

## 2014 GAPNA Foundation Conference Events

This year's annual conference will take place at the Buena Vista Palace Hotel and Spa in Orlando, Florida, September 17-20, 2014. The GAPNA Foundation Board has planned an exciting slate of fundraising and networking activities for conference attendees.

**CASINO NIGHT** - Even though we will NOT be in Las Vegas, the Foundation is planning a Casino night as their main event! Casino Night will be Thursday evening, September 18<sup>th</sup> and the cost for the event will be \$85 per person. That fee will include the evening's entertainment, a cash bar, food and casino chips. There will be a variety of casino games available including Blackjack, Roulette, and Craps tables. Entertainment will be a Disc Jockey and an area for dancing will be available. If you want to attend, you need to sign-up as part of the registration process.

**FUN RUN/WALK (with CE)** - As we do every year, the Foundation will also host the Fun Run-Walk on Friday morning at a cost of \$25.00. Get energized with morning exercise and earn contact hours for listening to a downloadable MP3 recording from the GAPNA Online Library!

Session 201... "Move and Get Your Patients and Residents Moving – Exercise: The Key to Successful Aging" Barbara Resnick, PhD, RN, CRNP, FAAN, FAANP 1.0 contact hour

This MP3 recording will provide you with the tools to motivate your residents and patients and give them the exercise plan and activities that will be safe and beneficial for all.

**GOLF IS BACK!** - For those who love to golf, Florida is a fabulous destination! This year, our golf scramble event will be at the Falcon Fire Golf Club, which is located just 15 minutes away from the hotel. The championship course was designed by Rees Jones and features classic golf architecture with beautifully maintained grounds and year round playing conditions. It has been voted as one of the Best Places to Play Golf by Golf Digest Magazine. This year's tee time will be 1:00pm on Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> and the cost will be \$150 per golfer. Friends and family are welcome to join, so bring your spouse, children and others to join us in this always fun event! Remember, you don't have to be a great golfer; you just need to bring your sense of humor and plan to have fun!

**GAPNA Foundation Awards -** Following our usual tradition, the GAPNA Foundation will be holding a series of fund-raising events at the conference in order to raise money for the foundation. Each year, GAPNA Foundation provides scholarship awards to GAPNA members to fund their scholarly work. The Foundation has consistently awarded Research and Project scholarships for \$2,000 each and \$400 for the Research committee to use for the poster and podium awards. Last year, we also offered an additional scholarship of \$5,000 made possible by a generous donation from the UnitedHealth Group, Center for Nursing Advancement which will be awarded again this next year. All current GAPNA members are eligible and others can apply as long as they apply for GAPNA membership at the same time. Members can only apply for one grant each year. Grant funds must be used strictly for research related expenses and cannot include indirect costs. Once awarded, the grant must be used within the year.