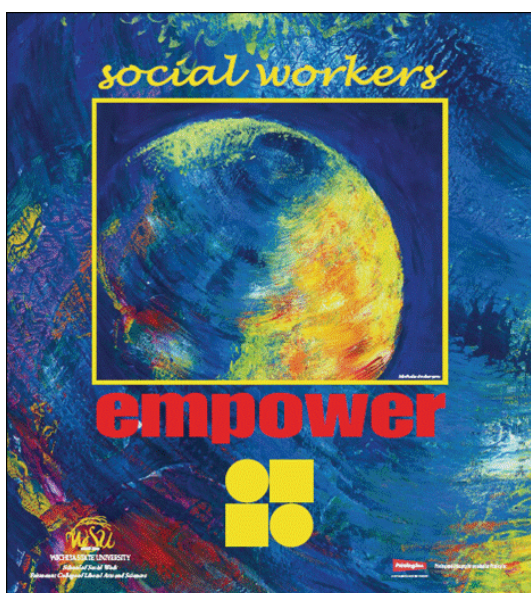




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9th Annual POWER Conference Social Work: Tough Enough for Tough Times! March 2, 2012



The Wichita State University School of Social Work is proud to bring you the Ninth Annual POWER Conference titled, “**Social Work: Tough Enough for Tough Times!**” Friday, March 2, 2012 at the Wichita State University Hughes Metropolitan Complex, 5015 E 29th St North (29th & Oliver).

This year, we welcome **Dennis Saleebey**, DSW, Professor Emeritus of Social Welfare at the School of Social Welfare, University of Kansas, as the morning Keynote Speaker. His presentation will focus on “**Using the Strengths Perspective in Tough Times.**” One of Dr. Saleebey’s primary interests has been the development of a more strengths-based approach to social work practice.



Saleebey has said, “Practicing from a strengths perspective means that everything you do as a helper will be based on facilitating the discovery and embellishment, exploration, and use of clients’ strengths and resources in the service of helping them achieve their goals and realize their dreams.” In 2005, Dr. Saleebey also spoke about strength in trying times by saying, “All humans, somewhere within, have the urge to be heroic; to transcend circumstances, to develop one’s powers, to overcome adversity, to stand up and be counted.” Over the last 25 years he has been involved in a number of strengths-based community building and community outreach projects in Fort Worth, Texas; Kansas City, Missouri; and Kansas City, Kansas. Dr. Saleebey was the Lucy and Henry Moses Distinguished Visiting Professor of Social Work at Hunter College in New York for the 2002-2003 school year.

Our Plenary Session, “**Collaboration in Tough Times**” will bring together key community leaders in a panel setting who will discuss cooperation efforts in social work. These panel presenters include: **Diane Bidwell**, LSCSW, Wichita Regional Director, Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services; **Brien L. Bolin**, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Director, School of Social Work, Wichita State University; **Tim Norton**, Commissioner, Second District, Sedgwick County Board of Commissioners; **DeAnn Smith**, Executive Director, United Methodist Open Door; **Laura Taylor**, LSCSW, Director, Extended Care Service & Social Work Executive, Robert J. Dole VA Medical Center, Wichita; and **Jim Ward**, State Representative.

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As I Ponder, Deep Thoughts With the Director Brien Bolin Director of the School of Social Work

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The School of Social Work is bustling with activity. Students are preparing for graduation and licensure, while the school's faculty are preparing for reaffirmation, the POWER Conference, and MSW admissions. In the spring, the School of Social Work looks to the future with new students preparing to begin their social work education and to those students graduating, who will be join-



ing the profession. These spring events are exciting for those associated with the School of Social Work.

However, these events do not often include considerations of professional memberships. Our mission in the School of Social Work at Wichita State University is to prepare students for competent and ethical professional practice. Many may not consider the importance of professional membership as part of their being competent or ethical in practice. However, membership in an

organization associated with the social work profession is important to you as a social worker.

As you read the statement by Sky Westerlund, Executive Director of the Kansas Chapter, National Association of Social Workers, you should consider the importance of joining for your own professional growth and development as a social worker.

Kansas Chapter, National Association of Social Workers Sky Westerlund, LMSW, Executive Director

Social Work Membership Matters

KNASW speaks about you every time we talk to a legislator or offer testimony on legislation.

You are one of the 6000 social workers we speak of. You may be one of the 400 students graduating every year. You are one of the 'boots on the ground' who work in any of the many fields of interest including adoptions, addictions, child welfare, domestic violence, corrections, hospitals and health, hospice and palliative care, mental health, community based prevention, public welfare, schools, veterans and military, and more. You are the ones who know the names of the small children looking for the hitting to stop or the sexual violence to stop. Or the name of the soldier who wants the pounding rage of combat to stop. Or the individual who bears deep sadness of a life traumatized long ago. And a thousand other names and faces and life struggles of the people you serve. You are the ones who take the time to listen, to care, to talk, to help. You are who we mean when we speak of the education, the licensure, the accountability, the ethics, the skill, and the knowledge of a

social worker. We call you out, loud and proud, as the largest provider of behavioral and mental health care in Kansas.

Some say that there are only six or seven people between you and everyone else. Think about it. This means that each and every one of you makes a profound impact on those who you help. Your client knows someone who knows someone who knows someone and on and on. And how you treat your client is never, ever forgotten. Your client will not remember the exact words you said or the clothes you wore or maybe not even your name, but they will always remember that you saw their dignity and you treated them with respect.

This is the connection between you and KNASW. You carry out the action of what we tell the lawmakers and others about whom and what Social Work is. Your everyday work is the story we tell in the everyday work of the association. This is why we need each other.

KNASW is a membership organization. We do not secure funds from the federal government, state government, or local mill

levies or property taxes. We do not qualify for grants or foundation support. We do not sell lattes or dinner or electronic devices. We do not bet or buy games of chance.

Instead, we depend on you, the individual social worker, to pay your dues each year, every year. Your dues are the strength of the association. Your dues matter. Your dues are needed. Your dues defend and protect your chosen profession. If you are not yet a member, please join. Pay your dues. If you are a member, thank you! Each and every one of you has the power, within your hand, to build a stronger professional organization. We are already the envy of all other similar professional groups, because our numbers are so huge. Six thousand Social Workers! Join and help make KNASW stronger than we have ever been. That is why it matters to pay your dues.

To join, go to www.socialworkers.org
Students: \$48.00
BSW Social Workers: \$125.00
MSW and Clinical Social Workers: \$190.00

Field Notes

Sabrina Perez Glatt & Shaunna Millar Director & Associate Director of Field Practicum

This semester has started out on a full run. The second semester is far more gratifying for our student body, as they have a semester under their belts and feel more competent in their service provision provided in the agencies assigned. We will be highlighting some of those experiences in our next newsletter. We are so proud of the work our students are performing, and how



practicum activities have benefited the communities in which our students serve.

We have conducted all the practicum interviews and the placement process has begun. If you would like to have a student and have not yet connected with Shaunna Millar, please let us know! You can reach us at Shaunna.millar@wichita.edu or Sabrina.perezglatt@wichita.edu.

We also hope you have reserved time in your calendar for the Field Appreciation Breakfast and Field Practicum Training.

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This will be a combined activity on Friday, April 13, 2012. Please see the save the date information ([page 9](#)), and keep an eye out for the registration to be emailed later this month.

As usual, we are most grateful for the team effort our community partners play in the education of future social workers. Thank you, thank you, for your service to the social work profession and the WSU School of Social Work!

Sabrina Perez Glatt

BSW Beat

Natalie Grant Director, BSW Program

The Spring semester is off to quite a start. Students are involved in so many great projects and causes, and we so enjoy hearing about their experiences. Annie Wilson, Tom Lezniak and Sein Lengeju were three of our BSW students who made their way to Topeka this month to meet with the Governor and legislators about education initiatives in Kansas. They had the opportunity to ask questions and speak their minds to those who exercise great influence on our state and people within it. We are so proud of the BSW students who are showing their passion for leadership and helping. They are inspiring representatives of our BSW program!

The faculty is busy too of course! Shaunna Millar, Deah Miller and I volunteered in January for the United Way of the Plains Point-In-Time Homeless



Count and Services Event. We felt honored to participate in the event and have already committed for next year!

Two BSW orientation sessions were conducted this month and were very well attended. Our prospective BSW students had some great questions about the program and showed a real interest in helping others. Remember, this semester's applications are due March 1.

As we move through the semester, remember to get your advising planning out of the way so you will be prepared for summer and fall enrollment. This is a good time to schedule appointments.

Next month, Dr. Bolin and I will be heading to Portland, Oregon for the Bachelor Program Directors (BPD) annual conference where we will be presenting our research on Digital Storytelling and engaging students in diversity practice. We are looking forward to representing our program at WSU and showcasing what our wonderful BSW students are engaged in.

For those who are graduating in May and have submitted your application to the MSW program, we wish you the best of

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luck. For those who plan to work a little before they apply to graduate school, you have so much to look forward to! The light at the end of the tunnel...

The spring semester always flies by! Remember to engage in self-care as we approach the mid-term...and always remember to choose happiness!



MSW Reminders

- ◆ If you applied to the MSW program for admission in 2012, applications are currently being reviewed. We plan to have announcements to those accepted as soon as possible (early to mid March). If you are accepted, there is a mandatory all-day orientation on April 20th. Please mark your calendar. For students accepted into the Advanced Standing program, you will also need to plan to attend class, "Advanced Generalist Practice Seminar I, ScWk 760), from May 21st through May 25th.
- ◆ Summer Registration (tentative) - Monday, April 2nd
- ◆ Fall Registration (tentative) - Monday, April 9th
- ◆ Colloquium & All School Assembly - Wednesday, May 2nd - Hughes Metropolitan Complex (29th & Oliver)

SOSW

Colinda Starling, Secretary

Exciting things are happening for the School of Social Work students and SOSW Members!

Congratulations to Alissa Anderson, Janna Huebner & Sarah Smart. These ladies submitted essays addressing the question, "What would attending the 2012 POWER Conference mean to me?" Their essays were chosen by a blind vote of the SOSW officers. Each student will receive the honor of free admission paid by SOSW to the 2012 POWER Conference! Enjoy ladies!

We've been approved! The graduation stoles for the WSU School of Social Work have been approved! What an honor it will be to represent our department at graduation and acknowledge the pride we have in our profession by wearing a beautifully designed gold and black stole with the words, "Social Work" printed down each lapel. These stoles will be tailored specifically for you. We are expecting a sample stole to be on display the 21st of February. Location TBD. The stoles are priced at \$45.00 and available to everyone graduating with a degree from the WSU School of Social Work as well as faculty. There will be more information to follow concerning the arrival and location of the sample stole, the ordering process, dates and deadlines.

Membership has its Benefits. SOSW members, how many of you would be interested in attending a licensing exam workshop...FREE OF COST? This is the offer on the table if we have enough SOSW members commit to attending! Please, if you are interested in this offer, send an email ASAP to your SOSW board members at

wsu.sosw@gmail.com, stating your interest and any questions you may have. This is an offer that's too good to refuse!

Mark Your Calendars - Important Events and Dates.

2/20 - Registration OPENS at 8:00 am for Spring/Summer 2012 Commencement Reservations. You will find the link for this on the right hand side, second box form the bottom of your MYWSU homepage. This registration entails all of the information the commencement committee will require for your diploma and seating arrangements to coincide, the correct placement and spelling of the name you want in the commencement program as well as on your actual diploma, the number of guests you have coming (optional) and your reservation for the Senior luncheon. Questions, call Ann Merrett - College of LAS at (316) 978-5807. **P.S.** There is also a *degree application link/survey* within the same box that must be completed before you graduate. If you are not sure whether you have completed this application, please call your LAS advisor with any questions (316) 978-3700. This and the commencement requirements are not associated with one another.

2/22 - 3/22 - Support Our Troops! Boxes will be placed in the lobby of the West Campus and the main lobby of Lindquist Hall for donations to the care packages going to our soldiers overseas. Please, only non-perishable food items. Other suggestions: CDs, DVDs (please send only appropriate DVDs and CDs), toiletries, magazines, paperback books, stationary/pens, playing cards, wipes, etc.

SOSW Officers

President: [Tim Hunter](#)

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Faculty Advisor: [Sherry Chapman](#)

3/2 - POWER Conference. Located at the WSU Metroplex, 5015 E 29th St N on the corner of 29th & Oliver. Times: 7:30 am - 4:30 pm. Cost is \$50.00 for students. Breakfast & lunch will be served. You all received an email with the registration information. If you have any questions, please email jana.henderson@wichita.edu. You won't want to miss this!

3/9 - BSW (9:00 am) & MSW (1:00 pm) Licensing Exam Workshop - the cost of this workshop is \$35.00. Please contact Trisha at trisha.wenrich@wichita.edu for more information.

3/9 & 3/10 - Gown Town, a charity that helps local teens in need of Prom gowns or tuxes but don't have the funds. SOSW will send further information about times and location of donation sites, watch your emails! Come on guys and gals, it's time to dust off and donate those gently used gowns & tuxes/suits for a really great cause!

Coming in April - Animal Therapy Workshop. Date/time/location TBD.

POWER Conference, continued

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sentative, 88th Kansas House District. Questions from participants will be posed to the panel at the end of the session.

In addition, we will again offer two breakout sessions with the following topics:

Session I - 8:45 - 10:15 am

- ◇ ***Ethics of Working with Suicidal Persons***, Presenter: Jason Deselms, Ph.D., Suicide Prevention Coordinator for Robert J. Dole VA Medical Center in Wichita, Chair of the Sedgwick County Suicide Prevention Coalition

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

- ◇ ***Play Therapy***, Presenter: Ruth Hitchcock, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Department of Counseling, Educational and School Psychology, Wichita State University

- ◇ ***Policy and Legislation affecting Social Workers***, Presenter: Sky Westerland, LMSW, Executive Director, National Association of Social Work-

ers, Kansas Chapter

- ◇ ***Holistic Healing***, Presenter: Lorie Wilson, Dipl. Ac. (NCCAOM), M.Ed., CMT, InnerWorks Holistic Healthcare, Wichita

Session II - 1:00 - 2:30 pm

- ◇ ***Ethics in Technology***, Presenter: Shaunna Balman-Millar, LMSW, Associate Director of Field Practicum, School of Social Work, Wichita State University

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

- ◇ ***Motivational Interviewing***, Presenter: Bridgette Franklin, Skills Developer/Diversity Educator & Intake/Employment Units Supervisor, Sedgwick County Department of Corrections, Wichita

- ◇ ***Substance Abuse and Trust Building***, Presenter: Meredith Reuter, LMSW, Counselor/Program Manager/Experiential Coordinator at Higher Ground Substance Abuse Treatment Program, Wichita

- ◇ ***Interracial Adoption***, Presenter:

Darron Smith, PhD, Assistant Professor, Department of Physical Assistant, Wichita State University

Registration Information

The registration deadline is Monday, February 21, 2012.

Registration fee (required at time of registration) of \$80.00 includes meals and materials. *A student rate of \$50.00 is available for current students. Students must provide their Wichita State University ID with registration to verify their student status. Non-WSU students must have a professor from their institution verify their student status in writing and provide this documentation at the time of registration.*

Register Online at www.wichita.edu/conferences/power. Make Checks and PO's payable to WSU Conference Office.

Questions regarding registration should be addressed to Jana Henderson, WSU Conference Office. You can contact her by email at jana.henderson@wichita.edu or by phone at (316) 978-6493.

For more information view the [POWER Brochure](#).

Carolyn Risley Hill

Carolyn Risley Hill is a BSW alumni member of the WSU Social Work program, School of Social Work Advisory Board member, community leader, and mentor to so many area social workers.

Sabrina Perez Glatt has submitted a re-

quest for Carolyn to be honored in the Wichita State University Plaza of Heroines with a granite paver recognizing her life and achievements for our field.

If you would like to help contribute to make this possible, please send a donation of

any size to:

Plaza of Heroines
Wichita State University
1845 Fairmount
Wichita, KS 67260-0002.

Student Accomplishments

Excerpts from [WSU News, Dec 6, 2011](#)
Students get nonprofit experience at CCSR

Several Wichita State University students are gaining real-world experience by volunteering at the WSU Center for Community Support and Research on a variety of projects this fall.

Kaitlin Boger is a second year master's social work student who designed and facilitated leadership development sessions, supported a trauma-informed organizational process for a community partner in Topeka, and researched trauma-informed care models.

Jennifer Comes is in her first year of the MSW program, contributing to CCSR's mental health consumer initiative by creating a media kit for Self-Help Group services and writing the history of consumer-run organizations in Kansas.

Faculty Accolades

Dr. Lisa Hines accepted appointment as board member of the **YWCA of Wichita** effective January 2012. YWCA of Wichita Board of Directors Mission Statement: To provide resources to promote safety and opportunities for women and children in our community. The Women's Crisis Center affirms the rights of all people to non-violent living. Our purpose is to reduce domestic violence and its consequences by sheltering and protecting victims and by

helping individuals develop positive relationship skills. We also seek to remedy the conditions that make violence, particularly against women and children, so prevalent in our society through advocacy and community education. YWCA USA Mission Statement: YWCA is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all. www.ywcaofwichita.org

Lisa also had publications:
Hines, L. (January 2012). The treatment views and recommendations of substance abusing women: A meta-synthesis. *Qualitative Social Work* 0(00), 1-17.
Hines, L. (February 2012). Help seeking, masculinity and physical/mental health of older African American men. *Journal of Black Masculinity*. Special Edition: Health Care Inequalities.

Dr. Kyoung Lee has published two peer-reviewed book chapters:
Bukonda, N. K. Z., Disashi, T. G., Njue, J. R. & **Lee, K. H.** (2011). Health dynamics of Kasaian internally displaced peoples resettled in the community of Cimbombo Cimuangi following ethnic cleansing in Katanga, Democratic Republic of Congo (1991-2005). In E. K. Mpinga & P. Chastonay, *Health and human rights-state sponsored violence and*

health (In French). Geneva, Switzerland: Medicine & Hygiene.
Bukonda, N. K. Z., Disashi, T. G., Njue, J. R. & **Lee, K. H.** (2011). Épuration ethnique Kasaïenne au Katanga en 1991: éléments d'une revue de la littérature. In E. K. Mpinga & P. Chastonay, *Health and human rights-state sponsored violence and health* (In French). Geneva, Switzerland: Medicine & Hygiene.

He also presented one paper at the SSWR:
Lee, K. H., Roh, S. H., & Yoon, D. P. *The role of stress and coping on the health of older adult residents in assisted living*. The 2012 Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR), Washington, DC.

Since coming to WSU, **Dr. Fred H. Besthorn** has published or has in press the following articles or book chapters:

Besthorn, F. H. (in press). Deep ecology's contribution to social work: A ten-year retrospective. *International Journal of Social Work*.
Wulff, D. P., St George, S. A. and **Besthorn, F. H.** (2011). Revisiting confidentiality: Observations from family therapy practice. *Journal of Family Therapy*, 33(2), 199-214.
Coates, J. & **Besthorn, F. H.** (2010). Building bridges and crossing boundaries: Dialogues in professional helping. *Critical Social Work*, 11(3).
Besthorn, F. H., & Meyer, E. (2010). Environmentally displaced persons: Broadening social work's helping imperative. *Critical Social Work*, 11(3).
Besthorn, F. H., Wulff, D. & St. George, S. (2010). Eco-spiritual helping and post-modern therapy: A deeper ecological framework. *Journal of Ecopsychology*, 2 (1), 23-32.

Book Chapters:
Besthorn, F. H. (in press). Radical equalitarian ecological justice: A social work call to action. In M. Gray, & J. Coates (Eds.), *Environmental Social Work* (chapter 1). London: Routledge.
Besthorn, F. H. (in press). Speaking earth: Environmental restoration and restorative justice. In K. Van Wormer, & L. Walker (Eds.). *Restorative Justice Today* (chapter 8). London: Sage Publications.
Alston, M. & **Besthorn, F. H.** (in press). Environment and sustainability. In K. Lyons, M. Hokenstad, N. Huegler, & M. Pawar (Eds.). *Sage Handbook of International Social Work* (chapter 3). London: Sage Publications.

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www.facebook.com/swalumni



Community Events

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

Biblio Social Work: Using Literature as Practice Intervention

Summary: Biblio Social Work includes creative book-based intervention strategies for use in practice, focusing on both children's and adult literature. Training participants will explore how individuals, groups, and communities can be empowered through the use of both fictional and nonfictional elements.

Learning Objectives:

1. Define and conceptualize "biblio-social work"
2. Understand the variety of uses of literature based intervention strategies in multiple settings
3. Learn two technological tools for using biblio-social work techniques in social work practice
4. Understand the limitations and ethical obligations related to biblio-social work

Presenter: Shaunna Millar has been a social worker for over fifteen years, receiving both her BSW and MSW degrees from Wichita State University. Before returning to Wichita State University in 2010, she was an adjunct instructor for Butler Community College in Andover, Kansas for ten years, and had served as a previous visiting instructor with WSU in 2003-2004. She has taught across the social work curriculum, and has particular interests in creative arts in practice, organizational development, community action, and children's issues.

Shaunna has worked primarily in the areas of child welfare, mental health, and juvenile justice. She started her career working with the YWCA Women's Crisis Center as a children's advocate, and continued working with children facing issues of violence and sexual abuse with the Exploited and Missing Child Unit at SRS and with the Wichita Children's Home. These experiences led her into social work experiences addressing the mental health needs of youth in the Juvenile Justice system with Sedgwick County Department of Corrections, and providing outpatient adult and child individual, family and group therapy with Youthville Family Consultation Service. She currently serves as a member of the advisory committee for the TFI Visitation and Exchange Center, and facilitates training and support for social workers in Wichita and surrounding communities.

Wednesday, March 14, 2012 from 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm.

Offering 1.8 CEU's from the WSU School of Social Work

\$10.00 tax-deductible donation suggested (cash, check, MasterCard, Visa, American Express, Discover)

State Office Building, 230 E William, Wichita, SRS Room 3080 (parking caddy-corner south east from SRS)

Bring your own lunch. Beverage vending machines are available in the building.

Pre-registration not required, doors open at 11:45 am.

Call WSU School of Social Work at (316) 978-7250 with questions.

Sponsored by the WSU SSW Advisory Board for the

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

Future Brown Bag Opportunities:

April 11, 2012 Play Therapy Techniques: Using Play to Treat Traumatized Kids, with Sherry Chapman, LCSW, RPT.

May 9, 2012 Digital Storytelling: Stories of Diversity and Bringing Art and Technology to Social Work, with Natalie Grant, LMSW, Ed.D.

July 11, 2012 Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking: Identifying and Serving Survivors, with Karen Countryman-Roswurm, LMSW.

Community Events

PRACTICUM APPRECIATION BREAKFAST & FIELD INSTRUCTOR TRAINING

Date: April 13th, 2012

Time: 8:30 am - Noon

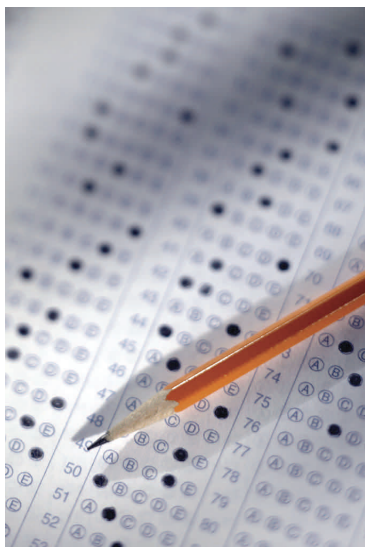
Location: Marcus Welcome Center

Join us for an appreciation celebration of our field instructors and on-site supervisors, as well as an opportunity to learn the newest information for the WSU Social Work practicum program. Breakfast and awards will be followed by two breakout sessions for new and experienced field instructors. Your participation and feedback is welcome, and we look forward to seeing you there!

RSVPs will be required - registration information will be emailed.

SAVE THE DATE!

Wichita State University School of Social Work
Fighting for equality, social justice and change for over 45 years



BSW & MSW Licensing Exam Preparation

Friday, March 9, 2012

BSW Prep from 9:00 am - 12:00 noon

MSW Prep from 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Wichita State University, Clinton Hall, Room 126

Registration and Fee Information will coming soon to www.wichita.edu/socialwork

There will be a discount for SOSW members!

Community Events



Midway-Kansas Chapter

1900 E Douglas
Wichita, KS 67214

(316) 219-4000



Make a difference and volunteer for the American Red Cross.
—Register Today!

Volunteer Disaster Training Classes

For more than 130 years, the American Red Cross has been helping people down the street, across the country and around the world. You can help by training to become a disaster volunteer that responds to local and national disasters. Training is free and is designed to give you skills to help on the home front.

Disaster Action Team Boot Camp, Week One

This group of classes will focus on helping families in south-central Kansas recover from the most common disaster - fires.

- March 5, 5-9 pm, Disaster Service Overview (Prerequisite for all courses)
- March 6, 5:30-9:30 pm, Psychological First Aid (Prerequisite for all courses)
- March 7, 5-9 pm, DAT Workshop
- March 8, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Client Casework - National Deployment
- March 9, 5-8 pm, Disaster Assessment Basics

Mass Care Boot Camp, Week Two

This group of classes will focus on helping large quantities of people after they've been displaced by natural disasters.

- March 12, 1-5 pm, Disaster Service Overview (Prerequisite for all courses)
- March 13, 1-4 pm, Disaster Assignment Workshop
- March 13, 5:30-9:30 pm, Psychological First Aid (Prerequisite for all courses)
- March 14, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm, Bulk Distribution
- March 15, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Shelter Operations and Simulation
- March 16, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Ready, Set, Roll for Emergency Response Vehicles
- March 30, 8:30 am - 3 pm, Fundamentals of Public Affairs (Optional)

Visit midwaykansas.redcross.org or call (316) 219-4000 for questions or registration.



KSSWA Summer Institute

June 15, 2012

Topeka Public Library

8:00 am - 4:00 pm

6 CEU's



More Information to come



2nd Annual Black History Celebration and Achievements



The 20th Century Center
536 N Broadway, Wichita
(SE corner of Broadway and Elm)

Friday, February 17, 2012
5:00 - 7:00 pm

Wichitans' will come together to kick off the 2nd Annual Black History Month Celebration. It's for education, awareness and also just to celebrate the contributions of African Americans. Free family-friendly event!

This year our celebration will focus on bringing positive support to the community and educate the citizens about Miracles, Inc. services and the many support groups that are offered in Wichita. We will have performances by local church groups, sororities, and fraternities that will show African Americans doing great things.

Please join us for our 2nd Annual Black History Celebration! Dinner will be served.

Please RSVP on Miracles, Inc. facebook page, email pam@miracles.kscoxmail.com or by calling Porsha Foster or Pamala Vaughn at (316) 263-1317.



Changing A Child's Life Golf Tournament

Monday, April 30, 2012
Wichita Country Club

4 person scramble includes lunch, contests and prizes

10:30 am Registration

12:00 noon Shotgun Start

Visit www.cacsckansas.org for brochure and registration.



Urban League Events

- April 16th - Urban League of Kansas Golf Tournament at Sand Creek Station. For information contact Julia Craft at (316) 440-9246.
- April 21st - Developing Every Man's Opportunity (DEMO) Conference. For information contact David Gilkey at (316) 440-9235.
- April 26th - Urban League of Kansas Equal Opportunity Day (EOD) Gala. For information contact Julia Craft at (316) 440-9246.
- April 28th - Sisterhood of Queens Female Empowerment Conference. For information contact Lynn Gilkey at (316) 440-9232.



A fundraiser for Wichita Women's Initiative Network. Please join us for an evening of fashion, food and fun!

Tuesday, February 21, 2012
Social Hour 5:30 • Fashion Show 7:00
Newman University
Dugan-Gorges Conference Center

Wine and heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served
Opportunities to win gift baskets and a grand prize from Warren Travel
Ticket price \$25 each

To register go to:
<http://www.wichitawin.org/events.html>

Volunteer Opportunities



Communities in Schools at Jefferson Elementary needs volunteers to tutor after schools on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:20 - 5:15 pm. If you are interested, please contact Cammy Houston at (316) 973-3007.

Gown Town

Help make someone's prom possible

Donate gently worn formal gowns, accessories or men's formal attire and we will give them to high school students for prom free of charge. Large dress sizes especially needed.

Drop items off at one of the 15 In The Bag Cleaners locations. To find the location nearest you, visit www.inthebagcleaners.com.

Event will be held in the Friends University Casado Campus Center from 4-8 pm, March 9 and from 9 am-1pm, March 10.

Also looking for volunteers to help set up on Friday, March 9th and clean up after the event. Contact LaVeta Noble at lnoble@ifmnet.org to volunteer.



The Kansas Department of Social & Rehabilitation Services, Wichita Regional Office, needs volunteers to organize case files for storage. The ideal volunteer could give 2-3 hours per week for 2-3 months. Training is provided. The volunteer would need to pass the security clearance. For more information, contact Debbie Willis at (316) 337-6644 or debbie.willis@srs.ks.gov.

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Volunteer at the YWCA Wichita!

Our volunteers have the opportunity to work in a supportive environment that emphasizes the development of your interest and skills, and utilizes your talents.

Why volunteer?

- Develop leadership skills
- Make new friends
- Increase your knowledge of domestic violence
- Share your skills and talents
- Help strengthen the community
- Educate your peers

Classroom training starts February 20, 2012 and ends on March 17, 2012. Classes are held every Monday & Thursday, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm and Saturday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Non-Direct volunteers will only need to attend the first week of classes.

Join us on February 20th to see how your talents can benefit the YWCA and how our organization can help you grow as well! Space is limited, so don't wait! Call Today!!

The YWCA Wichita staff believe your involvement should be valuable and rewarding for you. For more information on how you can get involved, sign up for our training today! Contact us at (316) 263-7501.



Interested in becoming a Foster Parent?

KVC Behavioral Healthcare is hosting information meetings in your area!!

Help a child in your neighborhood

Please contact Stephanie Smith at (316) 618-5437 or smsmith@kvc.org to register.

This is the first step in the Foster Care and/or Adoption process. We will answer questions and help ease concerns about requirements and expectations of becoming a foster and/or adoptive parent.

These classes are required by the state of Kansas and are FREE of charge.



AseraCare Hospice Volunteer Opportunities:

Creative Documentation Volunteers have special artistic skills used to help with administrative work or indirect projects for patients. These volunteers may help write or format the volunteer newsletter, create a remembrance scrapbook for staff, or make personalized cards for patients (ie. Birthday, anniversary, holiday).

Companion Volunteers take on the role of a trusted friend. These volunteers simply spend time with the patient and families, being there when they need a listening ear, a hand to hold or an open heart. These volunteers may provide emotional support or give a caregiver relief for a certain period of time assisting with practical tasks.

Vigil Volunteers aim to fulfill the mission that "no patient dies alone." The volunteer's role is to be a presence and a listener for patients who are actively dying. Volunteers are asked to make a minimum two hour visit. Volunteers are mainly called upon for their services during nights, weekends, when other AseraCare staff are not available or when family caregivers need relief.

Bereavement Volunteers, depending on the local agency, may run support groups, visit families after the death, call families at various intervals during the first year, or help with mailings.

If you or anyone you know is interested in volunteering at AseraCare, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Adrian, at:

AseraCare Hospice
112 W Pine
El Dorado, KS 67042
Phone: (316) 322-7017
Toll-free: (877) 234-6692



UNITED, INC.
bringing potential to life

Rainbows United, Inc. is seeking volunteers to serve as the receptionist at our Kids Cove location. Work would include answering phones and light office work. For details:

<http://www.rainbowsunited.org/pages/volunteering-at-rainbows>.

Employment Offerings



Training and
Evaluation Center
of Hutchinson

Service Coordinator - Targeted Case Management

The Training and Evaluation Center of Hutchinson, Inc. has an opening for a Service Coordinator. This position is also known as Targeted Case Management and is currently available for a person who wants to make a difference.

This position has the responsibility of assisting individuals with disabilities and their support networks to identify, select, coordinate, obtain, and use both paid services and natural supports as may be available to enhance the individual's interdependence, integration, and productivity.

Qualifications: A bachelor's degree in social work, psychology, vocational rehabilitation, or related human services field is required. Experience working with persons with disabilities preferred. In addition, Microsoft Office and other computer proficiencies required.

Benefits include: health and dental insurance, life insurance, disability insurance, two weeks paid time off, 10 paid holidays and KPERs retirement.

Interested applicants may apply in person or online at www.techinc.org (go to career link for on-line application), fax a resume to (620) 663-1293, email hr@techinc.org or mail to
The Training and Evaluation Center
1300 E Avenue A
Hutchinson, KS 67501
(620) 663-1596



UNITED, INC.

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Rainbows United is seeking qualified staff to provide care for children ages 5-21 with special needs at our Camp Woodchuck. For more information go to: <http://rainbowsunited.org/pages/personal-care-attendant>.

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Looking for a job with a mission to help others? Enjoy working at night? Join the dedicated team of the YWCA Women's Crisis Center. Current opening for a part-time Night Advocate 3rd shift position, 10 pm - 8 am, 5 days on and 9 days off. Additional 2 hours for required monthly staff meeting.

Duties include answering crisis line, basic housekeeping, data entry, admit new residents and provide supportive counseling/advocacy to battered women.

Successful candidate will have:

- Interest in women's issues
- Ability to work independently
- Non-judgmental attitude
- Dependable and flexible
- Team Player
- Experience using Microsoft Office software

Bilingual a plus. Nonsmoking environment. College students encouraged to apply.

Apply in person, or email resume and cover letter to mainoffice@ywcaofwichita.org, or mail:
YWCA Wichita
Administration Offices
1111 N St Francis
Wichita, Kansas 67214

Applications accepted until filled. EOE



Saint Francis Community Services is currently seeking applicants for the following positions:

Social Worker (Great Bend, Garden City) LBSW, LPC, LMSW, LMFT
Reintegration Therapist (Great Bend, Salina) LCSW, LCMFT, LPC
Therapist, Family Preservation (Salina) LMSW, LMFT, LPC
Kinship Specialist (Hays) LBSW or similar
SFCS offers an excellent benefit package & competitive wages. Must be 21 years of age and pass background checks. Send resume to lisa.treece@st-francis.org or www.st-francis.org. EOE.



Youthville is **HIRING!** To see all job openings and to apply go to www.youthville.org.

Part-Time Outpatient Clinician

(Wichita/FCS, KS). This position requires a Master's Degree (MSW, MFT, Masters in psychology or mental health counseling) and Licensed to practice with supervision or independently in the state of Kansas. 6 hours of continuing education credit in Play Therapy Training for Clinicians who see clients under the age of 6.

Part-Time and Full-Time Offsite Outpatient Clinician (Wichita/FCS, KS). This position requires a Master's degree in Social Work, Psychology, Marriage and Family Therapy, or Mental Health Counseling and Licensed to practice independently in the state of Kansas. (LCSW, LCMFT, LCPC, LCP, Ph.D. or Psy.D. only). 6 hours of continuing education credit in Play Therapy or RPT required for clinicians who see clients under the age of 6.

Permanency Specialist - REIN / OPPLA-PST 33 (Wichita, KS). This position requires a Bachelor's or Master's degree in BSRB licensable field and a BSRB license.

Permanency Support Worker-REIN / OPPLA-PST 30 (Wichita, KS). This position requires a high school diploma or GED.

Permanency Support Worker - REIN / OPPLA-PST 33 (Wichita, KS). This position requires a high school diploma or GED.

Part-Time Foster Care Staff Assistant (Hays, KS). This position requires a high school diploma or GED.

Licensed Foster Care Worker (Olathe, KS). This position required a Bachelor's degree in Social Work or Master's degree in a related field and licensed by the BSRB.

Family Resource Service Provider (Dodge City, KS). This position requires a high school diploma or GED. Prefer degree in social work, psychology, sociology or related field.

CBS Outpatient Clinician (Dodge City, KS). This position requires a Master's Degree (MSW, MFT, Masters in psychology or mental health counseling) and Licensed to practice with supervision or independently in the state of Kansas. 6 hours of continuing education credit in Play Therapy Training for Clinicians who see clients under the age of 6.



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Mark Your Calendar!

Upcoming Dates:

March 2	POWER Conference
March 9	BSW & MSW Licensing Workshops
March 19 - 25	Spring Break
April 2	Summer Registration begins (tentative)
April 9	Fall Registration begins (tentative)
April 13	Practicum Appreciation Breakfast & Field Instructor Training
May 2	School of Social Work Colloquium
May 3	Last day of Spring classes
May 4	Study Day
May 5-11	Finals
May 11	Graduation

Phi Alpha Honor Society - Beta Delta Chapter Maggie Green, President

Dear future Social Workers,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year! Now it is time to hit the books for the spring semester. This semester, Phi Alpha will start off with a service project for the older adult population. Phi Alpha is asking all students to obtain "Ensure" nutritional shakes for the Central Plains Area Agency on Aging. Many of the aging population have been prescribed Ensure, but can't afford to buy them.

We are asking students to bring purchased Ensure packs or cans to the West Campus or 535 Lindquist Hall. Ensure will be collected up until Friday, April 13th. There will be boxes available to collect the Ensure. The Ensure that is collected will be available for case managers to be able to take to clients that are in need. We ask for your support in this service project, as we try to assist the individuals in need here in the metropolitan Wichita area.

2011-2012 MSW Phi Alpha Officers

President: [Maggie Green](#)

Vice President: [Allison Collazo](#)

Secretary/Treasurer: [Deborah Butner](#)

Faculty Advisor: [Tim Lause](#)

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Applications for undergraduate and graduate membership in Phi Alpha are due by March 15. Phi Alpha is a national academic honors society in social work. The application can be found below. Completed applications must be accompanied by a student transcript and a check or money order payable to Phi Alpha.

[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 for all university course work
- You have completed at least 8 hours within the social work major

MSW requirements are:

- You have completed at least 8 hours within the social work major
 - You have earned at least a 3.75 grade point average
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