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**From the CEO:**

I had a very special gift of being together with my father last week as he celebrated his 92nd birthday. After months of strict precautions to avoid exposure to COVID-19, we could tell he was lonely and frustrated by the social isolation. We felt it was necessary to visit in-person, and I made sure we both wore masks and spent as much time as possible outdoors.

Still possessing an amazingly sharp mind, it was wonderful to hear him tell stories of his childhood. He recalled stories his grandmother told about her upbringing during the Civil War. He recalled a story about an Aunt who died from the Spanish Flu. He told of milk being delivered in the early morning by a horse cart. He proudly shared the story of saving a drowning child when he worked as a lifeguard at the Buffalo, NY city pool during high school.

Statistics tell me I have been blessed with a father who has far surpassed the average for a healthy mind and body. Thus, I maintain an especially grateful heart this Father’s Day.
And, I extend my sincere appreciation to each of you who care as an NCCAP Professional for the men and women who were, and will always be, our teachers, mentors, guides, friends, and parents.

Sincerely,

Peter Illig, NCCAP CEO

#Activities Strong Virtual Summit

NCCAP is proud to be a partner supporting the #ActivitiesStrong Virtual Summit on June 23rd hosted by Linked Senior!

Confirmed speakers so far include:

- Ashton Applewhite, Author, Activist and Ageism Expert
- Anne Basting, Founder and President, TimeSlips
Compassion Fatigue Webinar: How to deal with the caregiving stresses of COVID19.

ARTDO International is honored to host an educational webinar for Activity Professionals and all caregivers on the important topic of compassion fatigue across all care settings.

Karl LaRowe MA, LCSW, and Dawn Worsley ADC, MC, EDU are co-presenters who will share practical solutions to deal with the unprecedented stress experienced by caregivers in the frontlines of the COVID-19 crisis.

Date: Tuesday, June 30, 2020, from 8-9 pm Est.

Upon registration, you will receive an email confirmation with the details for joining this Webinar. REGISTER HERE.

Continuing Education: ARTDO International will issue a certificate for 1 CE hour approved by NCCAP for this Webinar.

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

Karl D. LaRowe M.A., LCSW
A lifetime member of ARTDO International, Licensed Mental Health Professional, International Speaker, Trainer, Consultant, and Author. Karl earned his Masters Degree from the School of Social Service Administration, University of Chicago, and is licensed as a Clinical Social Worker and certified Mental Health Examiner. He has extensive experience as a crisis intervention specialist and therapist, program manager, clinical director, and expert witness. Over the past 18 years, he has given nearly 1,000 workshops to more than 50,000 professionals on three continents on how to transform the stress and exhaustion of compassion fatigue into
energy and empowerment. His authored work can be found at [http://www.compassionstrengths.com/Emotional_First_Aid.html](http://www.compassionstrengths.com/Emotional_First_Aid.html)

Dawn Worsley, ADC, MC, EDU, NCCAP President. Dawn serves on a variety of boards including her 2nd term as President of NCCAP. Dawn is Activity Director Certified (ADC) with NCCAP, a Certified Eden Alternative Associate, Certified Dementia Practitioner (CDP), and NCCAP Licensed Instructor. In addition to serving as an Activity Director, Corporate Program Development and Consultant, Admissions & Marketing, Director of Alzheimer's and Gero-psych units, and serves as a Regional Clinical Specialist. A pioneer in long-term and community-based care, she specializes in regulatory compliance, resident rights, and culture change.

**NCCAP Payment Submission Process**

**Please note:** If you or your company are sending in a company’s check, please ensure that you include the NCCAP invoice number in the check memo or attach a copy of the NCCAP invoice. This will allow us to accurately credit your application and remain within the review process time frame. If you have any questions regarding this process contact info@nccap.org

**Extension of National Exam Timeframe—July 31, 2020**

The original extension date was June 30, 2020. Due to the impact of COVID-19 restrictions on the process for taking the NCCAP National Exam, we are again extending the timeframe for all those currently registered to take the Exam until July 31, 2020. We will update this timeframe as necessary.

**SUSPENSION OF FAX FEE:** In order to make it easier to submit renewal documentation via Fax, NCCAP is suspending the $25 Fax Fee. We encourage anyone who can benefit from using a Fax to do so. Our Fax number is (757) 552-0143.

Also, please contact the office if you are experiencing financial hardship or having difficulties obtaining CE hours required for certification renewal.

National Certification Council for Activity Professionals
National Center for Montessori and Aging, 3015 Upton Drive, Suite 103, Kensington, MD 20895
Phone: (757) 552-0653 | Email: info@nccap.org
Renewing Your NCCAP Certification...

Want to learn more about how to renew? Check out the 'How to Renew Your Certification' Video.

It's important to make sure that your correct email is on file so that you receive an email link beginning 4 months before your certification expiration date. If you don't receive this email, please contact the NCCAP office to update your email. You will then be able to renew through the link sent to you from NCCAP via email.

NCCAP is now following an audit process for continuing education.

You will not need to upload your certificates of proof of continuing education clock hours to your online profile on the NCCAP website or mail to the office. If you are chosen for an audit, you will be sent an email within days of your renewal submission and at that time you will be instructed on how to send in your certificates.

When your application for re-certification has been reviewed and approved you will receive your NCCAP certificate as a PDF via email. Contact the office if you wish to have a hard copy of your certificate for a nominal fee at info@nccap.org. Please make sure you add our email to your contacts so our emails do not get blocked as spam.

Apply for the Activity Professional Certification Today!

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Support Our Professional Association...

NAAP provides education, resources, and a voice in unison with NCCAP! NAAP membership is $75 USD/year. Membership runs from the anniversary date for one year.
year. Check out the membership form [here].