



# UNCG Gerontology Research Network

Facilitating Transdisciplinary Aging-related Research at UNCG

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Lunch & Learn with the UNCG Gerontology Research Network**

Tuesday, March 24, 2009, Noon-2:30 pm

UNCG, Alumni House, Virginia Dare Room

Light buffet luncheon at noon while we preview recent faculty and student gerontology-related research posters.

At 12:30, guest speaker Colin Milner presents “*Changing the way we age*”. Milner, CEO of the International Council on Active Aging, is one of the nation's foremost visionaries and original thinkers regarding the health and well-being of the older adult. Milner has authored more than 200 articles on aging-related issues and delivered speeches to thousands of business leaders throughout North America. 1:30-2:30 pm dialogs and reviews of poster sessions.

Free and open to the campus and the community. Space is limited. Preregistration is required at 336-256-1020 by March 17, 2009.

### **Aging Is Good Business: The Silvering Workforce**

Wednesday, April 8, 2009, 8:30-3:30 pm

UNCG, Elliott University Center, Cone Ballroom

Attend our 4<sup>th</sup> annual Aging Is Good Business summit as we explore business adaptations to an aging workforce and innovative career options. Visit [www.uncg.edu/gro](http://www.uncg.edu/gro) for a registration form, details, plus advertising, exhibiting, and sponsorship opportunities through March 25, 2009.

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## LOCAL

### **Greensboro PTCOG's The Advocate Newsletter** \*Attached to E-mail\*

Attached is the Winter 2009 edition of The Advocate, which is the Ombudsman Program's quarterly newsletter.

This Issue includes: -New PACE Program

-Senior Games 2009

-Family Dynamics and Caregiving

-World Elder Abuse Awareness Day 2009

-Building Relationships= Boosting Staff Morale

-Money Follows the Person

-CAC Volunteer Spotlight

-National Healthcare Decisions Day

-Upcoming Events

### **Join the Community Superstars!!!!**

-Do you know someone on Medicare who can't afford their prescription drugs? We need your help to spread the information about the Medicare Low Income Subsidy (Extra Help) to your clients, co-workers, and community.

-Please join SHIP for an information luncheon at Golden Corral to learn how you can become a “Community Superstar”. You need to be willing to spread the word about the Medicare Low-Income Subsidy Program.

Where: Golden Corral, 2419 Lawndale Drive, Greensboro When: Tuesday, March 31 Time: 11:30-12:30

R.S.V.P Please! Call Shelley Sitko @ 373-4816 if you plan to attend.

### **Job Opening for Director for the certified Senior Center of Excellence**

Renee Griffin, [programs@senior-resources-guilford.org](mailto:programs@senior-resources-guilford.org) of Senior Resources shares the following position opening:

Senior Resources of Guilford, the largest non-profit provider of home and community based services for older adults in Guilford County, is seeking a Director for its certified Senior Center of Excellence. Ideal candidate has experience successfully planning and implementing educational, recreational and health and wellness activities appealing to diverse seniors. An awareness of community resources is necessary and exercise certification is beneficial. Strong organizational, computer, written and oral communication skills required. Supervisory and administrative experience required.

Send resume and salary expectations to: Personnel, P.O. Box 21993, Greensboro, NC 27420.

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## STATE

### **North Carolina Association, Long Term Care Facilities** "North Carolina's original and oldest Assisted Living Association"

-The web site is [www.friendsofadultcare.com](http://www.friendsofadultcare.com). We hope that all facilities, residents, family members, county DSS personnel, Ombudsman, volunteers, legislators and all others interested in quality care in adult care homes will sign up as Friends and get involved. The group will be selecting board members to guide the direction and focus of the group in the near future. If you are interested in participating as a board member please notify me at the email address below.

Thank you for your support & I look forward to hearing from you... Lou Wilson, Executive Director, NC Association, LTC Facilities  
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### **TUESDAY'S AGING WORKFORCE INTEREST GROUP MEETING** \*Directions attached\*

-The next meeting of the Aging Workforce Interest Group is scheduled for Tuesday, March 3rd, from 1 to 3 p.m., here at the Institute on Aging, 720 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Chapel Hill, NC, SECOND FLOOR conference room.

-We will be joined by Dr. MaryBe McMillan, Secretary-Treasurer of the North Carolina State AFL-CIO, who will speak about the AFL-CIO state-wide efforts to retain and retrain older workers and union efforts to keep older union members and retirees as vital participants in the labor movement. She will also discuss the Employee Free Choice Act, which is currently being debated, and other "hot" legislative issues.

I hope you'll join us for this interesting and timely presentation. If you have any questions about the program, please contact Peter Stein at [pstein@schsr.unc.edu](mailto:pstein@schsr.unc.edu) or 919-966-6818.

To confirm attendance please contact Diane Wurzinger at [diane\\_wurzinger@unc.edu](mailto:diane_wurzinger@unc.edu) or call (919)843-2647.

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## NATIONAL

### **ICPSR Summer Program Workshop in Longitudinal Analysis of Historical Demographic Data**

-July 20–August 14, 2009 in Ann Arbor, Michigan\*

Historical demography is an interdisciplinary field with a long history of important contributions to population studies and to the understanding of the past. This research has revealed a great deal about fundamental demographic processes such as household and family dynamics, the transition to smaller family units, pre- and post-industrial population dynamics, the demographic transition, migration patterns, and demographic responses to economic stress. This 4-week course will emphasize the use of event history analysis and data management of historical databases drawn from European, North American, and Asian populations. Longitudinal data will be employed to construct time-varying covariates and contextual variables for individuals, families, and households. Methodological issues such as censoring and incomplete information will also be addressed. Read more information about the course at [www.icpsr.umich.edu/sumprog/historical-demography.html](http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/sumprog/historical-demography.html).

-Application deadline: May 4, 2009

Applications are competitive. Participants will be selected on the basis of their interest in the topical areas, prior methodological training, and potential for research contributions that promote longitudinal analysis. Participants should be familiar with quantitative methods, including regression analysis. Those who need preparation in statistics are advised to attend quantitative courses during the June–July session of the ICPSR Summer Program. A limited number of stipends (between \$500 and \$2,000 US) will be awarded to cover travel and other expenses. For those admitted to the workshop, no fee will be charged to attend the Longitudinal Analysis in Historical Demography course. Apply on-line at [www.icpsr.umich.edu/training/summer/](http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/training/summer/), or at the ICPSR booth at the PAA meetings in Detroit. Support provided by the National Institutes of Health\* and the ICPSR Summer Program.

\*Pending final funding approval from the National Institutes of Health

-Instructors: George Alter, University of Michigan  
Glenn Deane, University at Albany, SUNY  
J. David Hacker, Binghamton University, SUNY  
Katherine A. Lynch, Carnegie Mellon University

Cameron Campbell, University of California at Los Angeles  
Myron P. Gutmann, University of Michigan  
Susan Hautaniemi Leonard, University of Michigan  
Ken R. Smith, Huntsman Cancer Institute & Univ. of Utah

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## ITEMS OF INTEREST

### **Senior Fraud Alert: "Urgent! We Are Now Servicing Your Mortgage."**

Wednesday, February 18, 2009

Former Task Force Co-Chair Art Englehardt, now working with the Cornelius Police Department, wishes to share the following with fellow Task Force members:

An older consumer in the Cornelius community received a text message on her phone. It was from a company she had never heard from before. The message indicated that the company was now servicing her mortgage account and that she needed to provide sensitive checking account information (including her PIN) right away so that automatic mortgage payments could be switched over without a monthly payment being missed. She did not respond to the message. Her mortgage had not been assigned to another company.