The UW-La Crosse Student Occupational Therapy Association and Occupational Therapy Program present the 12th Annual Occupational Therapy Distinguished Lecturers

**Ann O’Sullivan**, OTR/L, LSW, FAOTA & **Catherine Verrier Piersol**, PhD, OTR/L, FAOTA

*Best Practice in Dementia Care: Applying the Evidence in Occupational Therapy Practice to Optimize Performance, Activity Engagement and Quality of Life*

Friday, March 2, 2018
University of Wisconsin– La Crosse Student Union, Grandad Bluff Room

**Ann O’Sullivan** has 40 years of experience in rehabilitation, home health, seating & positioning, management, education, and community settings. She developed and managed the Family Caregiver Support Program at Southern Maine Agency on Aging for the past 16 years, and is currently working with researchers at Emory University to test a web-based platform for the Savvy Caregiver evidence-based program. Ann is a lead trainer for Matter of Balance, Savvy Caregiver, and Savvy Caregiver Advanced. She has contributed 8 chapters to professional texts and had 13 articles published. She presents locally and nationally about family caregivers and dementia and has developed training in dementia care for adult day service staff through a John T. Gorman Foundation grant. Ann was named a Fellow of the American Occupational Therapy Association in 2011 for “tireless leadership in homecare and family caregiving”.

**Dr. Cathy Piersol** is associate professor in the Department of Occupational Therapy and Director of Jefferson Elder Care at Thomas Jefferson University. Jefferson Elder Care seeks to bridge the gap between research and practice by providing evidence-based services in the community to people with dementia and their caregivers with the goal of optimizing participation and promoting quality of life and well-being.

Dr. Piersol is a licensed occupational therapist, educator, and researcher with over 34 years of experience. In addition to current research studies evaluating community-based dementia interventions, she receives funding from the Pew Charitable Trust to implement an evidence-based program for elders with dementia and their caregivers living in the community. Dr. Piersol provides consultation and training to agencies and has presented extensively on best practice in dementia care. She co-authored *A Caregiver’s Guide to Dementia*, and most recently, co-authored the 2017 edition of the *Occupational Therapy Practice Guidelines for Adults with Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Neurocognitive Disorders* and a systematic review of caregiver interventions published in the American Journal of Occupational Therapy.

**At the conclusion of this session, participants will:**

1. Recognize the impact of progressive cognitive loss on functional performance for people living with dementia and strategies for occupational therapy intervention.
2. Explain the important role occupational therapy plays in educating caregivers of people with dementia.
3. Describe the empirical evidence that informs occupational therapy treatment and caregiver training approaches.
4. Apply knowledge and skills to practice when working with people living with dementia and their family caregivers.

**Agenda:**

8:15 am - 9:00 am: Registration

9:00 am - 12:00 pm: Lecture (Part 1)

12:00 pm - 12:45 pm: Lunch

12:45 pm - 2:15 pm: Lecture (Part 2)

2:15 pm - 3:00 pm: Meet & Greet with Presenters
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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Monday, February 19, 2018

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Additional Information

Location:
University of Wisconsin-La Crosse
Student Union/Center, Grandad Bluff Room (#35 on campus map)
521 East Ave North
La Crosse, WI 54601

Directions:
For directions to campus, visit: https://www.uwlax.edu/map/directions.

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Disability Accommodations:
To request disability accommodations, please note on the registration form and/or contact Emilee Mielke at 608-785-6624 or emielke@uwlax.edu.

Area Accommodations:
Arrangements have been made at the GrandStay Hotel & Suites in La Crosse for rooms at a reduced rate of $82/single occupancy for Thursday, March 1, 2018. Rooms are available at the reduced rate until Thursday, February 8, 2018 under “UW-L OT Lecture” on a first come, first serve basis. Call 608-796-1615 to reserve a room. For more information on GrandStay Hotel & Suites in La Crosse, visit: www.grandstaylacrosse.com.

For other area accommodation locations and information, visit: www.explorelacrosse.com.

Continuing Education Hours:
Participants who attend the lecture will receive a certificate of 4.5 hours of continuing education.

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