

# International Reminiscence and Life Review Conference 2007

Hotel Whitcomb, 1231 Market Street, San Francisco, CA, USA

November 15-16, 2007

## Final Brochure

The University of Wisconsin - Superior will hold the 7th biennial Reminiscence and Life Review Conference November 15-16, 2007, at the Hotel Whitcomb in San Francisco, CA, USA. The conference draws presenters and participants from around the world, including those most prominent in the field of reminiscence and life review. A proceedings book will also be published.

### Agenda

#### Schedule

#### THURSDAY, November 15, 2007

- 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Pre-Conference Sessions (Register separately)
- 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Registration
- 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM **The Mature Mind**  
Gene Cohen, MD, PhD, Director of the *Center on Aging, Health & Humanities* at George Washington University, Washington DC, USA.
- 8:00 PM - 8:45 PM Reception, cash bar
- 8:45 PM - 9:30 PM **Stagebridge Performance**

#### FRIDAY, November 16, 2007

- 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM **Life Review: National History Truth and Reconciliation: A Diplomacy of forgiveness and Renewal**  
Robert N. Butler, MD, President and CEO International Longevity Center, New York, NY, USA
- 10:00 AM - 10:15 AM **Break, Networking, Poster Session Set-up**
- 10:15 AM - 11:00 AM **Research Poster Session**
- 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM **Discussant Presentation of Poster Session** - Sharon McKenzie, PhD, CTRS, NYU School of Medicine, Silberstein Aging & Dementia Research Center, New York, NY, USA and Thomas W Pierce, PhD, Department of Psychology, Radford University, Radford, VA, USA
- 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM **2007 Award Winner Presentations** - Peter G Coleman, PhD, Department of Psychology, University of Southampton, Highfield, Southampton, UK and Barbara K Haight, RNC, DRPH, FAAN, Professor Emeritus, College of Nursing, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC, USA
- 12:30 PM - 01:30 PM **Box Lunch** (on your own \$13) w/focused roundtable discussions
- 01:30 PM - 02:45 PM **International Trends in Reminiscence and Life Review**  
Diana Taylor, PhD, faculty at CSUN and the Autobiographical Studies Center, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA, USA; Juan Pedro Serrano Selva, PhD, Department of Psychology, University of Castilla La-Mancha, Regional Center of Bio-medical Research (C.R.I.B.) Spain; Toyoko Nomura, PhD, Professor, Toyo University, Tokyo, Japan, Robert Woods, PhD, Professor, Clinical Psychology of Older People, Bangor University, Bangor, North Wales, UK
- 02:45 PM - 03:00 PM **Break, Program Exchange Set-up**
- 03:00 PM - 03:45 PM **Program Practice, Educational and Individual Application Poster Session**
- 03:45 PM - 04:15 PM **Discussant Presentation of Poster Session** - Cheryl Svensson, PhD, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, USA and Pam Schweitzer, Director, European Reminiscence Network, London, England
- 04:15 PM - 05:00 PM **Bridging the Many Dimensions of Life Review/Reminiscence**  
Brian de Vries, PhD, Professor, Gerontology Program, San Francisco State University, San Francisco, CA, USA, Marv Westwood, PhD, Professor, Department of Educational and Counseling Psychology and Special Education, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C., Canada, Susan Bluck, PhD, Associate Professor, Center for Gerontological Studies and Dept. of Psychology, Gainesville, FL, USA
- 05:15 PM - 06:30 PM **Open Board Meeting**
- 05:00 PM - 07:00 PM **The Gerontological Society of America Exhibit Opening**

## Plenary Poster Sessions

This format allows for each poster session presentation to be viewed by every conference participant with follow-up comments and discussion by discussants who are leaders in the field creating a lively synergy that propels the field forward.

### Research Poster Session

#### ***Personal Communication Robot for Examining Word Fluency in Reminiscence Group***

Toyoko Nomura, PhD, Professor, Toyo University, Life Design Department, Tokyo, Japan; Kazue Inami, Tokyo Fuji University, Management Department, Tokyo, Japan and Shinichi Ohnaka, NEC Corporation, Personal Robot Research Center, Tokyo, Japan

#### ***A Narrative Analysis of Group Reminiscence Therapy***

Nobutake Nomura, PhD, Faculty of Human Sciences, Osaka University of Human Sciences, Osaka, Japan

#### ***Attaining "Healthy Life" as Perceived by Rural Elder Community Dwellers***

Amy Shaver, MS, RN, PhD Candidate in Nursing at Binghamton University, New York, NY, USA; Assistant Professor of Nursing at State University of New York Institute of Technology, New York, NY, USA

#### ***Joint Reminiscence Groups for People with Dementia and Their Family Care-Givers: A Randomized Controlled Trial Platform***

Bob Woods, PhD, Professor of Clinical Psychology of Older People, Bangor University, Bangor, North Wales, UK

#### ***What do Japanese and Japanese American Elderly Have in Common?***

Christina Mijawaki, MA, MSW Candidate, School of Social Welfare, University of California-Berkeley, Berkeley, CA, USA

#### ***Over the Rainbow: Exploring Successful Aging Among Gay Men***

Richard L. Harrison, MFA, MSW (PhD Candidate) and Marvin Westwood, PhD, Professor, University of British Columbia Counselling Psychology Program, Vancouver, BC, Canada

#### ***African Americans Aging in the Rural South***

Iris Carlton-LaNey, PhD, Professor, School of Social Work, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, NC, USA

#### ***Age and Gender Differences in Telling a "Good Story"***

Jacqueline M. Baron, MS, Developmental Psychology (PhD Candidate), University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, USA

#### ***Learning and Meaning in Guided Autobiography***

James E. Thornton, PhD, Associate Professor Emeritus and John B. Collins, PhD, Dept. of Educational Studies, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada

#### ***What Did the Millennial Say to the 106 Year Old?***

John Kunz, BSW, MS, Program Manager II, Center for Continuing Education/Extension, University of Wisconsin-Superior, Superior, WI, USA

#### ***Autoethnography Research: Implications of School Writing for the Role of Personal Themes in Life Review***

Judith Levin, PhD, Lecturer, English Department, Creighton University, Omaha, NE, USA

#### ***Family Dynamics and Future Time Perspective as Predictors of Reminiscence Functions***

Jeffrey Dean Webster, MEd, Instructor, Psychology Department, Langara College, Vancouver, BC, Canada

#### ***Factors in Life Review Interview with High Spiritual Well-being in Terminally Ill Cancer Patients***

Michiyo Ando, Faculty of Nursing, St. Mary's College, Japan and Tatsuya Morita, MD, Seirei Mikatahara Hospital, Japan

## **Research Poster Session** (continued)

### ***The Pentimento Project: Researching the Lived Experience of Lifestory Writing and Sharing Group Participants***

Michelle Sierpina, PhD, Founding Director, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at the University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB) in Galveston, Adjunct Assistant Professor, UTMB's School of Nursing, Galveston, TX, USA

### ***Integrating Cognitive and Narrative Approaches in Reminiscence Interventions for Depressed Older Adults***

Philippe Cappeliez, PhD, Professor, Psychology Department, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada

### ***The Use of Local Museum Resources for Reminiscence Therapy in Dementia Care***

Lorie Pierce, Founder, Memory-Link Creatives, Heritage Educator, Peel Heritage, Brampton, Ontario, Canada

### ***Proverbs as a Tool to Elicit Reminiscence***

Lynne J. Williams-Hubbard, (PhD Candidate) School of Behavioral and Brain Sciences, University of Texas, Dallas, TX, USA

### ***Guiding Student Reminiscence Projects in a Multicultural Environment: Creating Opportunity from Challenge***

Loriena A Yancura, PhD, Assistant Professor, University of Hawai'i at Manoa, Honolulu, HI, USA

### ***Life Story Writing Classes in A Community College***

Myla Collier, MA, Faculty, Cuesta Emeritus College, San Luis Obispo, CA, USA

### ***Visible Lives - Life Storyboard Activity for Volunteers, Families and Professionals.***

Michelle Sierpina, PhD, Founding Director, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), at the University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB) in Galveston, Adjunct Assistant Professor, UTMB's School of Nursing, Galveston, TX, USA

### ***Life Review Using a Life-Line Technique: Potential Impact in the Long-Term Care Facility***

Seok Won Jin, MSW, Graduate Assistant, Learning Well Resources Team, Fisher Institute for Wellness Management and Gerontology, Ball State University, Muncie, IN, USA

### ***Generativity and Legacy Behavior of Older American Female Veterans***

Stacy E. Whirl, PhD, Psychologist, Brown Center for Children, Providence, Rhode Island, USA and Sharon A. DeVaney, PhD, Professor, Department of Consumer Sciences and Retailing, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA

## **Practice, Educational and Individual Application Poster Session**

### ***Life Review, Turning Points and the Mayor Who Stood Up (A Poster Presentation with Accompanying Video)***

Bernard Timberg, PhD, Associate Professor, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC, USA and Eric Yate Green, MFA, Assistant Professor, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC, USA

### ***Life Portraits: The making and sharing of Memory Boxes across Europe***

Pam Schweitzer, MBE, Director, European Reminiscence Network, London, England

### ***Pentimento Project - Lifestory Writing and Sharing Group Protocols***

Michelle Sierpina, PhD, Founding Director, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), at the University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB) in Galveston, Adjunct Assistant Professor, UTMB's School of Nursing, Galveston, TX, USA

## **Practice, Educational and Individual Application Poster Session (continued)**

### ***The Application of the Creative Drama to Dementia Care: A Case Study of the Intergenerational Reminiscence Project in Japan***

Ryuji Yamazaki, Graduate Student in the Doctoral Course, School of Knowledge Science, Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology, Ishikawa, Japan

### ***Reflecting on Life: Lessons Learned from Challenging Experiences***

Sarah E. Ainsworth, BA, Research Assistant in the Life Story Lab, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, USA

### ***Building Relationships Across Generations through Reciprocal Reminiscence***

Susan Fletcher, MSW, Doctoral student, University of North Carolina School of Social Work and founder of Meet Me There, Inc., Chapel Hill, NC, USA

### ***Life Review Intervention to Improve Social and Psychological Function of African and Caribbean American Older Adults***

Sharon E. McKenzie, PhD, CTRS, NYU School of Medicine, Silberstein Aging & Dementia Research Center, New York, NY, USA

### ***Gender Difference as a Predictor for Older Adult Participants in Autobiography Writing in Taiwan***

Su-fen Liu, EdD, Assistant Professor, General Education Center, National Pingtung Institute of Commerce, Pingtung, Taiwan

### ***"Life is Beautiful": Remembering the Past Among Persons with Early-Stage Dementia***

Towako Katsuno, RN, PhD, Professor, Head of Gerontological Nursing, Faculty of Health Sciences, Tokyo Metropolitan University, Tokyo, Japan

### ***Satisfaction Survey of Elderly Clients and Families Hiring a Memoirist***

Mary O'Brien Tyrrell, MPH, BSN, Memoirs, Inc., Minneapolis, MN, USA

### ***Regret in Life-Cycle Decision Making: A Methodology***

Kenneth D. Feigenbaum, PhD, Adjunct Faculty, School of Undergraduate Studies, University of Maryland University College, (U.M.U.C.), Adelphi, MD, USA

### ***Group Reminiscence in Collaboration with Historical Museum - Can Group Reminiscence in Nostalgic Atmosphere help the Elderly to Share Therapeutic Memories?***

Yoshiaki Sone, PhD, Professor, Department of Interdisciplinary Studies for Advanced Aged Society, Division of Human Life Science, Osaka City University Graduate School, Osaka, Japan

### ***The Effect of Group Reminiscence in Nostalgic Room for Mildly Demented Elderly(1)***

Miki Shinoda, PhD, Associate Professor, Department of Social Services and Clinical Psychology, Division of Human Life Science, Osaka City University Graduate School, Osaka, Japan

### ***The Effect of Group Reminiscence in Nostalgic Room for Mildly Demented Elderly(2)***

Yoshiaki Sone, PhD, Professor, Department of Interdisciplinary Studies for Advanced Aged Society, Division of Human Life Science, Osaka City University Graduate School, Osaka, Japan

### ***Creativity Continuum - Lifestory, Storyboard and TimeSlips® Story Groups***

Michelle Sierpina, PhD, Founding Director, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), at the University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB) in Galveston, Adjunct Assistant Professor, UTMB's School of Nursing, Galveston, TX, USA

### ***From Oral History to History in Print: A Dual Approach***

Jerry L. Curtis, PhD, Associate Professor of French, Newark Campus, Ohio State University, Newark, OH, USA and Shirley J. Curtis, MSW, LSW, Medical Social Worker, Heartland Home Health Care and Hospice, Columbus, OH, USA

### ***Validation Groups: Reminiscence and Life Review Required***

Stephen Karl Klotz, CVT, Validation Director, Country Meadows Retirement Communities, Hershey, PA, USA

### ***Understanding the Role of Ancestral Stories in Reminiscence Work***

Diana Taylor, PhD, Clinical Psychologist, Faculty and Robin Mintzer, PhD, Clinical Psychologist, Faculty at Chapman University, Pepperdine, Wolverhampton University, England Jungian Institute, Zurich and Autobiographical Studies Center, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA, USA

# Pre-Conference Sessions

## Full Day Intensive (9:00 AM - 4:00 PM)

Cost: \$99 US

### Enacting Narratives: A New Dimension of Life Review - Limited to 22

Marvin J. Westwood, PhD, Professor, Department of Educational and Counselling Psychology and Special Education, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C., Canada

## Half Day Intensive

Cost: \$59 US

9:00 AM - Noon

### Reminiscence Theatre: Making Theatre from Memories

Pam Schweitzer, Director, European Reminiscence Network, London, England

### Transformational Reminiscence - Limited to 40

Florence Gray-Soltys, MSW, School of Social Work and University of North Carolina Medicine, Chapel Hill, NC, USA and John Kunz, MS, Program Manager II, Center for Continuing Education/Extension, UW-Superior, Superior, WI, USA

### Introduction to the LIM: Life-Line Interview Method - Limited to 25

Johannes JF Schroots, PhD, Project Leader of the Amsterdam Longitudinal Study of Autobiographical Memory, Department of Psychology, Free University Amsterdam, The Netherlands

### Japanese Advances in Reminiscence and Life Review - Limited to 25

Will be presented in Japanese and translated into English

Toyoko Nomura, PhD, Professor, Life Design Department, Toyo University, Tokyo, Japan

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

### Remembering Yesterday, Caring Today: A Reminiscence Project of the European Reminiscence Network for People with Dementia and Family Carers

Pam Schweitzer, Director, European Reminiscence Network, London, England

### Guided Autobiography: Enriching Lives and Enhancing Mental Activity in the Second Half of Life - Limited to 40

James E. Birren, PhD, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, USA and Cheryl Svensson, PhD, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, USA

### Integrating Reminiscence Therapy in Seniors' Residential Homes - Prague Experience - Limited to 25

Hana Janeckova, Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education, Prague, Czech Republic

### Experimental Intervention with Life Review in Depressive Older Adults in Spain - Limited to 25

Will be presented in Spanish and translated to English

Juan Pedro Serrano Selva, PhD, Department of Psychology, University of Castilla La-Mancha, Regional Center of Biomedical Research (CRIB), Spain

Visit our website at: [www.reminiscenceandlifereview.org](http://www.reminiscenceandlifereview.org) for preconference intensive descriptions, learner objectives and presenter biography.

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Early Registration Fee (Before September 30, 2007)	\$160.00	_____
Regular Conference Fee (Between September 30, 2007 & October 30, 2007)	\$185.00	_____
Late Conference Registration Fee (After October 30, 2007)	\$210.00	_____
Full-time Student Fee	\$90.00	_____
Preconference sessions (Half Day)	\$59.00	_____
Preconference Session (Full Day)	\$99.00	_____
Box Lunch on Friday (11/16/07)	\$13.00	_____

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2005 Conference Proceedings Book	\$20.00	_____
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## **Conference Location and Accommodations**

All conference activities will be held at the Hotel Whitcomb (Formally Ramada Plaza), 1231 Market Street, San Francisco, CA, USA. Reservations can be made by calling 800-227-4747 or the hotel directly at (415) 626-8000. In order to receive special rates you must specify that you are attending this conference. Our block of rooms is under Int'l Reminiscence Life Review. Our rates from 11/15/07 - 11/18/07 will be \$95/night. Hotel parking is also available for \$28/day + tax. Reservations **must** be received on or before Monday, October 15, 2007. View hotel website at: [www.hotelwhitcomb.com](http://www.hotelwhitcomb.com).

Transportation: The hotel is located on the Civic Center BART (train system) which goes directly to/from SFO Airport in 30 minutes for \$6 a person one way. To check schedule & prices go to: [www.bart.gov](http://www.bart.gov). You can also use the Lorries Shuttle Service at a cost of \$15 to \$18 per person one way or by taxi for a cost of \$35 to \$40 one way.

## **Announcing the 2007 International Institute for Reminiscence and Life Review Award Winners:**

**Peter Coleman • The Robert Butler and Myrna Lewis Exemplar Research Award**  
**Barbara Haight • The James and Betty Birren Exemplar Practice Award**

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### **Conference Mission**

The conference mission is to bring together the wide range of individuals who are utilizing or would like to utilize reminiscence and life review in their work in order to further define and expand the field in the areas of research, theory, practice, education and everyday use across the lifespan. Those attending may include physicians, social workers, nurses, psychologists, counselors, social service employees, educators, home care providers, activity professionals, oral historians, life narrative scholars, journalists, performing arts professionals, music and art therapists, clergy, chaplains, administrators, students, volunteers and other interested parties.



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