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Division of Aging & Adult Services

To access information on the 88th Annual Social Services Institute on October 27-29, 2010; and videos from the Governor's Conference on Aging, visit their website at: www.ncdhhs.gov/aging/News/DAAS_News.htm.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Newsletter For [agewise.com](http://www.agewise.com).

They mention the all-important [30-Second Gerontology Elevator Speech](#), where we, as professionals, define what Gerontology is and what our specialties are in it.

For All Students At UNCG: Careers in Entrepreneurship Panel Discussion

Tuesday, November 16th at 5:15pm (followed by networking until 7:00pm) in 416 Bryan Building, UNCG campus. Non-reimbursed parking is available at Walker Avenue Parking Deck. If any students are interested in learning about what it means to be an entrepreneur or what it's like to work for an entrepreneurial company, please encourage them to attend. In addition to learning about entrepreneurship, this is also a great networking event for all students. No RSVP is required.

A&T Kickoff Gala & Dinner: "Keeping Memories Alive" Alzheimer's Project. *Flyer Attached*

Friday, November 19th, 2010 at the Alumni-Foundation Event Center.

NC A&T State University, 200 North Benbow Road, Greensboro, NC 27411.

Doors open at 6:30pm; event begins at 7pm.

Individual Tickets \$40; Sponsor Table \$1,000--(includes 10 tickets, listing in Gala Program, Public Mention, Reserved Seating).

To purchase tickets, contact the NC A&T Ticket Office at (336) 334-7749; to purchase sponsor tables or get additional information, contact (336) 285-2165.

New Publication of *Elder Care Catastrophe* by Jason Ulsperger and J. David Knottnerus

In this book, they expose the daily neglect and abuse that vulnerable nursing home residents sometimes experience, as supported by the extensive systematic research and sociological theory that they completed. It is written as a reference for all lay people, nursing home employees, policymakers, students, and researchers who are concerned with elder care issues. Dr. Ulsperger is an Assistant Professor of Sociology at Arkansas Tech University, and Dr. Knottnerus is a Professor of Sociology at Oklahoma State University. To order this book, call, toll-free, at 1-800-877-1591



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Job Position in Raleigh

Position: Human Services Planner/Evaluator III; Working Title: Access Coordinator.

Salary Grade: 72; Salary Range: \$41173 - \$67369; Hiring Range: \$41173 - \$59904.

Department: Health Human Services; Division: HHS SO Long Term Care Family Services.

Type of Appointment: Perm Full-Time.

Location: Raleigh; Number of Positions: 1.

Posting Date: 10/25/2010

Closing Date: 11/05/2010, although people may still be able to apply.

Description of Work: This position provides leadership in planning, development and expansion of Community Resource Connections for Aging and Disabilities (CRCs) known federally as ADRCs. This position will be principle in implementation of activities related to streamlining consumer access to long term services and taking leadership in completing deliverables of four federal grants. All applicants must submit a State Application for Employment (PD-107) to the Human Resources Office indicated on the vacancy announcement. A separate application must be submitted for each individual position for which you are applying and must include the specific position title and position number. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of completing a state application. Job postings and the State application for Employment (PD-107) may be found at local Employment Security Commissions, DHHS Human Resources Offices, or the Office of State Personnel web site at: www.osp.state.nc.us/jobs/applications. To apply, contact Jenny Toler, with Health and Human Services, at 919-733-6976 (phone), or 919-715-0094 (fax).

Alzheimer's Association West Carolina Chapter

National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month

Since its presidential declaration in 1983 by President Ronald Reagan, November has been known as Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month. Visit their [website](#) for more information regarding their services.

Western Carolina Chapter: 25th Anniversary

The Western Carolina Chapter's 25th Anniversary is in 2010, and on October 8, 2010, they began their year-long *25 Years of Help and Hope* anniversary celebration to commemorate the Chapters' accomplishments, dedication and growth. The celebration was held in Charlotte at The Ivey and was honored to have D.G. Martin and Vera Guise share their stories about the founding of the Western Carolina Chapter

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Win an Apple iPad

Either win it for yourself or surprise a loved one this season with a 16GB Wi-Fi capable Apple Ipad.

The Western Carolina Chapter is having a raffle for an Apple iPad. Raffle tickets are \$10 and can be bought by contacting Jenna Schwartzmeyer at 704-532-5282 or jenna.schwartzmeyer@alz.org. The drawing will be held on December 1, and only 500 tickets are being sold.



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Caregiver Education Conferences

Continuing education hours are available for professionals, and the Chapter offers scholarships for family caregivers.

- Sylva, NC - Monday, November 15, 2010
- Murphy, NC - Tuesday, November 16, 2010
- Charlotte, NC - Thursday, April 14, 2011

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Participate in a Clinical Trial—Trialmatch

The Alzheimer's Association TrialMatch is a free service that makes it easy for people with Alzheimer's, caregivers, families and physicians to locate clinical trials based on personal criteria (diagnosis, stage of disease) and location. Right now, an exciting time is occurring, with more than 100 research studies pertaining to Alzheimer's disease and related dementias that are underway and are recruiting volunteers. Alzheimer's Association TrialMatch lets people search these trials quickly and easily. It also narrows results to those trials where there is a reasonable chance to be accepted for enrollment. Enrolling the right participants helps researchers accurately measure the effect of a treatment. [Click here for the TrialMatch website](#), and [click here](#) to learn more about research, clinical trials and treatments for Alzheimer's disease.

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Shriver Report Spotlights Alzheimer's Burden on Women

Women are half the work force, raise our children and care for our elderly. *The Shriver Report: A Woman's Nation Takes on Alzheimer's*, from Maria Shriver and the Alzheimer's Association, highlights the effect of Alzheimer's on women as caregivers, advocates and people living with this disease.

"The statistics in this report are shocking," said Shriver. "We have to ask ourselves as a nation if we're ready for what will happen as this epidemic unfolds. It's time to start talking about Alzheimer's. It's time to fight this disease." According to the *Alzheimer's Association Women and Alzheimer's Poll*, women account for almost two-thirds of all Americans with Alzheimer's and comprise 60 percent of the unpaid caregivers for family members and friends with the disease. That means there are 10 million women who either have Alzheimer's or are caring for someone with Alzheimer's; the toll this takes on individuals and caregivers is further compounded by the financial burden felt by families.

For more information on *The Shriver Report*, or to purchase the report, visit www.alz.org/shriverreport.