### **ElderLaw News**

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ElderLaw News is a monthly e-

newsletter that brings you

Sarisohn Law Partners, LLP offers this monthly newsletter in order to keep you updated in the field of Elder Law.

#### FREE WORKSHOP

Janna P. Visconti, Esq., will be speaking at a WORKSHOP FOR FAMILY CAREGIVERS at Caroline Church in Setauket, New York, on May 22. Please see the enclosed flyer, and RSVP to Julie at Day Haven 631-585-2020 ext 260. This important workshop will give valuable information for support in your caregiving role and help you and your loved one to live with dignity, safety and security.

#### STROKE SUPPORT GROUP

Education and Support 4th Friday of each month Plainview Hospital

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm , Lecture Hall A/B in lower level 516-719-2411 for further information

### DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WITH A CHILD CAR SEAT?

Did you know that 4 out of 5 car seats are installed incorrectly?

Plainview Hospital provides a car seat check-up by certified car seat technicians

Call 516-719-2613 for an appointment.

#### SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

Suffolk SUN is offering a \$500 scholarship to a person or nonprofit corporation who is striving for excellence in the field of geriatrics. The applicant must possess a special quality or be engaged in a project that is worthy of incentive. For more information, you may call Janna P. Visconti, Esq, at 631-543-7667. Applications are due by May 1, 2010.

GOT TIME? The Retired Senior Volunteer Program has dozens of volunteer opportunities for energized adults 55+ throughout Suffolk County. Volunteer placements range from environmental gardening, tour guides, soup kitchens, hospitals, mentoring etc. If you have some community spirit and free time call 631-979-9490 or on the East End 288-0754 for more information. Training, a small travel reimbursement and liability insurance are included with your RSVP volunteerism.

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#### This Month's Articles:

- Health Reform: What Changes Are in Store for the Elderly?
- Letting a Computer Plan Your Estate: Is It Worth the Risk?
- Mature Drivers: To Drive or Not to Drive
- Exchange an Old Annuity or Life Insurance for Long-Term Care Insurance
- · Social Security Calculator Now Available to Delayed Retirees
- \$500 Scholarship Available!!!

# Health Reform: What Changes Are in Store for the Elderly?

After a year of legislative wrangling and premature forecasts of death, historic legislation overhauling the nation's health insurance system has passed the Congress and been signed into law by President Obama. The new law includes the nation's first publicly funded national long-term care insurance program.

# Letting a Computer Plan Your Estate: Is It Worth the Risk?

Many Web sites offer customized, do-it-yourself wills and other estate planning documents. These computer-based services appeal to offer a cost-effective and convenient alternative to visiting an estate planning or elder law attorney. But is online estate planning worth the convenience and initial savings?

# Mature Drivers: To Drive or Not to Drive

Most Americans love their cars. Cars give us mobility and freedom and in many communities are essential because there are few or no alternative forms of transportation. Thus, transportation can be a major challenge to an older person's ability to live independently.

#### Exchange an Old Annuity or Life Insurance for Long-Term Care Insurance

A new law makes the purchase of products that combine annuities or insurance policies with long-term care insurance more attractive. The law also allows owners of annuities or life insurance policies to exchange their old policies for long-term care insurance or hybrid policies without being taxed.

# Social Security Calculator Now Available to Delayed Retirees

Social Security's Retirement Estimator is now available for people who have signed up for Medicare but have not yet signed up for Social Security because they are delaying retirement. The popular calculator allows workers to project what their monthly Social Security benefit will be based on their actual work record.

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Long-Term Care You Can Afford

Taking Over Dad's Checking

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