



UNCG Gerontology Research Network

Facilitating Transdisciplinary Aging-related Research at UNCG

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fall SPO meeting

Tuesday, Oct 26 at 4:45pm-5:45pm.

Sigma Phi Omega, the Honors Society in Gerontology for UNCG, will have a meeting in 500 Forest to induct those invited to join SPO spring 2010 and elect new officers. There will be also be a short program on volunteer opportunities in the community. This is an open meeting and not limited to SPO members, please feel free to bring a friend. Reservations are not required. For more information, please contact Sarah Johnson at shjohns2@uncg.edu.

NEWS - LOCAL

Annual National Depression Screening Day: October 5-8 in the Triad

Hosted by The Mental Health Association, the Guilford Center, and Moses Cone Behavioral Health Center.

As part of the screening, participants can complete a brief, written questionnaire, learn about the symptoms of depression and how to help a friend or family member who may be at risk. Mental health professionals will be available at each site to answer questions or address concerns.

Free screenings will be offered at the following sites, dates and times.

- Tuesday, October 5—both locations are in Greensboro, NC.
Willow Oaks Community Center, 1815 Everitt Street, 10 am - 2 pm
Christ United Methodist Church, 410 N. Holden Road, 4 pm - 7 pm
- Wednesday, October 6—both locations are in Greensboro, NC.
Senior Resources, 301 E. Washington Street, 10 am - 1 pm
UNCG Psychology Clinic, 1100 W. Market Street, 3rd Floor, 8 am - 8 pm
- Thursday, October 7—both locations are in Greensboro, NC.
Women's Resource Center, 628 Summit Avenue, 4 pm - 7 pm
Trinity Church, 5200 W. Friendly Avenue, 3 pm - 6 pm
- Friday, October 8—the location is in High Point, NC.
New Bethel Baptist Church, 1116 Montlieu Avenue, High Point, 10 am - 1pm
- There will also be on-campus screenings for students at UNC-Greensboro and Guilford Colleges.

For more information, contact Jamie Stephens in the Mental Health Association in Greensboro at (336) 373-1402 or at pevans@mhag.org.

Two classes being offered at Central Orange Senior Center

Participant series being offered:

Living Healthy

Beginning October 19th, 26, November 2, 9, 16 and 23rd

From 1:00pm-3:30 p.m.

Matter of Balance

October 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28, November 2 and 4

From 9:30 a.m-11:30 a.m.

Location for all classes is at Central Orange Senior Center, 103 Meadowland Rd., Hillsborough, NC.

To register for either class, please call (919) 245-2015



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NEWS - STATE

Alzheimer's Association, Western Carolina Chapter

Faith, Hope and Alzheimer's Disease

Special Guest Speaker Lisa Gwyther

October 25, 2010 1:00pm-3:00pm

Catawba Valley Medical Center

Hickory, NC Cost: FREE

For more information and registration brochures, visit the website: <http://www.alz.org/index.asp>.

Alzheimer's Association, Western Carolina Chapter

Fall Caregiver Education Conferences

Learn about research, diagnosis, caregiving techniques and community resources.

Cleveland County-October 15

Moore County-October 21

Cherokee County-November 16

Jackson County-November 15

For more information and registration brochures, visit the website: <http://www.alz.org/index.asp>.

NEWS - NATIONAL

National Active Retirement Association Conference

The 2010 11th Annual National Active Retirement Association (NARA)

Conference October 20-22, 2010 in Columbia, SC will focus on:

- Marketing to, selling to and serving people 55+
- Building 55+ (or retirement) homes or communities
- Attracting tourists/retirees to a community
- The future of Social Security
- A visionary look at health and aging.

For general information or to register, please go to www.retirementlivingnews.com under "annual conference" or contact Dan Owens, the Executive Director of NARA at (704) 641-1469

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Newly Produced: A DVD Series on Elder Abuse

Titled "In Their Own Words: Domestic Abuse in Later Life," it is produced by the National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life (NCALL) and the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC).

Its purpose is to be a training package designed to enhance the skills of victim service providers who interact with older adults in responding to domestic elder abuse.

To request a copy of the training DVDs and Trainer's Guide, visit the NCJRS Web site at

<http://www.ncjrs.gov/App/ShoppingCart/ShopCart.aspx?item=NCJ+227928>.



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New Job Available: Senior Social Worker III (Adult Home Specialist)

You will provide social work services to elderly and disabled adults needing alternative care in assisted living facilities. You will interview, interpret policies, refer to appropriate resources and assist consumers/families in formulating a service plan. In addition, you will license/monitor Adult Care Homes for compliance with State rules and regulations. Providing case management services for consumers who are (1) Medicaid recipients in facilities needing enhanced personal care services and (2) in need of placement for assisted living; (3) requesting Adult Day Care/Adult Day Health services is also a requirement. This position also rotates for Adult Services Intake; assisting individuals in crisis or in need of emergency assistance. Prefer a BSW/MSW from an accredited program.

Interested persons may apply online by going to our county website: www.forsyth.cc. When submitting application make sure you apply for job id #1839.

An Inspiring Video on Active Aging

She's 92 and he's 29

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ptx-pTFO9Wc>

Alzheimer's Association, Western Carolina Chapter

Interested in Starting a Support Group?

Would you like to help those in your area by becoming a support group leader? A support group can be a lifesaver for many caregivers.

Understanding friends who are experiencing similar struggles can make a world of difference to those who face this tremendous stress. For more information, call 1.800.272.3900 or contact Emily.Jones@alz.org.
