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ANNOUNCEMENTS

****UNCG/Kisco Collaboration: The Center for Positive Aging****

Date: April 1st, 2011

Time: 10am-1pm

Location: Joyner Room in Elliot University Center, UNCG Campus

UNCG has been presented with a unique opportunity for collaboration with Kisco Senior Living to establish the Center for Positive Aging as a part of their new retirement community "The Pilot at Sedgefield." UNCG representatives in HHP have been engaged in serious discussions with the Kisco executive leadership regarding the nature of the collaboration for over six months now and have developed an initial plan for its inception.

All faculty members with an interest in aging and any dimension of wellness (physical, social, emotional, intellectual, occupational, spiritual, environmental) are invited and encouraged to participate in a presentation and discussion regarding this beneficial collaboration.

Kisco leadership will present information regarding their company, their ongoing commitment to wellness and current plans for the new retirement community.

Cody Sipe, PhD (Dept. of Kinesiology) will provide introductory and closing remarks to highlight how the research, educational and engagement priorities of UNCG faculty can benefit from becoming involved in this incredible opportunity. A time for discussion will follow the presentations.

UNCG Gerontology Program 6th Annual Summit

Summit Name: Aging is Good Business: Fitness Pays!

Summit Description: The UNCG Gerontology Program invites you to attend, sponsor, and advertise at our 6th annual summit, an afternoon pre-conference to the 32nd Annual Meeting of the Southern Gerontological Society in Raleigh, NC.

Date and Time: Thursday, April 14, 2011, 1pm-4:30 pm

Summit Location: State Ballrooms, Raleigh Marriot Center City, Raleigh, NC

Summit Topics: *The End of Aging as We Know It* by Colin Milner, founder and CEO of the International Council on Active Aging. *A Business Model for Aging Well* by Brenda Loube, founder and Principal of Corporate Fitness Works. *Building Bridges to Shape the Brain Fitness Revolution* by Alvaro Fernandez, co-founder and CEO of SharpBrains

Cost: \$40 registration by April 6. \$60 registration on-site. \$20 registration for students.

Seating is limited. Preregistration is strongly advised.

Sponsorship/Advertising Opportunities/Registration Form: available at www.uncg.edu/gro.

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Southern Gerontological Society 32nd Annual Meeting

Details may be found at <http://www.southerngerontologicalsociety.org/sgs/index.asp>.

Meeting Date: April 14th-17th, 2011

Meeting Location: Raleigh Marriott City Center in Raleigh, NC.

Here are some important points.

- There will be a number of important student events—see below, plus the club crawl on Friday evening (free transportation for all).
- Those who contact Lora Gage at LGage4SGS@aol.com and donate 4 hours at the conference will get \$50 off their registration, which by the way is a deal. Registration includes opening reception on Thursday night, breakfast Friday and Sat, lunch on Friday and brunch on Sun.
- See some of the student activities below:

New Career Opportunities in Aging

Friday, April 15th, 3:30 PM-4:15 PM

This session sponsored by the UNCG SPO Delta Gamma Chapter and The UNCG Gerontology Program

Looking to start or reinvent your career in aging education, service or research? Invited speaker, Pauline Abbott, will overview the new career opportunities in aging. Pauline Abbott, Vice President of NAPG (the National Association for Professional Gerontologists), board member and past president of the California Council of Gerontology and Geriatrics, and Past National President of SPO, regularly speaks about the angst for gerontology on its move from a multi-discipline on the path to a profession. Dr. Abbott is the Director of the Institute of Gerontology and Ruby Gerontology Center at California State University Fullerton where she conducts community based research and teaches in the academic gerontology program. In her class on Professional Issues in Gerontology, Pauline focuses upon the critical need for articulating what you know how to do, communicating with employers not using jargon, and networking. Dr. Abbott has been recognized for her work by the Red Cross and has received the WomanSage Educator of the Year award and the Birren Senior Scholar Award from the CCGG. Her book “Recreating Neighborhoods for Successful Aging” received a Silver Award from the publishing industry and she is currently developing a Gero-Engineering Program related to Assistive Technology and maintaining older adults in the community. Her presentation will focus upon where we’ve been, where we are, and where we are going in relation to careers and employment in the Field of Aging.

Students who attend this session will be entered in a \$50.00 prize drawing from Barnes and Noble. The drawing will be held at the end of the SGS Business meeting. The student must be present at the business meeting to win.



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Meet the Professionals: Student Networking Event

Friday, April 15th 5:15 PM-6:45 PM

"Choose a job you love and you will never have to work a day in your life." Confucius
Following the SGS business meeting SPO Delta Gamma and The UNCG Gerontology Program will host a student network event. This reception has an added feature this year. Professionals from a wide range of disciplines, practice and academic settings including entrepreneurial nutritionists, county and state government, the U.S. Census, hospice and more will be available for students to network and learn more about professional opportunities. If you would like to share your professional knowledge with the students don't miss this student networking event that follows the SGS Business meeting. The SGS student representative, Jessica Erricolo is preparing information for this event so if you wish to participate and represent your professional interest, please email a short description of your current position to Jessica at jherrico@uncg.edu.

2011 SE4A Scholarship Announcement *Two Forms Enclosed*

The Southeastern Association of Area Agencies on Aging has established a Scholarship to be awarded to a student interested in pursuing a career in Gerontology or Geriatrics.

Three \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded in the fall of 2011.

For more information, please email Dottie Lyvers, Director, Area Agency on Aging. Northwest Piedmont Council of Governments Her email: dlyvers@nwpcog.org, or please visit: www.nwpcog.org.

To apply for the Scholarship, a student must be a junior, senior or a graduate student presently enrolled in an accredited university within the eight southeastern states of Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee.

Enclosed please find a copy of the application for the SE4A Scholarship and a list of the criteria.

If you know of a student who would qualify and would like to apply for the Scholarship, please have him/her complete the application.

An application package must be completed including an essay of no more than two pages in length. An original current transcript or a copy of an original current transcript must be included.

The essay should include both personal and professional experience and answer the following questions:

- What led you to pursue an education in the field of Gerontology or Geriatrics?
- What are your plans in the field of Gerontology or Geriatrics?

Nominations must be *postmarked* by **May 6, 2011** and mailed to: Stephanie Blunt, Executive Director, c/o Trident Area Agency on Aging. 1360 Truxtun Avenue, Suite 105. Charleston, SC 29405. (843) 554-2282

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NEWS - LOCAL

UNC Institute on Aging: 7th Annual Aging Exchange

Date: April 7th

Time: 3p-6p

Location: Friday Center, Chapel Hill

Cost: Free and open to the public

Parking: Free and in the Friday Center parking lot

Please join us for the 7th Annual Aging Exchange, an event dedicated to recognizing and promoting research in the field of aging at UNC-Chapel Hill. The UNC Institute on Aging, in collaboration with its co-sponsors, will host this event which is free and open to the public. The program will feature:

- A guest lecture by Dr. Margaret Moss, Yale University School of Nursing
- Poster presentations by UNC-Chapel Hill graduate students and faculty
- Presentation of the Gordon H. DeFriese Career Development in Aging
- Research Awards
- A reception with light hors d'oeuvres
- An opportunity to network with colleagues, students, and other attendees with an interest in aging-related research

Additional Information about the event can be found at:

<http://www.aging.unc.edu/events/agingexchange/index.html>

Directions to the Friday Center can be found on line at:

<http://www.fridaycenter.unc.edu/directions/index.htm>.

To RSVP for the Aging Exchange, please contact Diane Wurzinger at diane_wurzinger@unc.edu or by calling (919) 843-2647.

Please help us spread the word about this event by passing this information along to others whom you feel might be interested in attending.



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NEWS - STATE

Free VA Benefit Caregiver Event *Flyer Attached*

Event Title: Veteran's Aid and Attendance Pension Benefit.

Event Presenter: David Boliek, Financial Services Agent with Veterans Financial, Inc.

Host: Senior Resources of Guilford

Attendance: Free, with Donations Appreciated.

Registration: limited. Lunch will be provided.

Event Date: Tuesday, April 19, 2011

Event Time: 11:30am– 1:00pm

Event Location: Pleasant Garden United Methodist Church, 4834 Pleasant Garden Rd., Pleasant Garden, NC 27313.

Registration Deadline: *Thursday, April 14, 2011.*

For more information, or to register, call Amanda May, Caregiver Support Coordinator, Senior Resources of Guilford, at (336) 373-4816.

Are you a Caregiver? Do you know any Caregivers? This event will benefit them as well as other individuals that have questions about Veterans Aid and Attendance Pension.

Please share the flyer and information with everyone you know!

Presentation Deadline for 2011 North Carolina Conference on Aging: April 22, 2011

The Deadline for Presentations for the 2011 NC Conference on Aging is April 22, 2011

Conference Date: Oct. 18-20, 2011

Conference Location: Hilton Charlotte University Place Hotel. 8629 J. M. Keynes Drive, Charlotte, NC 28262.

2011 Conference Theme: "The Community Response: Implementing the Plan for a Livable, Senior-Friendly North Carolina."

Conference tracks include:

- Family, Intergenerational Relations and Caregiving,
- Health and the Continuum of Care;
- Safe Communities;
- Aging and Diversity;
- Healthy Aging & Active Engagement;
- Economy of Aging; and
- Planning for Livable Communities.

To obtain additional information or to respond to the call for presentations, please visit <http://www.aging.unc.edu/nccoa>. Information about Sponsoring, Exhibiting and Advertising opportunities at this year's conference will be posted on the conference web site shortly.

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NATIONAL

Financial Planning Association—New Jersey Conference

Conference Date: May 11, 2011 from 7:15am-5pm

[Register Today](#) (You will be asked to login in order to proceed to the registration form.)

[Schedule of Events](#)

[Speakers](#)

Our Featured Topics:

“Cutting Edge Tax Developments and Opportunities” - *Michael E. Kitces, MSFS, MTAX, CFP®, CLU, ChFC, RHU, REBC, CASL, CWPP™, Director of Financial Planning for Pinnacle Advisory Group* - This session is designed to educate financial planners about the latest changes and developments in tax laws and regulations from Congress, the Treasury, the IRS, and the courts that are relevant and pertinent to them and their work with clients. Topics covered will include any new tax legislation passed by Congress in late 2010 and early 2011, and a review of tax planning opportunities in light of any provisions that did sunset at the end of 2010.

“Estate Tax Update 2011” - *Richard H. Greenberg, Esq., Greenberg & Schulman* - He will provide us with an estate tax update: new exemption equivalent amounts, new rate schedule, current strategies for estate planning, planning for Federal and NJ state exemption amounts, coordinating annual gift exclusions, and generation skipping gifts and trusts.

“Washington Update” - *W. Andrew Larson Director of Retirement Education, Retirement Learning Center, LLC* - His presentation will be a market update relevant to the recent policy changes we've had in Washington.

“The Retirement Income Planning Conversation: Five Key Ideas” - *Nick Murray* - He will be speaking about sound retirement planning which requires the advisor to communicate to the client that he will (1) have a longer life expectancy, (2) feel the erosion of purchasing power on his standard of living, (3) need to match a trajectory of retirement income to the curve of rising living costs, (4) will need to consider the history of equities over bonds in increasing dividend income (as well as capital values) to offset rising living costs, and (5) want to understand volatility and how to live with it and manage it to their comfort level.

Credits: Accepted for 7 CFP® CE's. Applied for 7 NJ Insurance CE's.

Qualifies for 7 Accounting CPE CE's.

No partial credit is available. (Please be prepared to stay from 8:30 am to 4:45 pm to receive credits)

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Registration Fees:

	<u>Early Bird Registration</u> Through April 15	<u>Pre-Registration</u> April 16 – May 10	<u>Onsite</u>
<u>FPANJ Members*</u>	\$189	\$225	\$275
<u>Non-members</u>	\$239	\$275	\$325

*This pricing is for FPANJ members that paid their chapter assessment. Members who did not pay the chapter assessment will be charged non-member rates.

If you prefer sending a check as payment, please email us at reserve@fpanj.org for a registration flyer, fill it out and please mail with your check to: FPANJ * 551 Valley Road * #365 * Upper Montclair * NJ * 07043.

For your protection, credit card payments will now only be accepted online. If you register onsite, only checks or cash will be accepted. We understand this may be an inconvenience for some of our members but we must change our procedures for your protection and the protection of your association. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Cancellation policy: The registration fee is refundable for those cancellations received in writing at the FPANJ address below, no later than 4/20/11, minus a \$50 administration fee. No refunds will be granted after 4/20/11.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Dr. Richard Taylor’s Newsletter

Dr. Taylor’s March 2011 Issue of his Newsletter was just emailed out, and I highly recommend that you read it. Dr. Taylor is a nationally-known retired Psychologist with an amazing sense of humor and span of knowledge, and he has had dementia, probably of the Alzheimer’s type, for eight years. His dream and goal is to defeat the fear of Alzheimer’s disease and thus enhance the dignity, quality of life, and sense of purpose for every older adult or individual with Alzheimer’s disease.

If you want to read his newsletters, please sign up using your email at his website: <http://www.richardtaylorphd.com>. They are very insightful and a joy to read.



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NC Recreation Therapy Association Conference Call for Papers *Information Attached*

Conference Date: October 10 & 11, 2011

Please submit a paper in any of these topics: Geriatric/LTC; MR/DD/Children; Physical Rehabilitation; Research/Education/ Competencies; Substance Abuse/Mental Health; or General Knowledge.

Presenters can be professionals in any field, and the conference's cost varies depending on the number of days that you attend and how you and/or a guest present the paper.

Please return the attached information by April 1, 2011 via email (as a word document) to: smskradski@bellsouth.net or for more information, contact Stacey Skradski at 336-655-0107.

HEA 407/HEA 697: Class in Zambia—Community Service-Learning/International Health

This is a class offered to UNCG majors in good academic standing; it is also great for juniors and seniors looking for an advanced elective. A maximum of 12 students can take this class.

For students interested in an elective who need some international service experience or who always wanted to get a “real life view” of African social life, and community health and development issues? If students dream of visiting Victoria Falls in Livingstone, Zambia or cruising on the Zambezi River, this experience could be theirs.

Some of the things that students would be doing would be to work with local primary health care clinics, do community home-based care outreach, or help with local farming and environmental projects. They might also teach an adult/women's literacy class, organize and conduct recreational activities with the elderly and local children, or build a school room.

Students could earn 6 credits doing all this in Summer B, 2011 through taking one of these two courses:

- HEA 407: Community Service-learning in International Health, Zambia—for undergrad students.
- Graduate students could earn 6 credits of Community Health Field Experience through taking this course—HEA 697.

Both courses would be taught by Dr. Sharon Morrison in the Department of Public Health Education at UNCG. It would be conducted in Partnership with Bridge Volunteers and African Impact.

Course start date: June 27 – August 1, 2011.

Tentative Travel Dates: July 2 to July 23, 2011.

Cost: \$3250 (incl. cost for 6 cr., course materials, housing & 3 meals for 21 days, all in-country transportation, field supplies, field trips/excursions). Airfare and spending money not included (budget for about \$2950)

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Attend one of the upcoming information sessions and learn more:

- Wednesday, March 23, 2011 at 5:05pm, Bryan Bldg, room 160
- Thursday, March 24, 2011 at 5:05pm, Health and Human Performance Bldg, room 338

Apply online:

- 1.) Go to [h*p://studyabroad.uncg.edu](http://studyabroad.uncg.edu) Note --- do not use 'www'
- 2.) Click "Programs"
- 3.) Scroll down and click Faculty Led --- International Health in Zambia
- 4.) Click "Apply now" and then "OK"
- 5.) Click "Yes" to the 'are you a registered user' question and click "Submit"
- 6.) Login just like you are using Blackboard.

correct login = abdavis incorrect login = abdavis@uncg.edu

If you encounter trouble with the website, email llstanfi@uncg.edu , subject: "Zambia website trouble", and explain the problem you are having.

Also contact: Dr. Sharon Morrison, Associate Professor, Department of Public Health Education.
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