

# School of Social Work News

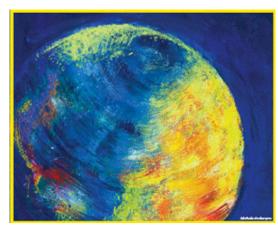
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8th Annual POWER Conference Change: Social Work Under Construction



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#### WHY SHOULD YOU ATTEND

The annual POWER Conference of the WSU School of Social Work is open to social workers and others in related fields. Students enjoy the opportunity to meet professionals in the community and to learn about new ideas that relate to their other learning experiences. All participants have the chance to network with one another. The POWER Conference honors and celebrates both social workers and their contributions to the community. It's time to feel good about who we are!

#### **KEYNOTE SESSION**

"Can We Do It? Yes We Can!: Constructing an Ethical Approach to HIV Care in the Future." Dr. Donna E. Sweet, MD, AAHIVS, MACP Professor, Medicine and Director, Internal Medicine Education

#### Via Christi Regional Medical Center -St Francis Campus

Dr. Sweet is a native of Wichita and a graduate of Wichita State University and The University of Kansas School of Medicine. She is a Master in the American College of Physicians and is the Immediate Past

Chair of the American College of Physicians Foundation Board as well as Chair Emeritus of the American College of Physicians Board of Regents. She is also an AMA delegate for the ACP and is a member of the council on Medical Service of the AMA.

Dr. Sweet is certified as an HIV specialist by the American Academy of HIV Medicine of which she is the current board Chair national Co-Chair of the CDC HRSA AIDS Advisory Council (CHAC). She has an HIV program in her clinic with Ryan White Parts B, C and D and is also the Principal Investigator and Director of the Kansas AIDS Education and Training Center.

Dr. Sweet cares for approximately 1000 patients with HIV in her clinic in Wichita and in 3 outreach clinics in rural Kansas. She accomplishes this with the help of a team of experienced social workers, nurses and

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### Director's Corner Dr. Linnea GlenMave Director of Social Work

Greetings!

The welcome warmth of the last few days is a reminder that the Annual POWER Conference (March 4th) and Spring Commencement (May 13th) are just around



the corner. I never tire of saying that this year's POWER Conference promises to be bigger and better than ever. The POWER Conference Planning Committee, chaired by Sherry Chapman, has done an outstanding job of assembling an excellent array of speakers and topics. Unfortunately, I will have to miss this year's conference, as I will be attending a re-accreditation workshop that same day in Alexandria, Virginia (the headquarters of the Council on Social Work Educa-

tion). The MSW and BSW Programs are due for re-accreditation in June, 2013. The next two years will be very busy, with efforts already underway to review curricula and programs. Although the process is arduous, the School benefits from this thorough review of programmatic processes and curricula.

I want to thank our School's Advisory Board and President, Justin Thaw, for their continuing support of the School. The Brown Bag Lunches sponsored by the Advisory Board generate a steady income for the Elwin Barrett Fund, which currently stands at \$11,888, with a goal of \$15,000.

As you can see in this newsletter, our students, faculty, and staff have been very busy over the last few months. I am proud of the accom-

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plishments of our BSW and MSW students. Their activities and accomplishments in class and the community are impressive and often inspirational. Our faculty continues to excel in teaching, research, and service. I am grateful for the School's administrative staff, Chris Darnell and Trisha Wenrich, who keep us on track with their attention to processes and detail. We are justifiably proud of the School of Social Work and we will be celebrating these accomplishments and others at our upcoming events. I hope to see you this spring as we move ahead toward the closing celebrations.

Best wishes for a warm and productive spring!

### **Field Notes** Sabrina Perez Glatt Director of Field Practicum

Hello from Field Practicum! We are off to an exciting 2011, and think that our upcoming graduates will be prepared by the wonderful learning experiences they



are provided by our community agencies and organizations. This could not happen without you who serve as field instructors, and we are so grateful for your time, expertise, and willingness to share this with our students.

New to the Field Practicum team is Shaunna Millar, LMSW, who is our new Associate Director of Field Practicum. Shaunna Millar has been a social worker in Sedgwick County for fourteen years, receiving both her BSW and MSW degrees from Wichita State University. She has worked primarily in the areas of child welfare, mental health, and corrections. Her experiences include working as a social worker with the Exploited &

Missing Child Unit at SRS, the YWCA Women's Crisis Center, and Sedgwick County Department of Corrections at the Juvenile Detention Facility (JDF). Most recently, she worked providing outpatient individual, family, and group therapy at Youthville Family Consultation Service. She has been an adjunct faculty member with Butler Community College since 2000, and previously taught both undergraduate and graduate coursework at WSU in 2003-2004.

We are currently meeting with new Field Practicum students for the summer and fall placements. This is a fantastic new group of BSW and MSW students ready to enter into community agencies and organizations across the state. As we interview students in the next two months, we hope to be connecting with our current field instructors and agencies to begin the important process of linking students to the "right fit" experiences. These calls will begin in March and April.

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If you have not hosted a student in your agency or organization, and would be interested in learning more about this process, you can check out our newly developed brochure online for more information: http://webs.wichita.edu/ depttools/depttoolsmemberfiles/socialwork/ Practicum/Practicum%20Brochure.pdf.

Mark your calendars now for the upcoming Field Practicum Appreciation Breakfast on April 20th. More information on this event will be sent out to you soon!



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### **BSW** Beat Natalie Grant **BSW** Program Director

Now that we are coming back inside from our snow days full of sledding and making snowpeople, the semester's work has really begun!



The BSW program has had many great things happening and a new group of students are ready to enter the program. The BSW Orientation sessions were held in early February and we anticipate there will be about 80 new applicants to the program this semester. We finalized our new and improved BSW curriculum and information on new course offerings and changes to the BSW structure have been included in the communications with students. We developed a new course entitled Social Diversity and Ethics, ScWk 304, that will supply students with the required diversity class they have always had but will no longer have to seek the diversity content from other departments around campus. This course was also approved as a General Education Further Studies so this means there will be students outside of Social Work who come to take our class to meet University degree requirements. This is a wonderful development as we have not had a General Education Further Study in the University offerings before. Way to put Social Work on the map!

The ScWk 302 Interviewing Techniques and Strategies course requires that students complete 40 hours of volunteer work this semester. So look forward to some students seeking volunteer opportunities out in the community! This large group of about 100 students is eager to gain more understanding of our community and they are excited to go out and provide a little service as they are looking forward to beginning their Practicum in the fall.

Our seniors are getting focused on graduation in May and the Student Organization of Social Work certainly has some great plans coming up for this semester. Please friend us on Facebook - yes, we have finally joined the Facebook revolution! We have created a School of Social Work page as well as an alumni page!

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If we had no winter, the spring would not be so pleasant; if we did not sometimes taste of adversity, prosperity would not be so welcome.

~Anne Bradstreet



### **MSW Moments** Dr. Brien Bolin **MSW** Program Director

Looking out on a melting Wichita State University campus reminds me of an old saying; "If you do not like the weather, wait a minute and it will change." A week after the blizzard and Artic cold, tem-



peratures have been in the upper 70's this week. Today, as I watch students strolling with light jackets or none at all, memories of the sidewalks once lined with snow are fading fast. The predicaments of the snow last week are now replaced this week by warmer weather and

thoughts of spring. The crisis of the cold and snow has passed.

This reminds us to be in the moment, slow down, be patient, enjoy time with those around you, do not rush through your graduate education and savor these times of learning and collegiality. Soon time will pass and, like the snow, will melt away, as thoughts of graduation, licensing exams, job searches and summer vacations take over. What seems important today, will be in the past tomorrow. Remember, the extended forecast in February is for temperatures in the 50s and evening lows in the 30s. Enjoy the weather.

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If you applied to the MSW program for admission in 2011, we are reviewing applications. We plan to have announcements to those accepted as soon as possible (mid to late March). If you are accepted there is a mandatory all-day orientation on April 15<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendar.



### SOSW — Student Organization of Social Work Erin Haag, President

been busy planning behind the scenes for our spring events! Our biggest event of the year will be a charity garage sale co-sponsored by the Center for Student Leaderships. We will be holding the garage sale sometime in April, and are counting on donations, so don't head to Goodwill just yet! The recipients of the profits will be announced at a later date.

We are also hoping for some corporate support to make this garage sale a success. If you are connected with a company that would be interested in helping us, please contact Erin at eckelly@wichita.edu. We'd love to hear from you.

Also, seniors, don't forget to save the date on April 2nd for a workshop taught by Dr. Curtis

The Student Organization of Social Work has Proctor on how to prepare for the BSW Licensure more about fields that might be of interest to Exam. It will be held at the West Campus, and is open to anyone at a cost of \$20.00. SOSW members will be charged \$10.00. We are still taking memberships for SOSW, but the deadline is March 1st, so all membership forms and dues must be in by then to qualify for the discount. All memberships received after March 1st will be considered for the 2011-2012 school year.

> Our next two meetings for SOSW will be on March 10th at 3:00, and April 14th at 3:00. We will meet on the 5th floor of Lindquist Hall in the student lounge.

> Look for us at the POWER Conference on March 4th, and students receive a rate of \$50.00! We will be selling t-shirts, bumper stickers & buttons! It's a great way to network and learn

you!

Come join us and get involved! If you have a project or are an agency in need of volunteers for an event, please let us know! We'd love to team up to help our community!

2010-2011 SOSW Officers President: Erin Haag Vice President: Tim Hunter Secretary: Shelby Batt Treasurer: Jamie Bailey Faculty Advisors: Natalie Grant & Sherry Chapman

### SWOGS — Social Work Organization of Graduate Students Philip Pettis, President

Greetings,

The Social Work Organization of Graduate Students will be awarding two full scholarships to the Social Work POWER Conference. The criterion for the scholarship is as follows:

- A. You must be a current member of the SWOGS organization
- B. You must write an essay in no more than two pages, "How does the power conference bene-

fit you as a student in the advanced generalist social work program."

- C. E-mail responses to swogswsu@yahoo.com.
- D. Deadline for the scholarship submission is February 23rd.
- E. If you have already paid for the conference you will be reimbursed
- F. Scholarship recipients will be notified by e-mail.

2010-2011 SWOGS Officers: President: Philip Pettis Vice-President: Susan McCoy Secretary / Treasurer: Rena Lee Faculty Advisor: Sabrina Perez Glatt

### Phi Alpha Honor Society Dr. Tim Lause, BSW Faculty Advisor Dr. Brien Bolin, MSW Faculty Advisor

Applications for undergraduate and graduate membership in Phi Alpha are due by March 18. Phi Alpha is a national academic honors society in social work and both BSW and MSW applications can be found below or by Lindquist 537. Completed applications must be accompanied by a student transcript and a check or money order payable to Phi Alpha.

**BSW Phi Alpha Application** MSW Phi Alpha Application

#### BSW requirements are:

- You have officially declared Social Work as your major
- You have achieved a Junior or Senior rank (60+ credit hours)
- You have earned at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average (GPA) for all University course work ("B" average)
- You have completed at least 12 credit hours of required social work courses (including 201, 300 & 351)
- Your GPA within Social Work courses is at least a 3.5

MSW requirements are:

- You have completed at least 12 credit hours of required social work courses
- Your GPA within Social Work courses is at least a 3.75

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### School of Social Work Summer Electives

ScWk 610O; Biblio-Interventions for Social Work Practice; 1 credit; CRN 38334; Shaunna Millar; May 31 - June 3; TWThF; 8:00-11:45 am; main campus This course provides an introduction to creative, book-based intervention strategies for use in social work practice, focusing on both children's and adult literature. Students will explore how individuals, groups, and communities can all be empowered through the use of fictional stories, and engage in hands-on activities in the classroom firsthand.

ScWk 730G; Spirituality and Social Work Practice; 3 credits - CRN 38336 - Dr. Fred Besthorn

June 7 - Jun 30; Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays; 9:00 am - 12:30 pm; main campus

This course provides a framework of knowledge, values, skills and experiences for spiritually-sensitive social work practice. A comparative approach to teaching about religious and spiritual diversity is employed in order to provide understanding of diverse perspectives and to foster self-awareness of the student's spiritual commitments and their congruence with professional values.

ScWk 610Q - Animal-Human Connection - 1 credit - CRN 38337 - Sabrina Perez Glatt

June 10 & June 17; Fridays; 9:00 am - 4:00 pm; west campus

This course explores the connection between humans and animals and its use in social work practice. Students will learn how this connection can be used effectively in various therapeutic and population settings, including animal companion and activity programs.

ScWk 730I - Clinical Interventions with Children & Adolescents - 3 credits - CRN 38340 - Sherry Chapman

July 5 - July 28; Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursdays; 1:00 pm - 4:15 pm; west campus This class provides an overview of advanced social work techniques in working with children and adolescents.

ScWk 870 - Clinical Assessment for Advanced Generalist Practice - 3 credits - CRN 38074 - Dr. Orren Dale

July 5 - July 28; Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursdays; 5:30 pm - 9:00 pm; west campus

The course uses a biopsychosocial perspective to understand problematic patterns of functioning identified as diagnoses in the DSM-IV. Students critically examine the DSM-IV as a basis for social work assessment and learn its use within an advanced generalist practice perspective.

ScWk 610P - International Social Work - 1 credit - CRN 38338 - Dr. Kyoung Lee

July 8 & July 9; Friday & Saturday; 9:00 am - 4:00 pm; main campus

This course provides an overview of micro and macro practice outside of one's own culture and internationally that will facilitate skill development in cross-cultural assessment and intervention at the individual, group and community level.

ScWk 610W - Social Work Practice with the Aging - 1 credit - CRN 38339 - Dr. Kyoung Lee

July 22 & July 23; Friday & Saturday; 9:00 am - 4:00 pm; main campus

This course focuses on the psychosocial, biological and environmental aspects of current social work policy and practice with the aging population.

Examines critical topics related to the elderly such as loss, care giving, mental health, sexuality, elder abuse, Medicare and alternative housing needs.

#### Interested in taking one or more of our elective courses, but already have your degree?

You don't need to be one of our students to take our elective courses. People often take our courses for professional or personal development or licensing requirements. If you aren't currently a WSU student, you will need to be admitted to WSU as a non-degree seeking student at either the undergraduate or graduate level.

Courses numbered between 500 and 799 can be taken for either undergraduate or graduate credit. In order to take courses numbered 800 or above, you must be admitted to the Graduate School. Be aware that if you take a course for undergraduate credit, you will not be able to apply that as graduate credit or toward a graduate degree in the future.

The application process is simple.

#### Applying as an undergraduate non-degree bound student:

Submit the simple 2-page application form with the application fee to WSU Admissions. You can download the form or apply online on the WSU Admissions website at www.wichita.edu/admissions. Enter the major code for non-degree bound "K10B" on the application form.

You do not need to submit transcripts to be admitted as an "open admission" non-degree bound student. Once you accumulate 15 credits under that status, you will need to have transcripts sent to WSU to become a regular non-degree bound student.

#### Applying as a graduate non-degree bound student:

Submit the simple 1-page Graduate School application and the application fee to the WSU Graduate School. You can download the form or apply online on the Graduate School website at www.wichita.edu/gradschool.

Have official transcripts sent directly from your universities to the Graduate School. (If the last school you attended was WSU, they will already have your transcripts and you do not need to request them.)

Graduate School offers two levels of non-degree admission:

Non-Degree Status A (major code G46S) allows you to take any graduate level courses numbered 500 and above. The requirements are a bachelors degree from an accredited university and a minimum 2.75 GPA over the last 60 graded credit hours of course work.

Non-Degree Status B (major code G66S) allows you to take graduate level classes numbered 500-799. The only requirement is to have a bachelors degree from an accredited university. There is no GPA requirement.



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mid-level providers who not only provide care but also provide case management services for patients and families living with HIV infection.

Dr. Sweet has travelled extensively nationally and internationally educating physicians about HIV care and treatment. For the past 6 years she has travelled twice a year to provide HIV education in the Russian Far East to physicians and other health care workers.

#### PLENARY SESSION

"Too Hot, Too Cold or Just Right: Ethical and Clinical Challenges in the Treatment of Couples with Sexual Desire Differences."

Margaret Goger-Cranston, LSCSW, AASECT Certified Sex Therapist and Michael Cranston,

LCMFT, AASECT Certified Sex Therapist, CADC III

Margaret Goger-Cranston, LSCSW and AASECT Certi-



fied Sex Therapist, is in private practice in Wichita, Kansas. On Thursday mornings she can be heard counseling callers in the Wichita radio listening area as the consulting therapist for Jan and Phil 104.5 FM The Fox. She has been featured on local news and in national magazines as a professional expert on issues from parenting to sex in the media. Margaret Goger-Cranston as worked in mental health since 1989, at Prairie View, Inc. and at the Veteran's Administration Hospital substance abuse treatment program. She earned her MSW from University of Kansas School of Social Welfare where she was awarded the 1995 Margo Schultz Gordon Award for Outstanding Practicum. Her BSW is from Wichita State University, where she graduated Summa Cum Laude. She is a member of the American Association of Sex Educators Counselors and Therapist (AASECT), the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), and an affiliate member of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapists (AAMFT).

Michael E. Cranston, LCMFT, is a Licensed Clinical Marriage and Family Therapist, Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor and Certified Sex Therapist with the American Association of Sex Educators Counselors and Therapists. He has served as a president of the Kansas Alcohol and

Drug Addiction Counselors Association, Clinical Director for programs at Central Kansas Foundation in Salina, KS and at Pawnee Mental Health in Manhattan, KS. Michael has taught as an adjunct faculty for Kansas Wesleyan University's Behavioral Science Department. He worked as a Marriage and Family Therapist, Sex Therapist and Addictions Counselor at Prairie View, Inc. in Newton for over 15 years. In addition to his current position as a therapist with Correct Care Solutions, contracting with the Kansas Department of Corrections, he shares a private practice providing group, individual and couple therapy with Margaret Goger-Cranston, LSCSW. Michael is a graduate of the Masters program for Marriage and Family Therapy at Friends University, Wichita, KS.

### POWER CONFERENCE **SCHEDULE**

7:30-8:30 a.m. - Registration & Breakfast Buffet

8:30-8:45 a.m. - Welcome / Introduction

#### 8:45-10:15 a.m.-Breakout Sessions

A. Working with Transgender Clients This presentation is designed to provide basic information about the transgender community. Participants will be given information to assist them in effectively working with transgender clients. Resources needed to continue one's understanding about transgender issues will also be provided. Presenter: Michael Baker, LMFT, Executive Director / Therapist at REACH Family Therapy / REACH Learning Center, Wichita

B. Violence against Social Workers: Threat Recognition & Workplace Safety This session will address the data on workplace violence against social workers compared to all workplace violence, discuss threat assessment approaches, zero tolerance and planning responses, touch on the physical environment of safe work places and address a work safety plan for workers and agencies. Presenter: Orren Dale, PhD, Associate Professor of Social Work, WSU, formerly Chair of Threat Assessment Team, United States Postal Service, Oklahoma District Campus (Session participants will earn 1.8 units applicable to meeting the 6 units of social worker safety awareness training required for first time social work license renewal)

#### C. Trauma-Informed Care

Trauma is now understood to be an almost universal experience of public mental health and substance abuse and social service consumers, according to the National Center for Trauma-Informed Care (created by SAMHSA's Center for Mental Health Services). This presentation will highlight the prevalence of trauma in the lives of many people who access social service systems and will explore some of the core elements in creating treatment partnerships based on collaboration, choice and consumer/survivor perspective. Presenters: Teresa Strausz, LMSW; Chris White, CPS and Christine Young, CPS, Wichita State University Center for Community Support and Research

D. Youth Substance Misuse Prevention: Advocacy, Education, Networking This will be an interactive session that explores addiction social work practices with-

in communities that provide services for youth. Attending this workshop will encourage attendees to assist communities in adopting proven strategies that reduce the risk of substance use by youth. Presenter: Deah Miller, LMSW, CADC III, Research Consultant, the Center for Social Work Innovation, Wichita

10:15-10:30 a.m. - Break

10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon - Keynote Presentation Can We Do It? Yes We Can!: Constructing an Ethical Approach to HIV Care in the Future Dr. Sweet will present an overview of the HIV/ AIDS epidemic followed by an in depth discussion of the role of social workers and the unique ethical problems faced by those who are working with patients and families living with HIV infection. Also discussed will be ways to educate yourselves, co workers, and our youth about HIV. Information about resources and services available both locally and nationally will be provided. Ample time for questions will be provided. Presenter: Donna Sweet, MD, AAHIVS, MACP, Professor, Medicine and Director, Internal Medicine Education,

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12:00-12:45 p.m. - Lunch & Visit Exhibits

12:45-1:15 p.m. - Awards Ceremony

#### 1:15-2:45 p.m. - Plenary Session

Too Hot, Too Cold or Just Right: Ethical and Clinical Challenges in the Treatment of Couples with Sexual Desire Differences

The most common sexual complaint couples will present for therapy is a difference in interest and preferred frequency of sexual relations. It can also be one of the more difficult problems for the therapist to address. The presenters will discuss various ways this complaint is presented, the numerous factors that can contribute to differences in desire, the risks for pathologizing lower or higher levels of interest and other ethical considerations. Presenters: Margaret Goger-Cranston, LSCSW, AASECT Certified Sex Therapist and Michael Cranston, LCMFT, AASECT Certified Sex Therapist, CADC III

(Session participants will earn 1.8 units applicable to meeting the 3 units of Professional Ethics required for social work re-licensure)

2:45-3:00 p.m. - Break

#### 3:00-4:30 p.m. - Breakout Sessions

E. Reaching out to Youth who are Runaway, Homeless and/or Street Dependent This session will provide information on understanding youth who are runaway, homes and street dependent. The importance of perspective for those working

with these youth will be discussed. The cycle of the chronic runaway and RHSY Trauma Informed Approach will also be examined. Presenter: Risa Rhemert, BS, Wichita Children's Home

#### F. Medical Foster Homes: The Support at Home Initiative

This session will offer information about the new initiative the Veteran's Health Administration is offering Veterans. Veterans now have another option for Long Term Care - A Medical Foster Home

(MFH). The initiative, Support at Home: Where Heroes Meet Angels, benefits the Veteran and Caregiver who provides 24/7 care in the home environment. The presenter will address the social worker's collaborative role as an integral part of the success of the MFH program. Presenter: Courtney Smith, LSCSW, Medical Foster Home Coordinator, Robert J. Dole Medical Center, Wichita

#### G. Ethics and End-of-Life Care

As our population ages and palliative medicine advances as a philosophy of care, health professionals will be faced with increasingly complex end-of-life decisions. Knowing the "whole patient" allows a position where ethical approaches can be made. This session will provide an overview and promote a basis for discussion of the ethical concerns involved in End-of-Life care, including how much care, what kind of care, and when to stop medical care. Presenter: Jerry Old, MD, Associate Professor of Family and Community Medicine at the University of Kansas School of Medicine - Wichita

(Session participants will earn 1.8 units applicable to meeting the 3 units of Professional Ethics required for social work re-licensure)

#### H. Advanced Directives: Challenges and Changes

This session will be a discussion of the challenges of advance directives. For example, why patients do not complete these documents before a healthcare crisis and what solutions are being tried to promote advance care planning. Also presented will be the changes of advance directives (if any) that have been proposed by the Kansas Legislature. Presenter: Carolyn Harrison, MN, Education Director, Kansas Health Ethics Inc., Wichita (Session participants will earn 1.8 units applicable to meeting the 3 units of Professional Ethics required for social work re-licensure)

#### 4:30 p.m. - Closing

The POWER Conference Committee is committed to making programs accessible to persons with disabilities. If you wish to volunteer information regarding any special assistance you may need, please contact the Office of University Conferences at (316) 978-6493.

#### **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

#### **REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

Monday, February 28, 2011

#### **REGISTRATION FEE**

\$75.00 (Includes meals and materials) A student rate of \$50.00 is available. Please contact Sherry Chapman.

#### **REGISTER ONLINE**

www.wichita.edu/conferences/power

#### MAKE CHECKS AND PO'S PAYABLE TO WSU Conference Office

#### **CANCELLATION / REFUNDS**

All cancellations requesting a refund must be made in writing. A 15% administration fee will be assessed on all cancellations (this includes purchase orders and unpaid registration fees). There will be no refunds after Monday, February 28, 2011. You will receive an email confirmation within 1 business day of the receipt of your registration form. If you do not, please contact: Jana E. Woods at (316) 978-6493.

#### QUESTIONS REGARDING REGISTRATION

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**Community Events** 

# Brown Bag Learning: You Bring Your Lunch; We Serve the CEU's



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#### DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING ISSUES

**Presentation Summary:** The deaf community has a growing need of social workers and the services they provide. This workshop will help the social worker understand the cultural background of the deaf community as well as provide resources and knowledge about various kinds of technology.

**Learning Objectives:** This presentation will help Social Workers: 1) increase awareness of the deaf and hard of hearing population and their unique needs; 2) develop an understanding of how to utilize technology and sign language interpreters to better serve the deaf community; 3) identify appropriate resources within the community for agency use and for client referrals.

**Presenters:** Erin Haag became deaf at the age of 18 months. She learned Signing Exact English and received her hearing aids on her 2nd birthday. Since then, she has become a state certified sign language interpreter in both American Sign Language and transliterating. While Erin spent 12 enjoyable years interpreting for Music Theatre of Wichita, she has focused her work in the Early Childhood Special Education classroom and working with families and toddlers affected by deafness. In 2008, Erin decided to return to school to pursue another area of interest: Social Work. She will graduate from the Wichita State University School of Social Work with her Bachelors of Social Work in May 2011 and plans to pursue her focus of working with children and families. Erin lives in Maize, KS with her husband, Mike, and in between classes and practicum is learning to sew and working with her dog, Ginger, to become a certified hearing dog.

Amy Fowler began working as a contract interpreter and transliterator at Wichita State University in 1995. From there, she joined a local community agency, Sign Language Interpreting Services, which was founded in 2000. Amy began working with Sorenson Video Relay Service when the Wichita center opened in summer 2009, and became a staff interpreter with WSU fall 2009. She completed her Bachelors of Art in Sociology with an emphasis in Psychology and Communication in December 2010, and is considering Grad School in Sociology fall 2011. Amy holds interpreting certification from the State of Kansas, is currently serving as the secretary for KAI-RID, and is an associate member of RID - with an eye on the NIC in the near future. She has a strong philosophy of life-long learning, and LOVES working at the university level. Amy lives in Wichita with her partner, Kim, and their small zoo of dogs and cats. In her spare time, she reads, knits, watches movies and is a bona fide Gleek.



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(cash, check, Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover) Receipts available.

Wednesday, March 9, 2011 from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m. (11:45 a.m. registration at the door) State Office Building, 230 E William, SRS Room 3080

(one block south of Douglas between Broadway & Market) - plenty of parking caddy-corner South East from SRS building. Pre-registration not required. Doors open at 11:45 am.

Bring your own lunch. Beverage vending machines are available in the building. Call WSU School of Social Work at (316) 978-7250 if you have questions.

Future Brown Bag Learning opportunities on the second Wednesday of the month (more or less):

April 13 Searching for the Last Dropout: Discussion of Risk Factors, Community in Schools, with Amber Lewis & Jessica Houston May 11 topic to follow

June 8 Evidence-Based Correctional Practice & Batterer's Intervention, with Terri Vierthaler, Brian Heiman & Mandy Massey July 13 Dad's Dare to Care - more info to follow

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Dr. Elwin Barrett Social Work Fund: Supporting the growth of the WSU School of Social Work

If you know of a community offering that should be included in our newsletter, please contact Trisha at trisha.wenrich@wichita.edu or (316) 978-6518.



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### **Community Events**

#### Collaborate • Cooperate • Educate Enhancing Services & Advocacy for Seniors

March 11, 2011 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Newman University, Dugan Conference Center Wichita, Kansas

- Learn about new programs and collaborations in the Aging and Disability fields
- Collect information on transitioning between the community and the nursing home
- Understand challenges and opportunities for grandparents raising grandchildren
- Discover available Veteran resources for seniors and caregivers

Presented by the Sedgwick County Department on Aging and the Aging and Wellness Coalition of Sedgwick County. Six CEUs are available for social workers. Visit <u>www.cpaaa.org</u> for registration information. For more information, contact Monica at (316) 660-5229 or mcissell@sedgwick.gov.

### Volunteer Opportunities

The Boys and Girls Club at 21st Street is looking for volunteers to tutor kids who need help with homework during the After-School Program and on Saturdays. Volunteers are needed from 2:00 - 7:00 pm Monday through Friday, and from 10:00 am - noon on the first and third Saturdays of each month.

This opportunity is open to individuals 18 and older, who are committed to volunteering in the Club on a regular basis. Individuals must complete a volunteer application, attend an orientation session and pass a background check to ensure volunteer suitability. Contact Brett Wickham, Academic Programs Coordinator for more information at <u>bwickham@begreatwichita.org</u>, (316) 201-1890 ext 118; or Connie Franklin, Family Services / Volunteer Coordinator at cfranklin@begreatwichita.org, (316) 201-1890 ext. 123.

We also have two other locations that need volunteers:

Haysville (Monday, Tuesday & Thursday) 3:30-5:00 pm

Oaklawn (Monday - Friday) 2:30-6:00 pm For more information on volunteering at The Boys and Girls Club, visit http://www.begreatwichita.org/volunteer.php

### **Employment Offerings**



Building Brighter Tomorrows for Families and Children

#### YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

TFI Family Services, Inc. is looking for a Resource Family Services Supervisor in the western Kansas area. Position can be located in the Hays, Phillipsburg, Salina, Wichita or Garden City areas.

A qualified candidate will have a Master's degree in a human services field with two years experience working with foster care services. Candidate must have or be able to obtain social work license through the Kansas BSRB.

Responsibilities: Promotes the well-being of children in the Resource Family Services Program, participates in staff meetings and trainings and coordinates with staff from other agencies involved in providing foster care services.

Benefits include: competitive wage, paid health/dental/vision/life insurance, 401(k) employer matched plan, nine paid holidays, annual longevity bonus, tuition assistance program, flexible schedules, agency vehicle fleet, state-of-the art information system and more...

For more information and to apply online, visit www.tfifamily.org.



The Salvation Army Foster Care Program provides for the temporary care of children and youth who are unable to remain in their own homes and are placed in the custody of the State of

Kansas. The children are placed with foster parents, who are committed to providing a safe, temporary home for children who have been abused and neglected and are unable to remain living in their own homes.

The Salvation Army's newest program, Juvenile Justice Foster Care, provides temporary homes for youth in the custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice. The JJFC program is designed to meet the immediate needs of youth, ages 10-23, who are motivated to change the course they have been on while supporting them in their transition to successful community living.

If you would like further information on these programs or on becoming a foster parent, please contact Karen Lippoldt at (316) 425-6132 or email at karen lippoldt@usc.salvationarmy.org.

COMCARE of Sedgwick County, a progressive community mental health center located in Wichita, Kansas, has exciting career opportunities available. We offer an excellent benefit package through Sedgwick County and competitive salaries. Additional benefits include paid training, COMCARE's On-Line Continuing Education package, "Essential Learning," a 2% increase when competency is demonstrated, electronic clinical records, flexible work schedules, and a great environment to work and grow in! Come check out the following opportunities:

#### Adult & Children's Case Managers Full and Part Time Positions Available

COMCARE has several opportunities for new graduates to provide case management services to people who have mental illness. Several positions are available in both adult and children's services in a variety of clinical settings.

General duties include: Engage consumers in a working relationship, assess consumer's personal strengths, resources, desires, needs and barriers related to specific life domains of independent/family living, vocational/educational, social support, leisure/recreational and health. Assist in developing short and long term goals and work with consumers in accomplishing these goals. Collaborate with multidisciplinary treatment team to achieve goals. Teach skills related to goals in a one-to-one setting. Provide assistance in completing applications for benefits and resources. Accompany consumers to appointments as needed. Assist in admissions and discharges, including involuntary hospitalizations. Complete documentation as required and apply policies and procedures of the agency according to specifications. Participate in group supervision and other staff activities related to training and service delivery.

Job Standards for case manager positions include a Bachelor Degree in a Human Services field or two years of post-high school education and equivalent combination of training and experience required. Dependable transportation required with a valid KS driver license.

Visit our website at www.hrepartner.com for detailed job information for these and other COMCARE positions and to apply on-line. Sedgwick County is proud to be an equal opportunity employer.



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### Mark Your Calendar!

### Upcoming Dates:

March 4	.POWER Conference
March 21-27	. Spring Break
April 15	.MSW Orientation for new admissions
April 20	Field Appreciation Breakfast
May 9	School of Social Work Spring Celebration
	MSW Colloquium
	BSW Colloquium
	Phi Alpha Inductions
	All-School Assembly
May 10	.Study Day
May 11-17	. Finals
May 13	. Commencement
May 23	.Summer Pre-Session begins
May 30	. Memorial Day - University Closed
June 6	. Summer Session begins

### Faculty Accolades Dr. Kyoung Lee, Dr. Brien Bolin, Dr. Fred Besthorn & Dr. Lisa Hines

Congratulations to **Dr. Kyoung Lee** for his recent accomplishments! Publication:

Lee, K.H. (2010). Impact of lifetime limits and differences between TANF leavers who had reached their lifetime limits and those who had exited voluntarily. *Poverty & Public Policy, 2(4)*. Available at <a href="http://psocimmons.org/ppp/vol2/iss4/art3">http://psocimmons.org/ppp/vol2/iss4/art3</a>.

Presentations - January 2011:

- Lee, K.H. & Yoon, D.P. Stressors, coping, and health among Korean immigrant elders: Gender differences. Poster presentation at the 15th Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR), Tampa, FL
- Yoon, D.P. & Lee, K.H. *Religiousness/spirituality, social support, and general well-being among Korean elderly immigrants.* Poster presentation at the 15th Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR), Tampa, FL

Congratulations to **Dr. Kyoung Lee, Dr. Brien Bolin & Dr. Fred Besthorn** for being awarded a grant for May 2011 through August 2011.

Project Title: Bereavement, coping, and depression among older Korean adult immigrants. The Multidisciplinary Research Project Award (MURPA), Office of Research and Administration, Wichita State University, Wichita, KS. (Research Grant: \$5,000).
Kyoung Lee (Principal Investigator), Brien Bolin (Co-PI), & Fred Besthorn (Co-PI).

#### Congratulations to Dr. Lisa Hines.

**Dr. Lisa Hines** was awarded the opportunity to attend advanced training for online course development, sponsored by the Office of Academic Affairs and Research. Dr. Hines will be developing an online version of Social Work 201 - Introduction to Social Work and Social Welfare.