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Bring the Laptop, Hold the Recorder!
The organizers of the Annual Meeting wish to remind attendees that while LCD projectors will be available for use at the Hilton San Francisco, presenters are responsible for bringing their own computers to use during individual presentations. However, there will be a cyber café with Internet access located in the Exhibit Hall. Another new feature at this year’s meeting will allow for audio recordings of presentations. Digital Providers, Inc. will be recording all pre-conference workshops, symposia, and paper sessions. CD audio and MP3s will then be available for purchase on-site and online.

New Events Promise Value for San Francisco Attendees

The organizing efforts of numerous GSA members and staff have resulted in several features that will place a mark of distinction on this year’s Annual Meeting. These unique standouts are highlighted below and on page 4. As always, more information and registration details are available at www.agingconference.com.

AgeWork To Connect Employers, Job Seekers
GSA Marketing Director Paul Stearns has developed a new component for the Annual Meeting designed to enhance the AgeWork website experience. Individuals who post a resume at agework.com can now indicate that they will be available for interviews while in San Francisco. Potential employers can also advertise their presence – and GSA is offering a special incentive to do so. Until November 9th, anyone who places a job listing on the site will be allotted three complimentary two-hour time blocks in a private office to meet candidates during the meeting. The available space (at the Hilton’s executive conference center) is limited and will be assigned on a “first-come, first-served” basis. The meeting’s traditional job board will also be located nearby. This is the perfect networking venue to either scout a position or find a qualified aging professional. For more information, e-mail jobs@agework.com.

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To view a complete listing, visit www.agingconference.com/contributions.cfm.

Presidential Symposia
Saturday, November 17
Stem Cells and Aging
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
From Mice to Men: Translating Basic Science to Improve Vaccines for Older Adults
11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.
Global Aging: Challenges and Opportunities, Part I (International Participation)
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Developing International Gerontological Research Projects and Educational Programs: Logistical Considerations
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 18
Cross-Cutting International Issues in Medication-Related Problems in the Elderly
8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
Is the Compression of Morbidity a Worldwide Phenomenon?
1:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.
Global Aging: Challenges and Opportunities, Part II (International Participation)
3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Monday, November 19
Global Aging and Pension Policy: Alternative Goals, Alternative Models
8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
Families, Living Arrangements, and Caregiving Around the World
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Global Labor versus Elder Workers: The Specter of Elder Uselessness
11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.
International Migration of the Long-Term Care Workforce
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
GSA’s finance department – the largest in the office, with four full time staffers – is responsible for the crucial task of keeping track of all monetary matters. This team oversees the handling of all major revenue sources, including subscriptions, memberships, grants, and the Annual Meeting.

Chris Yoder, an Indiana native who’s been with the Society for six years, is the director of the group. He gathers and maintains all financial records and schedules, in addition to supervising certified public accountants in the production of an auditor’s annual report. Yoder also submits required local, state, and federal tax returns and reports. He administers the financial aspects of all GSA activities, grants, and contracts, including the monitoring of income and expenses. While working closely with the executive director, treasurer, and Finance Committee, Yoder develops the annual budget that will be submitted to the GSA Council for approval. Additionally, he uses his extensive expertise to make recommendations on long-range financial planning goals. This includes monitoring the cost and performance of Society investments and benefits.

Fulfillment Manager Charles Clary of Silver Spring, MD is the senior member of this department. He’s been with GSA for 22 years and is most visible directing the registration booth at the Annual Meeting. Behind the scenes, however, he’s in charge of maintaining all membership and subscriber records – in other words, he keeps track of the Society’s most valuable asset. Clary fulfills all requests for and inquiries about membership dues, subscription rates, publication sales and mailing list rental requests; disseminates renewal notices to members and subscribers; and maintains and balances cash receipts and accounting records as required by the director of finance. Additionally, he updates membership and subscription records, enters and balances daily cash receipts as generated by GSA’s bank, posts receipts from grants, annual scientific meeting registrations, and miscellaneous payments received.

Jilan Chen, GSA’s accounting manager for the past ten years, is originally from Shanghai, China. Her primary responsibility, as stated in her job description, is to “assist the director of finance in keeping the schedules and records required by sound accounting principles.” This requires her to maintain the expense scheduling required by auditors and assist them as requested; assist the office manager with health and insurance forms; assist with registrations at Annual Meetings and staff the Finance Committee; oversee GSA’s grant management through record keeping and report preparation; process the bi-monthly payroll and post salary allocations to the general ledger; and track investment value changes and makes monthly journal entries to reflect their current value.

The newest member of the staff is Ronda Enoch, who joined the Society in August 2007 as the accounts payable clerk. She’s in charge of maintaining the organization’s cash balances. This includes allocating, posting, and paying all bills – not only for GSA, but for AGHE and the National Academy on an Aging Society as well. Enoch prepares invoices for external and internal distribution; allocates expenses for copying and postage; maintains a balance in checking account; oversees the timely processing of requests from members, subscribers, and staff; maintains inventories and back journals; and entering bank deposits into the finance database.
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AGHE internship opportunity

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REP Committee Continues Breaking Research Outlet
GSA and AGHE’s joint Research, Education, and Practice (REP) Committee will for the second time sponsor a “Hot Posters Session” at the Annual Meeting. This venue is intended to give exposure to the latest research on aging and produce a means to share this information with colleagues. These posters will be displayed during a special session on Saturday, November 17th from 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. and will be advertised in the GSA Program Addendum. As a result of the late abstract deadline, “Hot” poster abstracts cannot be included in the Program Schedule or Program Abstracts books, but they will be peer reviewed.

New Fellows Program Welcomes Input
The Atlantic Philanthropies has funded a planning grant to develop a Policy Fellows in Health and Aging Program, which will prepare a cadre of geriatric and gerontology professionals to participate effectively in the policymaking process and serve as change agents in health and aging policy. The program staff have developed initial ideas for structuring the program and welcomes feedback. Those interested in participating in or learning more about the program are invited to an informational session at the Annual Meeting, which will take place on November 17th from 6 p.m. – 7 p.m. For more details, please contact Program Director, Harold Pincus at pincush@pi.cpmc.columbia.edu or (212) 543-5400.

BS, HS Sections Launch Late Poster Presentations Venue
The Biological Science (BS) and Health Science (HS) Sections have joined forces this year to host a “2007 Late Breaker Poster Session” at the Annual Meeting. These presentations are intended to showcase the most recent findings in biological and health sciences laboratories. Due the late abstract deadline, the poster abstracts cannot be included in the Program Schedule or Program Abstracts book. However, details on their time and location will be provided in the Program Addendum. For more detailed information, please visit www.agingconference.com.
AARP Report Analyzes Boomer Travel Trends

AARP Services and Focalyst recently released their first quarterly boomer report, which focuses on the travel trends of baby boomers and others age 50+. This is the first in a series of reports tracking baby boomer trends through Focalyst — a joint venture of AARP Services Inc. and the Kantar Group specializing in research about baby boomers.

Focalyst’s first quarterly boomer report finds that “baby boomers” and “mature” consumers represent a sizable market for the travel industry. More than 81 million older adults are planning to travel in the next year and collectively, they plan to spend a total of $126 billion on their next trip alone. The Focalyst study, which surveyed 30,000 Americans, finds that one of the most lucrative segments of the 50+ population are boomers with children under the age of 18 living in the household. On average, these families take trips in the largest groups and their spending per trip was highest among all segments. To view an executive summary of the report, visit http://www.focalyst.com.

Insurance Stats Highlight Lack of Coverage

The National Coalition on Health Care, an advocacy group based in Washington, DC, has issued a short series of facts about the lack of health care coverage among the U.S. population. They cite the following statistics:

- Nearly 47 million Americans, or 16 percent of the population, were without health insurance at some point in 2005.
- The number of uninsured rose 1.3 million between 2004 and 2005 and has increased by almost 7 million people since 2000.
- In 2005, nearly 15 percent of employees had no employer-sponsored health coverage available.
- Young adults (18 to 24 years old) are least likely of any age group to have health insurance in 2005. More than 30 percent did not have health insurance.
- Nearly 40 percent of the uninsured population lives in households earning $50,000 or more.

Changes in Women’s Retirement Issues Outsined

The MetLife Mature Market Institute and the Women’s Institute for a Secure Retirement recently surveyed women of different generations to find out how retirement has changed from the past generation of retired women. The results were compiled into a booklet, titled “What Today’s Women Need to Know-A Retirement Journey,” which contains a retirement savings and planning checklist for each decade with guidelines for women from their 20s to their 70s. Visit www.metlife.com/WPSAssets/13834883971181741311V1FWhatTodaysWomanNeedstoKnow.pdf to view this report.

Two Releases Paint Broader Social Security Picture

Social Security remains the only universal source of retirement income for the vast majority of Americans; for most, it is the most relevant source of retirement income after a lifetime of hard work. The Center for American Progress has released a new report, called “An Oldie But Goodie: The Importance of Social Security as Source of Retirement Income,” on the significance of Social Security as a source of income, which can be found at www.americanprogress.org/issues/2007/08/social_security.html.

The American Academy of Actuaries has also issued a brief that discusses the fact that women are more reliant on Social Security, yet on average receive lower benefits than men. The information is available at www.actuary.org/pdf/socialsecurity/women_07.pdf.
ESPO Events at GSA!
The 60th Annual Scientific Meeting is almost here! As you prepare to attend the conference next month, be sure to add these exciting events to your calendar:

Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization (ESPO) and Sigma Phi Omega (SPO) Breakfast and Community Meeting Saturday, November 17, 8:00 am – 10:00 am

All GSA student members, and those interested in learning more about ESPO, are invited to the annual ESPO Breakfast and Community Meeting.

ESPO Wine and Cheese & Fellows Meet the Students Saturday, November 17, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

This is an informal event for GSA and AGHE Fellows and students to network while enjoying some wine and cheese. The Interdisciplinary Paper Award, Poster Awards, and the Civic Engagement in an Older America Student Paper Award will be presented at this time.

In addition to these events, there are other sessions being held throughout the conference that are sponsored by ESPO.

Become an ESPO Campus Ambassador!
GSA staff are currently working with the Emerging Scholars and Professional Organization (ESPO) Executive Committee to reorganize the Campus Ambassadors Program, formerly known as the Campus Representatives Program, and they are seeking interested ESPO members to become involved with this newly restructured program. ESPO members wishing to participate would be assisting the Executive Committee in their efforts to work toward fostering networking and support across college and university campuses. A committee has been established to lead the charge and develop the program to fully explore how we can better serve our members and their home campuses. If any of you are interested in being a part of this effort as an ESPO Campus Ambassador or you have questions or ideas, contact Anthony Kupferschmidt via email akupfers@sfu.ca or Jessica Clark jclark@geron.org.

HHS Selects Eight Cities for Hispanic Elders Health Initiative
Health and Human Services (HHS) Assistant Secretary for Aging Josefina G. Carbonell and Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Director Carolyn M. Clancy announced on August 23 that eight communities will participate in an HHS pilot initiative to improve the health and quality of life of Hispanic elders. The metropolitan areas of Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, McAllen, TX, Miami, New York, San Antonio, and San Diego have been selected to take part in the pilot project launched earlier this year by HHS Secretary Mike Leavitt titled “Improving Hispanic Elders’ Health: Community Partnerships for Evidence-Based Solutions.” This unique collaboration is designed to help communities work together to develop coordinated strategies for improving Hispanic elders’ access to important benefits. These include the new Medicare prescription drug and prevention benefits as well as low-cost evidence-based prevention programs like the Stanford University Chronic Disease Self-Management Program. For more information, see http://www.aoa.gov/press/pr/2007/August/8_23_07.asp.

NIH Launches Interdisciplinary Research Consortia
The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Roadmap for Medical Research will fund nine interdisciplinary research consortia as a means of integrating aspects of different disciplines to address health challenges that have been resistant to traditional research approaches. The funding of these consortia represents a fundamental change in both the culture within which biomedical and behavioral research is conducted and the culture within the NIH where research projects are normally managed by an individual institute or center. Further details and a complete listing of the consortia are available at http://www.ncrr.nih.gov.

NIH Revamps Policies on GWAS Data Sharing
The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has released an update to its policies regarding the sharing of data obtained in NIH supported or conducted Genome-Wide Association Studies (GWAS). These changes are expected to take effect January 25, 2008. To read about the developments in detail, visit http://grants.nih.gov/grants/gwas/index.htm.
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 2007 Awardees!

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

**Society-Wide**

### Donald P. Kent Award
Presented to W. Andrew Achenbaum, PhD
University of Houston
Lecture by 2006 Kent Recipient: Margaret Gatz, PhD, University of Southern California
“Good Science and Conventional Wisdom?”
10:00 – 11:45 am, Sunday, Nov. 18

### Robert W. Kleemeier Award
Presented to Rita B. Effros, PhD
David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA
Lecture by 2006 Kleemeier Recipient: John R. Nesselroade, PhD, University of Virginia
“Measuring Constructs in Aging Research: Reservations and Proposals”
10:00 – 11:45 am, Sunday, Nov. 18

### M. Powell Lawton Award
Presented to Elaine Brody, MSW
Lecture by 2006 Lawton Recipient: Linda Teri, MD, University of Washington
“Improving Care for Person’s with Alzheimer’s Disease: Advances in Evidence-Based Psychosocial Treatments”
1:30 – 3:00 pm, Monday, Nov. 19

### Margret M. & Paul B. Baltes Foundation Award
Presented to Lynn M. Martire, PhD
University of Pittsburgh
Lecture by 2006 Baltes Recipient: Julie A. McMullin, PhD, University of Western Ontario
“Age as a Basis of Social Inequality: Paid and Unpaid work in an ‘Era of Global Aging’”
8:00 am – 9:30 pm, Monday, Nov. 19

### The Doris Schwartz Gerontological Nursing Research Award
Presented to and lecture by Linda R. Phillips, PhD, RN, FAAN, Prof. & Audrienne H. Moseley Endowed Chair in Nursing UCLA School of Nursing
“Reflections on 30 years of Gerontological Nursing Science”
Nursing Care Interest Group Meeting
6:00 – 7:30 pm, Saturday, Nov. 17

### Maxwell A. Pollack Award
Presented to Nancy A. Whitelaw, PhD
The National Council on Aging
Lecture by 2006 Pollack Recipient: Katherine Freund, MA, ITNAmerica
“ITNAmerica ®: An Entrepreneurial Approach to Senior Mobility Practice, Policy and Research”
3:00 – 4:40 pm, Sunday, Nov. 18
Distinguished Career Contribution to Gerontology Award
Nancy L. Pedersen, PhD
Karolinska Institutet
Presented at the BSS Section Business Meeting
11:45 am – 1:00 pm, Sunday, Nov. 18

Richard Kalish Innovative Publication Award
Presented to Mara Mather, PhD
University of California at Santa Cruz
For her paper “Goal-Directed Memory: The Role of Cognitive Control in Older Adults’ Emotional Memory
Presented at the BSS Section Business Meeting
11:45 am – 1:00 pm, Sunday, Nov. 18

Distinguished Mentorship in Gerontology Award
(So-Recipient)
Spero M. Manson, PhD
University of Colorado HSC
Presented at the BSS Section Business Meeting
11:15 am – 1:00 pm, Sunday, Nov. 18

Distinguished Mentorship in Gerontology Award
(Mc-Recipient)
Marcia G. Ory, PhD
Texas A & M University
Presented at the BSS Section Business Meeting
11:15 – 1:00 pm, Sunday, Nov. 18

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New York Community Trust (Pollack Award)
Polisher Research Institute of the Madlyn and Leonard Abramson Center for Jewish Life (Lawton Award)
Margaret M. & Paul B. Baltes Foundation (Baltes Award)
Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing/New York University (Schwartz Award)
Baywood Publishing (Kalish Award)
The Atlantic Philanthropies (Civic Engagement Awards)
The University of Maryland, Baltimore County (GSA Social Gerontology Award)
Biological Sciences Section

Nathan Shock New Investigator Award
Presented to and lecture by
Qitao Ran, PhD
The University of Texas HSC at San Antonio
“Gpx4 in Neurodegeneration, Aging and Cancer”
Presented at the BS Section Business Meeting
11:15 am – 1:00 pm, Sunday, Nov. 18

Health Sciences Section

Joseph T. Freeman Award
Andrew P. Goldberg, MD
University of Maryland at Baltimore
Lecture by 2006 Freeman Recipient:
Molly Carnes, MD, University of Wisconsin
“A Career in Academic Geriatrics: So Far So Good!”
1:15 – 2:45 pm, Sunday, Nov. 18
In Addition

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

Biological Sciences Section
George Sacher Student Award

Health Sciences 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

GSA Social Gerontology Award sponsored by UMBC
Theoretical Developments in Social Gerontology - 2007 Competition

We also invite you to the following special events to honor our 2007 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
Women To Benefit from AARP Scholarship
The AARP Foundation has announced a new scholarship program to help low-income women 40+ participate in education and training opportunities. Approximately 100 scholarships ranging from $500 to $5,000 are expected to be awarded in the first round. Details can be found at www.aarp.org/womensscholarship. Applications are only available online. Priority will be given to women who are: individuals returning to the workforce after an extended absence; individuals who are underemployed (in a job with limited pay, limited growth opportunities and limited benefits); or grandmothers or other female relatives raising another family member's child/children (with the ability to demonstrate significant financial responsibility for those child/children). The application deadline is October 31, 2007. Scholarship recipients will be notified in January 2008 and funds will be made available shortly thereafter.

DC Fellowships Take Aim at Minority, Income Injustices
Families USA, a non-profit aimed at securing affordable healthcare for Americans, has announced the offering of two Washington, DC-based fellowships.

The Wellstone Fellowship for Social Justice aims to advance social justice through health care advocacy by focusing particularly on the unique challenges facing communities of color. Through this fellowship, established to honor the memory of the late Senator Paul D. Wellstone, Families USA hopes to expand the pool of talented social justice advocates from underrepresented economic, racial and ethnic minority groups. The ideal candidate must demonstrate an interest in health care policy and racial/ethnic health disparities. Additionally, they are looking for an individual who displays the potential to contribute to social justice work after their year of hands-on experience as a fellow. More information, including a downloadable application form, is available at http://www.familiesusa.org/about/wellstone-fellowship.html,

The Villers Fellowship for Health Care Justice was created in 2005 by Philippe Villers, founder and president of Families USA. Villers Fellows work in the organization's health policy department and assist efforts to improve access to health coverage for all Americans, especially for low-income and other vulnerable communities. Specifically, Villers Fellows will conduct research on a range of health care policy issues and write and contribute to publications that are relevant to current health policy debates. In creating the fellowship, Villers aspired to develop a network of young leaders who share a passion for health care justice. The ideal candidate will demonstrate a commitment to health care justice work following their year as a fellow. Additionally, in order to encourage the development of future leaders, Villers Fellows must commit to mentoring at least one person over the course of their careers. More information, including a downloadable application form, is available at www.familiesusa.org/about/the-villers-fellowship.html

Both fellowships are year-long, full-time, salaried positions at the Families USA office in Washington, DC. Each year, one candidate will be selected for each fellowship. Selected fellows will receive a compensatory package that includes an annual stipend of $35,000 and excellent health care benefits. The application deadline for both fellowships is January 15, 2008.

Health Policy Fellowship Turns Attention to Disadvantaged Populations
The Commonwealth Fund/Harvard University Fellowship (CFHUF) in Minority Health Policy is designed to prepare physicians, particularly minority physicians, for leadership roles in formulating and implementing public health policy and practice on a national, state, or community level. Five one-year, degree-granting fellowships will be awarded per year. Fellows will complete academic work leading to a Master of Public Health (MPH) degree at the Harvard School of Public Health, and, through additional program activities, gain experience in and understanding of major health issues facing minority, disadvantaged, and underserved populations. CFHUF also offers a Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree at John F. Kennedy School of Government to physicians possessing an MPH. It is expected that CFHUF will support the development of a cadre of leaders in minority health, well-trained academically and professionally in public health, health policy, health management, and clinical medicine, as well as actively committed to careers in public service. See www.mfdp.med.harvard.edu/fellows_faculty/cfhuf/index.htm for more details. January 2, 2008 is the deadline for applications.

Funds Slated for Elder Law Studies
The AARP Foundation Litigation is now accepting applications for the Herbert Semmel Elder Law Fellowship. This program provides $9,000 for 12 weeks of summer work in Washington, DC, plus a $10,000 stipend for manuscript preparation for a law review article on an elder law issue. The fellowship will offer a rising third-year law student the experience of working with public interest attorneys on legal issues that affect the daily lives of older persons, such as health and long term care, housing, consumer protection, and age discrimination issues. Applications are due by November 5, 2007. For details on the application package and process, e-mail academicaffairs@aarp.org or call Betsy Sprouse at (202) 434-6362.
The Collaborative on Aging, USF’s campus-wide network of aging-related programs, works to enhance USF’s capacity and reputation as a center for excellence in aging research, education, policy and service. Educational programs include:

**Ph.D. in Aging Studies**
This interdisciplinary doctoral program draws on USF’s campus-wide expertise in aging. First year full-time students receive $16,000 plus tuition waivers. Part-time students are occasionally admitted. Areas of concentration include:
- Aging and Health
- Aging and Mental Health
- Cognitive Aging and Alzheimer’s Disease
- Public Policy and Long-Term Care

**Undergraduate programs**
- Minor in Gerontology
- B.A. in Gerontology
- B.S. in Gerontology/Long-Term Care Administration

**Other Graduate degrees and certificates**
- M.A. in Gerontology
- Graduate Certificates
  - Gerontology
  - Hospice, Palliative Care, and End-of-Life Studies
  - Geriatric Social Work/Clinical Gerontology
  - Aging and Neuroscience

**Fellowships**
- Geriatric Medicine Fellowship
- Geriatric Psychiatry Fellowship
- Clinical Geropsychology Fellowship
- Pre-Doctoral Research Fellowships, Veterans Administration

**USF Training Academy on Aging**
Providing training, technical assistance and consulting to improve the quality of care for elders

**Geriatric Education Center**
Training of professionals with a focus on Alzheimer’s disease and dementia

**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute**
Providing non-credit continuing education opportunities for older adults, including hands-on computer training and programs in the liberal arts

**Rath Senior ConNEXtions and Education Center**
Located on the Lakeland campus, this innovative Center studies Senior populations in Polk County, FL, promotes education for family caregivers and provides education, information and other services to Seniors

For information about our educational programs, contact:
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Website: aging.cas.usf.edu
AGHE’s Presence at GSA Annual Conference

We look forward to seeing many of you at the November 16-20 meeting of The Gerontological Society of America (GSA) in San Francisco, CA. Please make a point to network with your AGHE colleagues during the meeting and specifically at the following sessions:

AGHE - Sponsored Pre-Conference Workshop: The Tenure Waltz: Aligning Research, Service and Teaching
Friday, November 16, 1:30–5:30 PM

AGHE Symposium: Geriatric/Gerontological Education in a Global Society
Saturday, November 17, 8:00-9:30 AM

AGHE Presidential Symposium: Developing International Gerontological Research Projects and Educational Programs: Logistical Considerations
Saturday, November 17, 3:30-5:00 PM

AGHE Symposium: Surviving in the Academic World of Gerontology
Monday, November 19, 8:00-9:30 AM

Meetings of all AGHE committees and task forces will take place during the GSA conference. All committee and task force members for 2007–2008 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 Saturday and Sunday, November 17-18, at the Hilton San Francisco Hotel.

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.

Consider a Leadership Role with AGHE

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: Secretary and three 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 and geriatrics 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 and geriatrics 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 7, 2007, to the current Nominations Committee chair:
Dr. Marilyn Gugliucci • University of New England
Dept of Family Medicine • College of Osteopathic Medicine
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email: mgugliucci@une.edu

Funding Opportunities

Item from Don Griesmann’s Grant Opportunities in the AGHExchange

National Endowment for Financial Education
The National Endowment for Financial Education (NEFE) is a Denver-based nonprofit foundation dedicated to helping Americans acquire the information and gain the skills necessary to take control of their financial lives. The NEFE grants program seeks innovative research and research-based development projects that can make a profound contribution to the field of financial literacy. Inquiries from disciplines in fields as diverse as behavior, economics, neuroscience, sociology, psychology, marketing, finance, education, change theory, decision sciences, and others are encouraged.

Project outcomes should be actionable in the field of financial literacy, directly relevant to the financial well-being of the public, and have the ability to be applied broadly. Project outcomes must be capable of achieving traction and measurable impact with one or more audiences such as financial education intermediaries, researchers, practitioners, decision makers, and/or entities who can achieve effective outreach to a target population with an unmet financial literacy need or the public in general.

Next deadline is December 4, 2007; applications are reviewed in two annual cycles.

For more information, visit http://charitychannel.com/publish/templates/?a=14438&z=26.

If you are interested in receiving additional information on funding opportunities, about gerontological education, training, and research issues and resources, consider becoming an AGHE subscriber! The AGHExchange, 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, and National & International News. Visit the AGHE website (www.aghe.org) for additional details.
The University of Alabama seeks a director for its interdisciplinary Center for Mental Health and Aging. Building on a tradition of more than thirty years of scholarship in aging at the University, the Center for Mental Health and Aging (CMHA) facilitates the research of more than 30 faculty associates in departments throughout the campus. The Center reports directly to the Provost and has stable, core University funding. In the last five years CMHA faculty and students have obtained more than $18 million in research funding. Grant proposals currently under review total more than $5 million. Most CMHA research is focused in four areas: elder caregiving, mental health of rural elders, quality of care in institutional settings, and palliative and end-of-life care.

Qualifications for the director include a doctoral degree in a social science or mental health-related discipline. Also required is a substantial record of research and scholarship in aging and mental health that merits the award of tenure in the department of the director’s discipline on appointment. The director should have a history of accomplishment in obtaining and administering external research funding as a principal investigator and a documented record of sound administrative skills. The director should be able to represent the CMHA to a variety of constituencies and be skilled in mentoring and developing junior faculty members and graduate students.

The University of Alabama (approximately 25,000 students) is located in Tuscaloosa, a moderate-sized city with excellent quality of life characteristics. It is within easy driving distance of Birmingham, New Orleans, Atlanta, the Smoky Mountains and Gulf Coast beaches. The Center for Mental Health and Aging occupies a suite of 12 offices equipped with up-to-date computing, communications, and data entry technology. Staff members include a doctoral-level administrator, data manager/analyst, consulting statisticians, and office associate.

Please submit a letter of interest and curriculum vita to: Lucinda Lee Roff, Ph.D., Search Committee Chair Center for Mental Health and Aging Box 870315 • Tuscaloosa, AL 35487 205.348.7518 • Lroff@bama.ua.edu

The University of Alabama is an Equal Employment/Equal Educational Opportunity Institution.
Wayne State University’s Institute of Gerontology (IOG) invites dedicated graduate students (for US Citizens or Permanent Residents) to join us. Our pre-doctoral research training program offers interdisciplinary expertise. Participating faculty represent:

- Psychology
- Neuroscience
- Economics
- Anthropology
- Nursing
- Political Science
- Sociology
- Epidemiology
- Rehabilitation Sciences

Nationally recognized as a leader in aging and urban health, the IOG is distinguished by relevant and innovative research, exceptional mentoring of students, and extensive community involvement. The IOG partners with scholars across campus and the nation and is a leader in Minority Aging Center grants. IOG faculty hold several investigator-initiated research programs.

Applications are available on our web site • Deadline: January 30, 2008
Pre-doctoral positions offer competitive salary and benefits packages.

To discuss fellowships, please contact:
Dr. Peter Lichtenberg, Director
p.lichtenberg@wayne.edu

To learn more, please visit:
www.iog.wayne.edu
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The University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing invites nominations and applications for the position of Chairperson, Health & Community Systems. Full-time leadership position available for a nurse scholar who will assume responsibility for the academic and administrative leadership of a department with approximately 33 faculty responsible for community health nursing, psychiatric nursing, geriatric nursing, nursing education and informatics. Qualifications include a focused program of research, eligibility for tenure. Full professor rank preferred.

Founded in 1939, the School of Nursing is one of six Health Sciences Schools within the University of Pittsburgh (Dental Medicine, the Graduate School of Public Health, Health & Rehabilitation Sciences, Medicine, Nursing, and Pharmacy). The School of Nursing offers BSN, MSN, DNP, and PhD degrees, and retains a faculty of 106 and enrolls over 1,000 students.

As part of one of the nation's top research universities, the University of Pittsburgh's School of Nursing promotes interdisciplinary collaborative research among faculty investigators and students. The School of Nursing currently ranks 6th in overall NIH funding for 2006, and is among the top seven in the most recent issue of U.S. News & World Report’s “America's Best Graduate Schools” issue.

The School of Nursing shares a close relationship with one of the country's leading medical centers. The University of Pittsburgh Medical Center includes a network of regional hospitals, outpatient facilities, home care services and long-term care facilities, providing outstanding clinical experiences for all students in Pitt’s Health Sciences programs.

Salary and academic rank will be commensurate with the qualifications and experience. The University of Pittsburgh offers an excellent salary, benefits, and retirement package. Review of applications is ongoing and will continue until the position is filled. Starting date is negotiable.

Send a letter of application and curriculum vitae to:

Dr. Jacqueline Dunbar-Jacob, Dean, University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing
350 Victoria Building, Pittsburgh, PA 15261

For more information, please visit the University of Pittsburgh's School of Nursing website at www.pitt.edu/~nursing/about_school/facultypositions.html

Members of underrepresented minority groups are encouraged to apply. The University of Pittsburgh is an affirmative action, equal opportunity institution.