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Susana Martinez, Governor

NEW MEXICO & LONG-TERM SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Myles Copeland, Cabinet Secretary Kyky Knowles, Deputy Secretary

August 23, 2016

Dear Conference Attendees,

On behalf of Governor Susana Martinez and the New Mexico Aging & Long-Term Services Department, I am pleased to welcome all of you to the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Aging.

Our Conference on Aging Planning Committee, a dedicated group of experts in different aspects of aging, has constructed a conference agenda that reflects the critical issues of our time. Caregiving, healthy aging, advanced planning, healthcare and benefits, grandparents raising grandchildren, and care transitions are well represented, as are the cultures and traditions of our state. I thank the committee for providing New Mexico's premiere opportunity to understand the challenges and strategies that will have a role in shaping our future as individuals, families and communities.

I thank you, too, for making the effort and investment to join us here today. I hope this proves to be a valuable exchange of ideas, and that we come away with tools to improve life in our own homes and beyond. I encourage you to fill out your evaluation form and let us know how we're doing, so that we can continue improving this conference for the people of this great State.

Sincerely,

Myles Copeland Cabinet Secretary

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## **Conference Schedule**

#### **Tuesday, August 23**

7:00 — 8:00 am SilverSneakers® Classic Workout

8:30 — 10:30 am Plenary Session Dr. Bill Thomas "What Are Old People For?" Exploring the Meaning of Age and Aging in the 21st Century Grand Ballrooms B & C

> 11:00 a.m. — Noon Workshops

Noon — 1:15 pm Workshops

12:15 — 1:15 pm Workshops

11:00 am — 3:30 pm Health & Enrichment Fair Eagle Ballroom at the Golf Course

> 1:30 — 2:30 pm Workshops

2:45 — 3:45 pm Workshops

4:00 — 5:00 pm Workshops

6:00 - 10:00 pmReception/Dance

#### Wednesday, August 24

8:30 — 10:30 am Plenary Session Ellen Caylor Schneider "Successful Strategies to Reduce Older Adult Fall Risks" Grand Ballrooms B & C

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# **Plenary Schedules**

## Tuesday, August 23

(Times are approximate)

7:00 a.m.	Mariachi Nuevo Sonido
8:30 a.m.	Opening Ceremonies Isleta Color Guard/Geraldine Mascareñas singing the National Anthem
8:40 a.m.	Welcoming Remarks: Myles Copeland, Secretary, NM Aging & Long-Term Services Department Isleta Pueblo Governor, E. Paul Torres
9:00 a.m.	Presentation of Conference on Aging Awards
9:15 a.m.	Keynote Address: Dr. Bill Thomas
9:45 a.m.	Door Prizes

## Wednesday, August 24

(Times are approximate)

8:30 a.m.	Welcoming Remarks: Myles Copeland, Secretary, NM Aging & Long-Term Services Department
8:45 a.m.	Presentation of Conference on Aging Awards
8:55 a.m.	Governor Martinez (Invited)
9:15 a.m.	Keynote Address: Ellen Caylor-Schneider
10:00 a.m.	Door Prizes





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# **Conference on Aging Award Recipients**



Mario Quintana
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John & Susie Vargas **Public Service Award** 



Representative Deborah A. Armstrong Representative Nick Salazar Award

# **Conference on Aging Planning Committee**







**Top Row L-R:** Richard Bailey, Richard Gregory, Matthew Lopez, Janet Popp, Michelle Briscoe, Emily Freede, Ellen Driber-Hassall, Greg Lopez, Andrea Allen, Stormy Ralstin

**Bottom Row L-R:** Anthony Romero, Evone Gallegos, Lynne Anker-Unnever, Trish Lopez, Crystal Lucero

**Not Pictured:** Bill Taylor, Carol Dolan, Geraldine Mascareñas, Gloria Analla, Judy Spear, Kaven Begay, Marlene Sena, Martha Medina, Reese Chavarria-Quam, Shanna Lapsley, Stephanie Macek, Vince Gomez

# **Conference Information**

**Meals** ~ Lunch is on your own. The Isleta Resort & Casino has a variety of food options and you are welcome to bring a "brown bag" lunch. Please note, this year there is no specific designated lunch break. Feel free to bring food into the workshops and entertainment events.

**Accessible Parking** ~ 93 spaces are available throughout the facility.

**Assistive Listening Devices** ~ Free devices to amplify the voices of presenters are provided by the Governor's Commission on Disability and are available at the registration table.

**Information** For assistance or information related to the Conference, please go to the Conference registration table. For information on lodging or the Isleta Resort & Casino facilities, please go to the hotel registration or information desk located near the resort entrance.

**Smoking** ~ The Isleta Resort & Casino conference area is a tobacco-free environment. Smoking is allowed on the floor of the casino and in designated areas.

**Transportation** ~ Shuttles are available to and from the Golf Course area and the NM Rail Runner station. To ride a scheduled shuttle, please go to the Valet desk. Shuttles to the Health & Enrichment Fair in the Eagle Ballroom at the Golf Course area are scheduled to run continuously on both Tuesday and Wednesday beginning at the 11:00 a.m. and ending at 3:45 p.m. Shuttles leave from the hotel entrance. Transportation is also available between the hotel and vehicles in the parking lot.

Continuing Education Units ~ CEUs are provided for some workshops for nursing home administrators, activity directors, and social workers. CEU forms and lists of approved workshops for each group are available at the CEU table in the registration area. To receive credit, you must be registered for the Conference and pay a \$25 processing charge. The materials must be picked up before attending sessions and signed by a presenter at each approved workshop. You must also sign in at each Plenary session you attend. We extend our thanks to the NM Healthcare Association and the NM Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers for making CEUs available.

**Health & Enrichment Fair** ~ Visit the Health & Enrichment Fair in the Eagle Ballroom at the Golf Course, from 11:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 23 and Wednesday, August 24. Find out about services offered throughout New Mexico, receive free health screening, get wellness information, enjoy a manicure, and even get a haircut!

**Entertainment** ~ Enjoy the Conference's varied entertainment; a schedule is on page 9. Join us for the Conference Reception and Dance on Tuesday evening from 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. in Ballrooms B & C.

Exhibits ~ Tables and displays are located in the foyer and in Grand Ballroom A. See Page 53 for a list.

**Evaluations** We value your opinion. Please complete a general conference evaluation. If you leave the conference before the close of the final general session, please return your completed evaluation form to the staff at the registration table.

**Emergencies and First Aid** ~ For emergency assistance, please call the Isleta Resort & Casino Security Dispatch at 724-3800, or speak with one of the Isleta Resort & Casino security guards.

# **Conference Entertainment**

#### **Tuesday, August 23**

Time: 7:00 am - 8:00 am

Performer: Mariachi Nuevo Sonido

Activity: Music

Location: Ballroom B & C

Time: 8:30 am

Performer: Geraldine Mascareñas Activity: Music – National Anthem

Location: Ballroom B & C

Time: 11:00 am – Noon Performer: Chuy Martinez

Activity: Songs of the Chicano Movement

Location: Ballroom C

Time: 12:15 pm – 1:15 pm Performer: Thunderknife

Activity: Drum and Dance Exhibition

Location: Ballroom C

Time: 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm Performer: James Bilagody

Activity: Comedy Location: Ballroom C

Time: 2:45 pm – 3:45 pm

Performer: Los Bailadores del Oro

Activity: Traditional Dance

Location: Ballroom C

Time: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm Performer: Raul Sanchez

Activity: Music

Location: Ballroom C

Time: 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Performer: Gilbert Lechuga & the Shysterzz

Activity: Evening Reception/Dance

Location: Ballroom B & C

#### Wednesday, August 24

Time: 11:00 am – Noon Performer: Maria Amaya

Activity: Wise Women Do Dance: Lecture & Demo

Location: Ballroom C

Time: 12:15 pm – 1:15 pm

Performer: Roberto Mondragon

Activity: Dichos y Música (Folklore & Music)

Location: Ballroom C

Time: 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm Performer: Dan Sedillo

Activity: Karaoke Location: Ballroom C

Time: 2:45 pm - 3:45 pm

Performer: Paul Pino & the Tone Daddies

**Activity: Music** 

Location: Ballroom C





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# In memory of former Aging & Long-Term Services Department Cabinet Secretary Retta Ward



By Cabinet Secretary, Myles Copeland

When Retta Ward, Cabinet Secretary of the NM Department of Health, passed away in March 2016, we were shocked. Prior to her appointment as Department of Health Cabinet Secretary in 2013, she had served as Cabinet Secretary of the NM Aging & Long -Term Services Department. Beyond the suddenness of her departure and the significance of her position, the loss was keenly felt because Secretary Ward was inspirational to many of us. "Inspirational" is an adjective I wish I attached naturally to more in my life. Inspirational posters, with soaring eagles and cats "hanging in there," don't do it for me. To be around Secretary Ward for any length of time left me wanting to be more like her.

If you worked with her, you likely have your own list, but here are a few of the qualities I admired.

- —Secretary Ward made you feel like you mattered. Despite having one of state's busiest jobs, Secretary Ward always had time to listen to you. Any interaction with her yielded a sense that she cared about you and your wellbeing.
- —Secretary Ward found inspiration everywhere, and in everyone. Her status as world-class listener and consumer of information combined with her relentlessly positive attitude, resulting in a remarkable capacity to be inspired. She was able to envision things, not as they are, but as they should be, a technique of the *Investment in Excellence* training program she instituted at the ALTSD.
- —Secretary Ward was bold in communicating her vision. She did not aim for incremental improvement. She expected New Mexico to become the healthiest state in America. Secretary Ward moved toward this big goal even at the most personal levels. Along with broad public health initiatives, her dedication meant 10,000 steps per day for her, as well as walking meetings and healthy snacks for staff.

Secretary Ward left us with so much. Her legacy is one of raised expectations, and of care for our fellow New Mexicans. We each had our own experience of her and, to me, the gift she left behind is the model of a life well lived.

# **Conference Poster**





The artist who created the 2016 Conference poster, Sally Bartos, will be available to sign posters on August 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10:00 am - noon and 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm, and on

August 24<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Posters are for sale at \$3.00 each.

The original artwork has been donated to the Conference on Aging and will be up for silent auction.

Proceeds from poster sales and silent auction benefit the NM Conference on Aging.

# **Keynote**

# Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> 8:30 a.m. Grand Ballroom



## **Dr. Bill Thomas**

# "What Are Old People For?" Exploring the Meaning of Age and Aging in the 21st Century

The current obsession with youth has changed the experience of aging. Learn how societies around the world and through history have viewed aging, and what you can do to "disrupt" aging. Find out what a new kind of old age might look and feel like.

Bill Thomas, MD, an AARP visiting scholar, is known as one of the most eclectic and creative thinkers working in the field of aging and medicine. Author, entrepreneur, musician, teacher, farmer and physician, Dr. Thomas is internationally known for his health care system innovations. He is the founder of the global non-profit, The Eden Alternative, and creator of The Green House Project - both radical new approaches to reforming long term care. Dr. Thomas recently starred in the Sundance award-winning documentary Alive Inside: A Story of Music & Memory. Inspired by AARP's recent call-to-arms for a sustained effort to "disrupt" aging, he has created an ambitious new approach to growth and aging through a national "non-fiction theater" roadshow called the Age of Disruption Tour. His eclectic career has included two decades living off the grid and running a mixed power farming operation - Summer Hill. Dr. Thomas is a founding faculty member of the University of Maryland, Baltimore College, Erickson School of Aging. He is also the founder of the influential multi-author blog platform, ChangingAging.org. Dr. Thomas continues to write, perform and help Fortune 500 companies and not-for-profits develop new products and services that make the most of normal human aging.

# Workshops Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> 7:00 a.m.

#### 1 SilverSneakers® Yoga Demonstration

Spa Jar Lawn Tuesday, 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. General Audience

SilverSneakers® Yoga will move your whole body through a complete series of seated and standing yoga poses. Chair support is offered to safely perform a variety of seated and standing postures designed to increase flexibility, balance and range of movement. Restorative breathing exercises and final relaxation will promote stress reduction and mental clarity.

DeeAnne Peay is a fitness coordinator certified in SilverSneakers® classes. She provides fitness classes for Healthways, SilverSneakers®, and is a group fitness coordinator at Defined Fitness.

# Workshops Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> 11:00 a.m.

#### 2 A Continuing Discussion with Dr. Bill Thomas: Disrupt Aging & Life Reimagined

Ballroom B Tuesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon General Audience

In today's Keynote Session, Dr. Bill Thomas began a conversation about how and why we need to change our views about aging. In this workshop Dr. Thomas will continue the conversation about how we view aging in ourselves and others and how changing that view can impact our lives. Come with your questions and your ideas.

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#### 3 Songs of the Chicano Movement

Ballroom C Tuesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon General Audience

In the 1960's and 70's, Mexican-American civil rights activists mobilized people to struggle for change. The Chicano Movement called itself "La Causa (The Cause)" and was most active in New Mexico, Colorado, Texas and California. Chuy Martinez brings the music and history of this movement alive in the inspiring songs learned in migrant camps and meetings.

Chuy Martinez is a guitarist, singer, song-writer, folklorist and community cultural worker with more than 30 years' experience playing music, writing songs and performing theatre. He has performed throughout the state of New Mexico.

#### 4 Please Speak Up! We are Listening

Sunrise Room Tuesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon General Audience

This listening session will provide an opportunity for workshop participants to share information with members of the NM Aging & Long-Term Services Department Policy Advisory Committee on ways the Department can support older New Mexicans. Trends, issues, recommendations and solutions will also be discussed.

New Mexico Aging & Long-Term Services Department (NM ALTSD) Policy Advisory Committee Members: William Waugh Jr., (Chair), Darel Davenport (1st Vice-Chair), Carol Dolan, Clara Farah, Joie Glenn, Lena Smith Ernst, Richard Griffith, Ron Montoya, Russell Boor, and Dolores E. Roybal.

#### 5 Hope and Healing for our Community

Manzano Room Tuesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon General Audience

Storytelling--the Heart of Traditional Community Building--kindles social imagination through creative and personal engagement. At the Gallup Flea Market, elders enact stories in English & Navajo to support learning, healing, and hope among children, parents, and grandparents. Come experience a positive, practical vision of aging that is both meaningful and fun!

The presenters are participants in the NM ALTSD Senior Employment Program and are currently studying at the UNM Gallup Adult Education Center. Harry Lee, Anderson Lee, and Aaron Evans are all Navajo elders, each with over 50 years of experience living in Navajo culture. Diane Butler is an elder veteran actively involved in the Gallup community for more than 20 years.

#### **6** Take Charge! Completing your Advance Health Care Directive

Bosque Room Tuesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon General Audience

Talking about one's end of life can be uncomfortable, but also very freeing. Participants will learn the importance of having an Advance Health Care Directive and how to complete this document, which outlines their choices for treatment in the event they can no longer speak for themselves.

Janice Wilson, BA, MSS Management, is an Action Team Facilitator at Compassion & Choices-NM. She has three years' experience presenting workshops concerning end-of-life health care planning and "having the conversation".



#### 7 Breaking the Myths of Palliative Care

Rio Grande Room Tuesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon General Audience

This interactive workshop will explain what palliative care is, what benefits one is entitled to under Medicare and other insurances, and what one's rights are regarding care options. Resources, additional information, and referral assistance will be provided.

Loretta Olfield, RN, is the Community Liaison at Alliance Home Healthcare and Hospice.

# Special Service Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> 11:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

# Power of Attorney (POA) and Advance Health Care Directive (AHCD) Clinic

Boardroom Tuesday, 11:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

The Legal Resources for the Elderly Program (LREP) is providing POA and AHCD legal clinics at which you can meet one-on-one with an LREP attorney to discuss the need for and purpose of POAs and AHCDs, and execute the documents. You will leave the clinic with fully executed and notarized documents.

Stormy Ralstin, JD, is the Managing Attorney for LREP. Gayolyn Johnson, JD, is a staff attorney for LREP. Anita Letter, JD, is also a staff attorney at LREP.





## Workshops Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> 2:45 p.m.

#### 8 Enhance Your Quality of Life with EnhanceFitness

Ballroom B Tuesday, 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. General Audience

EnhanceFitness is a low-cost, evidence-based group exercise program that helps older adults at all levels of fitness become more active, energized, and empowered to sustain independent lives. This workshop will review the US Surgeon General's recommendations for physical activity, give overview of the EnhanceFitness program, discuss the importance of exercise in aging, and provide a brief demo of the class.

Connie Tachias is a certified group fitness instructor. She specializes in EnhanceFitness, and has 5 years of experience in fitness instruction and working with older adults.

#### 9 Thunderknife: Drum and Dance Exhibition

Ballroom C Tuesday, 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. General Audience

This multigenerational workshop will feature dancers from the Pueblo of Isleta. The dances include several traditional dances.

Mike Abeita is the lead dancer for the Thunderknife Drum and Dance group.

#### 10 Stress Management and Chocolate - What's the Connection? Open to the first 50 attendees

Sunrise Room Tuesday, 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. General Audience

Everyone experiences stress. It can be positive, such as the purchase of a dream home. It can be negative, such as the loss of a job. Stress can affect our bodies, minds, emotions, and behaviors. This workshop provides information on stress relieving practices and CHOCOLATE! Join us and discover how this treat can be beneficial. Open to the first 50 attendees.



Dr. Sonja Koukel, BS, MS, PhD, is a community and environmental health specialist with the NM State University Cooperative Extension Service in Las Cruces. She has been with the Cooperative Extension Service for over 10 years.

#### 11 Adult Protective Services Overview

Manzano Room Tuesday, 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. Professional/General Audience

This workshop will provide you with an overview of the Adult Protective Services Division of the NM Aging & Long-Term Services Department.

Esperanza Lucero, MSW, MBA, is a Training Manager for the Adult Protective Services (APS) Division of NM ALTSD.





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She has 5 years of experience in public health. Matthew Vigil, BS, is a Training Coordinator for the APS Division of NM ALTSD. He has over 15 years of experience in state government.

#### 12 Movie: Cyber Seniors

Bosque Room Tuesday, 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. General Audience

A humorous and heartwarming feature documentary, CYBERSENIORS adds to the important international conversation about the growing generation gap. Focusing on a group of senior citizens who take their first steps into cyber-space under the tutelage of teenage mentors, the film expertly renders a thought-provoking look at a spirited group of men and women who are enriched by digitally re-connecting with their families and each other. Finding their footing rather quickly, the group moves on to compete for the most YouTube views while swiftly building their online inventory of friends.

Ann Church and Sheila Doran-Benyon, Co-Founders of the Villages of Santa Fe.

#### 13 You Can Bet on It - Impacts of Problem Gambling

Rio Grande Room Tuesday, 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. General Audience

Gambling has increasingly negatively impacted older adults in New Mexico. Prevention, recovery, wellness, and thriving are possible. Learn the dynamics of various addictions. Learn the subtleties and effects of, and intervention for, gambling addiction. Prevention is important now and as the aging population grows in our state. Learn more for yourself or for someone you know.

Rhonda F. Day, LISW, MSSW, is a clinical therapist and the Gambling Addiction Program Coordinator at PeopleWorksNM. She has extensive experience as wellness professional, community prevention educator and clinical therapist specializing in gambling addiction and trauma recovery. Lojann Hooee, LADAC, CADX/ADC, is a certified Gambling Addictions Counselor with Acoma Behavioral Health Services. She is a member of the New Mexico Credentialing Board of Behavioral Health Professionals and a board member of the Native American Training Institute. Cindy Anderson, MSW, LISW, is the Founder and Executive Director of PeopleWorks-NM. She has 30 years of experience in the behavioral health field. She was named 2009 New Mexico Social Worker of the Year for her work with the geriatric mentally ill population and received the 2013 Zimmerman Community Service Award from the Rio Rancho Rotary Foundation.

# Workshops Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> 1:30 p.m.

#### 14 Tai Ji Quan: Moving for Better Balance

Ballroom B

Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

General Audience

Tai Ji Quan: Moving for Better Balance is an evidence-based program for older adults. The 8 form techniques are derived from the traditional, well-known 24-form yang style Tai Chi, but are tailored for adults who wish to improve balance and mobility, while reducing the risk of falls.

Ruth Romancito is a USWFA & AFAA Certified Exercise Specialist at Good Samaritan Society Manzano del Sol. Spanda Bavani, BA, is the wellness director at the Good Samaritan Society. Anne Schroeder is a wellness assistant with the Good Samaritan Society.

#### 15 James Bilagody Comedy Show

Ballroom C Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. General Audience

Sit down, relax and get ready to laugh until your cheeks hurt!

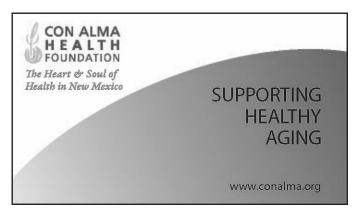
James Bilagody, a Navajo Native, has been performing for audiences since 1969.

#### 16 Are We Really Ready for Retirement?

Sunrise Room Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. General Audience

Access to an employer-based retirement plan is critical for building financial security later in life. Yet, about 62 percent of New Mexico's private sector employees—roughly 336,000—work for an employer that does not offer a retirement plan. Significant numbers of workers at all levels of earnings and education do not have the ability to use payroll deductions to save for retirement. The panel will discuss policy options that will help increase retirement income as well as allow individuals to build their own economic security. This workshop will also provide an overview of AARP's national effort to protect Social Security and maintain its financial solvency through the "Take a Stand" campaign.

DeAnza Sapien is the Associate State Director for Advocacy with AARP NM.



#### 17 Your Friends and Neighbors: Self-Organizing to Meet Care Needs

Manzano Room Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Professional/General Audience

In the Village model, community members form membership-driven, grass-root organizations to coordinate the services needed as they age. This session will detail how the model is working nationwide and in New Mexico. Discussion will include strategies for creating Villages that fit New Mexico's cultural, geographic and economic diversity.

Myles Copeland, MBA, is the Cabinet Secretary of the NM Aging and Long-Term Services Department. Prior to his designation in July, 2015, he spent two years as the Department's Deputy Secretary. He came to the Department from the Alzheimer's Association, New Mexico Chapter, where he served as Director of Communications and Advocacy. Kyky Knowles, B.A. Sociology and Anthropology, Women's Studies, is the Deputy Cabinet Secretary of the NM Aging and Long-Term Services Department. Prior to that, she was Chief of Operations with a publications company focusing on healthy aging, diabetes, arthritis, and hypertension.

#### 18 Manage Your Chronic Disease (My CD)

Bosque Room Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. General Audience

The Manage Your Chronic Disease (MyCD) program helps people better manage their health problems, including diabetes, heart disease and blood pressure. Join this interactive workshop to learn how you can gain confidence and motivation; make an action plan; eat healthy; exercise more; manage medications; and communicate better with your care providers.

Susan Yelton, MA, PMP, is a Project Manager at HealthInsight New Mexico. She has experience managing quality improvement for cardiac, diabetes and behavioral health programs. Catherine Offutt, MBA, is the Program Director for the ABQ Manage Your Chronic Disease Program. She is a certified T-Trainer, master trainer and workshop leader for Stanford Chronic Disease and Diabetes Self-Management Programs.

#### 19 Seniors and Smartphones

Rio Grande Room Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. General Audience

Today's smart phones are powerful tools that go far beyond simply placing phone calls. It's like carrying an entire personal computer and entertainment system in your pocket. But in order to take advantage of the features and capabilities, you have to know they exist, how to navigate to them, and how to make them work. Many things are intuitive or self-explanatory, but many are not -- especially for those of us who didn't grow up with technology. This workshop will teach the basics of smartphones.

Trish Lopez, BA, is the CEO and Founder of Teeniors, Inc., Tech Savvy teens who empower older adults through one-on-one coaching.

## Workshops Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> 2:45 p.m.

#### 20 Meditation in Motion

Ballroom B Tuesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. General Audience

Meditation in Motion is a hallmark of the Kripalu Yoga lineage and offers a chance to be guided by our body rather than our brain. This fluid, gentle yoga and movement workshop that invites the body to open, the joints to breathe, and the muscles to soften while incorporating soft rhythmic music, lyrical movement, and breath. This class is for any level and movement ability.

Lisa Gulotta, MS, BA, is a licensed Kripalu Yoga teacher. She is an experienced dancer, Yoga teacher E-RYT 500, personal trainer, and cancer exercise specialist. Cecilia Acosta is the Executive Director of NM Senior Olympics. She has over 26 years of experience working with senior programs and older adults.

#### 21 NM Folk Dances

Ballroom C Tuesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. General Audience

Come enjoy a performance of a variety of New Mexican folk and contemporary Latin dances.

Los Bailadores de Oro is a group of older adult dancers sponsored by the ABQ Department of Senior Affairs who perform in full ethnic colorful costuming.

#### 22 Be Money Smart in Indian Country: Avoid Fraud

Sunrise Room Tuesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. General Audience

How can caring family members protect their beloved elders from financial exploitation? What if the family or caregivers are the ones taking advantage? Explore training that can help and strategies for managing finances effectively.

Rebecca Owl Morgan, BA, MLS, is the NMAO-TAC Program Coordinator for National Indian Council on Aging (NICOA). Christine Herman is the NMAO-TAC Project Coordinator for NICOA.

#### 23 Understanding and Supporting Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Older Adults

Manzano Room Tuesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Professional/General Audience

This workshop will provide an overview of the unique challenges faced by LGBT older adults, and start a discussion about what we can all do to be more sensitive to the needs of this population. This is particularly true of those who are especially vulnerable, such as those of advanced age.

Katherine Palmer, BA, is the Treasurer at Common Bond New Mexico - SAGE Albuquerque. She has been a program manager at SAGE Albuquerque. Paul Oostenbrug, MBA, Is the Board Chairman of Equality New Mexico. He has experience in helping people plan for their use of long-term care services, and writing grants, and specializes in health care.

#### 24 Knowing Your Barriers to Quality of Life

Bosque Room Tuesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. General Audience

This interactive workshop will examine barriers to quality of life often encountered by older adults as they age. Barriers may be physical, psychological, or social, and frequently are unrecognized. The workshop will focus on the identification of personal barriers which may have negative consequences for quality of life.

Ellen Driber-Hassall, EdD, and Jack Bishop, PhD, are both Principals at Aging Matters, LLC. They have presented at the NM Conference on Aging, the American Society on Aging, the Canadian Society of Gerontology and the International Health, Wellness, and Society Conference.

#### 25 Care Transition Program and the Aging & Disability Resource Center

Rio Grande Room Tuesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. General Audience

The Aging and Long-Term Services Department Care Transition Bureau serves New Mexicans residing in nursing and assisted living facilities who wish to return to the community. The Bureau provides individuals with a clear pathway to available community-based choices for long-term and short-term services and support. This workshop will focus on the role of the Care Transition Specialist, elements of the transition process, long- and short- term services, and resources available.

Louella Garcia, BSW, is the Care Transition Supervisor at the NM Aging & Long-Term Services Department. She has 20 years of experience working in the profession of helping New Mexicans, including families, children, adults with disabilities and elders.

#### 26 Adapted Aquatics

Swimming Pool Tuesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. General Audience

Participants will be led through a series of range of motion exercises that will increase joint mobility and develop muscular strength. Bring your swimsuit and towel!

Emilia Chavez teaches aerobics, flex & tone, and gentle chair exercise, as well as adaptive aquatics classes for the City of Albuquerque Senior Affairs Sports and Fitness division. She is a "Better Health" ambassador for the City of Albuquerque.

## Workshops Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> 4:00 p.m.

#### 27 Lovelace Resuscitation Rangers - Early Heart Attack Care

Ballroom B Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Professional/General Audience

The Lovelace Resuscitation Rangers objective is to improve outcomes for heart attack and cardiac arrest victims by helping to educate the community to recognize the signs and symptoms of a heart attack or cardiac arrest. They also teach the hands-only CPR method, using an automated external defibrillator.

Maria Elena Atencio, RN, is the manager of chest pain/STEMI at Lovelace Heart Hospital. She has over 12 years of experience in the emergency room where she served as a charge nurse.

#### 28 Sing Along with Raul Sanchez

Ballroom C Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Professional/General Audience

Experience the cultural diversity of music in New Mexico; from Rock & Roll to Blues to Western and even Spanish.

Raul Sanchez is a Vietnam veteran who performed at the 10th anniversary of the Vietnam Memorial. The US government sponsored Raul to perform his song "La Pared Negra" (The Black Wall) in Washington, D.C.

#### 29 Senior Scam Jam - Preventing Financial Exploitation

Sunrise Room Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Professional/General Audience

Older Americans face many financial challenges as they age. They have opportunities to travel, explore new fields of work or hobbies, or spend time with family and friends. But often scam artists or bad advice take away these opportunities. The FDIC will provide information and tools to navigate safely through financial challenges. Learn how to prevent elder financial exploitation using the Money Smart for Older Adults – Prevent Financial Exploitation curriculum.

Eloy A. Villafranca, MBA, is the Regional Manager, Community Affairs Branch, Dallas Region of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.



#### 30 A Time to Heal: Discovering Meaning Making in Life

Manzano Room Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. General Audience

As Viktor Frankl introduced, people are creatures of meaning. Using Frankl's work along with the work of William Breitbart's group at Memorial Sloan Kettering, as well as others, we will recognize, explore and identify sources of meaning in life and the applications of meaning discovery to enhance quality of life.

Paul Gleason, MDiv, BCC, is a Chaplain and Bereavement Coordinator at Hospice de la Luz. He has over 40 years of experience in health care from acute care to hospice, including long-term care and rehab. Melissa Montoya, MM, is a Chaplain with Hospice de la Luz. She has experience working with individuals during end of life stages.

#### 31 The Gut Microbiota - A Newly Discovered Organ

Bosque Room Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. General Audience

This presentation will introduce the audience to what we know about the 100,000,000,000,000+ microbes that inhabit our bodies. By considering the impact of these "hitchhikers" on our digestive, immune, cardiovascular and central nervous systems, attendees will come to understand that a healthy gut microbiota is required for optimal human functioning.

Marvin Smith, DC, is a Nutritional Health Coach with Natural Grocers by Vitamin Cottage. He has over 20 years of clinical practice experience, is licensed in Pennsylvania, and has 5 years of experience as a Nutritional Health Coach for Natural Grocers, Inc.



#### 32 Resolving Family Conflict

Rio Grande Room Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Professional/General Audience

Sometimes elders and their families have difficulty talking about sensitive topics such as care, independence, finances and other late-life needs, causing painful conflict and heartache. This presentation will provide information on a specialized form of conflict resolution called Elder Mediation, and how to access this vital service.

Kathleen Oweegon is a professional mediator, facilitator and trainer. She has 16 years of experience working with individuals and groups in conflict.

#### 33 Understanding Social Security

Boardroom Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. General Audience

Learn about the basics of Social Security including eligibility requirements and how to access services.

Eva Lujan is a retired Public Affairs Specialist with the Social Security Administration. She has over 40 years of experience in Social Security Programs.

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# Keynote Wednesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> 8:30 a.m. Grand Ballroom



# Ellen Caylor Schneider

# Successful Strategies to Reduce Older Adult Fall Risks

Falls are the leading cause of fatal and non-fatal injuries in people 65 and older in our country. In response to this escalating issue, the U.S. Administration for Community Living recently awarded grants to 17 state and 4 tribal organizations to disseminate evidence-based programs to older adults and adults with disabilities. These organizations are implementing innovative strategies to deliver proven interventions and to create integrated, sustainable fall prevention networks. This session will discuss the growing magnitude and

impact of older adult falls; proven interventions to prevent falls; and tools for screening, assessing and referring older adults to appropriate resources. The session will also highlight national efforts to address this growing public health issue and successful fall prevention strategies being implemented by state and tribal organizations.

Ellen Schneider is a research scientist with the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention and a consultant with the National Council on Aging, National Falls Prevention Resource Center. Ms. Schneider co-leads the National Falls Free® Initiative and facilitates the national Falls Prevention Awareness and Advocacy Committee. She has worked extensively with state health departments, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the aging services network to build infrastructure and implement falls prevention policy and programming. On the state level, Ms. Schneider is a co-founder of the North Carolina Falls Prevention Coalition and is a dissemination leader with the Carolina Geriatric Education Center, working to build North Carolina's falls prevention infrastructure and support efforts to link clinical practice with community-based services. She received an undergraduate degree and a MBA from Penn State University and graduate-level Certificate in Aging from UNC-Chapel Hill.

## Workshops

## Wednesday, August 19th

What YOU Can Do to Prevent Falls Part 1: Balance, Age and Fall Risk

Ballroom B Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon General Audience

Older adult falls are not a normal part of aging and many can be prevented with effective intervention. This presentation will review how the body controls balance as well as possible age and health-related changes that affect balance. Learn about fall risk factors so you can take steps to reduce your risk of falling.

Janet Popp, MS, is a licensed physical therapist employed by Brookdale Home Health and holds a master's degree in gerontology. She is an adjunct lecturer at UNM Health Sciences Center Division of Physical Therapy and is the Chair of the NM Adult Falls Prevention Coalition. Ms. Popp is a fall risk assessment trainer under contract with the NM Department of Health. Sabrina Strong, MPH, is the Adult Fractures Follow-up Coordinator at the New Mexico Department of Health, Office of Injury Prevention. She has worked in the field of public health for twelve years, with a focus on substance abuse, overdose, and suicide prevention.

#### 35 Wise Women Do Dance

Ballroom C Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon General Audience

This lecture and demonstration of the ancient art form of belly dancing will be led by internationally known, Amaya. She will discuss the history, culture, spiritual and physical aspects of this centuries-old dance form followed by a demonstration of the dance, and a question/answer period. A brief sample lesson will be conducted with the group, if time allows. For extra fun, coin hip scarves will be provided for the sample dance class.

An internationally acclaimed dance performer, Amaya, also known as the "Gypsy of the Desert", has danced all her life in many facets of show business. She recently returned from teaching and performing in Beijing, China. She was a featured performer in the German extravaganza, "Salome" (Germany tour) and also in the theatrical production "Zorba" (Austin, TX). In the early stages of her career, Amaya won 1<sup>st</sup> place in a competition in Cairo, Egypt. She is also the proud recipient of the Dancer of the Year/ International Academy of Middle Eastern Dance Award (California).





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#### 36 A Listening Session on Active Aging-in-Place

Seminar Room Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon Professional/General Audience

Aging-in-Place is the ability to live in one's own home and community safely, independently, and comfortably, regardless of age, income, or ability level. According to the AARP, 90 percent of adults over the age of 65 report that they would prefer to stay in their current residence as they age. We are learning about aging in place in New Mexico from national data, but we are still missing the stories behind the numbers. To dig deeper into the challenges and opportunities of active aging in place in our community we need to listen to older adults and their families, caregivers, and professionals involved in the field.

Helen K. Kerschner, BA, MS, PhD, is the Director of the National Volunteer Transportation Center. She has more than 40 years of experience in health, aging, transportation, volunteerism, and international development. Roger Fragua, Jemez Pueblo, is the CEO of COTA Holdings. He has over 25 years of experience in direct and consulting services in Indian Country, including elder and aging issues. Leslie Elgood, BA, MA, is the President of Senior Organizing and Relocation Services of New Mexico. She is experienced in facilitating major life transitions for seniors including how they can remain at home as they age.

#### 37 Cancer Screening for Seniors: Best Practices for Promoting Evidence-Based Screening

Sunrise Room Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon General Audience

Age is the greatest risk factor for cancer and the average age for a cancer diagnosis is 67. A regular screening regimen for individuals over 50 can prevent cancer by finding it early when cancer is easier to treat and beat. Current screening recommendations for breast, cervical, colorectal, lung, prostate and skin cancer show the importance of screening for a lifetime. New evidence-based testing options are available, making it easier for many individuals to comply with screening guidelines.

Dorine Conley, BA, is the Health Systems Manager of state-based systems at the American Cancer Society (ACS). She has eight years of experience as a health educator with the NM Department of Health, and two years of experience as health systems manager with ACS. Dorine is a two-time cancer survivor!

#### 38 Addressing Workforce Needs in Indian Country: National Indian Council on Aging Senior Community Service Employment Program

Manzano Room Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon Professional/General Audience

Countless elders have benefitted from participation in the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP). The National Indian Council on Aging (NICOA) SCSEP goal is to assist elders in attaining unsubsidized employment. The program targets American Indian elders and their workforce barriers. Helpful interactive techniques can assist elders in gaining insight into their talents to broaden their employment opportunities. Come Learn what NICOA SCSEP can do!

Sue Chapman, BA, is a certified job development specialist. She is the Director of the SCSEP program for the National Indian Council on Aging. She has over 18 years of experience in job development with individuals with disabilities and in workforce programs.

#### 39 Effective Respite for Caregivers

Bosque Room Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon General Audience

Sometimes caregivers need a break. Respite care can provide caregivers a temporary rest, a time to relax or a chance to take care of personal needs. Caregivers are at increased risk of depression and other health problems as a result of the stress of caregiving challenges. Respite can reinforce caregivers' ability to keep providing support, rather than burning out or becoming ill themselves. This workshop will review current information on respite and how providers of services to caregivers can create programs that may be more effective in reducing caregiver stress.

Tracy Wohl, MS, is the Director, Office of Alzheimer's and Dementia Care, NM Aging and Long-Term Services Department (ALTSD). She has worked for the ALTSD for over ten years as a program manager in the Senior Services Bureau and as the Director of the Office of Alzheimer's and Dementia Care, charged with implementing the NM State Dementia Plan. Chris McCaffrey is the Program Director, Alzheimer's Association, NM Chapter. He has worked for the Alzheimer's Association for seven years and currently oversees the Chapter's programs and staff, provides care consultation, caregiver education and training, and coordinates the Chapter's safety programs. Ellen Teresa Costilla, LCSW, MSW, MPA, CIRS-A, is a licensed clinical social worker who has had professional experiences in New Mexico spanning more than 35 years. She currently serves as the Court Clinical Services Coordinator for the Bernalillo County Metropolitan Courts and works on a part-time basis providing therapy services for Bosque Mental Health Associates.

#### 40 It's Never Too Late: Finding Joy in the Second Half of Life

Rio Grande Room Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon General Audience

It's never too late to experience joy in your life, even in the midst of stressors and anxieties. In this fun and interactive workshop you will learn how to release past hurts and fears so you can live fully in the present moment; the only place where joy exists.

Sue Legacy, MSW, LISW, ACSW, is a psychotherapist, author and speaker. She has over 20 years of experience working with older adults in hospital settings and in private practice.

#### 41 Engaging in the Creative Process

Go'Wa Lawn Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon General Audience

Come and experience a low-cost art process from start to finish. Learn how to apply acrylic paints with a palette knife, brayer and/or a "rag". Completed paintings can be entered in the NM Conference on Aging poster contest!

Judy Ortiz has been an artist for 38 years, and has been featured in many art shows. She owns a gallery in Santa Fe, where she and her son sell their artwork. She is a former employee of the NM Aging & Long-Term Services Department, a former member of the NM Conference on Aging Planning Committee, and has created artwork for the Conference on Aging poster.

# Special Service Wednesday, August 24th 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

# Power of Attorney (POA) and Advance Health Care Directive (AHCD) Clinic Boardroom

Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. -1:30 p.m.

The Legal Resources for the Elderly Program (LREP) is providing POA and AHCD legal clinics at which you can meet one-on-one with an LREP attorney to discuss the need for and purpose of POAs and AHCDs, and execute the documents. You will leave the clinic with fully executed and notarized documents.

Stormy Ralstin, JD, is the Managing Attorney for LREP. Gayolyn Johnson, JD, is a staff attorney for LREP.

Anita Letter, JD, is also a staff attorney at LREP.

# Workshops Wednesday, August 19th 12:15 p.m

#### 42 Building a Falls Prevention Community - Starting with the Feet

Ballroom B Wednesday, 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. Professional Audience

Falls prevention is an interdisciplinary effort. Current evidence-based programs, although recognizing that footwear is a factor, may not include the role of foot and lower extremity structure and functions. This presentation will highlight known foot and lower extremity pathologies that contribute to increased fall risk along with the role that podiatric physicians can fulfill in identifying those at increased risk for falls.

Janet Simon, DPM, M.Ed., BA, is a licensed DPM and is the Executive Director of New Mexico Podiatric Medical Association. She has over 26 years of experience in clinical practice and 10 years of experience as the Chair of the Public Health Committees of the American Podiatric Medical Association and the American Public Health Association.

#### 43 Dichos y Música (Folklore and Music)

Ballroom C Wednesday, 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. General Audience

Join Roberto Mondragon as he plays guitar and performs songs with New Mexican flair.

Roberto Mondragon is a New Mexico politician and activist, former Lieutenant Governor of New Mexico and former state representative. He is a songwriter and singer with several music recordings; and has produced several radio programs.

#### 44 Senior Hunger & Advocacy

Seminar Room Wednesday, 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. General Audience

The New Mexico Association of Food Banks works with statewide advocacy partners to present the issue of Senior Hunger in New Mexico. Presenters will provide straight forward, proven methods to effectively advocate for programs and issues that can positively impact the issue of hunger.

Kathy Komoll, BA, is the Executive Director of the NM Association of Food Banks. She has over 20 years of experience in hunger and advocacy work.

#### 45 Movies, Medicine and Mortality - Laughing in the Face of Death

Sunrise Room Wednesday, 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. Professional/General Audience

In hospitals, medical professionals, patients and families focus on maintaining life and returning to health. Despite great advances in medical care, humans still have a 100% mortality rate. Using funny films, we'll examine hospital personnel reactions to mortality and offer ways to relieve the pressure of working around death. Films include *Patch Adams, Terms of Endearment, Little Miss Sunshine, Critical Care, The Doctor, Wit, Young Frankenstein, and Death Becomes Her.* 

Gail Rubin, CT (Certified in Thanatology: Death, Dying and Bereavement), is the Doyenne of Death®, at A Good Goodbye, LLC. She is a death educator, Certified Celebrant, speaker and award-winning author of A Good Goodbye: Funeral Planning for Those Who Don't Plan to Die and Hail and Farewell: Cremation Ceremonies, Templates and Tips. She has presented at previous NM conferences.

#### 46 Medicare Basics and Current Topics

Manzano Room Wednesday, 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. General Audience

This workshop will provide an introduction to Medicare, the Federally-facilitated Health Insurance Marketplace, Medicaid, and related resources. Topics will include program changes, competitive bidding and premium amounts.

Sylvia Garcia, BA, is a Health Insurance Specialist at the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services-Dallas Regional Office. She is a seasoned Medicare train-the-trainer professional who conducts training for partners and beneficiaries whose reach extends to New Mexico.



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#### 47 Silver Cyber Safety

Bosque Room Wednesday, 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. General Audience

This presentation encourages New Mexico's most valued citizens, in their role as Internet users, to be more vigilant about practicing safe online habits. It will provide a basic foundation for older adults to better understand how online predators target their select group, and how they can protect themselves against fraud, scams, malicious emails, identity theft, piracy, and other dangers associated with online and cyber-crimes. Attendees will be provided with extensive resources and valuable contact information.

Patrick Stewart, BA, is the Constituent Affairs Manager at the Office of the New Mexico Attorney General. He has 27 years of experience as a public servant, and served 8 years as Chief Investigator for the Special Investigation Division at the NM State Auditor's Office.

#### 48 Maximizing Nursing Home Care and Insurance Coverage

Rio Grande Room Wednesday, 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. General Audience

Many older adults will unavoidably experience nursing home stays at some time. This workshop highlights the treatment and insurance coverage rights of nursing home residents, and discusses the steps individuals can take to plan for and optimize nursing home care and insurance coverage they or a loved one will receive.

Michael Parks, JD, is an attorney at Senior Citizens Law Office (SCLO). He has over 40 years of experience practicing law. Jason Halvaei, BS, MA, is a licensed Social Worker. He has several years of experience in assisting elders in securing appropriate care and services.



### Workshops Wednesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> 1:30 p.m.

#### 49 What YOU Can Do to Prevent Falls Part 2: Programs & Strategies that Work

Ballroom B

Wednesday, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**General Audience** 

Older adult falls are a serious public health problem. Many people think nothing can be done to prevent falls as we get older. This is far from the truth. This workshop will review specific evidence-based fall prevention programs and how they can reduce your chances of falling.

Karen Dugas, MPH, is the Adult Falls Prevention Coordinator at NM Department of Health. She has worked as a health educator and adult falls prevention program coordinator with the NM Department of Health Office of Injury Prevention since 2015. Pauline Powell Schneider, B.Sc. Music Therapy, has been the Executive Director of the Los Alamos Retired and Senior Organization for 15 years. Berlinda Trujillo, BA, is a licensed American Council on Exercise Group Fitness Instructor and is a Master Trainer for EnhanceFitness, New Mexico Area with New Mexico Senior Olympics. She has 14 years leading a variety of fitness classes and specializing in Senior Fitness. Marcia Bowman, MPT, PT, CEEAA, ACCI, is the Coordinator of Clinical Education at CHRISTUS St. Vincent Regional Medical Center. She is a physical therapist and certified instructor for the falls prevention program "Steady As You Go". Michael Brown, BS System Engineering, is licensed by the National Academy of Sports Medicine (NASM), Oregon Research Institute, and Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance. He is the Director, Spa & Fitness Center, at The Montecito, in Santa Fe, New Mexico. He has 10 years of experience in athletic training and functional training for older adults.

#### 50 Karaoke!

Ballroom C Wednesday, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. General Audience

Are you the next John Lennon or Janis Joplin? Show off your vocal skills and listen to your fellow amateur vocal artists from around New Mexico.

Dan Sedillo has performed Karaoke at many senior centers in Albuquerque.





#### 51 Lifesongs & Creative Aging

Seminar Room Wednesday, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Professional/General Audience

In this workshop participants will be introduced to some basic tools for working with elders, and also explore what aging is for themselves. Facilitators from Lifesongs, a program of the Academy for the Love of Learning, will lead participants through an experiential exploration of these themes using story, song and intergenerational learning. Come as you are, no musical or artistic background necessary.

Acushla Bastible, MFA/BA, is the Lifesongs Director, at Academy for the Love of Learning. Her work lies at the intersection of arts, aging, health and community where, over the last eight years, she has facilitated creative collaborations and storytelling workshops with elders and intergenerational groups. Christine Sandoval is a New Mexico Qualified Activity Professional with Certificate, and is the Activities Director at Santa Fe Care Center. She provides quality of life/programs for persons with disabilities and elders so they can experience the best life has to offer when placed in an extended care facility. Alysha Shaw, MFA/BA, is the Program Coordinator, at Lifesongs Academy for the Love of Learning. She supports the evolving artistic direction and growth of the program. As an interdisciplinary artist, musician and community organizer, Alysha's work explores the intersections of art, social action and folklore.

#### 52 The Alzheimer's Creativity Project

Sunrise Room Wednesday, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.` Professional/General Audience

People living with Alzheimer's and other dementias still need to have fun and engage in purposeful projects. They may lose their memory, but they can still laugh, sing, and even learn new skills. We show you how to help your care partners be engaged.

Jytte Lokvig, Ph D, is an Alzheimer's specialist and author. She has over 20 years of experience in counseling, training, writing and lecturing on effective caregiving.

#### 53 Joint Pain and Treatment Options

Manzano Room Wednesday, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. General Audience

Your joints are involved in almost every activity you perform. Simple movements such as walking, bending and turning require the use of hip and knee joints. Normally, all parts of these joints work together and the joints move easily and without pain. However, when a joint becomes diseased or injured, resulting pain can severely limit your ability to move and engage in daily activities. Come and learn about options for reducing, or even eliminating, joint pain.

Christopher Hanosh, MD, is an assistant professor and surgeon at the University of NM Health Sciences Center. He specializes in adult reconstruction, and is board certified by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery. He graduated from Johns Hopkins University Medical School and completed his residency at UNM.

#### 54 Making the Most of Our Days: Improving Patient Quality of Life

Bosque Room Wednesday, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Professional/General Audience

Patients diagnosed with serious illnesses can receive supportive (palliative) care beginning at the point of diagnosis, and along with curative treatment. Supportive care focuses on relief of the pain, symptoms, and stress of serious illness and on improving communication with patients and families. How can we increase access to supportive care?

Sandra Adondakis, MS, is the NM Government Relations Director at the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network. She has over 20 years of experience in health care and health policy, and more than 5 years of experience in adult education.

#### 55 Immunization for Adults

Rio Grande Room Wednesday, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. General Audience

Over the past ten years, the US Centers for Disease Control & Prevention Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices has recommended several new and improved vaccines for adults. Adults often have lower than optimal rates of vaccination. This session will outline the recommended vaccines and discuss ways to improve uptake including education of both physicians and the public.

Anna Pentler, MPH, MBA, is the Executive Director of the New Mexico Immunization Coalition. She has over 25 years of experience in public health.



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### Workshops Wednesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> 2:45 p.m.

#### The Best is Yet to Be - Age Wiseley and Fall in Love with Your Life Again

Ballroom B

Wednesday, 2:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

**General Audience** 

This engaging and life-affirming program is designed to inspire and energize you to discover greater self-empowerment at any age. It can help you to re-connect with greater meaning and passion, revitalize your dreams, and experience greater health, vitality and joy as you contribute to a more positive and compassionate future.

George and Sedena Cappannelli are award-winning authors, and experts on individual, organizational and societal change. They are internationally known consultants and coaches who have worked with hundreds of the country's leading organizations in both the private and public sectors including Boeing, NASA, Sun Micro Systems, the Disney Company, PepsiCo, the LA Times, and the U.S. Navy.

#### 57 Dance, Dance, Dance to Paul Pino & the Tone Daddies!

Ballroom C Wednesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. General Audience

The Tone Daddies inspire pride in New Mexico and southwestern cultures while inspiring dancing on tables, creating spontaneous outbursts of revelry, and opening hearts to musical ecstasy. Come listen to Americano roots music, Rancheras, two-steps, cumbias, rock and roll, waltzes & blues.

The Tone Daddies band members have toured America, Spain and England. Hits on KANW FM 89.1 radio such as "Pasate la Botella" and "Las Estrellas de Nuevo México" reflect New Mexico's enchanted deserts, cool mountains and smoking hot dancehalls.

#### 58 Secrets of Longevity from Traditional Chinese Medicine

Seminar Room Wednesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. General Audience

This workshop will discuss ways to live healthier, better, and longer according to the principles of Traditional Chinese Medicine. Topics will include Chinese medicine beliefs about aging, how to slow down aging by following the rules of nature, easy acupressure points for pain relief, and tips for healthy eating.

Li Xu, PhD, DOM, is a licensed Acupuncturist at HH Natural Medicine, Inc. Dr. Xu has over 15 years of experience.

#### 59 Exercise as Medicine, and the Ageless Athlete

Sunrise Room Wednesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Professional/General Audience

The importance of physical activity for older adults cannot be stressed enough, yet there is a lack of health promotion within health care settings and in communities. In study after study, physical activity level is associated with independent functional status over time irrespective of increasing age. Research has also reported that adults older than 60 spend approximately 80% of their awake time in sedentary activities, which represents 8 – 12 hours a day. Bottom-line? Reducing physical inactivity requires a more comprehensive, 'whole of society' approach.

Michael Brown, BS System Engineering, is licensed by the National Academy of Sports Medicine (NASM), Oregon Research Institute, and Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance. He is the Director, Spa & Fitness Center, at The Montecito, in Santa Fe, New Mexico. He has 10 years' experience in athletic training and functional training for older adults.

#### 60 Active Shooter Preparedness Training

Manzano Room Wednesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. General Audience

This training will give attendees knowledge about active shooter events. The process of dealing with active shooters has changed tremendously throughout the years since the Columbine High School incident in 1999. Attendees will be taught the history of active shooter threat events and how to prepare and act if an active shooter threat situation arises. Learn how to react and what to expect when law enforcement responds to an active shooter incident.

Lorenzo Lujan is an Active Shooter Instructor and Police Officer with the Isleta Police Department. Richard Sedillo is also a Police Officer with the Isleta Police Department.

#### 61 Who's in Your Wallet? Advance Care Planning for All Ages

Bosque Room Wednesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Professional/General Audience

This workshop will focus on the role that elders can play in persuading younger people to "Start Talking!" about their health care wishes. Starting in mid-adolescence and continuing throughout life, elders can help young people have these important conversations. Young people may know our wishes. Do we know theirs?

Joan McIver Gibson, Ph.D, is a Consulting Ethicist, professor, and trainer.



#### 62 Meeting the Nutritional Needs of our Elders

Rio Grande Room Wednesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Professional/General Audience

Our bodies change as we age. Elders have different nutritional need than other adults. Age-related changes affect how one's body processes and digests food. Physiological changes affect mood and appetite. Food preferences may change. This workshop will bring an awareness to some of the challenges experienced by older adults related to food and how those challenges affect nutrition. It will offer some key insights to mitigating and overcoming those challenges.

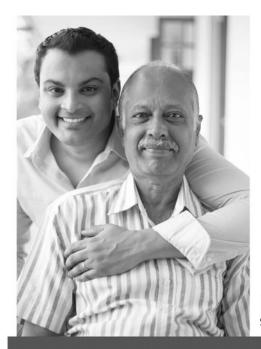
Billi Grossman, BS, CDR 859989 LD-0653, is a Registered Dietitian at Sysco New Mexico. She has 17 years of experience as a Registered Dietitian and is an accomplished trainer and public speaker.

#### 63 Adapted Aquatics

Swimming Pool Wednesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. General Audience

Participants will be led through a series of range of motion exercises that will increase joint mobility and develop muscular strength. Bring your swimsuit and towel!

Emilia Chavez teaches aerobics, flex & tone, and gentle chair exercise, as well as adaptive aquatics classes for the City of Albuquerque Senior Affairs Sports and Fitness division. She is a "Better Health" ambassador for the City of Albuquerque.



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### Schedule at a Glance for Tuesday, August 23

	7:00 am-	8:30 am-	11:00 am-	12:15 pm -		
	8:00 am	10:30 am	Noon	1:15 pm		
Ballroom A	Exhibits —					
Ballroom B		Keynote Speaker: Dr. Bill Thomas "What Are Old People For?" Exploring the	Workshop 2 A Continuing Discussion with Dr. Bill Thomas: Disrupt Aging & Life Reimagined	Workshop 8 Enhance your Quality of Life with EnhanceFitness		
Ballroom C		Meaning of Age and Aging in the 21st Century	Workshop 3 Songs of the Chicano Movement	Workshop 9 Thunderknife: Drum and Dance Exhibition		
Seminar						
Sunrise			Workshop 4 Please Speak Up! We are Listening	Workshop 10 Stress Management and Chocolate		
Manzano			Workshop 5 Hope & Healing for our Community	Workshop 11 Adult Protective Services Overview		
Bosque			Workshop 6 Take Charge! Completing your Advance Healthcare Directive	Workshop 12 Alive Inside Movie		
Rio Grande			Workshop 7 Breaking the Myths of Palliative Care	Workshop 13 You Can Bet on It - Impacts of Problem Gambling		
Boardroom			Power of Attorney (POA Care Directive (	•		
Spa Jar Lawn	Workshop 1 SilverSneakers® Classic Class					
Pool						
Eagle Ballroom			Health & Enrichment Fai	r 11:00 pm - 3:30 pm		

### Schedule at a Glance for Tuesday, August 23

1:30 am -	2:45 pm -	4:00 pm -	6:00 pm -		
2:30 pm	3:45 pm	5:00 pm	10:00 pm		
Exhibits ————		<b>→</b>			
Workshop 14 Tai Ji Quan: Moving for Better Balance	Workshop 20 Meditation in Motion	Workshop 27 Lovelace Resuscitation Rangers - Early Heart Attack Care	Reception Featuring Gilbert Lechuga & the Shysterzz		
Workshop 15 James Bilagody Comedy Show	Workshop 21 NM Folk Dances	Workshop 28 Sing along with Raul Sanchez			
Fabulous Food Show 1:00	pm - 4:00 pm	<b></b>			
Workshop 16 Are We Really Ready for Retirement?	Workshop 22 Be Money Smart in Indian Country: Avoid Fraud	Workshop 29 Senior Scam Jam - Preventing Financial Exploitation			
Workshop 17 Your Friends & Neighbors: Self-Organizing to Meet Care Needs Now & in the Future	Workshop 23 Understanding and Supporting LGBT Older Adults	Workshop 30 A Time to Heal: Discovering Meaning Making in Life			
Workshop 18 Manage Your Chronic Disease	Workshop 24 Knowing your Barriers to Quality of Life	Workshop 31 The Gut Microbiota - A Newly Discovered Organ			
Workshop 19 Seniors and Smartphones	Workshop 25 Care Transition Program & Aging & Disability Resource Center	Workshop 32 Resolving Family Conflict			
POA & AHCD Clinic Continued		Workshop 33 Understanding Social Security			
	Workshop 26				
Health & Enrichment Fair	Adapted Aquatics 11:00 pm - 3:30 pm				

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Ballroom B	Keynote Speaker: Ellen Caylor Schneider Successful	Workshop 34 What YOU Can Do to Prevent Falls: Part 1 Balance, Age & Fall Risk	Workshop 42 Building a Falls Prevention Community- Starting with the Feet	Workshop 49 What YOU Can Do to Prevent Falls: Part 2 Programs & Strategies that Work	Workshop 56 The Best is Yet to Be - Age Wisely & Fall in Love with Your Life Again
Ballroom C	Strategies to Reduce Older	Workshop 35 Wise Women Do Dance Lecture & Demo	Workshop 43 Dichos y Musica (Folklore and Music)	Workshop 50 Karaoke	Workshop 57 Dance, Dance, Dance to Paul Pino & the Tone Daddies
Seminar		Workshop 36 A Listening Session on Active Aging-in-Place	Workshop 44 Senior Hunger & Advocacy	Workshop 51 Lifesongs & Creative Aging: An Inspiring Workshop	Workshop 58 Secrets of Longevity from Traditional Chinese Medicine
Sunrise		Workshop 37 Cancer Screening for Seniors	Workshop 45 Movies, Medicine and Mortality - Laughing in the Face of Death	Workshop 52 The Alzheimer's Creativity Project	Workshop 59 Exercise as Medicine, and the Ageless Athlete
Manzano		Workshop 38 NICOA SCSEP: Addressing Workforce Needs in Indian Country	Workshop 46 Medicare Basic and Current Topics	Workshop 53 Joint Pain and Treatment Options	Workshop 60 Active Shooter Preparedness Training
Bosque		Workshop 39 Effective Respite for Caregivers	Workshop 47 Silver Cyber Safety	Workshop 54 Making the Most of Our Days: Improving Patient Quality of Life	Workshop 61 Who's in Your Wallet? Advance Care Planning for All Ages
Rio Grande		Workshop 40 It's Never too Late: Finding Joy in the Second Half of Life	Workshop 48 Maximizing Nursing Home Care and Insurance Coverage	Workshop 55 Immunizations for Adults	Workshop 62 Meeting the Nutritional Needs of our Elders
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### **Professional Workshops**

17 Your Friends and Neighbors: Self-Organizing to Meet Care Needs

Manzano Room Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

23 Understanding and Supporting Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Older Adults

Manzano Room Tuesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

24 Knowing your Barriers to Quality of Life

Bosque Room Tuesday, 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

What YOU can do to Prevent Falls Part 1: Balance, Age and Fall Risk

Ballroom B Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon

36 A Listening Session on Active Aging-in-Place

Seminar Room Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon

38 Addressing Workforce Needs in Indian Country: National Indian Council on Aging Senior Community Service Employment Program

> Manzano Room Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. – Noon

42 Building a Falls Prevention Community - Starting with the Feet

Ballroom B Wednesday, 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

49 What YOU Can do to Prevent Falls Part 2: Programs & Strategies that Work

Wednesday, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

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51 Lifesongs & Creative Aging

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- 36) Male carriage driver
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- 41) "I figured it out!"
- 42) Started to melt
- 48) "His Master's Voice" of old electronics
- 50) Was in charge of everyone
- 52) Janis Joplin's "Me and Bobby
- 54) Having more capabilities
- 55) Toil away
- 56) Correspond, grammatically
- 57) Contract negotiator, often
- 58) Admin. aides
- 60) "Dress For Less" chain
- 61) List-ending abbreviations
- 62) Not working today
- 63) Canton in Switzerland

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- 33) Water balloon-hitting-cement sound
- 34) Sit-in participant
- 36) Male carriage driver
- 37) It shows George's face
- 39) Neat as a pin
- 41) "I figured it out!"
- 42) Started to melt
- 48) "His Master's Voice" of old electronics
- 50) Was in charge of everyone
- 52) Janis Joplin's "Me and Bobby
- 54) Having more capabilities
- 55) Toil away
- 56) Correspond, grammatically
- 57) Contract negotiator, often
- 58) Admin. aides
- 60) "Dress For Less" chain
- 61) List-ending abbreviations
- 62) Not working today
- 63) Canton in Switzerland



#### SOLUTION TO 70'S ROCK BANDS PUZZLE

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