



News Briefs – February 2007

Livable for a Lifetime

*Applying Universal Design
in homes & communities*

Upcoming Events and Resources

Field Trip: The L4L Steering Committee invites you to join them on a trip to visit the Prince William County (PWC) Universal Design Demonstration House in Bristow, Virginia on February 22. The group will leave from JABA at 674 Hillsdale Drive at 8:00 a.m. and expects to return about 3:00 p.m. A program is being held at the house that day. Toni Clemons-Porter of the Prince William Area Agency on Aging and Leon Harper of AARP will be providing tours and talking about the importance of this effort. The PWC Universal Design Demonstration House was built by Centex Homes at New Bristow Village, 10616 Poagues Battery Drive, as part of an initiative by the Greater PW Coalition for Housing and Universal Design. For more information, you can visit their website at www.pwcgov.org/ud. The web site includes the “Easy Living with Universal Design” handbook that provides guidance on how to modify existing homes and references to help build a home incorporating Universal Design Principles.



The Art of Aging Event: The Art of Aging: A Lifelong Canvas is a community-wide event providing an update of the 2020 Plan for Aging in Community in the Thomas Jefferson Planning District. The Art of Aging Event will take place at Piedmont Virginia Community College (PVCC) on March 8 from 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Participants will have the opportunity to hear informational sessions by experts in the area of aging and sustainable community design, and to join with JABA and other community partners in making this a great place to live at any age. A presentation on Livable for a Lifetime will be offered as a breakout session in the afternoon.

Aging Symposium: The University of Virginia School of Architecture will present this symposium on Friday, March 30 from 3:00 to 6:30 p.m. at the Cavalier Inn. The symposium will draw from the ecoMOD research and design/build project, founded and directed by John Quale, Assistant Professor of Architecture. The primary goal of the project is to produce an ecological, modular, and affordable housing system that incorporates sustainable design strategies while providing comfort and marketability.



For more information, or to join the Livable for a Lifetime initiative, contact Karen Beiber, 2020 Community Planner/Research Coordinator, Jefferson Area Board for Aging, 434.817.5224, kbeiber@jabacares.org

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