

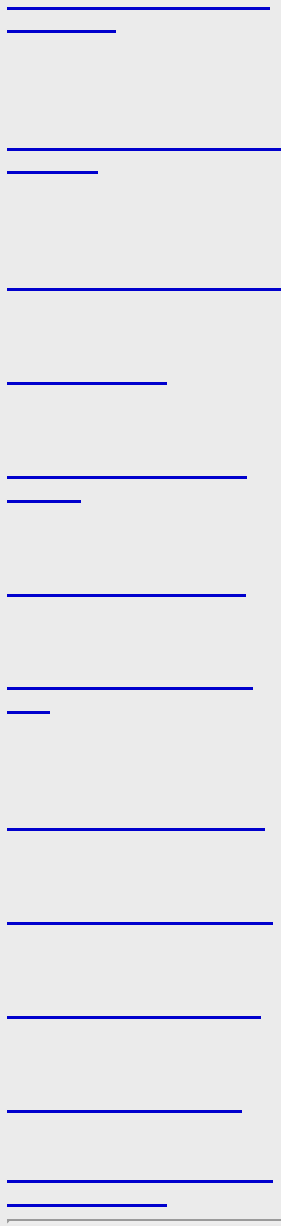


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Older Adult Calendar April, 2015



Upcoming Professional Education

Health Care Disparities within the LGBT Older Adult Community

This free seminar is presented by Carolyn Bradley, PhD, LCSW, LCADC & Melissa Mutter, MSW student and LGBT OAP intern and is scheduled for April 29, 2015 from 4:30pm - 7:00pm at Brandywine Senior Living at Brandall Estates, 432 Central Avenue, Linwood, NJ 08221. [Online registration required](#). For program details [click here](#).

Participants in this seminar will develop knowledge and skills that will enhance their ability to serve members of the LGBT older adult community. Presented by the LGBT Older Adult Project at Monmouth University.

This seminar is free of charge and includes dinner. Upon completion, participants will receive 2 CE's for Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, Licensed Professional Counselors and Occupational Therapists*, and 2 Contact Hours for Nurses*.

****Stockton University is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by New Jersey State Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. P#P288 1/13/16 Stockton University is an approved provider of Social Work continuing education credits. OT and Nursing CEs are pending approval as of 3/23/15***

NEWS BRIEFS

Save the Date: May 13, 2015 for SCOSA's Successful Aging Festival

Mark your calendar and plan to join us on May 13th in Stockton's Campus Center for a full day of educational presentations, demonstrations, music and exhibits. Keynote Dana Burr Bradley, Director of the Center for Gerontology at Western Kentucky University, will discuss pathways to developing age friendly communities. See the left panel notice for current information and check our website [festival page](#) often for updates.

SCOSA encourages fragrance free environments in all of our programming

Chemical fragrances in many personal care, household and institutional cleaning products can cause severe reactions for some individuals and can be harmful to everyone in less apparent ways. SCOSA is in the process of developing a [values statement and guidelines](#) and we encourage participants in our programs to minimize their use of products containing chemical fragrances.

Atlantic County Needs Assessment needs your input. The Atlantic County Division of Intergenerational Services is developing a service plan for years 2016-2018. In order to provide the best service to seniors and focus needed attention where it will do the most good, your input is requested. [Click here](#) to take the survey. It should take you about 5-8 minutes to complete. The deadline submission is May 1st. The county has provided funding to support SCOSA's Older Adult Education Program for the past 8 years, as well as support for several other important community based programs for older adults.

Congratulations to Belinda Manning



SAVE THE DATE

Presentations:

*Making
Atlantic County an Age-
Friendly Community*

*Adaptive Technologies That
Help Keep You in the Act*

SCOSA Sponsors National Healthcare Decisions Day Events in Atlantic & Ocean Counties

SCOSA has planned several events to commemorate National Health Care Decisions Day (NHDD) on April 16, 2015. Designed to inspire, educate and empower the public and healthcare providers about the importance of advance care planning, it encourages citizens to express their wishes regarding healthcare before they become seriously ill. [NHDD National Initiative](#).

Our main program, "Advance Directives Lecture and Gerontology Commemoration" is free and open to the public and takes place on April 16th, from 4:45-5:30pm in room L 112 (across from the Stockton PAC). Stockton's Gerontology Program will honor this year's students completing their GERO Mnors and some long time faculty who are retiring before the session.

SCOSA will also present a lecture on the 16th for the Southern Ocean County Ethics Alliance (SOCKETES) at Seacrest Village. Additionally, the 16 students in SCOSA's online Certificate in Elder Care Coordination will plan and present programs in their communities across the U.S.

Our initiative is being spearheaded by Sally Nunn, RN, who will be the featured speaker at both events on April 16th. To contact Sally, write to nunnsal41@comcast.net.

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Buddhism and End of Life Care: a Compassionate Approach

The Stockton Buddhist Club will present a free public lecture on end of life care and the role of Buddhism on Friday, April 24th from 6-9pm in Stockton's Campus Center Theatre. In this talk, Rev. Issan Koyama will share the view of death in Buddhism, practice, and hospice experience. Refreshments will be provided. [Click here](#) for information or contact Professor of Philosophy and

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