



39th Annual Conference of the State Society on Aging of New York
“Seasons of Change: Promoting the Well-Being of Older Adults in a Challenging Environment”

PRESIDENT’S WELCOME

It is my pleasure to invite you to attend the 39th annual meeting of the State Society on Aging of New York (SSA). This year’s meeting is entitled, “Seasons of Change: Promoting the Well-Being of Older Adults in a Challenging Environment.” The meeting is being held at the Gideon Putnam Hotel and Conference Center October 26-28, 2011.

I encourage you to review the preliminary program and to register for our annual conference. You can become an individual or organizational member of SSA by visiting our website and signing up. All members receive a reduced rate for conference registration.

Please join your colleagues from throughout the state for the annual meeting of the State Society on Aging. This year's meeting promises to offer cutting edge topics in the field, stimulating dialogue, and a chance to see old friends and make new ones.

Some of the benefits include:

- Meeting colleagues from a variety of disciplines working in the field of aging
- Interacting with local, state, and federal public advocates for older adults
- Participating in innovative workshops and symposia
- Updating your knowledge of the latest research findings and their applications to education and practice

I look forward to seeing you in Saratoga!

Janna Heyman

Janna Heyman, PhD
SSA 2011 President

For information about our annual meeting or membership in the State Society on Aging of New York, please visit our website at www.ssany.org





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INFORMATION ABOUT SSA

The State Society on Aging’s 39th Annual Conference is **“Seasons of Change: Promoting the Well-Being of Older Adults in a Challenging Environment.”** SSA is committed to ensuring the best possible life quality for older adults and their families. This can best be addressed through education and training, informed by state of the art research, which prepares the workforce and service providers to meet the goal of assuring healthy aging and mental health for older adults and their families. Toward this end, SSA provides a forum for those in the field of gerontology to update their knowledge and skills, as well as promoting outreach to other professionals and students involved with the aging population. SSA’s Annual Conference provides the opportunity to network with colleagues from a variety of disciplines, and explore how we can best address the future needs of older adults and their families.

For further information about the Annual Conference, please visit our SSA Webpage: www.ssany.org

If you have further questions or inquiries about the conference, contact **Manoj Pardasani, PhD**, SSA 2011 Program Chair, Fordham University Ravazzin Center on Aging, 400 Westchester Ave., West Harrison, NY 10604, mpardasani@fordham.edu

SSA: A BRIEF HISTORY

The State Society on Aging of New York is a multidisciplinary society that was founded in 1972 as the New York State Association of Gerontological Educators (NY SAGE). For the past thirty six years, it has provided leadership in the field of aging, especially in promoting gerontology and geriatrics education. In 1989, the organization changed its name to the State Society on Aging of New York, Inc. in recognition of its changing membership and its role as the foremost interdisciplinary organization in the state. While educational issues remain a primary concern, the State Society on Aging welcomes the contributions of all interested in any aspect of aging.

Social work continuing education credits are available for this conference from the National Association of Social Workers – New York State

The State Society on Aging members represent a range of disciplines including educators, older adults, health and social service professionals, advocates for the elderly, community leaders from the public and private sectors, administrators in acute and long term care, researchers, government officials, policy makers, and students.

The Annual Conference features scholarly papers, posters, symposia, and workshops from the state's leaders in gerontology and geriatrics. The Annual Conference also provides a forum for different constituencies in the aging network to consider issues of statewide importance and interest.



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Mark Brennan-Ing, PhD

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

James O’Neal, MA
Patricia Brownell, PhD

PRESIDENT’S CIRCLE

Judith L. Howe, PhD

PUBLICATIONS

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SOCIAL POLICY

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STUDENT COMMITTEE

Colette Phipps, MSW
Paul Gould, MSW

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Mebane Powell, MSW



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Peter Oppenheimer, PhD
 Glenn McKibben, MA
 Lucille Nahemow, PhD
 Norman Cates, PhD
 Ann Hudis, EdD
 Neal Bellos, PhD
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 Brij Mullick, PhD
 Robert J. Maiden, PhD
 James O’Neal, MA
 Carol J. Hunt, MUP
 Judith L. Howe, PhD
 Beverly Horowitz, PhD
 Patricia Brownell, PhD
 Deborah Heiser, PhD
 Thomas V. Caprio, MD
 Mark Brennan-Ing, PhD

In memory of M. Joanna Mellor, DSW

A special presentation will be made in memory of Joanna Mellor, former SSA President.

SSA PLANNING COMMITTEE

The work of the SSA Planning Committee helped to focus this conference on cutting edge issues in healthy aging and mental health. We would also like to thank the SSA Planning Committee for their help and support with the conference planning. The Planning Committee members deserve special recognition:

Manoj Pardasani, PhD, SSA 2011 Planning Committee Chair

Martha Bial, PhD
 Mark Brennan-Ing, PhD
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SSA MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

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| \$75.00 | Organizational Membership |
| \$40.00 | Professional Membership |
| \$15.00 | Full-time Student Membership |
| \$15.00 | Senior Membership (Age 65+) |

To become a member of SSA contact
Tracey Sokoloff, MPH, Co-Chair, Membership
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SSA members are encouraged to become actively involved by either joining one of SSA’s committees, or working with one of SSA's Task Forces. Please visit SSA’s website for more information: www.ssany.org

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

The CONFERENCE REGISTRATION DESK is open:

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Wednesday, October 26 th | 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM |
| Thursday, October 27 th | 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM |
| Friday, October 28 th | 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM |

Your registration packet will be available at the Registration Desk.

All SSA Conference attendees and presenters must register for the conference.

Several registration options are available:

- **Full Registration** includes entry to all sessions, special events, and the cost of breakfast, lunch and dinner for both Wednesday and Thursday, as well as a box lunch on Friday.
- **One-Day Registration** includes entry to all sessions, special events on the designated day, and the cost of meals provided on the designated day.
- **Student Registration:** Special student rates are available. In addition, students can apply for partial scholarship opportunities. These scholarships are limited, so apply early using the form on page 20.

Name Badges

You will receive a name badge as part of your conference registration materials. Name badges must be worn to gain admittance to all conference activities (i.e., plenary session, presentations, receptions, meals).

SSA SILENT AUCTION

Great items will be offered and individuals can enjoy dinner while bidding on items. This event is scheduled for Thursday evening, October 27, 2011. Checks or cash will be accepted for silent auction.



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ANNUAL SSA AWARDS

WALTER M. BEATTIE AWARD

The purpose of the Walter M. Beattie Jr. award is to honor a distinguished member of SSA for outstanding contributions to the work of SSA and for commitment to the goals of the State Society. This year’s Award is presented to **JUDITH L. HOWE, PhD.**



Judith L. Howe, PhD, is Professor, Brookdale Department of Geriatrics and Palliative Medicine, Mount Sinai School of Medicine and Associate Director/ Education and Evaluation, VISN 3 Geriatrics Research, Education and Clinical Center (GRECC) based at the James J. Peters VAMC. She also holds a secondary appointment as Professor in the Mount Sinai School of Medicine Department of Preventive Medicine, is the Director of the Consortium of New York Geriatric Centers, and is Director of the VISN 3 GRECC Interprofessional Palliative Care Fellowship Program. Dr. Howe holds two Masters Degrees from Syracuse University (sociology and public administration) and a PhD in Social Welfare/Gerontology from Fordham University. Dr. Howe’s career interests include gerontology and geriatric education, curriculum development, interdisciplinary teamwork, community-based services, and public policy. She is a founder and chair of the Board of Directors of Linkage House, a housing model with integrated social and health services for lower income older people in East Harlem, NY, funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under Section 202. She has presented at numerous national meetings and regional meetings and has published widely in books and journals such as *Gerontology and Geriatrics Education*, *Journal of Social Work in End-of-Life and Palliative Care* and *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*. She has edited or co-edited three books on aging and is the Editor-in-Chief of *Gerontology and Geriatrics Education*, the official journal of the Association of Gerontology in Higher Education. She has served as an elected member of the Executive Committee of AGHE, was the President of the State Society on Aging of New York in 2005, on whose Board she continues to serve, and is Immediate Past President of the National Association of Geriatric Education Centers/National Association for Geriatric Education. She is a Fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine, Association for Gerontology in Higher Education, and the Gerontological Society of America.

Previous Walter M. Beattie Award recipients:

Ruth Bennett
Msgr. Charles Fahey
Neal Bellos
Sheldon Tobin
Evan Calkins
Rose Dobrof
Susan Sherman
Marjorie Cantor

Pasquale Gilberto
Barbara Silverstone
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Michael Burgess
Jurgis Karuza
Marcus Harazin



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PRESIDENT’S AWARD

The President’s Award is to recognize a leader in the field for his/her outstanding service. This year’s Award is presented to **ROBERT B. BLANCATO, MPA.**



Bob Blancato is President of Matz, Blancato, & Associates, a full-service firm integrating strategic consulting, government affairs, advocacy services and association and coalition management. Bob is the National Coordinator of the Elder Justice Coalition, a bi-partisan, 650 member organization. From 2000-2006, Bob served as President of the National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and remains on its Executive Committee. He currently serves as the Executive Director of NANASP, the National Association of Nutrition and Aging Services Programs. Bob is a former House staff member and spent 17 years on the House Select Committee on Aging. He also served as Executive Director of the 1995 White House Conference on Aging and on the Policy Committee for the 2005 Conference. Bob most recently became Chairman of the Commonwealth Council on Aging in Virginia. He was appointed by Governor Tim Kaine. He

holds a Bachelor of Arts from Georgetown University and a Masters of Public Administration from American University. In 2010, Bob has received a number of awards for his work on elder justice including the Arthur Flemming Award from NASUAD, and Advocate of the Year award from Older Women’s League.

Previous President’s Award Recipients:

Helen Hamlin

Neal Lane

Msgr. Charles Fahey

T. Franklin Williams

Patricia Bomba

Michael Friedman

Carter Catlett

Williams

Mae Carpenter

ADVOCATE FOR OLDER ADULTS AWARD

The Advocate for Older Adults Award recognizes a record of planning, policy development and advocacy work. This year’s Award is presented to **WILLIAM DIONNE, BA.**



William J. Dionne is Executive Director of the Carter Burden Center for the Aging, NYC, a position he has held since 1991. He is recognized for his compassionate vision and for his creativity in developing programs that serve as models for aging services. Because of his expertise and passion for reaching those who are too often ignored or disregarded Mr. Dionne has been asked to join numerous committees, task forces and policymaking counsels. In 2005 he was appointed delegate to the White House Conference on Aging by Governor George Pataki. He is President of the Council of Senior Centers & Services of NYC and is a board member of the Human Services Council of NYC, Older Adults Technology Services (OATS) and the Board of Overseers of the Brookdale Center for Healthy Aging and Longevity. He currently serves on the



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Mayor’s Task Force on Poverty, NYS Senator Gillibrand’s Task Force on Aging, NY Governor Cuomo’s Task Force on Aging, and the New York Academy of Medicine’s City for All Ages Task Force. Mr. Dionne has provided training in senior center utilization to Area Agencies on Aging in Chicago, Texas and Seattle. He has also taught classes in fundraising, financial management programs in community agencies and provided training for the NYC Department for the Aging regarding the creation of successful senior center meal programs. He has been awarded the Father Robert V. Lott Humanitarian Award by the Council of Senior Centers & Services of NYC (2002), The Maggie Kuhn Award for Advocacy by the Presbyterian Senior Services (2009) and was named an Honorary Kentucky Colonel by the Commonwealth of Kentucky (2002).

Previous Advocate for Older Adults Award recipients are:

James Collins

Rosie Marie Fagan

SSA STUDENT AWARDS

Student Paper Awards are given to the best undergraduate and graduate (i.e., master’s and doctoral-level) student papers presented at the SSA Conference.

Student Participation Award will be given to the college or university sending the most students to the conference.



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SPECIAL SESSIONS

GEORGE N. WARNER MEMORIAL SYMPOSIUM

Dr. George Warner was involved in research, policy and decision making with the New York State Department of Health for over twenty-five years before his untimely death in 1987. Dr. Warner was a graduate of Union College and Albany Medical School, and obtained a masters degree in Public Health from Columbia University before joining Montefiore Hospital in New York City. He was later appointed to the New York State Department of Health, where he pioneered the concept of Home Health Care. He was a leader in writing and establishing the standards of care for nursing homes in New York State, as well as the federal regulations for Medicare. The State Society on Aging honors Dr. Warner's contribution by presenting the George N. Warner Memorial Symposium.

This year the George N. Warner Memorial Symposium is on Wednesday, October 26th at 10:45 a.m. Panelists are Jennifer Griffith, Elaine Gould, Judith Howe, Mathy Mezey, Manoj Pardasani, Jennifer McDermott and Emily Krohn. Irene Gutheil is moderator.

KERMIT SCHOOLER SYMPOSIUM

Kermit Schooler, Ph.D, served as Professor and Dean of the School of Social Work at Syracuse University for two decades. Dr. Schooler, a social psychologist, was recognized nationally and internationally for his research and theory development in aging, particularly in the area of environment, stress and coping, and morale. Just before Kermit's death in 1991, the Executive Board of SSA established the Kermit Schooler Symposium at the Annual Meeting to honor his lifetime contributions to the field of gerontology. As part of SSA's tradition, this special symposium is in honor of Kermit Schooler.

This year the Kermit Schooler Symposium is on Thursday, October 27th at 9:00 a.m. and is titled “Aging Well: The Role of Mental Health.” Panelists are Tobi Abramson, Valerie Abel, Peter Kanaris, Julie P. Shaw and Maria Deutscher. Patricia Brownell is moderator.

PAST-PRESIDENTS' CIRCLE

The Past-Presidents' Circle Luncheon Symposium is organized each year by a group made up of Past Presidents of SSA. This year's session is titled “Reframing Education in Gerontology” and is scheduled for Thursday, October 27th from 12:15 p.m. until 2:00 p.m.



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SESSIONS SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26TH

8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Session A1 - Symposium: Health and Well-Being

Moderator: Mark Brennan-Ing, PhD

Promoting Health and Well-Being for Older Adults in the Correctional Environments

Tina Maschi, PhD; Margaret Leigey, PhD

Session A2 - Papers: Financial Health and Well-Being

Moderator: Colette Phipps, MSW

Understanding Family Dynamics When Presenting Care Plans for the Dependent Elderly

Ellen Eichelbaum, MS

Identifying and Preventing Financial Elder Abuse

Michael Schulman, CPA, MBA

Session A3 - Symposium: Intergenerational Well-Being

Moderator: David Steitz, PhD

Counseling Grandparents Rearing their Grandchildren

Robert J. Maiden, PhD; Craig Zuckerman, EdD

10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Break



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10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Session B1 - Symposium: Preventive Health

Moderator: Gary Malys, MA

Increasing the Use of Medicare Preventive and Health Screening Benefits in New York State: Examples and Opportunities

Alvaro Carrascal, MD, Elizabeth Grubert, PhD, Marcus Harazin, MS

Session B2 - George N. Warner Memorial Symposium

Moderator: Irene Gutheil, DSW

Interprofessional Online Learning in Geriatrics and Gerontology: Opportunities and Barriers

Jennifer Griffith, MA; Elaine Gould, MSW; Judith Howe, PhD; Mathy Mezey, EdD

Using Community Partnerships to Enhance Geriatric Education

Manoj Pardasani, PhD

EISEP: A case study of best practices.

Jennifer McDermott, MPA; Emily Krohn, MSW

12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch

Welcome: Janna Heyman, PhD, SSA 2011 President
Introduction: Greg Olsen, Acting Director, NYS Office for the Aging
Keynote Speaker: Kathleen Otte, Regional Administrator
Administration on Aging
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services





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1:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Session C - Town Hall Meeting: Promoting Health and Well-Being for Older New Yorkers

Coordinator: Martha Bial, Ph.D.

Moderator: Dr. Thomas V. Caprio, Assistant Professor of Medicine and Nursing,
University of Rochester Medical Center

Speakers: Greg Olsen, Acting Director, NYS Office for the Aging
Senator David J. Valesky, Chair of NYS Senate Aging Committee
Dr. Jaime Torres, U.S. Health & Human Services Regional Director
Assemblywoman Joan Millman, Chair of Assembly Aging Committee (invited)

Our annual forum will explore a range of health and well-being issues affecting older adults in New York State. Health, well-being and supportive environments are priority concerns for positive aging. Representatives from federal and state government will address how policy can affect services for older adults and their families.

3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Break

3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Session D1 - Symposium: Chronic Disease Self-Management

Moderator: Jurgis Karuza, PhD

Mid-Hudson Valley Region Living Well Livable Communities-Chronic Disease Self-Management Program

Dozene Guishard, MPS; Colette Phipps, LMSW

Session D2 - Symposium: Educational Well-Being

Moderator: Robert Maiden, PhD

Learning about Aging at SUNY-Empire State College

Julia Shaw, EdD; Joanne Levine, PhD; Joyce McKnight, EdD; Mara Kaufmann, PhD

Session D3 Symposium: Policy and Practice

Moderator: Deborah Heiser, PhD

Health Policy, Legislative Advocacy and Leveraging the Power of Healthcare and Community Collaboratives: A 10-Year History of the MOLST, FHCD and the PCIA

Patricia A. Bomba, MD; Mary Beth Morrissey, PhD



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3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (continued)

Session D4 - Papers: Illness and Self-Management

Moderator: Ann Brownhill Gubernick, LMSW

Predictors of Driving Self-Regulation Over Time

Joann Reinhardt, PhD; Amy Horowitz, DSW

Factors Affecting Disclosure of HIV Status among Older Adults

Liz Seidel, MSW; Mark Brennan-Ing, PhD; Stephen Karpiak, PhD

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Poster Presentations

Evidence of the Enduring Appeal of Intergenerational Activities: The Ithaca College/Longview Partnership, *Christine Pogorzala, MS*

NORC Residents’ Interest in Support Groups, *Nancy Dorr, PhD; Simone Westerman; Amanda K. Loitsch, BA; Richard T. Pulice, PhD*

Evaluation of Older Adults’ Experiences in a Creative Arts Program

Irene A. Gutheil, DSW; Janna C. Heyman, PhD; Martha Bial, PhD; Maura O'Malley

Cocktails

Music by Joshua Cipolla

7:00 p.m.

Dinner and Award Program – Sponsored by EmblemHealth

Awardees:

Walter M. Beattie Jr. Award

Advocate for Older Adults Award

President’s Award

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William Dionne, BA

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Keynote Address

Robert B. Blancato, MPA





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Business Meeting – All SSA members are welcome to attend
Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Session E1 - Kermit Schooler Symposium: Mental Health and Well-Being

Moderator: Patricia Brownell, PhD

Aging Well: The Role of Mental Health

Tobi Abramson, PhD; Valerie Abel, PsyD; Peter Kanaris, PhD; Julie P. Shaw, EdD; Maria Deutscher, PhD

The Kermit Schooler Symposium is co-sponsored by SSA and the New York State Psychological Association's Adult Development and Aging Division. The division educates professionals and the public about normal development in later life and aging and increases awareness about clinical psychological services.

Session E2 - Papers: Risk and Resilience

Moderator: Liz Seidel, MSW

Suicide in Older Adults: A Literature Review with Implications for Practice

Tracy Knight, MSW

Trauma and Stress Among Older Adults In Prison: Breaking the Cycle of Silence

Deborah Courtney, MSW, MA; Tina Maschi, PhD

Older Adults' Substance Abuse

Linda White-Ryan, LMSW

Session E3 - Papers: Community Assets and Volunteerism

Moderator: William Lane, PhD

Building on Community Assets to Improve Palliative and End of Life Care

Judith Dobrof, DSW; Janna Heyman, PhD; Mary Beth Morrissey, PhD; Cornelia Schimert, RN, BSN; Susan Trank, MSW

AmeriCorps in Eldercare Settings (ACES): A pioneering civic engagement project

Kate Bliss, MSW; Karen Revitt, LMSW

10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Break



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10:30 a.m. – 12 noon

Session F1 - Symposium: Palliative Care and End-of-Life Planning

Moderator: Colette Phipps, MSW

Digital Transformation of Advance Directives and Medical Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (MOLST)

Patricia Bomba, MD, FACP; Wren Keber, BA

Session F2 - Papers: Social Well Being and Technology

Moderator: James O'Neal, MA

Advantages and Limitations of using NIH's new PROMIS Tools for Measuring Clinical and Research Outcomes

Sarah Burnett-Wolle, PhD

Teletherapy As a Tool to Confronting Underutilization of Mental Health Treatment for Seniors

Jacqueline Oertel, MSW; Margaret Ballantine, MSW, PhD

Reducing Social Isolation through Telephone Conference Call Classes

Sara Peller, LCSW

Session F3 - Symposium: Palliative Care and End-of-Life Planning

Moderator: Maria Yagual, BA

Ensuring that Terminally Ill Older Adults Are Informed about and Receive Palliative Care

David Leven, JD; Michael Frankenthaler, MD

Session F4 - Symposium: Working with Volunteers

Engaging Older Adults as High-Skilled Volunteers

Susan Batkin, MSW; Rebecca Haase, BSW

12:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Session G - Past Presidents' Circle/Luncheon: Reframing Education in Gerontology

Moderators: Judith Howe, PhD, Robert Maiden, PhD, Mark Brennan-Ing, PhD, & Beverly Horowitz, PhD, and other Past Presidents of SSANY

Panelists: Lisa Curch, PhD (University Faculty Member)

Jennifer Griffith, MA (University Doctoral Student)

Rosemarie Oakman (University Undergraduate Student)

Jennifer Rosenbaum, MA (Representative of State Government)

James O'Neal, MA (Service Provider Representative)



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2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Session H1 - Symposium: Economic Well-Being

Moderator: Lynn Varricchio, MPH, MTh

Aging Successfully in New York: A Sound Infrastructure in Changing Times

Maria Alvarez, MS; Marcus Harazin, MS; James Collins, MPA

Session H2 - Papers: Caregiving

Moderator: Corinda Crossdale, LMSW

Livable Communities Caregiver Coaching Program: Volunteers Stepping Forward to Give Back

Colette Phipps, LMSW; Geri Brooks, GNP; Dozene Guishard, MPA

Awareness and Usage of Caregiving Support Services in New York State

Jessica Spilman, BS; Dan Wasserman, BA

Bringing All Partners to the Table: Integrating Home Care Aides Into the Caregiving Team

Carol Rodat, MA; Meghan Shineman, MPA; Tracey A. Sokoloff, MPH

Session H3 - Papers: HIV

Moderator: Paul Gould, MSW

Service Utilization among Older Adults with HIV: The Joint Association of Sexual Identity and Gender

Mark Brennan-Ing, PhD; Liz Seidel, MSW; Andrew S. London, PhD; Sean Cahill, PhD; Stephen E.

Karpiak, PhD

Aging and Sexual Health: Survey Results and Steps to Promote Sexual Well-Being Among Older Adults

Richard Cotroneo, MA; Kirsten Rowe, MS; Clara DeSanctis, BSW

Session H4 - Papers: Cultural Issues

Moderator: Mebane Powell, MSW

The Changing Face of Senior Centers

William J. Dionne, BA

Promoting Social Well-Being and Integration among South Asian Older Adults

Manoj Pardasani, PhD

Preferences for Communication about Serious Illness among Korean American Older Adults

Cathy S. Berkman, PhD; Eunjeong Ko; Soonhee Roh

3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Break



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3:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Session I1 - Symposium: Elder Abuse

Moderator: Dozene Guishard, MPA

Under the Radar: Findings from the New York State Elder Abuse Prevalence Study
Patricia Brownell, PhD; Jacquelin Berman, PhD; Art Mason, LMSW

Session I2 - Papers: Health and Well-Being

Moderator: Tracey Sokoloff, BSN, MPH

Person-centered Bathing: Increasing Well-being for Elders and Caregivers
Karen Revitt, MSW

Problem Solving Therapy for Older Adults with Vision Loss and Depression
Amy Horowitz, DSW; Joann Reinhardt, PhD

Persons with Developmental Disabilities: Exploring their Health Needs in the Context of Health Disparities
Hillary Closs, BSW

Session I3 - Papers: General Well-Being

Moderator: Marcus Harazin, MS

Successful Aging and Improved Attitudes towards Older Adults via a Community Intergenerational Service-Learning Program
Jean Coppola, PhD; Barbara A Thomas, RN, MA, MS, FNP; Janna C. Heyman, PhD; Linda Forman, MS; Colette Phipps, LMSW

"Walk It Out!": An Intergenerational Incentive-Based Fitness Program for Community-Dwelling Minority Older Adults
Monique Hedmann, MPH

Session I4 - Papers: Creative Approaches to Well-Being

Moderator: James Collins, MPA

Creating a Cognitive Fitness Gym to Enhance Memory and Mood of Older Adults
Paula Hartman-Stein, PhD

Using Therapy Dogs to Promote the Well-Being of Older Adults
Diane Ferrero-Paluzzi, PhD; Maria Armiento-DeMaria, MA



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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27TH

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

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Music by Joshua Cipolla

7:00 p.m.

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28TH

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Coffee and Tea

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Session J1 – Symposium: Mental Health and Well-Being

Moderator: Dorothy Hickey, MA, RN

Implementing PEARLS: A Collaborative Approach to Addressing Depression in Older Adults

Christine Peck, LMSW; Deborah King, PhD; Lisa Boyle, MD

Session J2 – Papers: Quality of Life

Moderator: Martha Bial, PhD

Engaging Residents: An Individualized Approach to Aging In Place in a NNORC/NORC Setting.

Mary Kanerva, BA; Emily Krohn, LCSW-R

Impact of Technology on Senior Citizens’ Lives

Nancy Lucashu

Exceptional Care Planning: Saving Time and Personalizing Care

Kate Bliss, MSW

Session J3 - Papers: Caregiving

Moderator: Manoj Pardasani, PhD

Communicating Care: Caregiving Daughters and Aging Mothers

Denice Yanni, PhD

Caregiving to Older Adults: An analysis of Family Caregiver Burden

Ghenet Weldeclassie, PhD

Caregiving at a Distance

John Mills, MPP

10:15 a.m. – 12 noon

Special Workshop Session: How to Evaluate your Program for Older Adults (Box Lunch to go)

Janna Heyman, PhD; Irene Gutheil, DSW



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