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News for Members of the  
**Milwaukee Aging Consortium**

A nonprofit membership organization devoted to improving the lives of older adults by connecting the professionals who serve them

## Consortium Education Series 05-06

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday every other month  
Washington Park Senior Center  
4420 West Vliet Street  
Networking: 1:00 - 1:30 pm  
Program: 1:30 - 3:00 pm  
FREE for member organizations & staff;  
\$10 nonmembers

Note: July and September programs will be held at  
Wilson Park Senior Center, 2601 W. Howard Ave.

### July 13

#### Ethics & Boundaries\*

\*2 hrs apply to state certification requirements

#### "Ethical Decision Making"

Speaker: Sandra Matson, RN, MA  
Quality Monitor, Community Care

#### "Role & Benefits of Creating an Ethics Committee"

Speaker: Sybil Bell; Linda Hoffman, RN;  
Gloria Thibodeau, Retired RN  
Saint John's on the Lake  
Kris Tym, MA  
Medical College of WI Bioethics Ctr

Sponsor: Catholic Charities

#### Details to follow on the following programs:

#### September 14 Student Interns: How to Tap into This Resource for Your Agency

Speaker: Steve Burkhardt  
Center on Age & Community

#### November 9 Spirituality from Theory to Practice

Speaker: Dr. David O. Moberg  
Prof. Emeritus, Marquette Univ.  
Rev. Vicki Watkins  
Columbia Hospital Chaplain

Sponsor: The Village at Manor Park

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## In the Midst of Excellence

The Third Annual Milwaukee Aging Consortium Excellence Awards is a must-attend event at which you will meet our 2006 awardees:

#### Compassionate Care

**Gene Traudt**  
Milwaukee Catholic Home Volunteer

#### Distinguished Caregiver

**Bertha Harris, CNA**  
Stowell Associates \* SelectStaff

#### Elder-Friendly Business

**Roxanne Peterson**  
Independent Living Supplies

#### Leadership

**Carol Eschner**  
Interfaith Older Adult Programs

#### Outstanding Program

**Senior Companion Program**  
**Mattie Payne**  
Social Development Commission

Our guest speaker will be Raeann Berman, author of *Caring for Your Aging Parents*, which recently received a Midwest Independent Publishers Association 2005 Merit Award!

## Please join us:

### Wednesday, June 28, 2006

Marquette University Alumni Memorial Union  
1442 West Wisconsin Avenue

11:30 am Reception  
Noon Luncheon  
12:30 pm Program & Awards Ceremony  
1:30 pm Farewell

Now is an excellent time to reserve your table as we celebrate our shared commitment to serving older adults. Call us at 414-289-0890 or visit [www.milwagingconsortium.org](http://www.milwagingconsortium.org).

#### EVENT SPONSOR:



## Community Advisors Wanted:

### Where Will Older People Live?

The Milwaukee Aging Consortium is beginning the planning stages of a collaborative project which will look at older adults' living situations, and where gaps exist in meeting current and future needs. We begin by bringing together key community stakeholders and opening a dialogue.

As we consider the issue, many concerns emerge including the need for affordable innovations for moderate-income elders, sufficient housing for specialized populations and serving grandparents living with grandchildren. What is the best for Milwaukee? How can we move closer to that vision? What are existing gaps? What can we anticipate in ten years?

Are you interested in serving on an collaborative advisory council? Please contact Amy Ambrose, Executive Director at (414) 289-0890 or [aambrose@milwagingconsortium.org](mailto:aambrose@milwagingconsortium.org)

## Harvard Scholarship Award

Amy Ambrose, Executive Director of the Milwaukee Aging Consortium, will travel to Harvard University in July to participate in Strategic Perspectives in Non-Profit Management at Harvard University, having received a scholarship from the Hansjoerg Wyss Fund for Social Enterprise. Congratulations Amy!



# Caregiver Matters

## Final Opportunity to Participate in Four Part Leadership Training for Middle Managers who Supervise Direct Care Workers

June 15 & 29, July 13 & 27

12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Vitas Innovative Hospice Care  
2675 N. Mayfair Road, Suite 500, Wauwatosa, WI 53226

Series is designed to strengthen the relationship between middle managers & direct care workers. The curriculum, adapted for supervisors working in home care and other long term care settings was developed to assist new & experienced supervisors to become more effective leaders and coaches. **Limited class capacity.**

Form and additional info is posted at [www.milwagingconsortium.org](http://www.milwagingconsortium.org) – click on Calendar June 15th.

### Caregiver Retention Project Contact

Susan Duvall, Project Leader  
[sduvall@milwagingconsortium](mailto:sduvall@milwagingconsortium) 414-289-0890.



### LTC: Let's Take Care

LTC: Let's Take Care is a groundbreaking campaign to define the meaning of long-term care, raise community awareness, and easily identify long-term care providers so that people know what's available and plan for that time in life.

The group organizers also created a "consumer's guide" to explain all the options of long-term care, from adult day services to respite care, featuring sample stories to help seniors understand their options. For information about using the Let's Take Care logo, contact Stacy L. Barnes, Deputy Director of the Wisconsin Geriatric Education Center at Marquette University at (414) 288-3709.

The campaign is organized by Connecting Caring Communities, a public-private partnership, funded by grants from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Greater Milwaukee Foundation, Faye McBeath Foundation and the Helen Bader Foundation.

## Welcome New Members!

Center for Deaf-Blind Persons:  
*Education, training and consultation for individuals with sight and hearing loss*

Christian FamilyCare Homes, Inc.: *Non Medical Home Care/ Companion Service Provider/ Homemaker*

24/7 BrightStar Healthcare: *Employment Services, Medical Home Care/Home Health Agency, Non Medical Home Care/Companion Service Provider/ Homemaker*

Homewatch Caregivers: *Non Medical Home Care/Companion Service Provider/Homemaker*

# Mark Your Calendar

## 2006 Networking Conference

October 20, 2006

Cardinal Stritch University Conference Center

Exciting details coming your way soon!

## Policy Matters

### SB 653 signed by Governor Doyle on May 10th

The bill to expand the FamilyCare program statewide from its five-county "pilot" phase was approved by the Legislature and signed by Governor Doyle on May 10. Now the initiative shifts to DHFS and the counties directly. There are ten consortia representing nearly all of Wisconsin's counties currently working to develop implementation plans for statewide FamilyCare. Wisconsin Assisted Living Association (WALA) will provide information on the FamilyCare expansion at its regional workshops around the state next October. 608-288-0246 - [info@ewala.org](mailto:info@ewala.org) - [www.ewala.org](http://www.ewala.org)

## Upcoming Opportunities

### Creative Expression and Dementia Care Conference

June 2, 2006

8:30 am - 3:45 pm

UW-Milwaukee

Internationally recognized artists, researchers, and care providers will demonstrate creative engagement activities for people with dementia.

To learn more, see the attached registration file: [http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/ageandcommunity/documents/dementia\\_care.pdf](http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/ageandcommunity/documents/dementia_care.pdf)

### Long Term Care Legislative Forum

June 9, 2006

8:00 am - Noon

Milwaukee Center for Independence

A discussion with decisionmakers on the future of long-term care in Wisconsin. Keynote Speaker is Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services Secretary, Helene Nelson. \$45 per person includes continental breakfast. Free adjacent parking.

For more information call Amy Lanphear 414-937-2043 or visit the events calendar at [www.mcfi.net](http://www.mcfi.net)

### First Steps Seminar

June 14, 2006

1 pm - 5 pm

At Waukesha Memorial Hospital

*The Diagnosis is Alzheimer's Disease - Now What?*

For information & to register for this free seminar

Call 414-479 or 800-272-3900.

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