Research in the Wild: Application of Family and Social Science Research

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Welcome

On behalf of all of us here on the SECFR board, welcome to Charlotte! This conference is a way for students, researchers, practitioners, and educators to come together for an exchange of ideas. We appreciate the time and energy you have put into traveling to be with us. We hope that you will leave this conference with new friends and connections, as well as a refreshed sense of working with families. We also hope that you will put some thought into joining us on the board, to help us enhance our region’s programming and conference experience next year. Thank you, and we will see you in session.

SECFR is the largest region of the NCFR affiliates; encompassing nine states in Southeast United States. We would love to hear what great things you are doing in your community and how you are making a difference in the lives of families. Please feel free to approach any of the Executive Board members or visit our registration table to introduce yourself and let us know how you would like to be involved. We are grateful for your fine work for our families in the Southeast.
In Memoriam:
Lane Powell, PhD
1941 -2016

Dr. Lane Powell was a champion of family life education for her entire career. She loved people and life as evidenced by her enthusiastic, happy disposition and compassionate nature. She was a loving light to everyone she met or worked with and her laughter was contagious.

Dr. Powell was a professor at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama and Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas. She received numerous awards and recognitions from the institutions for which she worked and her long-time involvement with NCFR. In 2007 she received the Meritorious Service to Families Award from NCFR. She was honored by Samford for her work as department chair and in developing the Human Development and Family Studies program at Samford. She was also an author for the undergraduate text book Family Life Education. Dr. Powell and her husband Bob, a pastoral counselor, were very involved in marriage-enrichment education programs.

Even in her retirement, Dr. Powell stayed actively involved in family life education. She volunteered and served on the board for the Southeastern Council on Family Relations (SECFR) from 2014 to Spring of 2016. She also authored two short, illustrated, easy-to-read books for parents called Parenting Secrets: Lots of Ways You can Increase Your Child's Intelligence, Happiness and Chances in Life. Book 1 is focused on children birth to three years and book two is focused on children from four years to preteen. These books were designed to meet the needs of busy parents who have little to no experience with children and need some quick, basic parenting principles to apply in daily life.

Dr. Powell was a rare example of what it means to live a life that integrates the principles of family life education, a strong faith in God and compassion for all humanity. Thank you Dr. Powell for leaving your loving legacy with us.
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Conference Schedule

Thursday, March 16, 2017

1:00 pm—5:00 pm CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

5:00 pm - 7:00pm WELCOME RECEPTION

Friday, March 17, 2017

8:00am—4:00 pm CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
Room: LOBBY

8:00am—4:00 pm OPENING REMARKS
Room: CAROLINA ALL

9:00am-10:00am CONCURRENT SESSION 1

**Theme 1: Diverse Family Relationships**
Room: CAROLINA A

1. “Mediating the Co-Parenting Issues of Unmarried-Non-Residential Parents.”
   Mary Langenbrunner and Jamie Branam Kridler
   East Tennessee State University

2. “Constellations of Dyadic Relationship Quality in Stepfamilies: A Factor Mixture Model”
   Todd Jensen
   University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

**Theme 2: Couple Relationships**
Room: CAROLINA B

1. “Southern Romance: Relationship Quality, Consensus, and Context among Couples in the Gulf States.”
   Victor Harris, Brad Sewell and Sengupta Prami
   University of Florida

   Sengupta Prami, Victor Harris and Brad Sewell
   University of Florida

3. “Hurricanes and Happiness: Relationship Quality and Consensus among Florida’s Coastal Couples.”
   Brad Sewell, Victor Harris and Prami Sengupta
   University of Florida

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Theme 2: Couple Relationships CONTINUED...
   Victor Harris and Brad Sewell
   University of Florida

   Stephanie Toelle, Victor Harris and Katelyn Goode
   University of Florida

10:15-11:15am
CONCURRENT SESSIONS 2
Theme 1: Policy and Family
Room: CAROLINA A
1. “Personal Responsibility Education Program: Let’s Talk About Sex”
   Rachel Parker
   Georgia Southern University

2. “Explaining Employment Patterns of Mothers with Preschool Children in Kazakhstan: Constraints, Attitudes, and Policy Implications”
   Aimzhan Iztayeva
   University of Minnesota

Theme 2: Parenting
Room: CAROLINA B
1. “Maternal Psychological Control and Adolescents' Psychosocial Outcomes in China and Korea.”
   Sun-A Lee, Shanhong Luo and Anjenette Holmes
   University of Louisiana at Lafayette, UNC Wilmington

2. “Association between Children’s Materialistic and Non-Materialistic Values and their Interpersonal Relationships.”
   Uzama Price, Erica Martin, Katelyn Stone, Dabin Jeong, Elisa Mercon Vargas, and Lia O’Brien
   UNC Greensboro

11:15-12:00pm
POSTER SESSION I
Room: LOBBY
1. “Venturing Into the Wild Side: Extending our Multicultural Competence.”
   Celeste Hill, Clara Gerhardt, Kristie Chandler and Natalie Marshall
   Samford University

2. “Single Mother Families: An Interactionist Perspective to Promote Cognitive Functioning in Middle Childhood.”
   Lailatul Ali Husin and Brenda Lohman
   Iowa State University

3. “Parenthood or Freedom?: Gender, Family, Religion and Love Influences.”
   Brandi Bragg, Joyce Chang and David Knox
   East Carolina University, University of Central Missouri
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POSTER SESSION 1 CONTINUED...

4. “Sex Isn’t Just For Young Adults”
   Amanda Catron
   Georgia Southern University

5. “African American and Latino college students' attitudes toward marriage and cohabitation: An investigation of gender difference.”
   Nikita Smith, Antoinette Landor and Katharine Zeiders
   University of Missouri, University of Arizona

6. “Skin Tone Bias: Understanding Links Between Perceived Skin Tone and Personal Attributes In African American and Latino Young Adults.”
   Kathleen Holloway, Antoinette Landor and Katharine Zeiders
   University of Missouri, University of Arizona

7. “The Effects of Students’ Major on their Attitude toward Same-Sex Parenting.”
   Jamie Collins and Sun-A Lee
   University of Louisiana at Lafayette

8. “Responding to Sexuality Development in Young Children: Does Religiosity Matter?”
   Helyne Frederick and Crystal Glover
   Winthrop University

   Jewell Adams, Jaelyn Nixon, Jennifer Ross and Yvonne Caldera Caldera
   Tuskegee University, Texas Tech University

10. “An Examination of Individual Perceptions of Trust and Couple Quality among Incarcerated Individuals.”
    Ericka Espejo, Mona Sims, Antoinette Litz, Debra McLauchlin, Yuliana Rodriguez, Kate Taylor Harcourt and Francesca Adler-Baeder
    East Carolina University, Auburn University

    Alice Long and Alisha Hardman
    Mississippi State University

12. “Exploring the Connections between Culturally Responsive Teaching, Teacher Efficacy, and Teacher Preparation.”
    Shan Jiang
    University of Tennessee

    Brooke Welch and Patricia Roberson
    University of Tennessee-Knoxville

12:00pm-1:00pm
LUNCH
Room: CAROLINA ALL
1:00pm-2:30pm
KEYNOTE PLENARY

“The Family Life Educator: An Important Piece of the Family Life Education Puzzle”
    Sharon Ballard
    East Carolina University
Friday, March 17, 2017

2:45pm-3:45pm
CONCURRENT SESSION 3

Theme 1: Final Stages of Life
Room: CAROLINA A

   Jennifer Zorotovich
   Georgia Southern University

2. “#RIP: Maintaining bonds with the deceased on Facebook”
   Lisa Moyer, Desiree Johnson, Brittany Davis and Jonte Sowell
   Winthrop University

Theme 2: Families and Health
Room: CAROLINA B

1. “Advancing resilience in adolescents with complex heart disease: An innovative university-community partnership experience.”
   Priti Desai and Jordan Horn
   East Carolina University

2. “Education and training implications for enhancing child life role to promote developmentally supportive family centered care in neonatal intensive care units.”
   Priti Desai, Natalia Sira and Jessica Smith
   East Carolina University, Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh of UPMC

4:00pm-5:00pm
CONCURRENT SESSION 4

Theme 1: Family Life Education
Room: CAROLINA A

1. “Family Workshops in Residential Treatment”
   Ashlie Lester
   University of Missouri

2. “Integrating Relationship Education: Practical Implications for direct service providers”
   Jennifer L. Gonyea, A. Laura Arnold and Robyn Cenizal
   University of Georgia, National Resource Center for Healthy Marriage and Families

Theme 2: Minority Families
Room: CAROLINA B

1. “Communicating with Children about Parental Incarceration”
   Latrice Burgess
   Georgia Southern University

   Megan Barolet-Fogarty
   University of Delaware

3. “Cultural Assimilation: African American Women’s Membership to Multiple Subcultures.”
   Nikkolette Owens
   Georgia Southern University
Saturday, March 18, 2017

8:00am-10:00am
CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

8:30am- 9:45am
POSTER SESSION 2
Room: LOBBY

1. “Reasons for Having Sex Among Emerging Adults: A Developmental Perspective.”
   Kayley Davis and Spencer Olmstead
   University of Tennessee-Knoxville

   Candace Cunningham, Antoinette Landor and Katharine Zeiders
   University of Missouri-Columbia, University of Arizona

   Aubrey Southerland and Patricia Roberson
   University of Tennessee-Knoxville

   Hannah Mitchell and Patricia Roberson
   University of Tennessee-Knoxville

7. “Family and Genetic History for ER+ Breast Cancer Patients: A Replication in Appalachia”
   Alexandra Buccelli and Patricia Roberson

   Kristie Chandler, Clara Gerhardt, Celeste Hill and Jonathan Davis
   Samford University

9. “Managing Fatigue in Parents with Multiple Sclerosis”
   Adam West and Darbi Haynes-Lawrence
   Western Kentucky University

    Jordan Gale, Azanique Rawl, Molly Plount, Alexis Evans, Kate Harcourt, Yuliana Rodriguez and Francesca Alder-Baeder
    East Carolina University, Auburn University

11. “Beyond my wildest dreams: Community Bread Baking and International Service Learning.”
    Lily Leath, Clara Gerhardt, Kristie Chandler and Celeste Hill
    Samford University

    Devynne Roahrig, Emily Bauer, Olivia Cole, Alissa Hansen, Dominique Holdo, Kristie Chandler, Celeste Hill and Clara Gerhardt
    Samford University

    Haillie Bowles, Mary Emma Campbell, Millie Durden, Melissa Junkins, Kristie Chandler, Celeste Hill and Clara Gerhardt
    Samford University

    Milicia Tedder and Delores Smith
    University of Tennessee-Knoxville
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10:00am-11:15am
CONCURRENТ SESSION 5

Theme 1: Self-Care
Room: CAROLINA A

   Emily Schulz
   A.T. Still University

2. “RELAX: Alternatives to Anger”
   Holly Tiret and Suzanne Pish

Theme 2: Pedagogy in Family Science
Room: CAROLINA B

1. “Incorporating Trauma Informed Care into the Classroom: Using Trauma Research to Train Family Professionals.”
   Julia Bernard
   East Tennessee State University

   Clara Gerhardt, Celeste Hill, Kristie Chandler and Natalie Marshall
   Samford University

   Janeal White
   McNeese State University

11:30am-12:00pm
Awards and Installation of New Officers
Room: CAROLINA A,LL

12:00pm-2:00pm
SECFR Board Meeting (incoming and outgoing members)

THANK YOU
AND
TRAVEL SAFE HOME!
KEYNOTE PLENARY:

“The Family Life Educator: An Important Piece of the Family Life Education Puzzle”

Dr. Sharon M. Ballard is in her seventeenth year at East Carolina University (ECU) in Greenville, North Carolina where she is an associate professor and department chair of the department of Human Development and Family Science. Prior to pursuing her graduate work in Child and Family Studies at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, she taught Family and Consumer Sciences at the middle and high school level for six years. Sharon has been a certified family life educator (CFLE) through NCFR since 1998. She was a founding member of the CFLE advisory committee, serving as chair of the committee from 2009-2011, was awarded the CFLE recognition award in 2012, and the Margaret E. Arcus Outstanding Family Life Educator award in 2016. Sharon’s primary research interest is family life education programming, particularly parent education and sexuality education. Sharon has over 40 published journal articles and book chapters, including her co-edited book Family Life Education with Diverse Populations and over 60 state, national, and international presentations.
**For CAROLINA ALL, Carolina A, B, & C will be combined into one room***
Feeding the Future: Sowing Seeds for Growth and Development

LOCAL IMPACT

Collecting books to donate to a Bilingual Preschool in Charlotte. Books can be in Spanish or English.

GLOBAL IMPACT

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