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**Fellow Nomination Deadline Changed**
The current nomination period for GSA fellow status — the highest class of membership within the Society — has been extended until March 1. This distinction is an acknowledgment of outstanding and continuing work in the field of gerontology. The nomination must come from a current fellow in the candidate’s section. See the ad on page 17 for further information.

**New Award Available to Student Members**
GSA has added a new award to recognize the outstanding work of members in its Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization. The Douglas Holmes Award for Quality of Life/Quality of Care is a $500 award given in recognition for original papers that exhibit outstanding research in improving social services for the elderly in long-term care. The complete call for award nominations can be found on page 8.

**Register Now for AGHE’s Meeting!**
The 37th Annual Meeting and Educational Leadership Conference of the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education (AGHE), GSA’s educational branch, is taking place from March 17 to 20 in Cincinnati, OH. Attendees can register online at www.aghe.org until March 10! This is the premier national forum for the discussion of issues in gerontological and geriatric education.

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**Buettner To Deliver Boston Keynote; Abstracts Due Soon**

As the March 15 abstract submission deadline for the 2011 Annual Scientific Meeting nears, GSA has secured educator, explorer, and author Dan Buettner as the President’s Opening Plenary Session keynote speaker.

Buettner is *The New York Times* best-selling author of “The Blue Zones: Lessons for Living Longer from the People Who’ve Lived the Longest.” He also founded Blue Zones, a project that researches and shares the world’s best practices in health, happiness, and longevity.

“Much of my writing is distilled from the generosity of expertise from people who study longevity,” Buettner said. “It’s at once an honor and a source of mild trepidation to be addressing experts in the field of aging.”

His November 2005 *National Geographic* cover story, “Secrets of Living Longer,” led the magazine to the third-highest selling issue in its history and made him a National Magazine Award finalist.

During his frequent bicycling expeditions, Buettner became interested in demographics and longevity and began his research into “blue zones,” his term for the regions on Earth with the longest life expectancy, disability-free life expectancy, or concentration of people over age

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**Publication’s Debut Explores Older Adults’ Flu Facts**

GSA has unveiled the first in a series of special reports called “From Publication to Practice,” which aims to demonstrate the benefit of gerontological research for the community at large.

The contents of the initial installment are identified in its title, “An Interdisciplinary Look at New Developments in the Prevention and Treatment of Influenza in Older Adults.” It was developed by GSA with support from sanofi pasteur, the vaccines division of the sanofi-aventis group. A copy was mailed to all GSA members in January.

The “From Publication to Practice” series will draw on GSA’s key strength, its interdisciplinary membership, to provide readers with information on how new advances in disease prevention, treatment, and management may improve elder care and quality of life.

The influenza report was assembled by an advisory board consisting of GSA member Stefan Gravenstein, PhD, MPH, a professor of medicine within Brown University’s Alpert Medical School and clinical director for Quality Partners of Rhode Island; Lona Mody, MD, MSc, an associate professor of internal medicine within the Division of Geriatric Medicine at the University of Michigan and associate director of clinical programs within the Geriatric Research, Education, and Clinical Center at the Veterans Affairs Ann Arbor Healthcare System; and Donna Murasko, PhD, the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, a professor in the Department of Microbiology and Immunology within the College of Medicine at Drexel University.

“Influenza is a contagious disease that affects all ages,” Gravenstein said. “We often think about influenza in terms of individuals, and outcomes; certainly the oldest are affected most severely. However, older individuals who get

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From the Executive Director

Enhancing Member Value: A Look Ahead at 2011
By James Appleby, RPh, MPH
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My first order of business this month is to express sincere appreciation — on behalf of GSA as a whole — to the many individuals and organizations that made financial contributions in support of GSA’s mission last year. The names of these leaders are listed on pages 10 and 11 of this issue.

I am especially proud of the support we received for the GSA Innovation Fund, which made its debut in 2010. Like many other successful non-profit organizations, the Society decided to implement an annual giving campaign to encourage a culture of philanthropy and stimulate the development of new resources. Because the launch coincided with our 65th anniversary, we chose “Give65” as the theme for the first year, with an initial goal of raising $65,000. We actually received donations well in excess of this figure — over $78,000, in fact — which can be seen as an indicator of the strong state of our Society. All contributions will support new programs, products, and services for members.

In 2011, the GSA team will be focusing on a number of new initiatives to enhance member value. Several of the many new programs and services to be implemented this year are listed below:

• Members of GSA’s four professional sections will begin receiving e-newsletters with updates specific to their section, authored by the chairs. The information will supplement GSA’s Society-wide communications.
• In response to 2010’s publication survey, GSA will offer subscribers the enhanced flexibility to customize their selection of, and access to, our journals online.
• Through the research and policy action center on GSA’s website, members will be able to make their voices heard through a series of advocacy tools. Chief among them will be Capwiz, an online service that allows users to send targeted messages to elected officials. Our website also will feature update links to organizations seeking comment from gerontological experts for various projects.
• GSA will offer a low-fee literature update service for members called MedInfoNow. This utility provides many features, including searchable, customized delivery of the latest abstracts and citations added to Medline in pre-selected topics of interest, expert book and software reviews, and a weekly literature update via e-mail.
• GSA will unveil an opportunity to participate in planned giving through the Society. This enables members to include GSA in their end-of-life planning and continue their legacy in the field.

And this is just the beginning. Much is in store for the Society this year. We can only do it with the support of members like you. Thank you for making 2010 such a success and for your ongoing commitment to advancing GSA’s mission. Each of the endeavors mentioned above will be explained in greater detail in forthcoming member communications. If you would like to share your thoughts about any of our new projects, I gladly welcome member feedback at jappleby@geron.org.

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In Memoriam

Mark A. Smith, PhD, a professor of pathology at Case Western Reserve University, passed away on Sunday, December 19, 2010. In addition to his professorship, Smith served as the director of basic science research at the university’s Memory and Aging Center and as editor-in-chief of the Journal of Alzheimer’s Disease. He was recognized in the field of Alzheimer’s disease research for his work on oxidative stress, mitochondria dysfunction, and cell cycle re-entry. His many honors included the Jordi Folch-Pi Award from the American Society for Neurochemistry and the ASIP Outstanding Investigator Award from the American Society for Investigative Pathology. At Case Western, he received the Outstanding Mentor Award from the School of Graduate Studies and the 2009 J. Bruce Jackson, MD, Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Mentoring.

Members in the News

• An op-ed piece by GSA Behavioral and Social Sciences Section Chair David Ekerdt, PhD, ran in the December 24, 2010, edition of The Kansas City Star. He wrote to make the case that Social Security’s future is not as bleak as a previous opinion piece had described it.
• Several newspapers — including The Los Angeles Times, The New York Times, and The Miami Herald — reported on a recent study in the Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences by GSA Fellow Eileen Crimmins, PhD, and Hiram Beltrán-Sánchez, PhD. Their research found that increased life expectancy in the U.S. has not been accompanied by more years of perfect health for citizens.
• Robert Applebaum, PhD, was quoted in the December 26, 2010, edition of The Columbus Dispatch. He discussed Ohio’s progress in shifting expenses for long-term care from nursing homes to less costly services that keep people in their homes longer.
• On December 29, 2010, the Chicago Sun-Times ran an article focusing on bullying in nursing homes. The story featured insight from Robin Bonifas, PhD, who estimated that 10 percent to 20 percent of older people in care homes experience some type of abuse from fellow residents.
• GSA Fellow Alan B. Stevens, PhD, was quoted in a recent syndicated Health Day News story about baby boomers turning 65 and their impact on Medicare. He commented that there is a shortage of people qualified to provide care for the country’s aging population.

Kelly Assumes Menlo Presidency

GSA Fellow James Kelly, PhD, has been appointed as the new president of Menlo College, effective January 1, 2011. He previously had served as the provost and executive vice president since 2007. Menlo College is an independent, non-profit, business institution located in the Silicon Valley near San Francisco in the town of Atherton, CA. Kelly received his doctorate in policy, planning, and administration in social welfare from Brandeis University. Currently, he is the president of the National Association of Social Workers. He sits on the board of ASI, a for-profit insurance company, and is the member-at-large, North America, for the Executive Committee of the International Federation of Social Workers. Before joining Menlo, Kelly served as the interim provost and associate vice president within the Division of Continuing and International Education for California State University, East Bay.

World Health Organization Welcomes Pasupuleti as Speaker

Sudershan Pasupuleti, PhD, a Hartford faculty scholar and associate professor of social work at the University of Toledo, spoke at a World Health Organization conference in Hong Kong in November 2010. This meeting, titled “Age-Friendly Cities with Cooperation and Participation — The Asian Pacific Perspective,” focused on the promotion of establishing an enabling age-friendly environment for senior citizens. Pasupuleti contributed to the discussion with a talk, “Age-Friendly Community Initiatives: Bottom-Up Approach,” which was based on his research in the Toledo area. The conference was hosted by the Sau Po Centre on Aging at the University of Hong Kong and was a follow-up to a special workshop hosted in May by the World Health Organization, the International Federation 10th Global Conference.

Distinguished GSA Members Among New NASI Recruits

Ellen Bruce, PhD, Nancy L. Falk, PhD, Lori K. Parham, PhD, and Susan Reinhard, PhD, were among 42 new individuals accepted for membership in the National Academy of Social Insurance (NASI) in December 2010. NASI members are recognized experts in Social Security, Medicare and health coverage, workers’ compensation, unemployment insurance, and related social assistance and private employee benefits. Individuals selected for membership have distinguished themselves by improving the quality of research, administration, or policymaking in one or more of these areas. Members volunteer their time in study panels, advisory committees, and conferences, and they participate in NASI’s other research, education, communication, and leadership development initiatives. Membership in NASI is an honor for which individuals are nominated by two current members.

APA Awards Mather’s Work

Mara Mather, PhD, an associate professor of gerontology and psychology at the University of Southern California, has received the 2010 American Psychological Association (APA) Distinguished Scientific Award, which is among the highest honors for scientific achievement by psychologists. This recognition was given in the category of Distinguished Early Career Scientific Contribution to Psychology, which recognizes outstanding psychologists who received their doctorates less than 10 years previously. Mather’s research delves into the connections and interactions of emotion, cognition, and aging, and the APA singled out her “analytic grasp of complex theoretical issues and empirical findings, deep scholarship, insightful and integrative ideas, creative methodology, and lucid prose.”

Member Spotlight

GSA’s website features monthly Q&A sessions with distinguished members. The current spotlight shines on:

Marti G. Parker, PhD

Visit www.geron.org/Membership/member-spotlight to ask questions and read previous interviews.

Colleague Connection

This month’s $25 amazon.com gift certificate winner:

Jacqueline L. Angel

The recipient, who became eligible after referring new member Herlinda Zamora, was randomly selected using randomizer.org. For more details on the Colleague Connection promotion, which includes a chance to win free lodging at the annual meeting, visit www.geron.org/connection
Welcome to the 112th Congress, where “change” is once again the word of the day. From a House focused on ensuring that all Americans have health care coverage to a House voting in favor of the “Repealing the Job-Killing Health Care Law Act,” the conversations are quite different this year. How much change? Well, word is out that even the compostable utensils Democrats instituted in the House cafeterias are on the table and will be replaced by the new majority.

This column was planned to be a recap of 2010, but frankly, most of the legislative accomplishments for older adults were included in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), and we have used a lot of ink on that topic during the past year. So, I will take this opportunity to attempt to give you a sense of what the next few months will entail here in DC, and share the column with GSA friend and former Senator Harris Wofford for a special memorial to Sargent Shriver, a man who served his country with distinction and created service opportunities for many of us along the way.

As you are well aware, the 111th Congress ended with a flurry of activity as the Bush-era tax cuts were extended, along with passage of a one-year deal to prevent deep cuts in Medicare physician payments (doc fix), legislation to overhaul the nation’s food-safety laws, health coverage for 9/11 first responders, and Senate approval for the new Strategic Nuclear Arms Reduction Treaty.

Much was not completed, but by most standards, this was a productive Congress with more bipartisan accomplishments than either party would have predicted. What was left on the legislative plate would be a challenge for any Congress to address, but particularly for the current divided legislature: the budget and related deficit commission recommendations, appropriations (both FY 2011 and FY 2012), the debt limit and national debt, and handling these sensitive issues while trying to grow the economy and put Americans back to work. Much of the work over the next few months will focus on these issues.

The Republican Study Committee, a group of 165 conservative House Republicans chaired by Representative Jim Jordan (R-OH), proposed the Spending Reduction Act of 2011, holding FY 2011 non-security discretionary spending to FY 2008 levels, eliminating or drastically reducing funding for many programs, and eventually holding spending to 2006 funding levels. They claim to have identified savings of $2.5 trillion. Programs on the chopping block include the Corporation for National and Community Service, research and educational programs, family planning, economic and community development, housing, public broadcasting, the arts and humanities, and Amtrak. It also bars any FY 2011 funding from being used to carry out provisions of the PPACA or to defend the law against litigation. While the budget and appropriations committees are under no obligation to follow the committee’s proposal, this is indicative of the seriousness with which the Republican House members are taking their “election mandate.” The Senate, which is controlled by Democrats, is likely to consider much more modest cuts. But without agreement, at some point, between the House and Senate, a government shut down is possible. (See rsc.jordan.house.gov/solutions/sra.htm for further details on the Spending Reduction Act.)

This has led to a call to action from supporters of myriad programs funded under the Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Subcommittee jurisdiction. Recently, more than 400 association representatives, including those from GSA, jammed into a Senate hearing room to discuss the evolving situation. We gained some perspectives on the year we face. All is not lost simply because the majority in the House has draconian cuts in mind. This has happened before and many of the programs that would be cut have supporters in both parties, particularly in the Senate. Human services and related programs will be targeted and it will be necessary for all those who may be affected first to work to secure the largest possible funding levels in the continuing resolution and budget for human services discretionary spending. In other words, all groups will eventually make their cases for the value of their specific programs, but for now they need to stick together to help protect the larger good and keep the largest possible spending totals. A broad-based coalition or ad-hoc effort of sorts is likely to emerge.

As I mentioned last month, it will be important for us to educate the 100-plus new members of the House and Senate about the people served in our communities with the funds we receive. They need to hear about people being educated, volunteer opportunities being created, the people helped by the research conducted, and how care is improved by the geriatric training going on in their states. They need to know about the jobs that will be lost as well. We also need to reeducate the not-so-new members of Congress.

I suggest that we remember that this process will involve some symbolic votes and some tough negotiations. Cuts will be made; there is bipartisan support for bringing the deficit under control. So after the posturing, decisions will be made that affect research, education, and many programs that serve older adults. It is possible that educating members of Congress about the value of those programs will influence how they are treated in negotiations — so we should not just hope and wait, we should act. Members of Congress will be home in their districts for a week each month this year.
On the Living Legacy of Sargent Shriver

By Harris Wofford

Sargent Shriver, the founding director of the Peace Corps and organizer of President Lyndon Johnson’s War on Poverty, has died of Alzheimer’s disease at the age of 95. His family described him as “a man of love, energy, enthusiasm, and commitment” who “lived to make the world a more joyful, faithful, and compassionate place.”

As chief of President John F. Kennedy’s search for the “best and the brightest” to fill key posts of his administration, Sarge was himself responsible for finding and recruiting some of the brightest lights of the New Frontier. As one of his deputies in that 80-day-and-night marathon, I saw him in action, reaching out beyond party affiliation for prospective cabinet officers from education, business, labor, the professions, and state and city governments — far beyond the Washington beltway or campaign colleagues.

During the inaugural parade, Kennedy asked Sarge to look into the idea of a Peace Corps and recommend what should be done. The next day he enlisted me to help assemble a task force to get to work, and again he led a night-and-day marathon, reaching out to the best brains he could get to help.

Kennedy promptly accepted the plan Shriver proposed and on March 1, 1961, signed an executive order establishing a temporary Peace Corps, and sent a message to Congress proposing a permanent Peace Corps. Before the summer was over, hundreds of volunteers were already overseas — before Congress enacted the Peace Corps bill in September — a speed and daring that may be impossible to imagine today. To get a skeptical Congress to pass the bill with bipartisan support, he and Bill Moyers met with every member of the Senate and House.

When the President asked me to serve as his special assistant for civil rights, he said I could continue to help Sarge, time-permitting. For the first 500 days of the Kennedy administration, I saw how Sarge built the Peace Corps as a successful and novel anti-bureaucratic government agency.

In 50 years, the Peace Corps total is 200,000 volunteers (not the several million Kennedy hoped). But the record of those in service abroad and back home deserves the high praise now flowing in to Sarge. In his presidential campaign, Barack Obama repeatedly called for the Peace Corps to double from its 7,500-volunteers-a-year level — a goal President George W. Bush set in the aftermath of the 9/11 attack.

In 1964, Sarge was asked by Johnson to plan and direct his War on Poverty, while still running the Peace Corps, and he did so with some reluctance, but with the same energy, enthusiasm, and imagination. From the new Office of Economic Opportunity, he created Head Start, Job Corps, VISTA, Foster Grandparents, Upward Bound, Community Action, and the Legal Services Corps. Most of those programs continue today. In addition, Sarge worked later to help spread the Special Olympics to 170 countries.

Together this record of social invention rivals that of the first great American social inventor, Benjamin Franklin. A watchword for the 20th century that Sarge took seriously was: We must be more inventive if we are going to do our duty. Sargent Shriver did his duty.

Sarge also trusted the experience of those not young in years. He worked hard to recruit older volunteers to the Peace Corps, especially experienced teachers to work alongside the recent college graduates who volunteered in large numbers. We had about twenty such older volunteers in the first Ethiopian contingent (which I directed). They added great support to the “B.A. generalists.” From the beginning, he expected VISTA to recruit older volunteers. Foster Grandparents is a program that asks older Americans to work with youth to help them overcome their obstacles to success. For all the programs, he wanted experienced staff with “a little daring” and he wanted each of the programs to grow in size to be equal to the need.

Once, he was told by a proud program leader that there were nearly 40,000 Foster Grandparents. “I heard him say, “Forty thousand? Why aren’t there 400,000 by now? That’s what we need.” Although many of his inventions have not grown as quickly or as large as he would have liked, they have inspired other successes such as the Experience Corps, programs of AmeriCorps, including VISTA, and I hope, in time, the new Service World agenda.

In 1994, President Bill Clinton awarded Sarge the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Ten years earlier, President Ronald Reagan conferred the same award on Eunice Shriver for her leadership in founding Special Olympics. They were the only husband and wife to win the nation’s highest civilian honor individually.

Looking back half a century to the younger Sargent Shriver and to his long and gallant journey as he aged, I find him alive in my memory, as in the memory of countless others, as the most daring, creative, and inspiring leader and friend we were lucky to have, and the most fun along the way.
Awards and Fellowship Coordinator Carrie Johnson joined the GSA staff in June 2009. She has been a resident of the Northern Virginia area for over 30 years, and received a Bachelor of Science degree in public administration from George Mason University. She is a registered yoga trainer and has been an instructor with Aerobix, Inc., for 20 years. In this capacity, she teaches courses for the Arlington County Department of Parks and Recreation. Johnson previously worked for the American Pharmacists Association, serving as a program assistant in the education department and as an administrative assistant for the Journal of Pharmaceutical Science.

In her role at GSA, Johnson oversees all aspects of GSA’s awards and fellowship programs, including serving as a liaison to all related committees. She solicits nominations for GSA’s many awards and subsequently distributes the award nomination packets to the selection committees. She maintains all award files and assures that each nominee has met the criteria for award selection. At the Annual Scientific Meeting, she is involved closely with the planning of award sessions, and also supervises the distribution of cash prizes, plaques, certificates, and other award symbols. Johnson has similar responsibilities regarding the selection process for GSA fellowship, which is the Society’s highest class of membership.
EPA’s Meeting Presentations Go Online
Several representatives from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) gave presentations at GSA’s 2010 Annual Scientific Meeting in New Orleans, LA, as well as the recent meeting of the American Public Health Association. Electronic versions of the presentations are now available for download on the EPA website at www.epa.gov/aging/resources/epareports.htm#presentationsatannualconferences.

Coalition Produces Core Competencies in Geriatrics
In June 2008, the American Geriatrics Society convened a meeting of 21 organizations representing healthcare professionals who care for older adults to discuss how these organizations could work together to advance recommendations from the 2008 Institute of Medicine Report, “Retooling for an Aging America: Building the Health Care Workforce,” and advocate for ways to meet the healthcare needs of the nation’s rapidly growing older population. This meeting led to the development of a coalition — the Partnership for Health in Aging, of which GSA is a member — that identified as its first step the development of a set of core competencies in the care of older adults that are relevant to and can be endorsed by all health professional disciplines. A report listing these competencies is now available online at www.americangeriatrics.org/files/documents/health_care_pros/PHA_Multidisc_Competencies.pdf.

More Than 18 Million Baby Boomers May Benefit from Health Reform Law
A new Commonwealth Fund issue brief, accessible at bit.ly/eRPBzZ, reports that the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act will help more than 18 million men and women ages 50 to 64 gain access to affordable health insurance with comprehensive benefits and strong financial protections. Long-term unemployment among U.S. adults in the 50-to-64 age range is the highest within the working-age population, and 8.6 million lack health insurance coverage.
Beginning in 2014, 3.3 million of those currently uninsured and with incomes under $29,000 for a family of four will gain Medicaid coverage; 3.5 million with incomes up to $88,000 for a family of four will be able to gain subsidized private coverage through the new health insurance exchanges; and 1.4 million in higher income brackets will gain new coverage with consumer protections. In addition, an estimated 9.7 million older adults who have health insurance — but pay such high out-of-pocket costs relative to their income that they are effectively underinsured — will gain improved coverage through the new essential-benefit standards, limits on out-of-pocket spending, and elimination of lifetime benefit limits.

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100. He began investigating these areas with physicians and demographers — including many prominent GSA members — and focused his initial efforts in Sardinia, Italy, Okinawa, Japan, Monterrey, Mexico and Loma Linda, CA.

Buettner’s work ties closely to the 2011 Annual Scientific Meeting theme, “Lifestyle → Lifespan.” As discussed in the January issue of Gerontology News, GSA President Donald Ingram, PhD, urges potential presenters to keep this topic in mind when organizing their abstracts. Visit www.geron.org/abstracts for complete details.

Individuals who would like to be considered for one of GSA’s many paper and poster awards will have the opportunity to indicate their intent on the submission form. A listing of available awards can be found on page 8; for further information regarding eligibility requirements, visit www.geron.org/Membership/Awards.

The meeting will take place from Friday, November 18, to Tuesday, November 22, in Boston, MA. All sessions will take place at the John B. Hynes Veterans Memorial Convention Center. This facility boasts 193,000 square feet of flexible exhibit space and 71,644 square feet of flexible meeting space. The two conference hotels, the Sheraton Boston Hotel and Westin Copley Place, Boston are connected to the Convention Center by walkways. GSA has secured special conference rates at these properties and reservations can be made starting this spring.

The November 2010 meeting of GSA’s Program Committee generated many plans to make the Boston conference a unique experience. In the coming months, Gerontology News will contain details on all the special guests and activities. The program will also again feature presidential symposia, the popular Policy Series, and a day-long Aging Means Business forum.
CAREER AWARDS
Nominations for these awards must be submitted by the first Monday in May. Self-nominations are not accepted.

**Society Wide**

**Donald P. Kent Award**: This award is given annually to a GSA member who best exemplifies the highest standards for professional leadership in gerontology through teaching, service, and interpretation of gerontology to the larger society.

**Robert W. Kleemeier Award**: This award is given annually to a GSA member in recognition for outstanding research in the field of gerontology.

**M. Powell Lawton Award**: This $2,500 award honors contributions from applied gerontological research that have benefited older people and their care.

**Maxwell A. Pollack Award for Productive Aging**: This $8,500 award recognizes original scholarship that has provided new knowledge and understanding and has contributed to the advancement of effective policies and programs for older adults.

**Doris Schwartz Gerontological Nursing Research Award**: This $300 award is presented to a GSA member who has a record of outstanding and sustained contribution to geriatric nursing research.

**Task Force on Minority Issues in Gerontology Outstanding Mentorship Award**: This award recognizes outstanding commitment and dedication to mentoring minority researchers in the field of aging.

**Gene Cohen Creativity and Aging Research Award**: This award, given in association with the National Center on Creative Aging, recognizes a professional whose research clearly shows that creative activities, particularly arts programs, can maintain and even improve the physical, emotional, and cognitive well-being of older adults.

**Theoretical Developments in Social Gerontology Award**: This $2,000 award, sponsored by American University, solicits original papers that provide an interdisciplinary perspective on social gerontology theory, new theoretical frameworks that cross disciplinary boundaries, and the single disciplinary theoretical paradigm. (This award's submission deadline is the first Monday in September.)

**Biological Sciences (BS) Section**

**Nathan Shock New Investigator Award**: This $1,500 award recognizes innovative and influential publications. It acknowledges outstanding contributions to new knowledge about aging through basic biological research.

**Behavioral and Social Sciences (BSS) Section**

**Distinguished Career Contribution to Gerontology Award**: This award recognizes career contributions that have articulated a novel theoretical or methodological perspective or synthesis that addresses a significant problem in the literature.

**Distinguished Mentorship in Gerontology Award**: This award is given to an individual who has fostered excellence in, and had a major impact on, the field by virtue of their mentoring, and whose inspiration is sought by students and colleagues.

**Richard Kalish Innovative Publication Award**: This award recognizes insightful and innovative publications on aging and life course development in the behavioral and social sciences in two categories: (1) The Book Category, which is a $250 award; and (2) The Article Category, which is a $250 award.

**Health Sciences (HS) Section**

**Joseph T. Freeman Award**: This $250 award is given for lectureship in geriatrics to a prominent physician in the field of aging, both in research and practice.

**PAPER AND POSTER AWARDS**

Applicants for these awards also must submit an abstract for GSA’s Annual Scientific Meeting. The deadline is March 15; visit www.geron.org/abstracts for details.

**Society Wide**

**Senior Service America Awards for Research Related to Disadvantaged Older Adults**: These awards, sponsored by Senior Service America, Inc., acknowledge outstanding applied research that advances understanding of disadvantaged older adults. There are two levels: (1) The Senior Scholar Level, which is a $1,000 award given to a GSA member at least five years after receiving a terminal graduate degree; and (2) The Junior Scholar Level, which is a $500 award given to a GSA member within five years after receiving a terminal graduate degree.

**Biological Sciences (BS) Section**

**George Sacher Student Award**: This $500 award is given to the best student presentation by a GSA member from the BS Section at the Annual Scientific Meeting.

**Behavioral and Social Sciences (BSS) Section**

**Student Research Awards**: These awards are given for completed empirical studies dealing with a topic of relevance to GSA's BSS Section. There are two levels: (1) The Dissertation Level, which is a $1,000 award for an exemplary paper by a student member who received a doctorate no more than 18 months before the submission deadline; and (2) The Pre-Dissertation Level, a $500 award for an exemplary paper by a student member who has yet to attain a doctoral degree.

**Health Sciences (HS) Section**

**Research Award**: This $1,000 award is given to a new investigator in the HS Section. It is designed to encourage postdoctoral research and encourage participation in the Annual Scientific Meeting.

**Person-in-Training Award**: This $500 award is given for an exemplary paper written by a student member of the HS Section.

**The Austin Bloch Post-Doctoral Fellow Award**: This $400 award is given for an exemplary paper by a student member of the HS Section.

**Social Research, Policy, and Practice (SRPP) Section**

**Student Research Awards**: These manuscripts must address a significant research, policy, or practice topic; be research-based, conceptual, or analytical; and contribute to the body of knowledge. There are two levels: (1) The Carroll Estes Senior Scholar, which is a $500 award presented to an exemplary paper by a student member who received a doctorate no more than 18 months before the submission deadline; and (2) The Elaine Brody Junior Scholar, which is a $300 award presented to an exemplary paper by a student member who has yet to attain their doctoral degree.

**Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization (ESPO) Interdisciplinary Paper Award**: This $250 award is given for the best interdisciplinary empirical or theoretical research paper on an aging-related topic.

**Poster Award**: ESPO offers five awards for exemplary posters.

**Douglas Holmes Award for Quality of Life/Quality of Care**: This $500 award solicits original papers that exhibit outstanding research in improving social services for the elderly in long-term care.
The following awards were announced during GSA’s 63rd Annual Scientific Meeting in New Orleans, LA. The Society salutes the outstanding researchers below for their contributions to gerontology and thanks the selection committees for their time and efforts in choosing the winners.

For information on how to apply for GSA’s awards, visit www.geron.org/Membership/Awards.

**Society-Wide**

**Gene D. Cohen Creativity and Aging Research Award**
(given in cooperation with the National Center on Creative Aging)

Helga Noice, PhD, Elmhurst College

Tony Noice, PhD, Elmhurst College

**Theoretical Developments in Social Gerontology Award**
(sponsored by American University)

Denise C. Lewis, PhD, University of Georgia
“A Synthetic Theory of Family Exchange”

Michal Engelman, PhD, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
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2011 SUMMER INSTITUTE ON AGING RESEARCH ANNUAL WORKSHOP
ESPO Members Use Roundtables To Improve Life Balance Approach

The 2010 ESPO Presidential Symposium, “The Struggle Between Personal & Professional Identity: Transitioning from Student to Emerging Scholar and Professional,” focused on issues related to career and family planning among ESPO members. A survey previously conducted by GSA and ESPO identified several concerns by members about the balance between their personal lives and careers. This balance incorporates the ebb and flow of an individual’s self-definition, values, roles, routines, and expectations.

Roundtable discussions were used to facilitate conversations about personal relationships, starting a family and parenting, mentorship, seeking international job opportunities, and maintaining self-identity as an emerging scholar. In attendance were students and emerging professionals at various levels of career development, including first-time GSA annual meeting attendees, students preparing to finish course work, first-year postdocs, and new faculty. Throughout all the sessions, participants shared openly with each other and received suggestions and advice from fellow participants on techniques to handle challenges they described.

ESPO members discussed maintaining self-definition as they transition from student to emerging scholar. This discussion highlighted the struggle with maintaining a sense of self within personal relationships and maintaining self-identity in the professional world. The pressures of going on the job market and beginning a first job when self-identity includes being gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender also were discussed. Subjects included when to come out, identifying the right questions to ask when considering a job and how to ask them (e.g., partner benefits), and identifying “gay friendly” areas to which to move if considering relocating for a job. The internal struggle of power shifts within personal relationships as members transition from being a student to a professional transcends color, gender, sexual orientation, and age lines.

During the roundtables that focused on the challenges associated with starting a family and balancing parenting and a career, time was of particular importance to the participating members. Questions covering main topics included: How can I eat healthily without spending a lot of time on food preparation while balancing life and grad school? Is there such a thing as the right time to start a family? What types of post-doctorate opportunities do I have? Is it possible to balance a family and have a successful career? Ideas of how one chooses the right time and the management skills needed to balance a family and a career were formulated.

International jobs, how to network on a global level, and the challenges of working abroad were subjects of the International Job Considerations roundtable. Participants with international work experience provided examples of how they approached challenges to finding a job and working abroad. Those participants beginning to think about working abroad asked questions to experienced members and all brainstormed to develop new methods to seek out jobs.

During the Mentoring and the Non-Traditional Student roundtable, attendees — many of whom were older students — reflected on ways in which their non-traditional status presented challenges to their identification of interested mentors and development of mentoring relationships. Most expressed a sense of isolated struggle as they searched for mentors among faculty, even those well-intended, who were unprepared to mentor the “square pegs” among their students. The attendees also noted instances when their “otherness” both positively and negatively affected their relationships with fellow students. The main advice shared was to persevere. It is often necessary to build a patchwork mentoring team rather than holding out for the “perfect” mentor, which may never happen (even for traditional students).

The author would like to thank Natalie Leland, Kelly Fitzgerald, Walter Palmer, and Kimberly Johnson for their contributions in writing this column.

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influenza get it from others often much younger than them. Among the advances important to older adults is prevention and treatment in those who might infect them. Recently, the CDC’s recommendation for universal vaccination — vaccine for people of all ages — addresses this risk head on, by managing vectors of disease to our elderly.”

The choice of influenza as the topic for the first edition of “From Publication to Practice” was influenced by the release of a high-dose vaccine issued by sanofi pasteur. It was approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in December 2009 and was included in the 2010 recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices. This vaccine contains four times the amount of virus antigen as the traditional vaccine. Three separate studies demonstrated that individuals over 65 years of age produce a higher level of antibody from at least two of the components in the high-dose vaccine. Of the tens of thousands of individuals who die from influenza-related causes in the U.S. each year, more than 90 percent are over 65 years of age.

“We are constantly learning about how and why older individuals present differently from their younger counterparts when infected with influenza,” Gravenstein said. This is helping us both how to understand their pathophysiology differently, but also how to prevent (vaccine design, chemoprophylaxis), detect (clinical suspicion), and manage (when to treat symptoms and when to treat disease) influenza. We still have much to learn.”

Electronic copies of the first installment of “From Publication to Practice” can be obtained from GSA’s online store at www.geron.org.
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**Donation Enables Development of New Hebrew SeniorLife Educational Center**

The Harvard-affiliated senior housing and health care provider Hebrew SeniorLife has received a $2 million gift from an anonymous donor that will support a new educational center whose mission is to meet the aging populations’ growing need for more geriatric nurses. The Hebrew SeniorLife Geriatric Nursing Center will offer new nursing internships and nursing assistant specialty programs so certified nursing assistants, licensed practical nurses, and registered nurses can gain more education and training. The 10-week internship is designed to help new nurses make the transition from school to a clinical setting. The other new programs offer specialty certification in geriatric care. The center will continue existing initiatives that help Hebrew SeniorLife employees take advanced courses in exchange for committing to work there for three years after graduation.

**Iowa’s Gerontology Program Receives Generous Gift**

Barbara Csomay, a native of Kanawha, IL, has donated more than $2.2 million to the University of Iowa College of Nursing’s Gerontology Program. The gift, made through the University of Iowa Foundation, will establish the Barbara and Richard Csomay Center for Gerontological Nursing Excellence, as well as the Barbara and Richard Csomay Doctoral Scholarship, the Barbara and Richard Csomay Gerontological Nurse Practitioner Scholarship, the Barbara and Richard Csomay Doctorate of Nursing Practice Scholarship, and the Barbara and Richard Csomay Scholarship in Gerontology. Csomay grew up in Kanawha and graduated from Kanawha Community High School. In 1946, she graduated from Upper Iowa University with a teaching degree in music. She earned a master’s degree in music from the University of Iowa in 1956 and was a member of the university’s Marching Band staff. Her husband, Richard, an accomplished musician, died in 2005.

**Southampton Adds Gerontology Master’s Degree Offering**

In the U.K., the University of Southampton’s School of Social Sciences has launched a distance learning master’s degree program in gerontology. The program consists of six modules divided into two semesters. The lectures are recorded and uploaded on the internet. At the end of the program, students have to submit a 15,000-word dissertation. The degree is designed to provide students with an understanding of key issues related to population aging in the developed and the developing world, as well as policy responses that are aimed at improving the welfare of older people while investigating relationships between generations through an interdisciplinary approach.

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The RSI consists of two conferences addressing critical issues facing our aging population: a Mini-Medical School for Social Scientists (July 12-13) and a workshop on the Demography, Economics and Epidemiology of Aging (July 14-15). The primary aim of the RSI is to expose scholars interested in the study of aging to a wide range of research being conducted in fields beyond their own specialties.

We invite all interested researchers to apply to attend the 2011 RSI. Applicants may apply for fellowship support to pay for registration, travel, and accommodations. Both the Mini-Med School and the workshop are described more fully at our web site: [http://www.rand.org/labor/aging/rsi/](http://www.rand.org/labor/aging/rsi/).

For additional information, please contact Diana Malouf (malouf@rand.org).

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RESEARCH ON DECISIONALLY IMPAIRED ELDERS

A Special Issue of the

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Special Issue Editor, Dr. James J. Kelly, encourages gerontological researchers to submit Abstracts for papers that address the ethical and practical issues of research with decisionally impaired elders.

Decisionally impaired elders include, but are not limited to, elders with memory disorders in late life; elders with a mental or physical illness that affects cognition and decisional capacity; dually diagnosed elders; mentally disabled elders; and elders with health crises that render them incapable of giving informed consent. These elders may be found and studied in a variety of care environments, including private homes, hospitals, and congregate care facilities.

Gerontologists conduct research to better the lives of decisionally impaired elders, as well as those who care about and care for them. This research carries special challenges: while promoting new knowledge, researchers must simultaneously seek to maintain core values. These include respect for the individual; maximal preservation of personal autonomy; support for human worth and dignity; a focus on client strengths; and respect for the rights of human subjects.

How can researchers conduct studies that are rigorous and meaningful, and also honor these values?

Researchers working with members of this vulnerable population often face challenges regarding issues such as recruitment; the capacity to consent for participation in research; and unrealistic or impractical Institutional Review Board (IRB) requirements.

In addition to papers focused directly on the relationship between researchers and research participants or caregivers, papers might also focus on investigator interactions with IRBs; IRB deliberations related to protocols; and the role of consultations by IRBs with experts in aging and cognition.

Papers may present theory, methodology, policy analysis, history, and qualitative or quantitative data. Theoretical papers should pose empirical questions that elucidate theory, and should include a research agenda for empirical study. Authors may also submit case studies that are analytic or present policy implications.

Dr. Kelly welcomes papers with strong international perspectives and implications.

Submitted papers will undergo three blinded peer reviews. It is the policy of the Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics (JERHRE) that authors may nominate one of the peer reviewers (an expert in the topic of the paper, who has no conflict of interest).

Authors should follow the JERHRE publication guidelines at: http://www.csueastbay.edu/JERHRE/man.html

Timeline: Final papers will be due no later than July 1, 2011, for an anticipated publication date of 2012.

Please email Abstracts no later than April 1, 2011 to j.kelly@menlo.edu. Each Abstract should state the purpose and rationale for the proposed paper, proposed methods (e.g., literature review, policy analysis, case study), and intended outcome. Abstracts should not exceed 250 words.

Authors may also submit queries to Dr. Kelly at this e-mail address.

The Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics is published by the University of California Press. Dr. Kelly is President of the National Association of Social Workers and President of Menlo College, Atherton, California.
Ukrainian Law Set To Equalize Retirement Age Among Sexes

The Ukrainian government has enacted legislation to gradually increase the retirement age for women from 55 to 60 years. The intention is stipulated in a draft memorandum by the Ukrainian authorities seeking the second component of a loan from the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The text of the document was posted on the Ekonomichna Pravda online newspaper. According to the document, the retirement age will be increased by adding six months every year, and the retirement age for men and women will be equalized by 2020. The Ukrainian authorities have pledged that incentives will be provided to encourage women to stay in the workforce after the age of 55.

Slovenia Ups Retirement Age

According to the Bloomberg news service, Slovenia’s parliament has approved the government’s proposed pension overhaul, increasing the retirement age for workers as the country cuts public spending. Slovenia’s economy fared poorest among the 16 nations sharing the euro last year. The pension legislation raises the retirement age to 65 from the current 57 for women and 58 for men.

Elderly Increasingly Among Japanese Accident Victims

The Kyodo News has reported that Japanese traffic fatalities decreased 1 percent in 2010, capping a decade of constant decline but highlighting the plight of the elderly, according to the National Police Agency. A total of 4,863 people died in traffic accidents in 2010. But 2,450, approximately half of the victims, were age 65 or above, marking the first time people in that age bracket have accounted for more than half of all traffic fatalities since record-keeping began in 1966. Similarly, the number of reported overall deaths in Japan has reached a new high. An estimated 1,194,000 Japanese died in 2010, the most since record-keeping began in 1947, according to data from the Ministry of Health.

Malaysia Targets Elderly with Sex Education Classes

An article from Agence France-Presse stated that Terengganu, a northern Malaysian state, is providing sex education for the elderly in an effort to curb divorce rates. Such courses are rare in Muslim-majority Malaysia where open discussions on sexual health are considered taboo. However, with three out of every 10 marriages ending in divorce in the state, officials are trying to keep couples and families together with courses aimed at retaining intimacy. Last year, the state’s family development board organized a sexual relations course for newly-married couples, encouraging them to bathe together and use exotic fragrances. The state government has also asked local cosmetics firms to introduce special perfumes for couples following complaints by some that they were divorcing because of routine sex and their partner’s bad body odor.
The College of Public Health at the University of Georgia (UGA) seeks applications and nominations for the position of Director of the Institute of Gerontology. Dr. Leonard Poon, who has led the program since 1985, has announced his retirement, effective July 1, 2011.

The ideal candidate will be (1) prepared to guide the next phase of development of the Institute as one of the leading programs in the nation focused on aging; (2) an established researcher with a track record of significant extramural funding and interdisciplinary collaboration; (3) an experienced administrator with the requisite leadership abilities to promote excellence and work effectively with faculty, staff, students, and university administrators to promote the mission of the Institute; (4) a recognized leader in public health organizations with a gerontology focus; and (5) a leader possessing the ability to communicate the mission and importance of the programs of the Institute to external audiences such as federal and state agencies, businesses and industry, volunteer and professional organizations, and foundations whose goals are consistent with the mission of the Institute in order to enhance private and public financial and non-financial support.

A PhD or MD and credentials appropriate for appointment to the rank of professor are required.

Established originally as the UGA Gerontology Center in 1964, the Institute is one of the oldest gerontology programs in the U.S. and has had considerable success, serving as the academic home at UGA for interdisciplinary scholarship in the field; expanding research and educational opportunities through the creation of entities like the Georgia Centenarian Study, the Georgia Gerontology Consortium, and the Georgia Geriatric Education Center; developing numerous long-term national and international research collaborations; and attracting significant extramural funding. The Institute offers a graduate certificate program in gerontology, provides training and support for health professionals who serve older adults at a wide range of institutions in the region, and will expand its curriculum in Spring of 2011 to offer undergraduate gerontology courses. The Institute is housed in a two-story building in downtown Athens that serves as an active hub near the UGA campus for faculty interaction and grant development, as a center for research in aging involving members of the local community, with offices for the Institute leadership, staff, graduate students, and visiting scholars.

Over thirty faculty members from departments across campus are affiliated with the Institute of Gerontology and teach relevant courses, supervise graduate work, and conduct research in the field. When the College of Public Health was formed in 2005, the Institute joined the College as a stand-alone unit with a direct reporting line to the Dean and has played an important role as the College expanded and progressed to full accreditation in June, 2009. In addition to the Director and interdisciplinary faculty, the Institute’s mission is supported by a full-time associate professor who serves as Assistant Director; a tenure-track assistant professor; five additional administrative staff; and research staff depending on grant activity.

To receive full consideration, applications should be submitted prior to March 18, 2011; however, the position will remain open until filled. Applications should include a letter of interest that addresses how credentials and experience meet the qualifications and responsibilities of the position; a current CV; and the name and contact information for three professional references. References will be contacted at a later date with the permission of the applicant.

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Editor, Journal of Gerontology: Psychological Sciences

The Journal of Gerontology: Psychological Sciences publishes articles on applied, clinical and counseling, developmental, experimental, and social psychology of aging. Appropriate topics include, but are not limited to, attitudes, cognition, educational gerontology, emotion, health psychology, industrial gerontology, interpersonal relations, neuropsychology, perception, personality, physiological psychology, psychometric tests, and sensation.

The positions will become effective January 1, 2012. The editors make appointments to the journals’ editorial boards and develop policies in accordance with the scope statement prepared by the Publications Committee and approved by Council. The editors work with reviewers and have the final responsibility for the acceptance of articles for their journals using the online platform Manuscript Central. The editorships are voluntary positions. Candidates must be dedicated to developing a premier scientific journal.

Nominations and applications may be made by self or others, but must be accompanied by the candidate’s curriculum vitae and a letter of intent. All nominations and applications must be e-mailed to Judie Lieu at jlieu@geron.org by March 15, 2011.
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