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Early Bird Deadline Draws Near
Registration for the Dallas Annual Meeting is now well underway and members need to act quickly in order to secure the cheapest rates. Below is a schedule of fees and deadlines:

Until October 18, 2006
“Early Bird” Pre-Registration Fees
Members – $195
Student Members – $70

After October 18, 2006
“Regular” & On-Site Registration Fees
Members – $260
Student Members – $80

Meeting Volunteer Spots Still Open
GSA is looking for students, seniors, and anyone else interested in helping out and attending the country’s largest professional conference on research about aging.

Volunteers are needed to staff the Press Room, the Registration Desk, the Poster Hall, scientific sessions, Pre-Conference Workshops, and other meeting-related activities. Your registration fee will be waived if you can work either one 8-hour shift or two 4-hour shifts between Thursday, November 16 and Monday, November 20.

If you are an interested student, please contact Jane Nunnelee at Jane_Nunnelee@baylor.edu. All other interested parties, please contact Katie Dickinson at kdickinson@theseniorsource.org.

New Events a Mark of Distinction for Dallas Meeting

The organizing efforts of numerous GSA members have produced several sessions that will make this year’s Annual Meeting a unique experience. Highlighted below are a few of these symposia. Stay tuned to next month’s issue of Gerontology News for a spotlight on new research that will be presented at the conference.

Symposium on Narrative, Reminiscence, and Life Review
Sunday, November 19th — 3:15 - 4:45 p.m.
Research and education in gerontology have made rich contributions in the areas of reminiscence, life review, autobiographical memory, and narrative. Much of this important work has emphasized the benefits of such personal remembering for the individual. GSA’s Research, Education, and Practice Committee has organized a symposium that highlights a variety of ways in which personal and social remembering, and the ‘products’ of such remembering, contribute to our conceptions of, and imagination about, aging across multiple communities and disciplines. The session, “The Creative Legacy of Narrative, Reminiscence, and Life Review,” features four speakers working in this area: Peter Whitehouse of Case Western Reserve University, Dena Shenk of the University of North Carolina – Charlotte, Susan Perlstein of the National Center for Creative Aging, and Tom Pierce of Radford University. Robert Schrauf of Penn State University will chair the session and Jeffrey Webster of Langara College will serve as the discussant.

Presidential Interdisciplinary Symposia
Friday, November 17
The Good Life in Old Age
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
An Old Man’s Imaginative Life Review: Meet Sancho Panza
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Living Well with Chronic Illness: Imagining the Possibilities
1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.
Is the Gerontological Imagination Catching On?
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 18
Gerontological Education: Cryogenics, Life Support, or Euthanasia
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
The Humanities, Arts and Gerontological Imagination
1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.
The Fountain of Gerontological Inquiry: Unique Insights on Aging from Interdisciplinary Studies
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 19
Examining the Future of Social and Behavioral Gerontology Research: Imagination in Leadership
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Imaginative Ends: Lifelong Learning through the Humanities and Arts
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Exploring the Connections Between Theory and Research
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
New Horizons for the Gerontological Imagination Through Creativity With Aging
3:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.
Crises of Development: Environments for Creativity
5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
AJN’s Newest Article Details Caregiving Burden

The American Journal of Nursing’s (AJN) latest release in its GSA-cosponsored “New Look at the Old” series sets out to address the major issues facing family caregivers today.

Researchers have estimated that around 23% of all U.S. households contained at least one person who is providing care currently or has done so in the previous 12 months. These caregivers provided an average of 17.9 hours of care per week, with more than 4 million providing more than 40 hours of care per week. This trend is expected to increase dramatically as a result of the growing older adult population and limited healthcare resources.

The report shows that family caregivers can be far less prepared than their professional counterparts and often lack the resources to care for their loved ones. More details can be found at www.NursingCenter.com/AJNolderadults. This and other articles in the series are part of a collaborative effort among the AJN, The Gerontological Society of America, and Trinity Healthforce Learning. It is funded by Atlantic Philanthropies with additional support from the Nurses Service Organization. The venture — designed to provide information and skills to improve the care and well-being of older adults — has already received several professional distinctions. Most recently it was bestowed the Silver Award for Best Feature Series from The American Society of Healthcare Publications Editors.

New PP&AR Addresses Disasters and Older Adults

Be sure to check out the latest Public Policy and Aging Report, titled "Disasters and Aging." This issue features the following articles and authors:

- Disasters and Older Adults: Bringing a Policy Blindspot into the Light
- Before the Flood: What Policymakers Can Learn from the Great Chicago Heat Wave
- Hurricane Katrina: Unequal Opportunity Disaster
- The Ethics of Evacuation
- Post-traumatic Stress Disorder and Depression Among Older Adults after a Disaster: The Role of Ongoing Trauma and Stressors

Authors:
Thomas A. Glass
Harry R. Moody
Eric Klinenberg
Melissa Tracy
Nancy Wilson
Sandro Galea

Copies of this Public Policy and Aging Report, as well as copies of past issues, may be ordered on-line by visiting the National Academy on an Aging Society’s web site at www.agingsoociety.org or by calling 202-842-1275

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Greetings from GSA’s Treasurer

Sandra L. Reynolds, Ph.D.

It’s been over a year since I put anything in Gerontology News, so I figured it was time to give you all an update on “the state of the Society.” I am happy to say that, at the moment, things are in pretty good shape. At the Annual Scientific Meeting in Orlando, I presented projected results for the year 2005 that suggested a surplus of approximately $35,000. As a consequence of a variety of happy circumstances, we managed to end the year instead with a surplus of approximately $300,000.

While it’s always nice to be able to announce quite a surplus, I am not happy to be so far off in our estimations – after all, what would you be saying to me now, if it had gone the other way? Therefore, I have asked that our financial staff move away from GSA’s former method of estimating the most conservative budget as possible, more toward a more realistic view of what we can expect at the end of the year.

Another thing I presented at the 2005 Annual Meeting was a planned deficit for 2006, that would principally consist of the Society’s investment in a new, user-friendly computer system, something I feel the Society needs to be ready to do every 5 years or so. There are two reasons why I think this is important. First, approximately 10 years ago, the Executive Council charged GSA staff with doubling our reserves. The chart below will show you how we have been able to exceed that expectation.

Second, one of the reasons we have been so successful in meeting this goal is that GSA staff has been very successful in holding and reducing expenses by carefully structuring contracts with new vendors. At the same time some programs brought in more than anticipated. Now, however, it is time to reinvest in the Society. As a non-profit organization, it is prudent to have healthy reserves, but we must always keep in mind that our mission lies in research, education, and practice of the gerontological field, not the accumulation of reserves!

New Investment Strategy

Meanwhile, with the encouragement of the GSA Council, we have started to move our investment portfolio into an ever so slightly more aggressive stance. As you can imagine, our first priority with investments is to ensure that GSA has enough liquid assets to run its day to day business. Accordingly, over half of our investments are in cash or cash equivalents (CDs, and such). With the other half, we are gradually taking the mix in our portfolio from 4% in the equities market (principally mutual funds), and beefing it up to 10% this year, with the intent of going to 15% over the next 3 to 5 years. There is an Ad Hoc Investment Committee, consisting of myself, Chris Yoder (GSA’s financial guru), Dr. Greg Pavez, Dr. Jackie Angel, Dr. Aloen Townsend, and Dr. Ken Hepburn, who have agreed to oversee this process and monitor results on at least a quarterly basis. My thanks to all of them for their service.

As always, if you have any questions or comments, please don’t hesitate to contact me.

Aging Conference Announces Call for Papers
The Sixth Annual Conference of the Association for Anthropology and Gerontology will be held at Penn State University from March 16 - 18, 2007. The conference is a small-scale meeting devoted to anthropological and related approaches to aging research, with ample opportunities for interaction and discussion without the distractions of a larger conference. Papers from the conference will be considered for publication either individually or as a special issue of the Journal of Cross-Cultural Gerontology. This year’s theme addresses the relation between language and aging from the multidisciplinary perspectives of anthropology and applied linguistics. The keynote speaker for the workshop is Dr. Howard Giles from the University of California – Santa Barbara. Those who wish to present a paper on these or related topics are invited to submit a one-page abstract as an e-mail attachment by December 1st to Robert W. Schrauf at rws23@psu.edu.

Journal Seeks Papers on Age Discrimination
Social Forces seeks papers for a special section on the sociology of age discrimination. Original papers are invited for consideration that address age discrimination and related phenomena across the life course and in a range of social contexts. Papers might focus on the social processes, institutions and structures that cause or constitute age discrimination, or on social psychological and other consequences of age discrimination. Age discrimination is behavior and hence can be distinguished from ageist attitudes, but papers that analyze the relationship between ageist attitudes and age discrimination will be welcome. We are interested in papers dealing with age discrimination in societies other than the United States and papers that analyze the intersection of age discrimination and other forms of discrimination based on gender, race and class. Papers that make a theoretical contribution in this area will be particularly welcomed, as will empirical papers based on any sound methodological approach. The special section will be edited by Victor W. Marshall, Department of Sociology, UNC at Chapel Hill and Director of the UNC Institute on Aging. Papers will be reviewed by the section editor, the Social Forces editor and at least one blind reviewer. The deadline for submitting papers is March 1, 2007. Manuscripts should be limited to 5,000-9,000 words including references and endnotes and should be e-mailed as a Microsoft Word attachment to Social_Forces@unc.edu. Any tables or figures must be editable in Microsoft Word or Excel. Do not use any automatic formatting feature. Submission fees for this section are waived. It is essential that you note that the submission is for the special section on age discrimination. Inquiries about the review process or about a particular manuscript should be directed to Victor Marshall at victor_marshall@unc.edu, or (919) 843-8067.

New Film Tackles Aging Parent Relations
Documentary filmmaker Doug Block’s latest work, 51 Birch Street, is a look at the life of his own family. After his mother passed away and his father re-married only three months later, Block chose to chronicle his re-discovery of his father and the drama that ensued. Through increasingly candid conversations with family members and friends, and constantly surprising diary revelations, the director finally comes to peace with two parents who are far more complex and troubled than he ever imagined. Starting in October, the movie will have a limited theatrical release at several locations throughout the country. This documentary will also be aired on HBO in early 2007. Visit http://www.51birchstreet.com for more details.

New Fellowship Program Now Accepting Applications
The Brookdale Foundation in New York, NY recently announced the creation of its Leadership in Aging Fellowship Program. This funding opportunity, which will be open to all professionals in the field of aging, is designed to encourage and support the emerging leaders in the field. They are seeking applications from a broad range of disciplines, including the medical, biological and basic sciences, anthropology, political science, public administration, architecture, urban planning, public health, social work, nursing, business and economics, law, social and public policy, communications, psychology, philosophy, ethics, sociology, and any other area related to the field of aging. Each candidate must: (1) demonstrate leadership potential; (2) provide evidence of an ongoing commitment to a career in aging; (3) have a mentor (or mentors) at the sponsoring institution willing and able to provide meaningful professional guidance and mentoring to the candidate; (4) agree to commit at least 75% of his or her time for career development during each of the two years of the Fellowship; and (5) propose a project related to the field of aging that will contribute to the candidate’s career development and also serve to enhance his or her leadership skills. Candidates should be between the first and tenth years of their graduate degree. The award is a two-year grant paid to the candidate’s sponsoring institution in support of the candidate’s research project. A grant award of up to $125,000 each year is intended to cover 75% of the fellow’s time, base salary and fringe benefits. The application and guidelines are available at www.brookdalefoundation.org.

Retirement Patterns Highlighted in New Papers
The Center for Retirement Research at Boston College has released three new working papers. They are accessible on their website through the following links:
http://www.bc.edu/centers/ctr/wp_2006-14.shtml

“Effects of Public Policies on the Disposition of Lump-Sum Distributions: Rational and Behavioral Influences” by William G. Gale and Michael Dworsky
http://www.bc.edu/centers/ctr/wp_2006-15.shtml

“No Place Like Home: Older Adults and Their Housing” by Timothy Smeeding, Barbara Boyle Torrey, Jonathan Fisher, David S. Johnson, and Joseph Marchand
http://www.bc.edu/centers/ctr/wp_2006-16.shtml
Shannon Teams with Partners in Care
GSA member George R. Shannon has joined the Partners in Care Foundation Institute for Change/Research Center as a Research Associate. His extensive research experience and skills support the Institute's comprehensive project design, research and evaluation services in developing high-impact, sustainable health and social services aimed at increasing quality, efficiency, effectiveness, and access to care for diverse populations. Previously, Shannon has served as an instructor at the San Diego State University Health and Human Services Department of Gerontology and a guest lecturer at the USC Leonard Davis School of Gerontology, the USC School of Pharmacy, and the UCLA School of Public Policy.

Wetle Named New AFAR President
The board of directors of the American Federation for Aging Research (AFAR) recently announced the election of Terrie Fox Wetle, a former deputy director of the National Institute on Aging, as president. The two-year term is effective immediately. She is also a former GSA president. Wetle is currently the associate dean of medicine for public health and public policy, and a professor of community health at Brown University. In addition to her position at the NIA, She has also held positions at Harvard Medical School and Yale University as an assistant professor of Medicine and director of the Program in Long Term Care Administration, respectively.

Gugliucci Sponsors Unique Internship Program
Marilyn Gugliucci, a GSA member and instructor at the University of New England's Medical School, was recently featured in an article in the Portland (Maine) Press Herald. Starting in the summer of 2005, she began an internship program wherein she places students in nursing homes to live as an elder resident for at least 2 weeks. As a result of the experiences of one of this summer's interns, Molly Trauten, the two been called by LifeCare of America (owners of 250 nursing homes) to speak to its executive directors. They have also been asked by Delaware State Representative Bob Marshall to talk to some of his constituents. In addition, Gugliucci will be working with the Maine Long Term Care Ombudsman program.

Longevity Scholars Address AFAR Gathering
S. Jay Olshansky of the University of Illinois and Robert Butler of the International Longevity Center were recently featured speakers at a symposium sponsored by the American Federation for Aging Research (AFAR). The session was organized to address scientific goals for the world's aging populations. AFAR used the setting to release a statement signed by over 90 scientists and aging researchers from 16 nations asserting that slowing aging could produce “dramatic advances in preventive medicine and public health within the next few decades.” This statement is available online at www.agingresearch.org.

In Memoriam
Paul B. Beeson, a renowned clinician, teacher, researcher, and Editor Emeritus of the Journal of the American Geriatrics Society, passed away recently at the age of 97. Though best known for demonstrating that fever is often an immune system response to infection, Beeson made equally significant contributions to the study of aging and the care of older adults. Chair of the departments of medicine at Emory and Yale universities, Beeson was also Nuffield Professor of Medicine at Oxford, and an editor of several seminal medical texts. He chaired the prescient 1978 Institute of Medicine study, “Aging and Medical Education,” which called for increased physician training in geriatric medicine and raised awareness of the challenges posed by the aging of the US population. The IOM study led Dr. Beeson to focus, increasingly, on aging and the care of older adults.

Colleague Connected!
This month’s $25 amazon.com gift certificate winner:
Tracy Needham
(She became eligible after referring new member Elizabeth Sosa.)
For more details on the Colleague Connection promotion, which includes a chance to win free lodging at the annual meeting, visit www.geron.org/ColleagueConnection.htm

Director of Public Policy
AAHSA’s commitment is to create the future of aging services through quality the public can trust. We seek director to develop & implement nat’l agenda for homes & community-based services; analyze state & nat’l trends; and promote the agenda w/federal officials & staffs, and w/related national coalitions & networks. BA & 5 yrs. exp.; MA preferred. For full announcement, see www.aahsa.org under “Careers.” Send cover letter & resume to: careers@aahsa.org. EOE M/F/H/V
Funding Opportunities
Promoting Aging Research Careers In Health Disparities
The most severe health problems in the United States are concentrated among minority groups and elders from disadvantaged backgrounds bear a substantial burden. Research is critically needed to develop basic knowledge, innovative treatments, techniques and programs focused on challenges of reaching racial, ethnic, economic and educationally disadvantaged groups, and on understanding diseases that disproportionately affect the elderly members of these groups and providing appropriate care and treatment.


Recent Reference Books in Aging
Provided by Harry R. Moody, AARP Academic Affairs
The following recent reference books are recommended:
ENCYCLOPEDIA OF AGEISM, Edited by Erdman B. Palmore, Laurence G. Branch, and Diana K. Harris (Haworth, 2005).

If you are interested in receiving additional information about gerontological education, training, and research issues and resources, consider becoming an AGHE subscriber! The AGHEExchange, published four times during the academic year, includes the following sections:
What Works
Conference Calendar
Resource Briefs
In and Around AGHE
Policy Page
New Member Profiles
Geriatric Education
National & International News
Visit the AGHE website (www.aghe.org) for additional details.

AGHE Committee and Task Force Meetings at GSA
Meetings of all AGHE committees and task forces will be scheduled during the annual meeting of The Gerontological Society of America in Dallas, TX, November 16–20, 2006. All committee and task force members for 2006–2007 will receive a notice about meeting times in October. This schedule is not set by AGHE staff until the GSA program schedule has been finalized so that our meeting times do not conflict with conference presentations by committee and task force members. Most meetings will take place on Friday and Saturday, November 17–18, at the Adam's Mark Hotel - Dallas.

Stop by AGHE’s exhibit booth at the entrance to the exhibit hall and pick up the latest information about AGHE’s publications and activities. Copies of the committee meeting schedule will also be available.

The Time to Lead: Call for AGHE Board Nominations
Are you ready to give something back to your national professional association? Are you available to help AGHE strengthen the position of gerontology in higher education? Do you know of a colleague who would be suited to a leadership position in AGHE? If so, AGHE’s Nominations Committee would like to hear from you.

The Nominations Committee is seeking names of persons to put on the ballot for this winter’s election of officers. Four positions will be filled: President-Elect, Treasurer, and two Members-at-Large.

The benefits of serving on AGHE’s Executive Committee are many. You will have an opportunity to help influence the field of gerontology education at the national level. You will forge valuable professional contacts with colleagues from different types of institutions throughout the country. You will have access to the latest information about developments in the field. You will gain personal skills in program management, long-range planning, and financial development.

To be selected for the slate of officers, you must be affiliated with an AGHE member institution, have had experience working with AGHE on committees or in our various programs and services, have appropriate leadership skills, and be committed to improving and strengthening gerontology education.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the AGHE office at (202) 289-9806 or from AGHE’s website: www.aghe.org. Please submit your nominations by November 6, 2006, to the current Nominations Committee chair:
Dr. Betsy Sprouse
AARP
Office of Academic Affairs
601 E Street NW
Washington, DC 20049
bsprouse@aarp.org
The Gerontological Society of America salutes outstanding and potential research through a host of awards. The society’s awards program has a dual purpose—to honor outstanding leaders in the field of gerontology and to focus attention on new developments in the area of aging. Join us at the following award presentations as we celebrate GSA’s 2006 Awardees!

Please note that at the time of press, room locations were unavailable. Please check the final program for official assignments.

**Society-Wide**

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**Donald P. Kent Award**
Presented to Margaret Gatz, PhD
University of Southern California
Lecture by 2005 Kent Recipient:
Huber Warner, PhD, University of Minnesota
“Is cell death and replacement a factor in aging?”
8:30 – 10:30 am, Saturday, Nov. 18

**Robert W. Kleemeier Award**
Presented to John R. Nesselroade, PhD
University of Southern California
Lecture by 2005 Kleemeier Recipient:
Dan Blazer, MD, PhD, Duke University
“How do you feel about...?: Self Perceptions of Health and Health Outcomes in Late Life”
8:30 – 10:30 am, Saturday, Nov. 18

**M. Powell Lawton Award**
Presented to Linda Teri, PhD
University of Washington
Lecture by 2005 Lawton Recipient:
Mary Tinetti, MD, Yale University
“Falling as a geriatric syndrome: from prediction and prevention to practice and policy”
1:30 – 3:00 pm, Sunday, Nov. 19

**Margret M. Baltes Award**
Presented to Julie McMullin, PhD
University of Western Ontario
Lecture by 2005 Baltes Recipient:
Kaarin Anstey, PhD, Australian National University
“The importance of psychological wellbeing and cognitive competence for optimizing late-life physical function and longevity”
10:30 am – 12:00 pm, Saturday, Nov. 18

**Maxwell A. Pollack Award**
Presented to Katherine Freund, MA, ITN America
Lecture by 2005 Pollack Recipient:
Keren Brown Wilson, PhD, Jessie F. Richardson Foundation
“Delivering on the Promise of Assisted Living: A 20 Year View”
3:30 – 5:00 pm, Saturday, Nov. 18

**Doris Schwartz Nursing Award**
Presented to and lecture by
Meridean L. Maas, PhD, University of Iowa
“Looking Back to Charge Forward: Musings of a seasoned gerontological nurse researcher and crone”
Nursing Care Interest Group Meeting
6:15 – 7:15 pm, Saturday, Nov. 18
Distinguished Career Award
Laura L. Carstensen, PhD
Stanford University
Presented at the BSS Section Business Meeting
12:15 – 1:30 pm, Saturday, Nov. 18

Richard Kalish Innovative Publication Award
Presented to Toni M. Calasanti, PhD
Virginia Tech
for her paper “Feminist Gerontology and Old Men”
Presented at the BSS Section Business Meeting
12:15 – 1:30 pm, Saturday, Nov. 18

Distinguished Mentor Award
Kyriakos S. Markides, PhD
University Texas Medical Branch
Presented at the BSS Section Business Meeting
12:15 – 1:30 pm, Saturday, Nov. 18

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GSA thanks the following award sponsors:
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Polisher Research Institute of the Madlyn and Leonard Abramson Center for Jewish Life (Lawton Award)
Margret M. Baltes Foundation (Baltes Award)
Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing/New York University (Schwartz Award)
Baywood Publishing (Kalish Award)
The Atlantic Philanthropies (Civic Engagement Awards)
Biological Sciences Section

Nathan Shock New Investigator Award
Presented to and lecture by
Rafael de Cabo, PhD
National Institute on Aging
“New Insights into Mechanisms of Calorie Restriction”
Presented at the BS Section Business Meeting
12:15 – 1:30 pm, Saturday, Nov. 18

Clinical Medicine Section

Joseph T. Freeman Award
Presented to Molly Carnes, MD
University of Wisconsin
Lecture by 2005 Freeman Recipient:
Wilbert S. Aronow, MD, FGSA, New York Medical College
“Treatment of Cardiovascular Disease in the Elderly”
1:45 – 3:15 pm, Saturday, Nov. 18
In Addition

The following will be given on-site at the Annual Meeting:

**Biological Sciences Section**
George Sacher Student Award

**Clinical Medicine Section**
Austin Bloch Post-Doctoral Fellow Award
Person-In-Training Award
Research Award

**Behavioral & Social Sciences Section**
Student Research Award: Pre-Dissertation Level
Student Research Award: Dissertation Level

**Social Research, Policy, & Practice Section**
Student Research Award: Doctoral Level
Student Research Award: Undergraduate/Master's Level

**Emerging Scholar & Professional Organization**
Interdisciplinary Paper Award
Poster Award

**Civic Engagement in an Older America Project**
Research Award: Student/Junior Scholar Level
Research Award: Senior Scholar Level

We also invite you to the following special events to honor our 2006 Awardees:

- Picture Slide Show at President's Opening Session
- Picture Display in Exhibit Hall
  (This is on going and can be viewed during regular Exhibit Hall hours.)

As a reminder, please check the final program for all dates, times, and room location assignments for award events.

If you are interested in more information on applying for GSA awards or if you would like to see past awardees, please visit www.geron.org/awards/awards.htm
Emerging Scholars and Professional Organization

It is about time to start planning for the Gerontological Society of America’s Annual Meeting, which will be held November 16 – 20 in Dallas, Texas. If you are new to the experience of large disciplinary conferences, these tips may help you effectively organize your time.

It is helpful to consult the online Conference Program as you prepare for the Annual Meeting. Using the online Program, you can search for specific topics or presenters or browse through the entire conference. Because of the conference’s broad scope in aging issues as well as the size of the conference, many sessions run simultaneously. Knowing the format in which research is presented is helpful as different formats provide different learning and interaction opportunities. Poster sessions, for example, are often more informal and allow participants to wander through a room of research posters, often taking time to discuss findings or policy implications with the researcher. Paper and symposia sessions, on the other hand, involve speakers addressing a room and presenting research findings in a lecture format. While there is usually an opportunity for questions at the end, these sessions tend to be conducted more formally. Because it is often necessary to choose among interesting sessions running at the same time, knowing available session opportunities and their presentation formats in advance is extremely helpful.

GSA’s Annual Meeting also provides students with many opportunities for networking with professionals and other ESPO members. ESPO sponsors several events during which members can learn more about the organization, discover ways of becoming more involved, and interact with other members.

The first of such events will be the Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization and Sigma Phi Omega Breakfast and Business Meeting which will be held on Friday, November 17 from 8:30 am – 10:30 am. In addition to meeting ESPO representatives and other members, the breakfast will include an informal roundtable planning session intended to stimulate discussion and ideas about the future of ESPO, the needs of ESPO members and the role of the ESPO within GSA. Topics for roundtables include strategic planning, task force groups, AGHE and GSA, GSA sections and the role of ESPO members. Finally, representatives from Sigma Phi Omega, the National Academic Honor and Professional Society in Gerontology, will introduce their program and provide information on how students can become part of the Honor Society.

The second event, being held Friday, November 17 from 5:15 pm – 6:45 pm, will be the Emerging Scholars and Professionals Organization Wine and Cheese & Fellows Meet the Students. This event is a great networking opportunity for ESPO members. Students can use this event as an opportunity to interact informally with GSA and AGHE Fellows while enjoying light refreshments.

Finally, several ESPO-sponsored poster sessions will be held throughout the meeting. The schedule for ESPO Poster Sessions is:

- **BS Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization Symposium: Cytoklines in the Biology of Vascular Aging**
  - Saturday, November 18, 1:45 pm – 3:15 pm

- **BSS Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization Symposium: Health Disparities and Health Behaviors Across the Life Course**
  - Sunday, November 19, 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

- **CM Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization Symposium: Multidisciplinary Evaluation of Medication Management in Assisted Living: Issues, Challenges, and Recommendations**
  - Saturday, November 18, 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

- **SRPP Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization Symposium: Creative Implementation of Health Promotion Programs: Findings and Lessons Learned from the AoA Evidence-Based Prevention Initiative**
  - Saturday, November 18, 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Overall, GSA’s Annual Meeting can be a great opportunity to become more involved with the research and people in Gerontology. We look forward to seeing you at all of these events!
The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB), Department of Medicine, Division of Gerontology and Geriatric Medicine Palliative Care Section and the UAB Center for Palliative Care is seeking a Palliative Medicine Clinician to provide for current and planned patient care programs. This person will provide support to clinical activities of the Palliative Care Section and will join the current Palliative Care team in providing comprehensive palliative and supportive care services to the community.

This non-tenure or tenure earning Assistant Professor position will assist expansion of, and enhance our current clinical programs and assist in the development of a full continuum of palliative and end-of-life services and programs meeting the division’s service, educational (medical students, residents and fellows), and research missions.

Board certification or eligibility in Palliative Medicine is required. Palliative fellowship training is preferred.

Contact: Peter Bosworth MBA,
Division of Gerontology and Geriatric Medicine, University of Alabama at Birmingham
1530 3rd Avenue South, CH19 Suite 201
Birmingham, Alabama 35294-2041. (Ref #031)

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The Department of Psychology and the Gerontology Center seek to fill a tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level starting August 18, 2007. This position will be shared between the Department of Psychology and the Gerontology Center, a unit of the Schiefelbusch Institute for Life Span Studies. We seek candidates with training in clinical psychology and aging, who will establish and maintain a productive and fundable program of research in these areas and who are committed to high quality teaching. A PhD in Psychology obtained from a clinical psychology training program is required. Teaching responsibilities include two psychology courses per year. Review of applications will begin October 23, 2006 and will continue until the position is filled.

Applicants should send a letter of interest including a teaching and research statement, curriculum vitae, three letters of reference, graduate transcripts, selected reprints/preprints, and evidence of teaching effectiveness in the form of a teaching portfolio and/or other documentation to:

Professor Susan Kemper (SKEMPER@KU.EDU),
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Dr. Debra Dobbs completed a PhD in Sociology at the University of Kansas, and extensive postdoctoral work at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. She is a specialist in aging and health services research, including research on long-term care and palliative and end-of-life care.

Dr. Jerri Edwards completed a PhD in Developmental Psychology, and extensive postdoctoral training, at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. She is a specialist in translational behavioral research on aging, applying findings from basic research on cognition and perception in older adults into interventions that improve “real world” daily functioning in tasks such as driving.

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| William E. Haley, Ph.D., Professor and Director, School of Aging Studies |
| Speciality: Interactions of Medical/Psychological Issues in Geriatrics; Family Caregiving; End-of-Life |
| Larry J. Polivka, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Associate Director, School of Aging Studies and Director, Florida Policy Exchange Center on Aging |
| Speciality: Long Term Care; Health Care Reform; Housing and the Elderly; Managed Care |
| Ross Andel, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, School of Aging Studies |
| Speciality: Risk Factors in Cognitive Impairment |
| Tamara Baker, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, School of Aging Studies |
| Speciality: Chronic Pain; Arthritis; Minority Aging |
| Kathryn Hyer, Ph.D., Associate Professor, School of Aging Studies and Director, Training Academy on Aging, Florida Policy Exchange Center on Aging |
| Speciality: Education, Training, and Health Policy Issues |
| Mary Kaplan, M.S.W., LCSW, Instructor and Director of Internship Program, School of Aging Studies |
| Speciality: Geriatric Case Management; Dementia Care; Caregiver Issues |
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| Speciality: Cognitive Changes in Aging |
| Jessica McIvane, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, School of Aging Studies |
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| Glenn Mitchell, Ph.D., Director, Florida Data Center on Aging |
| Speciality: Quantitative Research Methods; Aging Policy and Health Policy Research |
| Sandra Reynolds, Ph.D., Associate Professor & Assistant Director Academic Affairs, School of Aging Studies |
| Speciality: Guardianship; Trends in Disease and Disability; Working and Active Life Expectancy |
| Jennifer Salmon, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, School of Aging Studies and Director, Center for Housing and Long Term Care, Florida Policy Exchange Center on Aging |
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Please send a cover letter and CV by October 31, 2006 to:
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