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**THE WELLNESS COMMUNITY OF PHILADELPHIA'S
11TH ANNUAL *CELEBRATION OF HOPE*
EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2009 AT 9:30 A.M.**

Conference Presenting Partner GlaxoSmithKline Oncology, Community Partners AstraZeneca and Merck Oncology Welcome Speakers Sharon W. Goodill, Evelyn González, Diana Dyer and Dan Shapiro

WHAT/WHO: Eleventh annual *Celebration of Hope* educational conference on cancer survivorship. The Philadelphia-based cancer support organization's speakers include associate professor and director at the Hahnemann Creative Arts in Therapy Program at Drexel University, Sharon W. Goodill,* PhD, ADTR, LPC, program director of NCI's Cancer Information Service for the Atlantic Region, Evelyn González,* MA, registered dietitian and author Diana Dyer,* MS, RD, and psychologist, author, cancer survivor and chair of the department of humanities at Penn State's College of Medicine Dan Shapiro,* PhD. Presenting partner: GlaxoSmithKline Oncology, community partners: AstraZeneca and Merck Oncology, radio sponsor: B101 FM, print sponsors: *The Philadelphia Inquirer and Daily News*. **Please call (215) 879-7733 to register, or do so on-line at twcp.org.**

WHERE: Hyatt Regency Philadelphia at Penn's Landing's Grand Ballroom, 201 South Columbus Boulevard, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19106

WHEN: Friday, June 5, 2009 from 9:30 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.

***CELEBRATION OF HOPE* CONFERENCE SCHEDULE:**

9:30 a.m. – Registration and complimentary coffee

10:00 a.m. – Welcome by TWCP program director **Kathleen Coyne** and TWCP participants

10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **Sharon W. Goodill** presents "Moving in Connection, Gathering in Hope." She will lead attendees in a movement choir, a form for expressing and creating community using simple actions and basic patterns.

11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. **Evelyn González** presents, "Lessons Learned about Clinical Trial Participation." She will explain why individuals may be reluctant to participate in clinical trials. **Connie Williams**, cancer survivor, will share her personal experiences of enrolling in a trial.

11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Complimentary lunch. Also at this time, TWCP will present a program for healthcare professionals including nurses and social workers, and continuing education credits will be available. Separate registration is required. Keynote conference speaker Dan Shapiro will lead this professional luncheon which is sponsored by The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Please call Karen Neyer at 215.879.7733 ext. 213 to learn more or visit twcp.org to register. Space is limited.

12:45 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Diana Dyer** presents "Feeding Body and Soul: A Dietitian's Journey of Cancer Survivorship." She will describe her "healing recipe" that has included conventional cancer treatment, diet and lifestyle changes, plus many complementary therapies designed to optimize her cancer recovery and survivorship.

1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. **Dan Shapiro** presents "A Funny Thing Happened on My Way to Chemotherapy," and will describe the importance of connecting to others and maintaining hope when challenged.

The mission of **The Wellness Community of Philadelphia (TWCP)** is to help people affected by cancer enhance their health and well-being through participation in a free professional program of emotional support, education, and hope. TWCP offers programs at Ridgeland in Fairmount Park and limited off-site programs. Please (215) 879-7733, (888) 819-3553, or visit TWCP's website at twcp.org for more information. Reminder: **The Wellness Community of Philadelphia's** grounds and buildings are smoke-free.