**“Stories for Change” Action Community Gathering at**

 **GSA Annual Meeting**

***WHEN***: 11/21 (Saturday) at 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Sandpiper Room, Swan Hotel at the Walt Disney World Swan and Dolphin Resort, Orlando FL

***WHAT***: Join together to engage in discussion and planning for 2016 webinars on **harnessing the power of narrative** to promote more informed portrayals of older people and issues they confront, influence the larger societal discourse on aging, and enable Change AGEnts to engage the power of impactful stories to improve the care of older Americans.

***HOW:*** Through our online platform we **invite** **Change AGEnts to be part of our online community**, participate in educational programs on creating powerful stories for change, and/or contribute stories to an archive we will create for enhancing advocacy, fundraising, and empowering care of older adults and their families. The founding members of this action community bring a range of insights into active and emerging areas of gerontology and geriatrics.   We look forward to the robust participation of this group as we explore narratives relating to their areas of expertise which include: creativity, technology, employment and retirement, integrative care, end-of-life and palliative care, aging services and health systems change, and issues related to the needs of special populations.

***WHO***: The “Stories for Change” Action Community co-leaders are Scott Kaiser (scott.kaiser@mptf.com) and Connie Corley (ccorley@fielding.edu). Connect with us for more information or to join our Action Community. Connie will be at the conference starting on Wednesday 11/18 (text or call 323-793-7438)

***WHY?*** “Because we like you!” M-I-C….K-E-Y…. For those who remember the song of the Mickey Mouse Club! Bring your ears... in the meantime watch (you'll see "why"!):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6h2Mg7Til2s>