Wednesday, June 15, 2016
8:00 am – 4:00 pm
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8:00 – 9:00 AM
REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST

9:00 – 9:30 AM
GREETINGS

Martha H. Pollack, LCSW
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Joy Solomon, Esq
Director and Managing Attorney, The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Center for Elder Abuse Prevention at The Hebrew Home at Riverdale

Deborah Holt Knight
Deputy Commissioner, Adult Protective Services, NYC Human Resources Administration

Michael Markowitz, MA
Director, The New School Institute for Retired Professionals

9:30 – 11:00 AM
KEYNOTE ADDRESS

The Pervasiveness of Elder Abuse

Philip Marshall, MS
Elder Justice Advocate and Grandson of Brooke Astor

The keynote presentation will focus on the highlights of the Brooke Astor case and how Mr. Marshall’s experience as a “reporter” of elder abuse motivated, inspired, and compelled him to become an outspoken advocate for heightened awareness and improved services on the city, state, and national levels.

Mr. Marshall will also share his view of the “hard learned” lessons for professionals working directly with victims and their families.

Mr. Marshall is a Professor of Historic Preservation at Roger Williams University and involved in the National Adult Protective Services Association (NAPSA) and National Advisory Board on Elder Financial Exploitation.

PANEL PRESENTATION

Elder Abuse Services Network
Challenges and Responses

MODERATOR: Geoff Rogers
Director of Learning, Brookdale Institute of Healthy Aging of Hunter College

PANEL:

Philip Marshall, MS
Elder-Justice Advocate and Grandson of Brooke Astor

Nancy Needell, MD
Board Certified in General, Forensic, and Geriatric Psychiatry and Medical Director of Weill-Cornell’s Mobile Crisis Team

Rima Rivera, LMSW
Director, NYC Adult Protective Services Central Intake Unit

Dianne Woodburn, Esq
Supervising Attorney for Legal Services for the Elderly, Project LEAP, JASA
MORNING WORKSHOPS
11:15 AM – 12:45 PM

1. Using Breath and Meditation for Stress Relief
   MODERATOR: Brooke Santoro, LMSW, Community Outreach Specialist, The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Center for Elder Abuse Prevention at the Hebrew Home at Riverdale
   PRESENTER: Joy Solomon, Esq, Certified Yoga Instructor and Director and Managing Attorney, The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Center for Elder Abuse Prevention at the Hebrew Home at Riverdale
   An experiential learning opportunity with guided breathing, mindfulness, and meditation practices in which participants learn how to use techniques to alleviate stress. Participants will learn how to incorporate stress reduction techniques into their work with clients.

2. Making a Difference with our Interventions: Lifespan’s Elder Abuse Outcome Measurement System
   MODERATOR: Jason Dauenhauer, PhD, MSW, Associate Professor of Social Work, College at Brockport, SUNY
   PRESENTERS: Lindsay Calamia, BSW, Care Manager, Elder Abuse Prevention Program, Lifespan of Greater Rochester; Allison Campbell, LMSW, Coordinator, Enhanced Multidisciplinary Team Project, Finger Lakes Site, Elder Abuse Prevention Program, Lifespan of Greater Rochester
   The Elder Abuse Risk Assessment Evaluation (EARAE) is a new tool to accurately assess and measure outcomes in elder abuse cases. EARAE can be used by Adult Protective Services and other community-based agency staff.

3. How Could My Home be Stolen?
   MODERATOR: Ann L. Goldweber, Esq, Director of Consumer Justice for the Elderly: Litigation Clinic St. John’s University School of Law
   PRESENTER: Ayana Robertson, Esq, Brooklyn Legal Services
   This workshop will inform participants about the types of financial scams that target older homeowners, how mortgage and real estate scams impact homeowners, and how professionals and advocates can identify scam victims and direct them to appropriate assistance.

4. Promoting the Cause of Elder Abuse through Training of the Judiciary
   MODERATOR: Donna Dougherty, Esq, Director, Legal Service for the Elderly, JASA
   PRESENTERS: The Honorable Deborah Kaplan, Esq, Statewide Coordinating Judge for Family Violence Cases; Arlene Markarian, Esq, Chief, Elder Abuse Unit, Domestic Violence Unit, Kings County District Attorney’s Office; Laura Russell, Esq, Co-Citywide Supervising Attorney of the Family Law/Domestic Violence Unit, Legal Aid Society in New York City
   Legal proceedings involving older litigants require special consideration. This workshop will cover challenges in prosecuting elder abuse and in representing older New Yorkers. Strategies to ensure full access and participation by older persons in the justice system will be discussed.

5. Identifying Suicide Risk Factors for Victims of Elder Abuse
   MODERATOR: Aurora Salamone, MPS, Director, Elderly Crime Victims Resource Center, NYC Department for the Aging
   PRESENTERS: Patrick Raue, PhD, Associate Professor of Psychology in Psychiatry, Weill Cornell Medical College; Amy Stern, LCSW-R, Institute for Geriatric Psychiatry, Weill Cornell Medical College
   This workshop will focus on effective screening for suicide and enhance agency capacity to respond to “suicide risk”.

6. Caring for the Communities of Support in Victims’ Lives
   MODERATOR: Agnes Halarewicz, LMSW, Adjunct Professor and Student, Graduate Center PhD Program in Social Welfare, CUNY
   PRESENTERS: Risa Breckman LCSW, LMSW, Executive Director, NYC Elder Abuse Center; Deborah Holt-Knight, Deputy Commissioner, Adult Protective Services, NYC Human Resources Administration; Philip Marshall BA, MS, Elder Justice Advocate, www.beyondbrooke.org.; Nancy Oatts, BFA, Advocate for Elder Abuse Awareness and Elder Justice; Lisa Rachmuth, LMSW, Director, Clinical Initiatives and Programming, Emergency and Intervention Services, Office Of Domestic Violence, New York City Human Resources Administration
   Non-abusing family, friends and neighbors are frequently first responders but their efforts and needs are often unrecognized. Workshop participants will explore the types of help “concerned others” provide, the emotional and practical problems they confront when helping, and how providers can assist.

LUNCH • 12:45 – 1:45 PM
BREAK • 1:45 – 2:00 PM
AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS
2:00 – 3:30 PM

7. Elder Abuse and Guardianship in the GLBT Aging Community  
Strategies and interventions tailored to meet the needs and preferences of older GLBT victims of abuse will be discussed. Resources will be provided.

MODERATOR: Brooke Santoro, LMSW, Community Outreach Specialist, Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Center for Elder Abuse Prevention at the Hebrew Home at Riverdale

PRESENTERS: Deirdre M.W. Lok, Esq, Assistant Director and General Counsel, The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Center for Elder Abuse Prevention at the Hebrew Home at Riverdale; Tom Weber, Director of Care Management Services, SAGE (Services and Advocacy for GLBT Elders)

8. Combating Ageism: Empowering Victims of Abuse to Seek Help  
There is a direct connection between ageism and elder abuse. Through interactive discussion and exercises, the workshop will explore how instituting social change and developing strategies to confront ageism will limit the rise in elder abuse.

MODERATOR: Bobbie Sackman, MSW, Director of Public Policy, LiveOn NY

PRESENTERS: Alice Fisher, MSW, Founder, Radical Aging; Chris Nufer, MA, MHC, Team Leader/Clinician, Weill Cornell Institute of Geriatric Psychiatry

9. Working with Elder Abuse Victims who Suffer from Dementia  
Older adults who suffer from dementia are at high-risk for being abused. The workshop will discuss important safeguards and evidenced-based practices for protecting this vulnerable population.

MODERATOR: Edith Auguste, MBA, LMSW, Queens District Director, JASA

PRESENTER: Matt Kudish, LMSW, Senior Vice President of Caregiver Services, CaringKind – The Heart of Alzheimer’s Caregiving

10. Protecting Older Adults from Scams and Other Forms of Exploitation  
This workshop will provide an update on the work of the Federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and discuss current scams targeting the elderly and ways to address them.

MODERATOR: Geoff Rogers, Director of Learning, Brookdale Institute of Healthy Aging of Hunter College

PRESENTER: Nora Dowd Eisenhower, Esq, Assistant Director, Office for Older Americans, Division of Consumer Education and Engagement, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, Washington, DC

11. Adding Mental Health Services to the Mix  
Innovative practices have been developed for screening and short term treatment of victims of elder abuse suffering from depression and anxiety. This workshop will discuss the benefit of this treatment.

MODERATOR: Jackie Berman, PhD, Director of Research, NYC Department for the Aging

PRESENTERS: Cheryl Lee, LMSW, Director, Brooklyn LEAP Program, JASA; Jo Anne Sirey, PhD, Associate Professor of Psychology in Clinical Psychiatry, Weill Cornell Medical College of Cornell University

12. From Caregiving to Care-receiving: Identifying and Responding to Vicarious and Secondary Trauma and Compassion Fatigue  
This interactive workshop explores how adults and aging service providers, both individuals and organizations, can assess and intervene with trauma-related symptoms among staff.

MODERATOR: Judith Smith, PhD, ACSW, Fordham Graduate School of Social Service

PRESENTERS: Tina Maschi, LCSW, PhD, ACSW, Associate Professor, Fordham University Graduate School of Social Service; Stacey Plichta, ScD, CPH, Professor of Public Health, CUNY Graduate School of Public Health and Health Policy

13. Queens District Attorney Initiative to Combat Elder Abuse  
Special efforts have been made by the office of the Queens District Attorney to expedite elder abuse cases and to accommodate the special needs of those who are victimized. In this workshop we will describe these innovative practices and working with community partners.

MODERATOR: Abhay Kotwal, Esq, Brooklyn LEAP Program, JASA

PRESENTER: Kristen Kane, Esq, Deputy Chief, Economic Crimes Bureau, Chief, Elder Fraud Unit, Queens County District Attorney’s Office; Mark Sicari, Esq, Attorney, Legal Services for the Elderly, JASA

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION
3:30 – 4:00 PM

Health Promotion Activities by Brookdale Center for Healthy Aging of Hunter College, CUNY School for Nursing

Completion of CEH Certificates by Fordham University Graduate School of Social Service
WORKSHOPS
Please select one choice for each session:

11:15 am – 12:45 pm • Morning Workshop
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2:00 – 3:30 pm • Afternoon Workshop
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