## School of Social Work News

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Holiday Hallway

Friday, December 11, 2009

4:00 - 5:30 pm

School of Social Work

528 Lindquist Hall and the Social Work Hallway

We welcome students, alumni, field faculty, and other interested parties to help us celebrate the end of the Fall semester and the coming holidays.

Light refreshments will be served.



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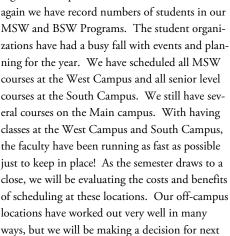


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## Director's Corner Dr. Linnea GlenMaye Director of Social Work

### Greetings!

Where has the Fall Semester gone? We were not able to publish a newsletter earlier, and now Thanksgiving is almost upon us! Once



We have also been busy with reviewing and revising the curriculum in the MSW Program. The proposed changes are currently in the process of approval by the College and University Curriculum Committees. If approved, we will be adding four credits to the graduate curriculum in order to increase the number of advanced practice

year's courses in the next several weeks.

courses in the final year of the MSW Program. We believe that this change will provide better preparation for professional practice and better fit our model of Advanced Generalist Practice.

Besides driving to and fro, the faculty have also been busy with projects and research. Sherry Chapman is once again chairing the POWER Conference Planning Committee, and is doing an excellent job of planning the upcoming conference on March 5, 2010. Kyoung Lee, Brien Bolin, and I will be presenting papers at the Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting in San Antonio from November 6-10. Sabrina Perez Glatt has been appointed to the Social Work Advisory Committee for the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board in Topeka. We are glad to have Sabrina represent the issues and concerns of our students and licensed professionals. We are also glad to have Courtney Smith back with her new bouncing baby boy, Carter! We are also fully staffed now with the return of Trisha Wenrich from medical leave for several weeks. Needless to say, this has been a busy Fall!

We have a special event scheduled for **November 17<sup>th</sup> (3pm – 4 pm, in Lindquist Hall 100).** The WSU Office of Multicultural Affairs is bringing **Juana Bordas**, the President of Mestiza Leadership International, to campus and she

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has agreed to speak to social work students, faculty, and other friends of social work. Ms. Bordas is the founding President/CEO of the National Hispana Leadership Institute, and she is a distinguished and dynamic national speaker who won the International Latino Book Award for best leadership book. In 2008, she was honored with the Martin Luther King Jr. Business Responsibility Award. Best of all, she's a social worker! Please join us if you can on November 17th. We are honored to have Ms. Bordas on campus and hope to have a standing-room-only crowd!

I'll end with a quote from Viktor Frankl, whose words remind me how important it is to find meaning and purpose in everything we do.

We needed to stop asking about the meaning of life, and instead think of ourselves as those who were being questioned by life -- daily and hourly. Our answer must consist, not in talk and meditation, but in right action and in right conduct.

# Field Notes Sabrina Perez Glatt Director of Field Practicum

Greetings from the Field!

This fall semester started out with a bang in practicum. Adapting to a new seminar routine with new



campuses for classes has been a challenge. Courtney Smith did an outstanding job with placements prior to going on maternity leave. The practicum program has developed some new practicum sites which have added new learning opportunities for our practicum students.

We have a total of 179 BSW and MSW students currently in placement. We could not do this if we did not have agency cooperation along with volunteer hours of social workers in the field who contribute to the service learning of our social work students. These skills are then passed to the many people served by these agencies, which contribute to the various communities where our students work and live. I can't help but

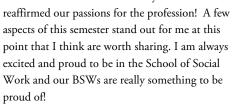
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think that it means more than just "passing it on." It becomes an opportunity for communities to be empowered and grow!

I would like to welcome our newest practicum program family member. His name is Carter Smith, the son of Courtney and Edgar Smith. Courtney is generous in sharing her joy in this little guy and his smile keeps the stress away! Page 3 School of Social Work News

## BSW Beat Natalie Grant BSW Program Director

The Fall semester has been a wonderful and busy time for all us in the School of Social Work. Our growing BSW class has provided positive energy and excitement toward their studies and certainly



The BSW seniors have experienced some transitioning with all of their classes being scheduled at the South Campus in Derby this year. Although it is a bit of a drive for most, they are receiving a welcoming and accommodating space for their studies and interactions with one another. The technology is very advanced there, the classrooms are spacious, and the staff at South



Campus is so gracious. We are certainly appreciating this connection and opportunity for our students.

One point of pride for me, as the faculty advisor of the Student Organization of Social Work (SOSW), is all of the amazing work that the BSWs have done this year to increase membership into the organization and participate in many worthwhile efforts. These guys have such passion for social work and have really committed to their roles in the organization. I have enjoyed getting to know students better through SOSW and see how they are able to come together for good causes and always mix in fun! Way to go guys, this is turning out to be a great year for SOSW. Be on the lookout for our new t-shirts, they are very social work hip!

Watching the students' transition and how they participate in the student organization really says a lot about the professionals they will be-

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come. It shows they are progressing nicely and will represent the School of Social Work well as they begin their practice.

I have also been participating on our school's curriculum committee and while we have worked to create change and improve the MSW curriculum thus far, we will be working on improvements for the BSW program this coming year. We are responding to student and community feedback and creatively thinking about new course offerings and how to create greater consistency in the program.

As we roll into the holiday season, we're looking forward to SOSW's holiday service projects as well as creating opportunities to be with one another and enjoy our most valuable possessions...our people! Take care!

## MSW Moments Dr. Brien Bolin MSW Program Director

The following thoughts were inspired by a large bowl of Wonka candies that I handed out to urchins of all types who graced at my door on Saturday evening, October 31st 2009...



"We have so much time and so little to do, Stop! Wait, Strike that, reverse it." This Wonka philosophy reminds us to slow down, be in the moment, and to think about things from different perspectives. My 8 year old began asking when we would be leaving to "trick or treat" at noon and continued until around six. Time passes so slowly when we are young. As we age time seems to move quickly, I think this is why we set the clocks back each fall. Moreover, as our lives get busy and seem to get increasingly more

difficult as we rush about in our lives, it is easy to get myopic about how we see situations, events or happenings in our lives. We rush from classes, to practicum, to our jobs and to family, without a chance for slowing down or reflection. We all have busy lives; we all are connected in this simple truth.

We need to look to the big picture, and those who are part of our lives, remembering to appreciate the time, for "there is so little time." For many of you the MSW program represents a year or two (or maybe three or four) of focused and dedicated course work and practicum. Reflection is part of being successful. Yet, as the fall passes, and the holidays approach, remember this second Wonkism; "A little nonsense now and then is cherished by the wisest men." Find time for the non-

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sense and reflect on it. The silliness may bring balance to your life, if not, maybe you made someone smile. Now for a final, Wonka thought "We are the music makers, and we are the dreamers of dreams."

As we round out 2009 and get ready for a new admissions class of 2010, remind those who might be interested in the MSW program that the School of Social Work will be hosting our MSW Information Night on Monday, November 16. We will meet in the Rhatigan Student Center (RSC) room 203, from 5:30-7:00. We will have a helping of light snacks, topped with information and fabulous people who are "dreamers of dreams."

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# SOSW — Student Organization of Social Work Michael Smalley, Vice President

And away.... we.... go with the start of a new year for SOSW. SOSW has had already had several meetings this year and we are starting to have a clear set of plans for many great ideas. First off there are newly elected officers and they are Katie Maddox (President), Michael Smalley (Vice President), LaNier Roberts (Treasurer), and Natalie Grant (Faculty Advisor).

SOSW officially got to a great kick-off on October 17 during an organization wide picnic. Even though it was a chilly day and sickness was already starting to be a concern among members, there was a great turnout and the event went smoothly.

Next on our plate was the decorating of an organization banner for Shocktoberfest. Although our banner did not win, it was great to see members get together during the little free time many of us have to offer and to work together for a common goal.

Halloween has come and gone, but not without any contributions from the SOSW. On Saturday, October  $24^{th}$  members participated in Trunk-or-Treat in the Rhatigan Student Center parking lot. The turn-out for this event was better than expected and for our organization to be a part of an event that gives to the community should make us all very proud.

SOSW Officers:

President: Katie Maddox

Vice President: Michael Smalley

Treasurer: <u>LaNier Roberts</u>

Faculty Advisor: Natalie Grant

So far the semester has been flying by and SOSW has achieved so much, but the semester and the year are not over, and there is still plenty of planning going on. Currently the organization has t-shirts being printed that will be available to members of the organization and also to members of the community so be on the look-out for them!

Finally, the organization would like to hold a fund-raiser or some sort of community service

project during the holidays. We already have many great ideas, but if you have any ideas you think would be good for the organization, please let us know by emailing Katie or Michael. It has been a busy semester for many of us but there are still many things for our organization to do and we hope to see as many of you as possible in the upcoming events. We hope you all have a great rest of the semester!



Trunk-or-Treat

← SOSW Picnic

# SWOGS — Social Work Organization of Graduate Students Danielle Sides, President

Fall semester is flying by! Soon, the holiday season will be upon us and fall semester will be over. SWOGS has started to make plans for the year, including an LMSW Exam Review, Psychopharmacology Workshop, and Grant Writing Workshop. Watch for emails containing dates and more information!

It is not too late for membership in SWOGS! Print off an <u>application</u> and drop it by the Social Work Office.

On November 9, 2009, SWOGS will have a meeting at Old Chicago at the corner of 21st and

Tyler. Plan to join us there at 7 p.m.

Let us know if you have any questions or ideas for the remainder of the year! Best wishes as you finish the semester!



**SWOGS Officers:** 

President: Danielle Sides

Vice-President: Eva Gadberry

Secretary / Treasurer: Kristina Young

Faculty Liaison: Sabrina Perez Glatt

## Spring Social Work Electives

### Practice in Addictions

ScWk 610V (3 credit hours)

CRN#: 23282 South Campus

Thursdays, 4:30 - 6:55 p.m. Instructor: Deah Miller

This course prepares students for social work practice in the field of substance abuse and to intervene effectively when working in other areas where addiction may be a concern. It includes content in the definitions and epidemiology of alcoholism and drug addiction, approaches toward intervention and prevention, public policy toward the regulation of drugs and their consequences, and the treatment of chemical dependency among special populations.

### Clinical Assessment Practice

ScWk 870 (3 credit hours)

CRN#: 24994 West Campus

8 Saturdays, 9:00 am. - 2:00 p.m.

1/23, 2/6, 2/20, 3/13, 3/27, 4/10, 4/24, 5/8

Instructor: Diane Bidwell

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.

### 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.



## Community Events

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



## How to Navigate Service Systems for Children with Developmental Disabilities

**Presentation:** Children with developmental disabilities need the support of a multi-disciplinary team. When that team includes individuals from multiple systems such as education, general and specialty medicine, mental health, durable medical equipment, insurance, Medicaid, Social Security, developmental disability, the HCBS waiver programs, foster care, and juvenile justice – how does a social worker help the family navigate the systems for their child's unique needs?

**Learning Objectives:** This presentation will help the social worker: become aware of the broad spectrum of services and supports currently available for children; provide strategies on how to decide which systems offer the most useful services for the child; learn how to use supports from more than one service system at a time; and give tips on how to encourage providers from other systems to work cooperatively to resolve the child's special needs.

**Presenter:** Lorie Angelo, LMSW, began working in the field of Developmental Disabilities as the Coordinator for Respite Services for Rainbows United, becoming supervisor of Targeted Case Management then department head of foster care and adoption services in Community Outreach Services.

She recognized that the children Rainbows served were also receiving services from other systems and that families were best served when the efforts of all systems were coordinated. To this end she has worked with SRS-Children and Family Services; SRS-Developmental and Behavioral Health Services; KDHE-Child Care and Foster Care licensing; COMCARE; area county CDDOs; area school districts; the Private Contractors for Foster Care, Adoption and Family Preservation - Lutheran Social Services, Youthville, DCCCA, KCSL; Home and Community-Based Service (HCBS) providers through the MRDD, Physically Disabled, Technology Assisted, Autism, and Severe Emotionally Disordered waivers; local law enforcement and Court systems. She is well-known within these systems as a staunch supporter of children and the people who care for them.



Offering 1.5 CEU's from the WSU School of Social Work \$10.00 tax-deductible donation

(cash, check, Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover) Receipts available. Pre-register by calling Angelica Salas at (316) 337-6795.

Wednesday, November 18, 2009 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 5082

(one block south of Douglas between Broadway & Market) - plenty of parking caddy-corner South East from SRS building.

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):

Jan 13, 2010 Developmental Disabilities and Dementia—Double Challenges, Celeste Balog & Carolyn Risley Hill, Starkey Inc.

Feb 10, 2010 Juvenile Offender Issues, Ron Paschal, Deputy District Attorney

Mar 10, 2010 Drug Endangered Children – Trends and Treatment, Sandra Charbonneau, Assistant District Attorney

Apr 14, 2010 Immigration Then and Now, David Osio, LMSW

May 12, 2010 Parents, Shoes and Bridges, Sherry Luthe, Director of Parent Advocacy and Support Services,

Mental Health Association of South Central Kansas

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## Community Events



## WICHITA STATE

FAIRMOUNT COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

School of Social Work

Guest Speaker: Juana Borda President Mestiza Leadership International

> Tuesday, November 17, 2009 3:00—4:00 p.m. Lindquist Hall, Room 100

Juana holds an MSW from the University of Wisconsin and has 22 years experience managing nonprofit corporations and building partnerships with the private sector to support innovative programs.

As a dynamic national speaker, Juana weaves leadership, diversity, and community building into a multicultural tapestry. She utilizes music, movement and leadership practices to illustrate the richness and wisdom diversity brings.

As founding President/CEO of the National Hispana Leadership Institute, the only program in America that prepares Latinas for national leadership, she forged partnerships with Harvard's JFK School of Government and CCL to provide training for Hispanic women.

An active community member, Juana was one of 50 leaders chosen by the Colorado Legislature to design the state's future plan and was selected by <u>Colorado Business Magazine</u> as one of 100 influentials in the state.



Building Brighter Tomorrows for Families and Children

### TFI Family Services, Inc. Holds Holiday Benefit Auction for Children in Foster Care

As the holiday season draws near, TFI Family Services, Inc. is preparing for its 19th Annual Holiday Benefit Auction. It will be on Wednesday, December 2, 2009 at the Best Western Hotel in Emporia. This year's theme is "Help Us Give Our Kids the Gift of Childhood." The event is focused on raising funds for children in foster care to have the extras that many take for granted. These extras could be music lessons, a pair of running shoes for the track, team, a prom dress, or even to meet a medical need. By providing these items, we are able to bring a sense of normalcy into the life of a youth in foster care, and that is absolutely priceless.

You are invited to take part in the event as a participant or a volunteer. The social hour and silent auction begin at 5:30 p.m. and the live auction begins at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in volunteering at this event, please contact Megan Garde at <a href="mailto:megang@the-farm.org">megang@the-farm.org</a> or 877-994-2985. TFI Family Services, Inc. is appreciative of any role you take to Help Us Give Our Kids the Gift of Childhood.

To learn more about TFI Family Services, Inc. go to <a href="https://www.the-farm.org">www.the-farm.org</a>.

# The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Man Woman

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS) wants you to celebrate your ability to help others. Plus, have the opportunity to compete for a variety of media opportunities and ultimately for the title of Man or Woman of the Year.

OF • THE • YEAR

You may be the special man or woman the LLS is looking for to help advance its mission: Cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families.

If you are interested in volunteering as a candidate or aiding another candidate in their campaign, please contact Jean Mash, LMSW at (316) 660-7855.

Help for Moore and Robies in Road - Wirhita Essen





The Treehouse is an organization in Wichita that offers ongoing spiritual sustenance, nurturing programs, baby supplies (diapers, formula, wipes, etc), and other resources for mothers. Check out their web page at <a href="https://www.wichitatreehouse.org">www.wichitatreehouse.org</a>.

I am doing a fundraiser, selling Mary Kay lipsticks, lip glosses, and tinted lip balms for \$10 (regular price \$13). \$7 from every tube sold will go directly to the Treehouse. With any additional Mary Kay order (other than lipsticks, glosses and lip balms) I will donate 50% of the retail price to the Treehouse.

For more information contact Germaine at 316-775-1415 or mainers@ladybuglover.com.

## 7th Annual POWER Conference

Pride Of Wichita— and surrounding area— Empowerment Rally Friday, March 5, 2010

## What's new in Social Work for the 21st century!

### **Located at WSU's Hughes Metropolitan Complex**

5015 E. 29th Street North

(corner of E. 29th Street North and Oliver in Wichita, KS)

Phone: (316) 978-6493 Fax: (316) 978-3064

E-mail: conference.office@wichita.edu

Watch our web site for more information to come:

http://www.wichita.edu/conferences



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## Community Events



Central Plains Area Agency on Aging Butler, Harvey & Sedgwick Counties

Searching for the Right Part D Insurance November 30, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. RSVP by November 25th

West River Plaza 2622 W Central—3rd floor Conference Rm. Wichita, Kansas

Medicare Part D Open Enrollment is November 16—December 31. Caregivers or Seniors can learn how to navigate the internet and search for the right Medicare Part D insurance to meet their needs. Space is limited, please RSVP to Monica at 660-5229 or

mcissell@cpaaa.org.



Actively Design Your Retirement Future

Learn about tools and resources to help you better understand:

- ☑ Medicare
- ☑ Long Term Care Insurance
- ☑ Retirement Planning
- ☑ Caregiving

Central Plains Area Agency on Aging can help you design your retirement future. Call for information about this free program.

→ Get Connected - Access the Retirement By Design forum at <a href="https://www.cpaaa.org">www.cpaaa.org</a> or join Project Renewment, a group for retired career women.

Central Plains Area Agency on Ag

For more information call 316-660-5120 or visit <a href="https://www.cpaaa.org">www.cpaaa.org</a>.



## Wassail Party

Friday, November 20, 2009 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Cottonwood Court Kansas State Fairgrounds Hutchinson

Wassail, auction item preview, entertainment by the

graduating class of the Early Education Center, the Buhler Singers, and more.

Wassail Party tickets \$2.00 Wassail ticket included with festival reservations for \$40.

### Auction

Saturday, November 21, 2009 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

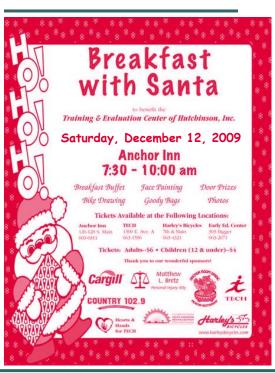
Enjoy holiday sounds, hors d'oeuvres and refreshments

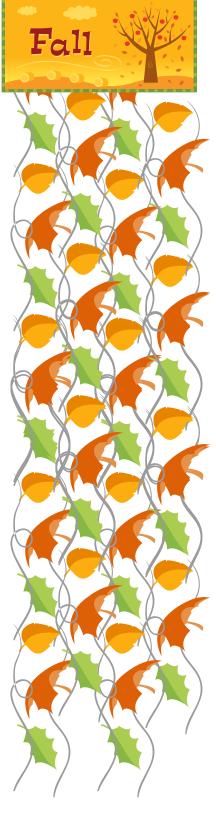
8:30 p.m. Live auction begins

\$40.00 per person Seating available \$400 reserved table for 8

RSVP to Marcy Kauffman at marcy@techinc.org or (620) 663-1596

Valet parking available A Black tie optional





## Volunteer Opportunities



Community Volunteers are needed to help staff the 14 booths at Reality U. Volunteers will be responsible for assisting students with their purchases or selecting services. Volunteers may sign up for a two-hour block of time between 8:00 a.m. and 3:10 p.m. All volunteers receive an orientation and training prior to the event.

If you would like to volunteer for Reality U, please respond to <a href="mailto:awilbert@cis.wichita.org">awilbert@cis.wichita.org</a>. Be sure to include the date and session time you are available.

Once we have received your information, we will contact you with your booth assignment. If you have questions, or would like more information, please feel free to contact me at 973-7921 or <a href="mailto:awichita.org">awilbert@ciswichita.org</a>.

South	Nov 12-13
West/Metro Meridian	Dec 10-11
Heights	Jan 28-29
Derby	Feb 11-12
Southeast/Metro Blvd	Feb 25-26
Valley Center Middle	Mar 10
NE Magnet	Apr 16
Campus	Apr 20-21



Volunteer Opportunities

Thursday, Nov. 21st 5 Volunteers - National Adoption Day

Monday, Nov. 30th - Friday, Dec. 12th 15 Volunteers - Sort Gifts

Anytime

3rd party volunteer mentors

Sign up to volunteer! Contact Antoine Morrison at (316) 529-9164 or amorrison@youthville.org.



Making Friends, Changing Lives
As you know, social work is very important
and rewarding in many ways. Compeer, a program of the Mental Health Association, is seeking caring mentors to spend 1-2 hours per week
with a child to provide support and friendship.
Compeer offers flexible community and school
based mentoring opportunities, with training and
ongoing staff support. Volunteering as a component of "service learning" will enhance your resume while you are spending time with a youth
in need. Please read the following profile of a
youngster on our waiting list and give us a call to
become her friend or to learn more about becoming a Compeer mentor!

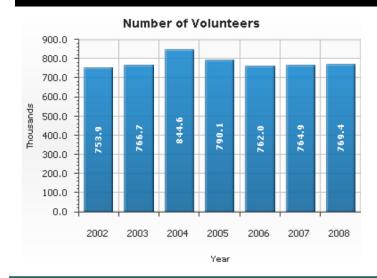
"Kim" is 7 years old and very energetic! She likes movies, arts and crafts, swimming and science. Kim enjoys playing cards, "house" and dress-up, watching TV and is a Girl Scout. Although Kim has a loving family, she would benefit from having an outgoing, caring mentor who enjoys spending time together and is a good listener.

Thank you for all you do! Please call Compeer at 652-2541 TODAY!

### Volunteering In Kansas

## VolunteeringInAmerica.gov

Kansas



## Trends and Highlights

Based on single year data (2008)

- Even with the economic crisis, the national volunteer rate remained relatively constant, from 26.2% in 2007 to 26.4% in 2008. In 2008, 61.8 million volunteers donated approximately 8 billion hours of service in communities across the country.
- 36.2% of adults volunteered in Kansas in 2008, contributing 92.7 million hours of service
- In addition to the 769.4 thousand adults in Kansas volunteering in 2008, an extra 62,759 individuals worked with their neighbors to fix a problem or improve a condition in their community but did not serve through an organization.

For more information, go to <a href="http://www.VolunteeringlnAmerica.gov">http://www.VolunteeringlnAmerica.gov</a>



## **Employment Offerings**



New Hope Heartland, a psychiatric residential treatment facility for girls ages 12-21 located in Norwich, Kansas is currently looking for 2nd and 3rd shift Residential Counselors. This position is responsible for the supervision and management of emotionally disturbed adolescents within a therapeutic residential milieu. Must be at least 21 years of age with a high school diploma or GED.

Please send resume and letter of intent to resumes@heartlandhr.com.



Building Brighter Tomorrows for Families and Children

Are you looking for a position in Child Welfare?

TFI Family Services is a private, nonprofit organization that is dedicated to doing what makes sense for children and families through a diverse range of behavioral healthcare, child welfare and community-based services. Our goal, every day, is to build a brighter tomorrow for families and children. If you are interested in making a difference in the life of a child, please visit <a href="https://www.the-farm.org">www.the-farm.org</a>.

Want a great place to work?

The Robert J. Dole V.A. Medical Center, Wichita, Kansas is continuously looking for highly qualified social workers. The VA has a vari-



ety of areas where social workers provide services including Home Based Primary Care (HBPC), Hospice, Polytrauma, Inpatient, Outpatient Clinics and Behavioral Health Service.

The incumbent must have a Master's degree in social work from a school accredited by the Council on Social Work Education and must also be licensed to independently practice social work in a state. Prefer Licensed Clinical Social Worker.

The VA offers a very competitive salary and benefits package. For questions or to obtain the required application form, please contact Human Resources at (316) 651-3625 or you may send an email to <a href="mailto-Linda.Shepherd@va.gov">Linda.Shepherd@va.gov</a>. VA Medical Center, 5500 E Kellogg, Wichita, Kansas 67218. The VA is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



COMCARE of Sedgwick County, a progressive community mental health center located in Wichita, KS 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," 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 & 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: Will 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 consumer 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 include a Bachelor Degree in a Human Service 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.

We offer a competitive salary and a full range of benefits. Visit our website at <a href="www.hrepartners.com">www.hrepartners.com</a> for detailed job information for these and other COMCARE positions and to apply on-line.

We are also recruiting for the following positions: Substance Abuse Counselors for Addiction Treatment Services, Sr. Social Workers for Crisis Services, Team Supervisor - Community Support Services & PHD Psychologist/Program Manager.

Sedgwick County is proud to be an equal opportunity employer.



The Training and Evaluation Center of Hutchinson

Job Opportunity

Service Coordinator

AKA Targeted Case Management

The Training and Evaluation Center of Hutchinson has an opening for a Service Coordinator.
This position is also known as Targeted Case Management.

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.

Required knowledge in Positive Behavioral Supports, advocacy, community resources, ability to implement/author a person centered plan, and the ability to assist persons served in funding and applying for services.

Qualifications: A bachelor's degree in social work, psychology, vocational rehabilitation, or related field is required. Experience preferred.

Benefits include: health and dental insurance, life insurance, disability insurance, two weeks paid time off, 12 paid holidays, and KPERS retirement.

Interested applicants may apply in person or online at <a href="www.techinc.org">www.techinc.org</a> (go to career link for online application). The Training and Evaluation Center of Hutchinson, 1300 E Avenue A, Hutchinson, Kansas 67501, phone: (620) 663-1596, fax: (620) 663-1293, e-mail: <a href="hreeteninc.org">hreeteninc.org</a>.



## **Employment Offerings**

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### Advocate - Part-time

Interviews new clients to complete lethality assessment and begin safety planning process that will be completed by assigned case manager. Documents advocacy and resource needs and existing barriers that clients may have preventing an independent, violence free life. May assist client to increase knowledge of basic budgeting, parenting skills, job search and goal setting.

Assists in identification of new community resources and may refer clients to subsequent services.

Records assessments, independent living plans, and referral services. Communicates with case manager regarding client assessments, resource needs, and progress toward completion of goals. Follows up with clients to assess progress and provide continuing service as appropriate. Attends weekly staff meetings.

Requirements: 2+\_ years of undergraduate study in social work or social services. Class C driver's license, motor vehicle, and insurance required. Minimum of one year experience in early childhood education, parenting education, case management, counseling, domestic violence, economically disadvantaged, or other social issues preferred.

### Court Advocate - Full-Time

Provides support, advocacy and crime victim rights information to domestic violence victims. Works closely with law enforcement and justice system personnel including prosecutors and probation officers. Knowledge of court terminology and community resources strongly preferred. Ability to observe, listen closely and respond non-judgmentally with empathy and respect in stressful environment required. Must be self starter with ability to work without close supervision. Ability to maintain accurate records of services provided required. Experience in crisis intervention preferred. Bi-lingual a plus. BA or BS required.

### To apply for either position:

Send resume and cover letter describing why you are interested in the position and how skills and abilities match job requirements to YWCA Wichita, Administration Offices, 1111 N St. Francis, Wichita, KS 67214 or email mainoffice@ywcaofwichita.org. Resumes received without cover letters will NOT be considered. Resumes accepted until position is filled. EOE



Work at Youthville and help children like Mariah

Mariah, along with her brother and sister, came into Youthville's care several years ago. It was evident at school that the children were having a rough time. They would fall asleep in class, got in trouble for misbehaving, and didn't have clothes that fit.

When Kimberly, a Youthville social worker, came into their lives, she showed them kindness



and gave them a since of security. Her compassion and dedication to providing them with life's necessities built their confidence and improved their lives.

The young girl was so appreciative of the help that she and her siblings received, that she named Kimberly her guardian angel and nominated her for "The Kindest Kansas Citizen Award."

Youthville is one of the largest nonprofit, child welfare agencies in Kansas, specializing in foster care, adoption, psychiatric residential treatment and counseling. The agency's 600 employees are passionate about its mission of "Giving Children Back Their Childhood" to the 1400 children who suffer from abuse, neglect, abandonment, and trauma. The agency meets the needs of children and families by providing services throughout Kansas. We currently have offices in Concordia, Dodge City, Garden City, Hays, Hutchinson, Newton, Olathe, Colby and Wichita. In addition to our offices, we are able to provide services in Great Bend, Liberal, Pratt, Salina and Wellington.

Youthville has many job opportunities in social work and psychology, as well as in the business field. To learn more about opportunities at Youthville, visit our web site at <a href="https://www.youthville.org">www.youthville.org</a>.

Youthville is now taking applications for:

- Behavioral Therapist
- Medical Director
- Part-Time Bi-Lingual Recruitment Staff Assistant - Wichita
- Part-Time Driver
- PRN In-Home Outpatient Clinician

# BI////////// Behavioral Interventions

Client Services Specialist I

Provides case management and customer service support for the Field Service Office or Re-Entry Center. Performs client check-in procedures and assists case managers with case coordination and documentation. Learns, uses and models principles of the "What Works" system through evidence-based practices in all interactions with clients and other staff members.

Job qualifications:

- Good customer service skills
- Effective communication skills with internal and external contacts at all levels.
- Good organizational skills and attention to detail.
- Solid computer skills and proficiency with MS Word and Excel.
- · Basic database skills.
- · Basic math skills.
- Bi-lingual (English/Spanish) skills may be required.
- Ability to safely operate a motor vehicle if required to transport clients
- Valid State driver's license and 5-year record of safe and competent driving as demonstrated by state motor vehicle report if required to transport clients.
- High School diploma required.
- Two years college coursework in Human Services or business discipline preferred.
- Minimum of six months experience in Human Services field with direct client services preferred.
- Minimum of six months experience working with minority populations preferred.
- Must be 25 years of age with at least five years driving experience if required to transport clients.

Interested parties can apply at www.bi.com.



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## Mark Your Calendar!

## Upcoming Dates:

November 16 ...... MSW Information Night

November 17 ...... Guest Speaker: Juana Bordas

November 25 - 29 ...... Thanksgiving Break (Office closed Nov 26 - 29)

December 10...... Last day of classes

December 11..... Study Day

School of Social Work Holiday Party

December 12 - 18 ..... Finals

December 13..... Fall Commencement

December 24 - January 3...... Holiday Shutdown (Office closed)

January 18...... Martin Luther King Holiday (Office closed)

January 19......Spring semester begins

February 1 ...... MSW Program Applications due

Scholarship / Fellowship Applications due

March 5 ...... POWER Conference

March 15 - 21 ...... Spring Break

May 10...... Spring Celebration

May 14...... Spring Commencement

## Faculty Accolades

Dr. Brien Bolin & Dr. Linnea GlenMaye are doing a paper presentation this week.

GlenMaye, L. F. & Bolin, B. L. Objective assessment of MSW personal statements: A new look with additional tools. Paper presentation at the 2009 Annual Program Meeting (APM) of the Council of Social Work Education (CSWE), San Antonio, Texas.

**Dr. Kyoung Lee** has had an article published and is doing two paper presentations this week.

**Lee, K. H.** (2009). Federal government interventions and state welfare policy choices: Work requirements, sanctions, and lifetime limits. *Journal of Policy Practice*, 8(4), 282-300.

**Lee, K. H.** & Yoon, D. P. Predictors of health status of low-income Korean older adult

*immigrants*. Paper presentation at the 2009 Annual Program Meeting (APM) of the Council of Social Work Education (CSWE), San Antonio, Texas.

Yoon, D. P. & **Lee, K. H.** The relationship between spirituality and psychological coping for persons with TBI. Paper presentation at the 2009 Annual Program Meeting (APM) of the Council of Social Work Education (CSWE), San Antonio, Texas.