

## AFDICA Dallas-Fort Worth Members Conduct Their First Money Smart-Older Adults Session!

February 10<sup>th</sup> 2019 was the date for the first Money Smart-Older Adults (MSOA) session presented by DFW members Lewis Hunter and Scott Taylor, and aided by Jim Belich. The session was conducted at the Richardson Church of the Nazarene (to which Lewis is a member.) Fourteen students participated. The session began with a pre-course survey to determine participant knowledge of the topics to be discussed, and followed with the eight core modules of MSOA adults, 1) Common types of Elder Financial Exploitation, 2) Avoiding Charity Scams, 3) Computer/Internet Scams, 4) Identity Theft, 5) Medical Identity Theft, 6) Planning for Unexpected Life Events, 7) Scams that Target Homeowners and 8) Scams that Target Veterans. Four activities were conducted along the session, and was concluded with a post-course survey which indicated a marked improvement in participant knowledge of the topics presented!

As indicated, this was the first Money Smart presentation by DFW members. We are pleased to report the participant evaluations reflected the training was very thorough, informative, and met the course objectives. The evaluations also indicated that some participants felt the course was too long while others felt it was too short. The team will try to find the best medium.

A special shout to Lewis, who really took this first step under his wing and saw it to fruition for the training to occur. It likely wouldn't have happened without his effort! The team has more events planned for March and April, and will be sharing instructor duties so they can leverage instructors for more events. And they are in hopes to get other DFW members to participate. If you have interest in learning more about their experience, please contact you can reach them at Jim Belich jbindallas@msn.com, Lewis Hunter lewis hunter@verizon.net, or Scott Taylor jstcfe@verizon.net

For more photos of the event, check out this link! https://www.flickr.com/photos/texasclicks/sets/72157703525608442/

