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Dear Colleagues & Friends:

You are cordially invited to attend the second annual Long Term Care Forum “**Valuable Tools for Difficult Times**” sponsored by the Long Term Care Insurance Resource Center of Schenectady County.

The Resource Center, funded by the Schenectady County Department of Senior & Long Term Care Services and the New York State Office for Aging, is a consumer and professional resource for impartial information and counseling on Long Term Care and Long Term Care Insurance.

In an effort to support the professionals who serve the aging population, we have developed this important and informative program. Through the Resource Center’s charge to provide community outreach and education, our goal is to help people make informed and timely decisions regarding long term care insurance for themselves.

The Forum will be held on **Tuesday, March 10, 2009**, at the Glen Sanders Mansion in Scotia. Registration and breakfast will begin at 8:15am. The program will start at 9:00am and conclude at 11:00am. Directions to Glen Sanders Mansion are enclosed.

The morning will be divided into three presentations entitled:

Educating Yourself on Medicaid Budgeting Rules

Presenter: Deb Slezak, Elder Law Attorney, Cioffi - Slezak - Wildgrube, PC

Being Prepared to Help Clients with Long Term Care Insurance

Presenter: Katherine Rosenblatt, LMSW, Long Term Care Insurance Specialist

Navigating the VA System

Presenter: Melissa Hogan, Counselor, New York State Division of Veterans’ Affairs

I hope you can join us and look forward to seeing you on the 10th.

Sincerely,

Yvette Gebell,
Interim Manager



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Presents

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The Second Annual Long Term Care Forum
“Valuable Tools for Difficult Times”

Welcome:	Susan Savage, Chair of the Legislature
Speakers:	Deb Slezak, Elder Law Attorney Katherine Rosenblatt, Long Term Care Insurance Specialist Melissa Hogan, State Veterans Counselor <i>(See Speaker Info Sheet)</i>
Date:	Tuesday, March 10 th , 2009
Time:	8:15am - 9:00am – Registration & Breakfast 9:00am - 9:10am – Welcome & Introductions 9:10am - 11:00am – Workshop
Location:	The Glen Sanders Mansion, Grand Salon 1 Glen Avenue, Scotia, NY 12302

Hot Breakfast Buffet will be served!

There is NO FEE to attend this program. Seating is Limited.
Registration is **required by Monday, March 2, 2009**

Please Fax the Registration Response Form to: **(518) 475-9610**
Or Call **(518) 475-9605** to reserve your seat.

REGISTRATION RESPONSE

Name: _____
If registering more than one person, please list all names

Organization: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Number of people attending: _____

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SPEAKER BIOS

Deborah Slezak, Attorney at LawCioffi, Slezak, Wildgrube, PC

Deb’s practice is concentrated primarily in the areas of elder law, guardianship, estate planning and administration. In her 15 years of practice, she has lectured on topics of elder law and estate planning for the NYS Bar Association, businesses and many community groups. She has chaired and lectured at the New York State Bar Association’s Basics of Elder Law program several times as well as for the Advanced Document Drafting for the Elder law Practitioner once. In addition to her private practice, Deb has been the Town Attorney for the Town of Amsterdam since October of 1996. An active community volunteer, she has served on the Board of Directors of the Amsterdam YMCA since 1997 and is past President. Deb is also a member of the New York State Bar Association (Trust and Estate and Elder Law Sections), the Schenectady County and Montgomery County Bar Associations and the Women’s Bar Association of the State of New York. A life long resident of the Capital District, Deb is a graduate of Skidmore College and Albany Law School.

Katherine Rosenblatt, LMSW The Long Term Care Insurance Resource Center
of Schenectady County

Mrs. Rosenblatt is the Long Term Care Insurance Specialist for Albany County. In this position, she provides educational presentations to residents and professionals on long term care planning, financing options and Long Term Care Insurance. In addition, she provides individual counseling services to county residents who are considering LTC Insurance, review an existing policy or advocate on their behalf with an insurance company. Katherine is a Clinical Social Worker, not an insurance agent. Mrs. Rosenblatt has two decades of work experience in health care, including Community Hospice Nursing Home Program and Albany Medical Center serving patients and families. Mrs. Rosenblatt received her Master’s in Social Work from Syracuse University, and has a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology.

Melissa Hogan, State Veterans Counselor New York State Division of Veterans’ Affairs

Ms. Hogan is a State Veterans Counselor with the NY State Division of Veterans Affairs with offices in Schenectady and Columbia Counties. Melissa served for over 20 years in the United States Air Force before returning to New York State to care for an ailing parent. Melissa has an Associates Degree through the Community College of the Air Force and is pursuing a Bachelor’s Degree in Psychology with Park University. Melissa assists veterans and their family members in their pursuit of state and federal veteran’s benefits, such as: compensation, pension, aid and attendance, education, bonuses, annuities and VA Healthcare enrollment.

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DIRECTIONS TO THE GLEN SANDERS MANSION
1 Glen Avenue
Scotia, NY 12302

From Albany:

NYS Thruway, take Exit 25, I-890 West. Take Exit 4C, left at the traffic light, over the bridge, at traffic light, make left and left into our driveway.

From the West:

NYS Thruway, take Exit 26 to I-890 East, take Exit 4B, off the ramp bear to the left and follow sign to Scotia (Route 5) left at traffic light, over the bridge, at traffic light, take left and left into our driveway.

From the North:

I-87 (Northway) take Exit 6 to Route 7 West toward Schenectady. Take I-890 West to Exit 4C, left at the traffic light, over the bridge, at traffic light, make left and then left into our driveway.