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HPGS members are welcome to submit articles of interest, pictures and articles from events, notices of job openings, committee reports, etc. Please submit your article and/or picture by the second Friday of every month to Sherry Goya, HPGS Executive Director, at [sgoyallc@aol.com](mailto:sgoyallc@aol.com).

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**



PERCY IHARA, PRESIDENT

Welcome HPGS members and friends,

As we all get to work on our personal and professional goals for 2017, we at HPGS have a great year of ahead planned with events and webinars to enhance your business.

We will begin our popular webinars on February 23rd and the topic will be about one of the fastest growing segments of our aging industry in Adult Day Center with Kathy Wyatt, the President of their industry, so look out for these educational sessions and sign up early. We are planning future topics for 2017 and if you know a speaker or looking for a specific topic please contact us.

The first of 2 events we have planned in 2017 is on March 14th a Career and Jobs Fair at the University of Hawaii targeting our current and soon to graduate college students. Our 2nd event will be on July 15 will be a Job Fair open to public at Catholic Charities. For both of these events we need volunteers, vendor partners and sponsors.

More information will be sent out shortly and please if you want to help out, volunteer and or participate as an exhibitor partner let us know. We also would appreciate if you could pass along our notices to your network of friends and colleagues.

Thank you and Live Well!

**MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of the Hawaii Pacific Gerontological Society shall be to provide professionals and students in the field of aging with vital information, workshops, networking, and scholarships to enhance the gerontology workforce, to support the creation of needed policies and programs, and to deliver excellent service to the aging population in Hawaii and the Pacific.

## HAWAII LEGISLATURE WEBSITE

The Hawaii State Legislature's website is a great resource for the general public. The address is [www.capitol.hawaii.gov](http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov) and includes a legislative calendar, session convene times, a way to find your legislator, and much more. There are "search boxes" for checking on a bill or measure, recent updates, current hearings, Hawaii Revised Statutes, etc.

The six handy icons that appear in the center of the home page are:

- Submit Testimony
- Hearing Notification
- Measure Tracking
- Legislators
- Committees
- Reports and Units

## DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE

The UH Center on the Family has issued a report: Hawaii's Older Adults – A Demographic Profile which you may view at: [http://uhfamily.hawaii.edu/publications/brochures/477d1\\_Hawaii's%20Older%20Adults%20-%20A%20Demographic%20Profile%20HZ%2009-13-16%20v2.pdf](http://uhfamily.hawaii.edu/publications/brochures/477d1_Hawaii's%20Older%20Adults%20-%20A%20Demographic%20Profile%20HZ%2009-13-16%20v2.pdf)

## HILO WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE

Several workshops for caregivers relating to Alzheimer's disease, and for anyone having forgetfulness in the family, will be held at the Aging and Disability Resource Center (1055 Kinoole Street). The upcoming workshops are set for **Saturday, February 4th** and **Saturday, February 11th** from 9am to 1pm. The presentations are free and seating is limited. Please contact Chris Ridley at 808-443-7360 to reserve a space.

## MUSIC AND MEMORY IS AN INSPIRATION



The national program "Music and Memory" was a recent discussion focus at "Hawaii in Real Life," a blog found at <http://www.hawaiiirl.com>. "Music and Memory" provides a link to those with Alzheimer's disease and the person's desires of certain genre of music for enjoyment. Diane Ako, former local newscaster in the "Hawaii in Real Life"

expresses in her blog, the caring of her mother and what she sees in her mother's moment of music.

Calvin Hara, of Manoa Cottage and Manoa Cottage Kaimuki, was interviewed by writer Ako in the blog titled "Music's positive effect on dementia." He states in the blog, "We appreciate this program because by playing our residents' musical favorites, it helps bring them back to life, letting them feel like themselves again." For more info, call Calvin at (808) 426-7852 or email, [c.hara@mckaimuki.com](mailto:c.hara@mckaimuki.com)

## FREE SMOKE ALARMS

The American Red Cross of Hawaii, Honolulu Fire Department, and other area partners are working together to install FREE Smoke Alarms in the homes of Hawaii's kupuna and to educate them in basic fire safety. An island-wide event will be held the second week of March 2017. Sign-ups for this large installation event will be through mid-February, until all the spaces are filled, however, this is an ongoing campaign. Call the Red Cross at (808) 739-8111, leave your name, phone number, and address. They will call back to schedule an appointment to install the smoke alarm.

## UH CENTER ON AGING CAREER & JOB FAIR

Registrations are coming in for the "Career & Job Fair" cosponsored by the University of Hawaii's Center on Aging and HPGS. The event will be held Tuesday, March 14th from 10am to 2pm at the UH Manoa Campus Center Ballroom. A table and two chairs will be provided, as well as one parking pass, for the \$75 fee per table. Contact Sherry Goya, HPGS Executive Director, at 808-722-8487 or [sgoyallc@aol.com](mailto:sgoyallc@aol.com); or Christy Nishita of the UH Center on Aging at [cnishta@hawaii.edu](mailto:cnishta@hawaii.edu) with any questions.



## JOB OPENING



The Hi'olani Care Center at Kāhala Nui is seeking a **DIRECTOR OF ASSISTED LIVING** to manage the services for a large 41-bed Assisted Living and 22-bed Memory Support unit. While overseeing a staff of 50 licensed Nurses and Resident Care Assistants, the Director of Assisted Living is responsible for ensuring the highest level of person-centered care and service for up to 63 residents. Previous management experience in a healthcare setting and a passion for working with seniors is a must. RN, LPN, MSW, or an Assisted Living Administrator's certification preferred.

Interested candidates may send a resume to [employment@kahalanui.com](mailto:employment@kahalanui.com) or call 218-7006 for more information.

## WELCOME TO HPGS



The newest Lifetime Member of the Hawaii Pacific Gerontological Society is **Hawaii Meals on Wheels**. Their Chief Executive Officer is Michelle Cordero-Lee. Their mission is to help Oahu elders and individuals with disabilities to preserve their independence at home. They do this primarily by providing hot, nutritious meals and regular personal interaction with those they serve.

## SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

With funds provided by **Kahala Nui**, the **Univeristy of Hawaii Center on Aging**, and the **Hawaii Pacific Gerontological Society** were proud to offer a \$1,500 scholarship to a graduate student of the UH at Manoa.



The recipient of this scholarship is **Joy Lacanienta** who is pursuing her Ph.D. in Sociology, as well as an Advanced Certification in Women's Studies. She has over 23 years background on Community Organizing and Advocacy. Her area of interest involves aging, poverty and issues affecting immigrant and migrant communities.

Recently, Joy acted as the conference coordinator for the Healthy and Resilient Aging (HRA) 2016 International Conference. She produced a documentary about aging domestic workers in Hawaii and was selected to take part in the Hawaii Governor's Taskforce on Community Campaign Awareness for the Domestic Worker's Bill of Rights. Joy also directed and produced "Unsheltered Crimes," a documentary about the criminalization of poverty by incarcerating the unsheltered population of Hawaii. The case study involves the correlation of poverty, aging, immigrant communities, and the ramifications of being repeatedly incarcerated.

## HAWAII'S PUBLIC ACCESS ROOM



At the State Capitol, on Room 401, the public has access to office resources, workspace, computers, and expert staff assistance at no charge. The Hawaii's Public Access Room (PAR) is available Monday to Friday, 7:45am to 6:00pm during January to April. Hours from May to December is Monday to Friday, 8:00am to 4:30pm.

To see how PAR can be a benefit to you, drop by the capitol, call 808-587-0478 or email [par@capitol.hawaii.gov](mailto:par@capitol.hawaii.gov). For Kauai, call 808-247-3141, x 7-0478; Maui is at 808-984-2400, x 7-078; Molokai & Lanai is 800-468-4644, x 7-0478; and Big Island 808-974-4000, x 7-0478. PAR's website is [LRBhawaii.org/PAR](http://LRBhawaii.org/PAR). The legislature's website is [capitol.hawaii.gov](http://capitol.hawaii.gov).



# HEALTHY AND RESILIENT AGING: EXPLORING THE ROLES OF CULTURE AND ETHNICITY

## Keynote Speakers:

Dr. XinQi Dong, Professor of medicine, behavioral sciences, and nursing; Director of Chinese Health, Aging and Policy Program and the Associate Director of the Rush Institute for Health Aging. Dr. Dong has also served as a senior policy and research advisor for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Dr. Dong has more than 170 peer reviewed publications and mentored 25 junior faculty and many students over the years



Title of Presentation: Leverage Research to Inform Practice and Policy: The PINE Study



Dr. Melissa A Simon, George H. Gardner Professor of Clinical Gynecology, Vice Chair of Clinical Research in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, and Founder and Director of the Chicago Cancer Health Equity

Collaborative, a Northwestern Medicine physician, and co-program leader for cancer control and survivorship at the Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center.

Title of Presentation: Building A Patient Navigation Program in the Chinese Community

## Featured Presenters:

Dr. Wei Zhang, Associate Professor of Sociology at UHM, Dr. Kathryn Braun, Professor of Public Health at UHM, and Dr. Cullen Hayashida, Director and Founder of the Kupuna Education Center at Kapi'olani Community College (KCC)

Moderator: Mr. Percy Ihara, President Hawai'i Pacific Gerontological Society (HPGS)

Sponsored by the  
Department of Sociology,  
Center on Aging, and the  
College of Social Sciences

**THURSDAY**

**FEBRUARY 9, 2017**

**8:00 AM –  
12:00 PM**

**VENUE:  
Center for  
Korean Studies**

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa  
1881 East-West Road  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96822

## **Parking:**

- \* Lower Campus Parking  
5.00 per day
- \* Upper Campus Parking  
2.00 per half hour

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**BY MONDAY,  
FEBRUARY 9, 2017**

**University of Hawaii**  
**Center on Aging Career & Job Fair**  
**UH Manoa Campus Center Ballroom**  
**Tuesday, March 14, 2017, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

The University of Hawaii's Center on Aging will hold a "Career & Job Fair" on **Tuesday, March 14th** from **10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** at the UH Manoa Campus Center Ballroom. The UH Manoa and all Oahu community colleges, as well as private colleges and some high schools, will be invited to attend.

This year, with the cosponsorship of the **Hawaii Pacific Gerontological Society**, the Center on Aging has invited participants who wish to offer jobs, give input on the industry, and provide information on Hawaii's gerontology community. The Ballroom will be open for set-up from 9:00 a.m. on the morning of March 14th, with no one allowed to leave until 2:00 p.m. There will be a 6' table and two chairs provided. Bring a table cloth and any display or handouts. Do not tape or hang anything except to your table. There will be no retail sales allowed.

Cost is \$75 per table. Check to be made payable to Hawaii Pacific Gerontological Society. One parking pass will be provided at no charge and mailed to the contact person listed below. A link to the campus visitor parking map can be found at: <http://manoa.hawaii.edu/commuter/visitor.php> (green marked guest stalls).

The registration form should be completed, mailed and paid with check to:

Sherry Goya, Executive Director  
Hawaii Pacific Gerontological Society  
P. O. Box 3714  
Honolulu, HI 96812.

**Deadline is March 1, 2017 (while tables are available).**

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**UH Center on Aging Career Day**  
**Tuesday, March 14, 2017 • 10am to 2pm • UH Campus Center Ballroom**

**Registration Form**

**COMPANY NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-MAIL ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_ **Paid Check #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signed by** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_