# **2016 ACAAA ANNUAL CONFERENCE**



# **TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2016**

10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. • Pre-Conference Sessions

• Coffee & tea will be available in the hallway prior to the session •

## **Training for Community Action Boards of Directors**

Silver City 1

 ${\it Presenter: Veronica Zhang, CAPLAW}$ 

#### **Nuts and Bolts of Board Governance**

CAA boards are being held to increasingly high standards of accountability in their exercise of effective financial oversight and stewardship and their ability to comply with the many laws and regulations that apply to their CAAs' operations. In this case study-based session, we will: (1) Discuss the nuts and bolts of tripartite board composition and selection; (2) Explore how CAAs can conduct effective board meetings, and (3) Examine the board's roles and responsibilities in navigating gray areas of organizational leadership, including conflicts of interest, internal and external communications, and compliance with organizational policies.

Training for Direct Service Staff: Family Development, Case Management, Head Start Family Engagement, etc.

Presenter: Dr. Barbara Mooney

#### **Introducing an Effective Approach to Help-Giving**

Silver City 4

Helping families work towards self-sufficiency can feel like an impossible task. Frontline workers are often frustrated with their failed attempts to impact change in a family situation. Traditional approaches to help-giving just don't work and leave both the family and worker frustrated. In this session, frontline staff will be introduced to a strengths-based approach to help-giving by reviewing the Effective Help Giving Cycle. Participants will reflect on what staff skills truly lead to empowered families and how to develop these skills.

12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. LUNCH

Silver City 5, 6, & 7

The (2Gen) Framework

Speaker: Paige Teegarden, VP of Strategic Initiatives; Garrett County Community Action

Two-generation approaches focus on creating opportunities for and addressing needs of both vulnerable children and their parents together.

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Registration Table Volunteer Training

Huntersvile - 1005

Trainers: Rebecca Reynolds and John Moran Conference Tote Bag and Registration Preparations

3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Early Registration

Razorback East / West

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. ACAAA Board Meeting and Dinner

Blue Dog Dining Room



7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION

Razorback East / West

#### **VISIT SELFIE STATIONS!** VISIT EXHIBIT TABLES! **BID ON SILENT AUCTION ITEMS!**

Morning coffee is available in Razorback East / West

Hallway & Silver City 5 − 7

8:00 a.m. - 8:55 a.m.

**ACAAA LIHEAP Affiliate Meeting** 

Silver City 1

Chairs: Blaine Lawrence, OOI & Shiandra Luckett, PBJCEOC Arkansas DHS DCO Representative: Shirley Mason, LIHEAP

Manager

**Early Childhood Development Programs Networking** 

Silver City 2

**Meeting** • Facilitators: Cindy Griever, SEACAC &

Terri Beard, OOI (Invited)

9:00 a.m. - 9:55 a.m.

**TEFAP and Food Banks Networking Meeting** 

Silver City 1

Facilitators: Audra Butler, ARVAC & Ted Clemons, C-SCDC Arkansas DHS DCO Representative: Jim Ponzini, Commodity

Distribution Unit Program Administrator

**Housing and ESG Programs Networking Meeting** 

Silver City 2

Facilitator: Terry Bearden, ACAAA

10:00 a.m. - 10:55 a.m.

**ACAAA Human Resources Affiliate Meeting** 

Silver City 1

Chair: Amanda Atkinson, ARVAC

**ACAAA NCRT/NCRI Affiliate Meeting** 

Silver City 2

Facilitators: Dr. Barbara Mooney, ANCRT, and

Terry Bearden, ACAAA

11:00 a.m. - 11:55 a.m.

**ACAAA Fiscal Affiliate Meeting** 

Silver City 1

Chairs: Shirley Richesin, OOI & James White, CADC Arkansas DHS DCO Representative: Beverly Buchanan,

DHS/DCO CSBG Unit Manager

Family Development / Case Management

Silver City 2

**Networking Meeting** 

Facilitators: Dr. Barbara Mooney, ANCRT, and

Terry Bearden, ACAAA

12:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

ACAAA ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON

Silver City 5 − 7



Rebecca Reynolds, Executive Director, ACAAA

#### Invocation

Leon Massey, Former Executive Director, CSO

#### **Introduction of Speaker**

Tim Wooldridge, CRDC





#### **Guest Speaker:**

**Arkansas Lieutenant Governor Tim Griffin** 

## Region VI Administration for Children & Families Update

Mae Frances Rowlett, Region VI ACF



ACAAA Action Awards for Outstanding Progress Towards Self-Sufficiency

Mae Frances Rowlett, Region VI ACF - Emcee

# **Charles F. Cunningham Leadership Award**

Presented by Charles F. Cunningham

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

# **OPENING GENERAL SESSION**

Silver City 1 – 4

#### **Greetings and Conference Overview**

Rebecca Reynolds, ACAAA Executive Director

## **Arkansas Department of Human Services Update**

Mary Franklin, Interim Director, Arkansas DHS Division of County Operations

& Lorie Williams, Assistant Director, AR DHS DCO Office of Community Services

# **Introduction of Speaker**

Rebecca Reynolds, ACAAA

# "Uniting to Fight Poverty" - Opening Session Address

*Greg Kaufmann*, Senior Fellow, Center for American Progress and Editor, *TalkPoverty.org* 

#### **Community Action Partnership Update**

Denise Harlow, CEO, Community Action Partnership

#### **ROMA Next Gen Update**

*Dr. Barbara Mooney*, Research Fellow, National Association of State Community Services Programs & Director, Association of Nationally Certified ROMA Trainers

**THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2016** 

T-SWRT DAY! Wear your AGAAA f-sbirt!

8:00 a.m. - noon

Registration

Razorback East & West

7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**VISIT EXHIBIT TABLES! VISIT SELFIE STATIONS!** 

Hallway & Silver City 5 – 7

7:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

BID ON SILENT AUCTION ITEMS!

AUCTION CLOSES AT 9:00 P.M.!

Silver City 5 − 7



# **CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS**

9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Oh, the Places You'll Go! —

Maximizing Your Strategic Plan

**Vision & Direction** 

Silver City 1

Denise Harlow, CAP

How to Be Great at Rating a Trait! -

**Administrative** 

Performance Management: Beyond the

Silver City 2

Evaluation • Kimara P. Preston, MBA,CHAM,

SHRM-CP, PHR; Platinum HR Consulting

**Direct Service** 

Hop on Pop — *Utilizing a Two-Generational Approach*Paige Teegarden, Garrett County Community Action

Silver City 3

I Had Trouble in Getting to Solla Sollew —

**Direct Service** 

Transportation for Rural Communities
Billy Altom, Association of Programs for

for

Silver City 4

Rural Independent Living

I Can Read with My Eyes Shut! -

**Connecting the Dots** 

**Resources for Arkansans with Disabilities**Dr. Keith Vire, Arkansas Support Network

Arkansas Traveler (2nd floor)

10:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

**Beverage and Snack Break** 

Razorback East / West

10:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

The Cat in the Hat Comes Back —

**Vision & Direction** 

ROMA Next Gen • Terry Bearden, NCRMT, ACAAA

Silver City 1

Silver City 2

If I Ran the Circus —

Administrative

Human Resources: What to Watch

Carolyn Witherspoon, Esq.; Cross, Gunter,

Witherspoon & Galchus

Direct Service

Kay Joiner, Arkansas Economic Development Commission

Silver City 3

No Laughing Matter — Substance Abuse 101

Fox in Socks — Weatherization Plus Health

Margaret Pinder, Ed.D., Nostos Seminars

**Direct Service**Silver City 4

One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish —

**Connecting the Dots** 

**Equal Justice** • *Amy Johnson*, Arkansas Access to Justice Commission, and *Dustin Duke*, Center for

Arkansas Legal Services

Arkansas Traveler (2nd floor)

12:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

LUNCHEON

Silver City 5, 6, 7

**Invocation** • Rev. Marie Maynard O'Connell

Lunch

**Memorial Service** 

Toby Atkinson, OOI Executive Director & ACAAA Board President



12:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

# **LUNCHEON** (cont.)

Silver City 5, 6, 7

Recognition of Retirees • Toby Atkinson, OOI

Luncheon Address: "Roaring Fires, Flickering Flames, Dying Embers Or Cold Ashes?" Charles Petty, CSP, CPAE, Ph.D.

## **CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS**

Tamika Edwards, Senior Policy Analyst, and

2:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Horton Hears a Who, What and How of Advocacy

**Vision & Direction** 

Silver City 1

Kerri Sernel, Outreach Director, Arkansas Advocates for Children & Families

Thing One Plus Thing Two Equals Thing Three — **Preparing for Your Audit** 

**Administrative** 

Silver City 2

Kyle Elmore, CPA, BKD, LLP

You're Only Old Once! -

**Direct Service** 

Senior Services - Forming Programs That Work

Susan Moore & Tim Ensley, OHC; and Mary Vickers,

Silver City 3

CADC Bryant Senior Wellness and Activity Center

And to Think I Saw It on Mulberry Street -Building Assets from the Ground Up

**Connecting the Dots** Silver City 4

Karen Phillips, C-SCDC Housing and Asset Development Center

Nothing to Joke About —

**Connecting the Dots** 

**Domestic Violence Dynamics** 

Arkansas Traveler

Beth Goodrich, Coalition Against Domestic Violence

3:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

**Beverage & Snack Break** 

Razorback East / West

3:45 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

One Dollar, Two Dollar, Old Dollar, New Dollar -Introduction to Nonprofit Fundraising

**Vision & Direction** 

Silver City 1

Rebecca Reynolds, ACAAA

On Beyond Zebra! -

**Administrative** 

What's New in Community Action?

Silver City 2

Margaret Pinder, Ed.D., Nostos Seminars; Rebecca Hanlin, OOI SUCCESS Program; Melissa McWilliams & Tiffany

Caldwell, CAPCA Project Homeless Connect

The Science of Triumphs with Clients —

**Direct Service** 

Integrating Financial Empowerment in

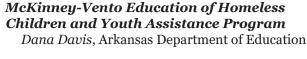
Silver City 3

Silver City 4

**Community Action** • Mae Frances Rowlett; Region VI ACF

Oh, the Thinks You Can Think!

**Direct Service** 





#### Re-Tweeting the Sneetches -

Utilizing Technology and Social Media

Terry Bearden & John Moran, ACAAA; and Robin Freeman, CADC

#### **Connecting the Dots**

Arkansas Traveler (2nd floor)

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

# **ACAAA ANNUAL MIXER**

Silver City 5, 6, 7

Ticketed Event - Info at Registration Table

MEXICAN FIESTA DINNER BUFFET! • LIVE BAND: FREEVERSE!
SILENT AUCTION RESULTS • CASH BAR — PLUS SIGNATURE DRINKS!

# FRIDAY, MAY 27, 2016

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Closing Session and Annual CSBG Training

Silver City 1 – 4

8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

Legislative Update

David Bradley, Executive Director, National Community Action Foundation

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**Annual CSBG Training Session** 

Beverly Buchanan, AR DHS CSBG Unit Manager

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Closing Session** 

CAPPY Awards - Mae Frances Rowlett, Emcee

Best Performance in a Leading Role

Best Performance in a Supporting Role

**Best Production** 

AWARDS!

#### **Grand Prize & \$100 Bill Drawings Announcements**

Rebecca Reynolds, ACAAA

ACAAA Salutes Community Action Staffers & Board Members

Masters of maximizing resources in order to achieve amazing results!

