. I pay the same amount every year.” Some neighbors have windows washed, others gutters/power washing of decks, etc. A neighborhood group might want to consider doing this.” (JH, RK)

**Arrow Homes Pressure Washing** — 919-924-9791 ahspressurewash.com ahspressurewash@gmail.com — “Affordable, conscientious, highly recommended.” (JH)

**Triangle Window and Pressure Cleaning (Steve Sebastian)** — 919-678-9019 [www.trianglewindowcleaning.com](http://www.trianglewindowcleaning.com) — “Very professional and well insured. Crew did great job—roof and gutters, porches, and decks. Fair pricing.” (MB, BT, JH2,GL)

**Window Hero** — 919-747-4154 — [www.windowhero.com](http://www.windowhero.com) — Windows, pressure washing, gutter cleaning.. “Have used them for windows and power washing. Very good.” (KB2)

**Lorenzo Solarzano** — 919-697-9448 and 919-697-1301 — “We had our house and driveway power washed, all windows and sills as well as deck painted. Some boards had to be replaced. Work done was excellent and completed promptly. The painters kept social distance and had masks available.” **(HN)**

**LoProof Pressure Washing and Lawn Care** — Mr. Cooper — 919-808-9134  
Cooperloisie@yahoo.com — “Roof was a mess, driveway/sidewalk coated with black gunk, mold. Mr. C. provided an estimate and then washed the roof and gutter guards, pressure washed driveway/sidewalk/uneven cinder block walk in backyard. His work was the best. No one has ever ventured to get some of the dirt/moss off. He is a one-person business and is African American. I know some are wanting to be more aware of African American businesses. We’ll have him back.” **(KB)**

**Absolutely Clean by Stew (pressure washing company)** — Stewart Esposito 919-345-7410 — www.absolutelycleanbystew.com — “He and his partner are super friendly and do excellent work. We use them every fall.” **(SW)**

**Merida** — 919-519-4910 — “The last 3 years my house gutters have been cleaned twice a year by Merida. They do a great job, and their price is very reasonable.” **(OR)**

**Everlast Gutters (Mebane)** — 336-516-0180 “Gutters cleaned—did not use a pressure washer. Mostly did the job by hand but sometimes used a leaf blower to get large areas of roof clean. They cleaned up well. I do not want ladders placed against my new gutters, and they understood that. Highly recommend them.” **(PM)**

**Window Genie** — 919-479-4044 — “Did an excellent job.” **(RC)**

**Carlos Calderon** — 919-564-9195 (mobile) — “We’ve used him for gutter cleaning, pressure washing, and lawn mowing. He was excellent and thorough. Good communication also.” **(TP)** “Washed windows, cleaned gutters. Great job!” **(CS)**

**Crystal Clear Pressure Washing** — 919-885-3349 — pressurewashingcrystalclear.com — email: pressurewashingcrystalclear@gmail.com — “Used Michael to blow pine needles and debris off our roof (2-story house). He was professional and responsive.” **(AM)**

## **Window Replacement and Repair / Sliding Glass Doors / Glass Shower Doors**

**Rice's Glass** — 919-967-9213 — “Excellent work—repair or replacement.” **(RT, LA)**

**Renewal By Anderson** — 919-427-5420 — “Would highly recommend. Had 8 windows replaced. Compared estimates with Pella, and Renewal by Anderson was less expensive. Worked with Kelly Scutto who was great.” **(JS)**

**Pella** — 919- 859-9881 (Raleigh) — “We used Pella for a very complicated conversion of a fixed picture window into one that could be opened on our sunporch. They did an excellent job!” **(PP)**

**Gerald Jones Company** — 919-286-1700 — “Replaced a window and front door for me. Very nice to work with and happy with service provided.” **(MD)**

**Robert Belcher** — 919-672-8982 — “Replaced sliding glass door sliders/wheels and replaced the tracks in both doors. Was recommended by Rice’s Glass.” **(PM,WT)**

**Adrian Santos** — 919-951-9469 — “Recently did a hospital job that was all windows. He removed/repared/replaced one of the big windows in my townhome when it had rotten wood underneath.” **(SB3)**

## Window Treatments

**Window Designs Inc.** — 919-220-7387 — Matt Brooks — “Had gotten good reviews when Lee Monsein owned it. New owner, who worked with Lee.” **(LA)**

## Auto Services

### Body Shops

**Rice's Glass** — 919-967-9213 — “Excellent work—repair or replacement.” **(RT, LA)**

**Hatley’s Body Shop** — (919) 942-2115 — 100 Lloyd St., Carrboro — “I’ve used them for years and found their prices less than many other estimates; also, they do good work. (They can’t do big jobs as I had to have done recently.)” **(LA)**

**Collision Specialists, Inc.** — 919-808-4184 (4714 Alston Ave., Durham) — “Does absolutely excellent work, and he can be a very strong advocate with insurance companies when appropriate.” **(CS2)**

**Elite Auto Body** — 919-942-2070 — “Did two big repairs on my Subaru recently and did excellent work. Very easy to work with, they communicated well with my insurance company. Highly recommend them.” **(LA)**

## Yard Services

### Landscaping/Planting/Yard Service

**Birch Meadow Lawn Care** — 919-224-9697— <https://www.birchmeadowgc.com> “Mary Beth Berkley and her team of mainly women gardeners will care about your private landscape, garden and plants. They are experienced in working in harmony with nature to create beautiful, edible, landscapes that promote biodiversity. They offer garden design, installation, pruning and maintenance - including hand weeding! Honest, hardworking, reliable and they know N.C. plants and growing conditions that will promote soil health, which reduces weeds, watering, and maintenance needs. They do not mow/blow or use chemicals. “. **(RK, MC)**

**O’Mara Landscape** — 919-942-5051 — “They installed all our landscaping and continue to maintain it. They are reliable, honest, conscientious, and easy to get in touch with.” **(JM)**

**Carlos Hernandez** — 919-475-6563 — calhdez@hotmail.com — "Very hardworking, very creative, and very thorough." (SM)

**Farmhouse Lawn and Landscaping | Joe Berton** — 919-968-2979, 919-730-3954 (cell) "Helped with many landscaping projects over the years as well as bimonthly maintenance. Not inexpensive but reliable." (RT)

**Arbor Enterprises | Paige Moody** — 919-427-8114 — arborent@aol.com [arborenterprises.com](http://arborenterprises.com) Located in Pittsboro. — "Excellent, reliable service. Paige has done several yard and landscaping projects for us. Very reasonable pricing too." (JH, BA, RT,LA)

**Green Energy Lawn Care** — 919-338-2667 — GreenEnergyLawnCare.com — Owners are local, they are an "environmentally friendly and affordable full service lawn care" company. Use electric mowers, zero carbon emissions. "Did good job, quickly and quietly." (JS)

**Up and Doing It Landscaping | Lisa Long** — 919-949-8764 — "She does my yard clean up and others in neighborhood, too. I found her in Southern Neighbor and have used her to care for my garden beds monthly for the past 3 years. Excellent work, including clean-up." (JS)

**Rene Rios** — 919-200-2794 (mobile) — "Highly competent English-speaking individual who has done a lot of yard work for our daughter in Pittsboro. She is very pleased with his work. He also worked for years on an organic farm in Pittsboro. He will be doing our lawn this season." (MN) "Has been responsive and helpful when I needed him." (LA)

**Marco's Landscaping** — 919-951-9503 — "Had positive experience. Define scope of work and get pricing in advance. They did substantial pruning/clearing." "Always has done a great job. Cleaned our yard, trimmed bushes, mulched, etc." (CL, GA,BB)

**Raymond Collins** — 919-360-0237 (mobile) — "Highly recommend him. Excellent work, trustworthy, reliable, and reasonable." (HN)

**Ryan Halsey** — 919-880-6313 — "He's been mowing my lawn and is very reliable." (KF)

**Eastern Turf Maintenance** — 919-571-9990 — etmlawncare.com — "They transformed our yard from weeds to a nice lawn. Very reasonable." (JC, KM)

**Armando Morales** — 919-370-1765 — "Have used him for years for various projects. He's great and has tons of amazing references." (SB3)

**Back to Life Services (Seth Nash)** — 919-302-0047 — "Satisfactory job, reasonable fee." (DL)

**Poteat Landscaping** — [poteatlandscape@nc.rr.com](mailto:poteatlandscape@nc.rr.com) — 919-698-3326 — "Highly recommend." (DB)

**Diaz Landscape & Services, Inc.** — Yimy Diaz — 919-797-8516 — [yimydiaz13@gmail.com](mailto:yimydiaz13@gmail.com) — "Very hard working, did good job of blowing piles of leaves into the

woods, also repaired wood edging on garden. He also does mowing, sprinkler repair, and lawn maintenance. Will definitely use his services again!" (LA)

**Falling Rain Irrigation Systems** — 919-368-4327 — "Ringo has always done a first-class job for us. He is an expert in this business. (His office isn't always good at returning calls—keep trying—his service will be worth it!" (BD)

## Stump Grinding

**Kim Deaton** — 919-475-4252 (cell) — "Good work, reasonable rates." (RT)

## Tree Services

**Meeks Tree Service | Billy Meeks** — 919-477-1990 — "Reliable; not sure about bonding or insurance." (RT)

**J. B. Tree Service | Jeff Bracken** — 919-644-2454 919-602-0946 Located in Hillsborough. — "Reliable." (RT)

**Bartlett Tree Service** — 919-687-0776 — tblack@bartlett.com — "We have used Bartlett's for many years. They are extremely competent and helped save a special tree outside our bedroom windows. They take care of our lot and the vacant one next door which we own. We're immensely pleased with their professionalism and integrity. We have the only wooded unbuilt lot on the COE border so have had lots of tree work over the 30 some years, which Bartlett has been managing." (MS, RW3) "We've used them multiple times and would highly recommend them. Travis Black is very knowledgeable, and the crew is very conscientious while they are working." (KN) "I like their professionalism. They send a guy out who walks with me through the yard, and we discuss what must be done now and what can wait a few years. I got lots of good tree care advice even if I don't buy any service that day. Prices are not cheap, but they are competitive." (JC2) (AP, RK2, CC, SW, JD, CK, PP, BD, and SM also recommended them)

**Davey Tree Experts** — 919-460-8733 — Morrisville — "We've used them and been very pleased." (MC)

**The Arborist Tree Service | Bruce Paden** — 919-260-2423 brucepadenthearborist.com — Chapel Hill — "He is a certified arborist, has a very professional crew, and gives good service on maintaining trees. Good and honest. Not the cheapest." (JS, PM, LP)

**Ludy Tree Care** — 919-942-3941 ludytreecare.com — "Slightly pricey, but Doug will often negotiate if you think he's too high. Also, Ludy is fully insured, which is not the case with all tree services." (EH) "We use Ludy Tree care for quick and cheaper tree removal." (SW)

**Guy Meilleur** — 919-387-7045 Consulting Arborist at Better Tree Care, New Hill, NC. — "He has been an arborist for more years than some local companies have been on business. I know from personal experience he has trained many in tree care, having taken several of his workshops. I also employed him to assess and treat trees at my former home. I would highly recommend him." (MMc)

**Leaf and Limb** — 919-787-9551— leaflimb.com — “Did an excellent job, very professional, fantastic!” (They no longer do tree removal.) **(JC, KM, CH)**

**Everett Tree Service** — 919-271-6108 — everettreeservice.com — “They’re the best!” **(FB)**

**Traynor Tree** — 919-815-0260 or 919-362-6228 — TraynorTree@gmail.com — “Has done work for Falconbridge FHA with competitive pricing.” **(LA)**

**Forrest Tree Services** — Text or call 860-207-6854 — Stephen Nemeth — “Did a good job of cutting down a dead tree in a cramped space.” **(AS, KF)**

**Blackhawk Arborist Services** — 919-469-1340 — blackhawkaarborist@gmail.com “Very professional. Removed a huge tree from my front yard Dec. 2021, expertly and carefully. Reasonably priced. Highly recommended.” **(LA)**

**Treeist** — 919-260-8970 — www.treeist.com — “Highly recommend for tree removal, pruning, and health assessments. Hired them 3 times—last time removing large trees that had fallen on the side/back of our home, taking out other trees. Not possible to get large equipment in so all the work was done through climbing, chaining, and roping. Crews are diverse, well educated, professional, and very safety conscious. They really care about trees and will give an honest assessment of what should be done on your property. User-friendly website where you can fill out a request for an assessment of your job.” **(SC, PP2)**

## Personal Services

### Alterations

**Triangle Tailors** — (919) 361-5533 — Hope Valley Commons (beside Harris Teeter): 1125 W North Carolina 54, Suite 308, Durham 27707 — “Has done excellent work on repairs and alterations, shortening PJ arms and legs, etc.” **(ERW, SL, CL, LA)**

### Computer Service

**The Computer Cellar** — 919-314-3327 — “Have used them several times—good work. They’ll tell you if something is not worth doing. Expert work, done quickly, reasonable price.” “I used them to recover all my data from a dead laptop and restore it onto a new one. They were terrific, did it in a couple of hours, and charged me \$45 [a few years ago]. They were a lifesaver.” **(MC,BJ, HG, MC2)**

**Triangle Cellular Repair** — 919-269-2699 — 601 W. Rosemary St., Chapel Hill “Devices wouldn’t hold a charge all day. Got new battery—cost way less than a new device. They can also replace a cracked screen.” **(LA)**

## Home Care

**Care YaYa** — <https://www.careyaya.org> — [“Yaya” means grandmother in Greek.] Caregiving at your home by college students at a reasonable charge. Many of the students are studying nursing or pre-med. There was an excellent article about them in a UNC Media Hub publication. “I have many clients who have used Care YaYa for help with a family member with dementia, post-surgery, etc. and they have been very pleased.” (BM) “I have also met with a woman in Chapel Wood who used their services and was very pleased.” (LA)

## Notaries

**Sinai Santillo** — 919-720-1243 (Jin Yi Kwon’s sister) — “Came to the house in an emergency. Very helpful.” (LA)

**Eric Hinson** — [eric@erichinsonlaw.com](mailto:eric@erichinsonlaw.com) — 919-968-1050

**Tyrel Souza** — 603-313-0388 — <https://tyrel.bike/notary> (schedule appointment link)

## Photographer

**Jordan Raof** <https://www.thumbtack.com/nc/durham/event-photographers/jordan-raoof/service/449-709-9322> or 433/7216 — “He took some family photos in our garden, and he did an amazing job. He was wonderful to work with.” (PL)

## Shoe Repair

“**The Shoe Repair**” — 919-968-1407, 8 Mariakakis Bldg. (on 15-501, just behind Eastgate Shopping Center). “The best in Orange County! Have used them for many years. They can fix anything—shoes, purses, etc.—anything leather.” (LA)

## Pets

### Pet Grooming

**Ooh La La Pet Spa** — 919-572-6699 — 5410 Hwy 55 E, #8 • Durham (this strip mall at the corner of NC 55 and Sedwick Road is about 1 mile from NC54, or from the I-40 exit onto NC 55) — “They really treat the pets well, and everyone I know who goes there says that their pets are really excited and happy to go.” (RH)

**Petco (8200 Renaissance Parkway, Suite 1012)** 919-572-9638 (Theo Rhodes, dog groomer) — “Treats each dog as though it was his.” (HC)

**Four Paws Grooming** (Heather) (Glenwood Square Shopping Center) — 919-942-1788 — “Heather has been grooming our toy poodle for years and always does exactly what I request, which is different for summer and winter. She also expresses anal glands as requested.” (PP)

**Petropolitan Dog Grooming** — 919-321-2668 — “Jill is outstanding. They do a great job on all breeds.” (DB3)



**Woof Gang Bakery - Pet Groomer** — 1112 Environ Way — 919-869-7265 — “Highly recommend. They do a great job with my dog who can be difficult at times.” **(RC)**

## Pet Sitting

**Agi | Critter Sitters Pet Care** — 919-932-6214 — Home comfort for your pets, peace of mind for you. — “The animals adore her. She is also professional, trustworthy, and reliable.” **(SB,CP,MA2)** “Very reliable. Sat with my cats for a month.” **(JN2)**

**The Pampered Pet** — Barbara Beard — 434-446-8879 babsbeard74@gmail.com — Pet sitting visits include: lots of love, hugs, and attention; fresh food and water; petting and playtime; walking and exercising if needed; administering any needed medication; watering household plants; mail and newspaper retrieval. Overnight stays ~your home. Competitive rates; excellent references. “I have a dog who struggles with severe separation anxiety and Barbara is terrific with her.” **(KJ, JT,SB)**

**Hannah Mager** ( Prefers to communicate initially by text: 919-360-1267. ) — “She’s honest, very conscientious, warm, cleans up well after my cat, and my cat has been happy. She has also taken care of a friend’s dog.” **(EM)**

**Kim Saffran** — Happy Camper Pet Sitting — 919-599-4696 — ksaff1012@gmail.com — “Kim is an experienced, trustworthy, loving, and reliable pet sitter. She has both long-term and short-term clients. She can do overnight pet sitting.” **(CA)**

**Liam Weed (12 years old as of Jan2022)** — 917-885-5377 — “Medium to small dogs can stay with my family. We will feed them with the food that you provide. We will love on them and play with them. The dogs never want to leave! Large dogs can stay at your house, and I will take them out to walk them and feed them. If you already have a dog sitter but the dog sitter cannot walk your dog, I will walk them for you. I charge per day for dog sitting and for every walk if I am only walking your dog. I do not have set prices but in the past I have earned \$30-35/day for dog sitting.” (Mom is Janet Ballinger Weed.)

“Liam did a great job with our dog who HATES boarding kennels. He was happy there and we will use him again.” **(JC, BJ)** “Liam is indeed responsible and kind and very comfortable with dogs. He and Noah have walked Whiskey for pay and just to give me a hand when I was incapacitated. I hope many of you, your dog or cat , will have the pleasure of working with Liam . ” **(CD)**

## Veterinarian

**Dr. Keri Reeves** — <https://kindredheartvet.com> — 919-525-1962 (101 Two Hills Dr., Carrboro, NC ) — “She has just opened her own practice in Carrboro—used to be at Falconbridge Animal Hospital. She is wonderful, an excellent vet.” **(MB2, AB)**

**Triangle Vet** — 919-489-2391 — 3301 Old Chapel Hill Rd, Durham, NC 27707 — “I have gone to Triangle Vet for over 40 years, with both dogs and cats, and they are the absolute best!” **(LA)**

## Snake ID/relocation

**Don Basnight** (will relocate the snake) — 919-270-3247

## Referral Sources

AB = Alex Brown	FB = Farley Bernholz
AM = Amy Maxwell	GA = Ginny Ashmore
AP = Ashley Pinkard	GG = Glory Gallucci
AS = Anne Selna	GH = Guy Hickey
BA = Bailey Allard	HC = Harriet Crisp
BB = Bob Blanchard	HG = Howard Goldberg
BD = Barbara D'zan-Terry	HI = Helen Ingles
BK = Barb Koch	HN = Helen Navascues
BK2 = Barbara Kirch	IK = Irene Kesselman
BJ = Bob Johnson	JA = Jamie Ashmore
BJA = BJ Atwood	JB = Joyce Brimfield
BT = Bill Thelin	JC = Jane Cocke
CC = Charles Cain	JC2 = Jim Carroll
CD = Claire Dobert	JD = Joanne Dunn
CH = Cindy Holtzman	JE = Janice Engelhardt
CK = Christine Khoury	JF = Jack Franklin
CL = Carol Land	JH = Judy Holland
CM = Creighton Moeller	JH2 = Jessica Hansen
CP = Carolyn Parker	JK = Judy Konanc
CP2 = Cindy Piontak	JM = Julie Martin
CS = Claudia Stephens	JN = John Noble
CS2 = Cindy Suffern	JN2 = Jennifer Knoth
CS2 = Chris Straughan	JR = Jane Rosenberg
DB = Don Basnight	JR2 = Jan Richmond
DB2 = Darren Byerly	JS = Jan Schochet
DB3 = Debbie Balsamo	JS2 = Jean Sellers
DD = Darragh Davis	JT = Jennifer Tennyson
DG = Dorrit Green	KB = Kathy Bender
DN = Danny Nguyen	KB2 = Karen Blasé
DZ = D'zan-Terry family	KB3 = Kelly Bell
EH = Ed Holland	KF = Karen Fitzhugh
EM = Ellen Markus	KJ = Karen Jenkins
EP = Ellen Parker	KM = Kathryn Meyers
ERW = E. Roy Weintraub	KP = Kelly Proctor
GB = Ginny Baas	LA = Lisa Anthony

LDP = Louise & Dennis Pagano	RB = Robert Baxter
LG = Lee Goldman	RB3 = Richard Balamucki
LK = Louise Kowalsky	RC = Rani Covington
LL = Laura Lacy	RC2 = Reg Carver
LM = Larry Moray	RD = Rachel DeGrange
LP = Lawrence Proctor	RH = Rosemary Hutchinson
LS = Linda Sheer	RK = Rosemarie Kitchin
LS2 = Lee Schearer	RK2 = Richard Kowalsky
LW = Larry Weinstein	RP = Richard Perry
MA = Mary Ashley	RS = Robin Schwartz
MA2= Mary Azoy	RT = Rae Thompson
MB = Martha Brame	RW = Ralph Wikstrom
MB2 = Marjie Bender	RW2 = Ronit Weingarden
MC = Marese Casey	RW3 = Roy Weintraub
MC2 = Marion Cannell	SB = Susan Biddle
MF = Maxine Foster	SB2 = Sandi Botstein
MG = Mary Godwin	SB3 = Scott Barrett
MH - = Melissa Haft	SB4 = Sai Balu
MH2 = Makayla Hipke	SC = Stephanie Curtis
MMc = Mary McClure	SF = Steve Foster
MN = Michael Navascue	SF2 - = Susan Frost
MP = Mia Prior	SG = Scott Gwynne
MS = Maxine Soloway	SG2 = Sandy Glick
MS2 = Mary Sexton	SK = Steve Kaplan
MW = Michelle Wolff	SL = Sylvia Lichtenberger
NG = Nathan Galie	SM = Sharon Meginnis
NS = Nona Saling	SM2 = Susan Moeller
OR = Omaira Rial	SO = Sonda Oppewal
PL = Pamela Lothspeich	SW = Stephen Whaley
PM = Patricia Masson	TD - = Tram Dinh
PP = Paula Press	TK = Tonu Kalam
PP2 = Peggy Pratt	TP = Troy Peenta
PR = Pam Richey	WT = Walter Travers
PS = Paul Silverman	