ANNOUNCEMENTS

This is the last GRN Bulletin for the semester. If there is any further information or upcoming events that you would like to share, please send them to Dr. Janice Wassel at jiwassel@uncg.edu, who will forward them out to everyone. This is also my last GRN Bulletin that I will write for you, as I am graduating at the end of the summer. I hope that you found the GRN Bulletin useful and enjoyable.

Thank you,
Amanda May,
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LOCAL

Celebrating Lives through Person-centered Practices
Person-centered conference, "Celebrating Lives through Person-centered Practices" is scheduled for May 26, 2010 from 8am-3:30pm at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Greensboro, NC.
Among the topics for the breakout sessions are:
* Grandma Stole My Ipod: Technology and Person-Centered Practices
* Overview of the MH/DD/SA Planning Process
* MDS 3.0 Update: Person-Centered Care in Nursing Homes
* The Purpose Triangle: Aligning Values with Work
* 1 Life, 1 Page, 1 Heck of a Great Tool! Using 1-Page Descriptions Every Day
* Painting Caregivers and Communities into the Person-Centered Picture
* Developing and Maintaining Person-Centered Learning Communities
* Capturing What Matters: Person-Centered Tools for Individual Planning
* Keeping the Fires Burning: Person-Centered Learning Communities
For a registration form and additional details, go to [http://ssw.unc.edu/cares/May26flier&form.pdf](http://ssw.unc.edu/cares/May26flier&form.pdf)

PTCOG: Area Agency on Aging’s 2010 professional conference  *Sponsorship Form Attached*
-Plans are well under way for the Area Agency on Aging’s 2010 professional conference “Aging in the Piedmont Triad: Forecasting the Future” to be held on September 22-23 at the Emerald Event Center in Greensboro. While the conference program is still “under construction,” an exciting line-up of speakers has already been confirmed including:
  · Keynote speaker, Lanie Pope, WXII-12 News
  · Sept. 22nd Luncheon speaker, John Hart, author
  · Sept. 23rd Luncheon speaker, Dr. Charles Petty, motivational speaker
- The full conference registration brochure will be completed by early summer.
- In the meantime, we are seeking agencies/organizations who are interested in sponsoring this year’s event. Thank you in advance for your support.

STATE

A Matter of Balance Coach Training
-Matter of Balance Coach Training to be held in Durham on May 24th and 26, 2010 each day 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
-Location: Council for Senior Citizens, 406 Rigsbee Avenue, #45, Durham, NC 27701
-Space is limited to 12 persons interested in training older adults within this Evidence- Based program
-TO REGISTER OR FOR QUESTIONS regarding the program, please contact Jane Armstrong: Email: jarmstrong@tjcog.org or call 919.558.9341 (office) or 548-0016 (cell)
- Co-Master trainers leading the sessions: Dr. Kathy Shipp and Jean Bridges, Duke University
- Sponsored by: Triangle J Area Agency on Aging and the Master trainers
ITEMS OF INTEREST

North Carolina Department of Aging and Adult Services
- It is a pleasure to announce this month's DAAS Featured Profile (April 2010): "Looking Outside of Facility Placement and Finding Refuge with Alternative Care Services" -- from the Coltrane L.I.F.E. Center, Cabarrus County Adult Day Care Center (written and submitted by Amanda Buck, Social Worker from the Cabarrus County Department of Social Services)!
- To access this and other new items, go to: http://www.ncdhhs.gov/aging/News/DAAS_News.htm. You can also go to the DAAS homepage: http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/aging/index.htm and click on the icon in the right top corner of the webpage.

CLEANING FOR A REASON from Senior Living Scoops
- If you know any woman currently undergoing Chemo, please pass the word to her that there is a cleaning service that provides FREE housecleaning - 1 time per month for 4 months while she is in treatment. All she has to do is sign up and have her doctor fax a note confirming the treatment. Cleaning for a Reason will have a participating maid service in her zip code area arrange for the service.
- Website: www.cleaningforareason.org
- Please pass this information on to bless a woman going through Cancer treatment. This organization serves the entire USA and currently has 547 partners to help these women. It's our job to pass the word and let them know that there are people out there that care.