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## EDITOR'S PEN

Gary Barg, Editor-in-Chief

# An Interview with Henry Winkler

*Henry Winkler is an actor, director, author and producer. He is best known for playing the iconic role of "Fonzie" on the 1970s sitcom Happy Days. Originally his part was secondary, but after just a few episodes, "Fonzie Fever" swept the nation.*

**Gary Barg:** Let me start by saying, Welcome, Mr. Ambassador.

**Henry Winkler:** Thank you.

**Gary Barg:** I know that you have an OBE Knighthood from the Queen of England, but you are also the Ambassador for the Open Arms Campaign to help educate people about upper limb spasticity [ULS]. How did you get involved in the campaign? ...[more](#)

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### Male Caregivers

47% of caregivers caring for someone between 18-49 are male.

*National Alliance for Caregiving and AARP*

Male family caregivers are more likely to use the Internet as caregiving resource, but are less likely than female family caregivers to attend caregiver training.

*National Alliance for Caregiving and AARP* ...[more](#)

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## GUEST ARTICLE

### Family Caregivers: Here's What Medicaid Covers

*By Ben Lamm*

There are more than 70 million people currently providing unpaid care for a family member or friend who is no longer able to care for themselves. While the care is usually given as a labor of love, the time and energy burden required to provide that care are enormous. Not only that, many people find that they have to cut down on their hours at their paying job or give it up altogether in order to provide the care their loved one needs. For these individuals, there's good news: there is coverage available through Medicaid for that caregiving work. ...

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## CARETIPS

### Staying Safe in Hot Weather

Summer weather can pose special health risks to older adults and people with chronic medical conditions. It is critically important that adults particularly susceptible to hyperthermia and other heat-related illnesses know how to safeguard against problems. ...[more](#)

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## From Marion in Tennessee:

At 87 I lost my wife of 65 years. I can get no definitive answers from Social Security or the VA as a vet as to the monetary benefits to me. Have been told by different ones that I can get her SS of \$661 and no I don't, only \$255 for burial. Then cannot get a straight answer about getting a Financial Stipend to pay one of my siblings to live in and help care for me. Don't need full care at a home etc. Do you know what financial needs I can get from VA or SS ? Both of us worked until retirement. [...more](#)

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