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Introduction of New Faculty Member Deah Miller, LMSW, LCAC

Deah Miller is an experienced advanced generalist social worker in Sedgwick County, receiving both her BSW and MSW degrees from Wichita State University. She has been an active social work practitioner throughout the community in the areas of substance abuse treatment,



co-occurring mental health disorders, corrections, cultural competency in the administration of treatment and harm reduction. Her experiences in the provision of substance abuse treatment include case management, outpatient clinician, residential addictions therapist, and licensed clinical addictions counselor. With her advanced generalist social work knowledge, training and experience, she has been helping prepare social work students at BSW and MSW levels integrate into the local community to practice in all areas of social work. Deah has been an adjunct faculty member at Wichita State School of Social Work since 2009, teaching social work

and addictions practice. As a regional advocate for generalist and advanced generalist social work education, Deah believes well-trained generalist social workers can provide vital services and support within the State of Kansas.

Deah is now teaching within the BSW and MSW Foundation programs for the School of Social Work. She will integrate her experience with current community practice in the classroom experience. Her continued research for evidence-based practice in service provision supports the need for professional generalist social workers across the state. She will advocate and recruit for extended community - university research collaboration to assist students to prepare for social work practice.

Deah has a strong interest in expanding the cope of social work practice. She firmly believes the generalist social work academic experience is the foundation for professional social work practice.

Deah can be contacted at deah.miller@wichita.edu. Her office is 505 Lindquist Hall. Please drop by and visit with Deah regarding your own ideas for ongoing issues in social work practice. Her office hours on the main campus this semester are Wednesdays & Thursdays from 1:00 - 3:00 pm.

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Director's Début Brien Bolin Director of the School of Social Work

As I begin my journey as the Director of the School of Social Work at Wichita State University, I reflect on the meaning of leadership. I consider the type of leader I would like to be. I think



about directors in Schools of Social Work, I reflect on the directors in agencies which I have worked, and finally, I look to our political leaders. These are varied and provide both good and poor examples. As I continue to consider the type of leader that I would like to be, lectures of leadership styles echo in my mind. Am I an authoritarian leader, am I laissez-fair, or am I a democratic leader? I do not know, however what I do know is that to be effective, a leader needs to

have many qualities.

Sitting at dinner tonight, a couple who appeared to be engaged were sitting near my table and meeting with a caterer. The soon-to-be-bride sat across the table from her future husband with her mom and dad by her side as they attempted to make decisions on the meal for the wedding reception. The caterer and chef were leading the discussion. The caterer seemed to be a seasoned veteran in the ways of engaged couples making decisions about what to serve their family and friends on their wedding day. What was observable was that the soon-to-be-bride was argumentative, contrary and unreceptive to the suggestions of the caterer. She did not like anything that was suggested by the caterer. She would not make decisions. Intrigued by this display of the mun-

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dane, I quickly realized that the caterer was guiding the couple with a limited set of options. She listed the choices for the main courses; salmon or chicken, steaks or fish, roast, etc. She then moved on to the sides; baby potatoes or asparagus, tossed salad or green beans, baby carrots, etc. The caterer made many suggestions as the family listened. In the end, the caterer lead the family. She directed from what she knew what foods people like. She knew "The wedding is not the marriage." She kept the bigger picture in mind.

As I continued to reflect on leadership, I asked myself what type of leader I would like to be. The answer is always the same - I do not know. My actions will define my leadership, and if I keep the bigger picture in view, I will be ok.

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

There was quite a change of intensity for placements this year. It was extremely reflective of the community at large in their struggle to



provide the services to clients across the board, not just in one population service setting. What a way for Shaunna Millar to learn to do this job, and she tackled the job like the competent social worker I know her to be.

We were able to generate new placements, yet lost several experienced field instructors in the process due to new jobs or relocations. We are most grateful for their dedication to our social work students and their efforts in educating them into the role of social work colleague.

Our field instructors and on-site supervisors have stepped up to the plate in providing the learning opportunities for our students and we are grateful for what you do for them on a daily basis. We never take you for granted and fully recognize the additional responsibility of field education of a social work student.

We at the file practicum program have gone paperless. Any information one need form the field manual to forms are all on the website at www.wichita.edu/socialwork. I am grateful to Shaunna and the office staff for completing this task.

Practicum instructors will begin site visits in October and students are responsible for setting

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up those visits with you. Also, Mid-term Evaluations will be expected in October, again the responsibility of your students.

We will do Practicum Orientations the second week of November for the BSW/MSW students who are already in our program and are slated to begin Practicum for the 2012-2013 school year. If you are a placement agency / institution, you will be hearing from us after the end of this semester.

As always, on behalf of Shaunna Millar and myself, we so appreciate your work and truly believe the WSU School of Social Work students will become the bright future for the profession of social work!

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MSW Moment Orren Dale MSW Program Coordinator

Over the past summer, there have been a number of changes in the School of Social Work that are discussed elsewhere in this Newsletter. The general picture is positive. Linnea GlenMaye's promotion



is a confirmation of her good work, and indirectly an acknowledgement of the regard for social work within the university community. Brien Bolin is an able and well-grounded successor as program director. Our faculty is engaged. Enrollment is solid, and the incoming students are well motivated. The school faces a challenge as it prepares for reaffirmation of accreditation for both the BSW and MSW programs. This is the normal focus of newsletters like this.

On the local front, all seems to be going well. But it might be a good thing to take this transitional moment to consider the larger picture for social work, our community and our society. On the big stage, there lots of things blowin' in the wind. I find myself asking, what kind of person is choosing to enter social work at this point in history?

Consider some of the recent auguries. Our excitement about the election of an African American thought to be the reincarnation of FDR has been dampened. The "Yes, we can!" of 2008 has become "No, we won't" of 2011. Our nation keeps sending a dwindling pool of warriors to fight in small, distant wars. We put ribbons

on our cars about supporting the troops, but we close hospitals and refuse small personal sacrifices like paying taxes to care for those who have borne the battle. Warriors from a former war live on the street and go untreated by a nation whose support is too often merely rhetorical.

The symbol of the United States as a nation of immigrants was once the Statue of Liberty, welcoming the teeming masses to a shining city on the hill. For many people, that America has been replaced by a nation with an electrified fence along the border, patrolled by vigilantes. We accept the illegal laborers, but banish them when their working days are done. Children born on American soil may soon be denied citizenship.

We see an America with historic numbers of our citizens in prison. We define the "drug problem" as one of interdiction, and focus on destroying the drugs instead of figuring out why so many of our people create the endless demand that fuels the drug cartels.

We confront an America where the gap between rich and poor is growing more rapidly than ever before. Average income goes up, yet one in six of our children lives in poverty. Our answer to the housing crisis is to save the institutions that profited, and to abandon those individuals who lost their homes. We subsidize the wealthy; maintain the financial institutions ("too big to fail!") and the individuals are the victims.

We seem headed for a nation where a 10% unemployment rate is a structural reality. At the

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same time, we are bent on destroying those feeble programs we have created to support the needy. Social Security, the fabled third rail of politics, is now a Ponzi scheme.

Record numbers of our children fall victim to violence in their own homes. Violence against women is rampant, and families facing unemployment and loss of their homes turn on one another and descend into chaos. Our response to the failing American family is to propose a defense of marriage act.

We are entering a time when it seems that it is each against the other in society. Our loss of community shows in our fear of aliens, our mistrust of our institutions, and our inability to act to care for the helpless among us. We seem to have lost the ability to dialog, replaced by our rote recitation of our demands and beliefs. We scan the horizon for enemies, and we find them everywhere.

And yet, the year begins as a host of young people choose social work. They are not signing up for a New Deal, not entering a Great Society. It is not the cool thing. They are looking at a time when America is turning away from the tired, the poor and the elderly. They enter a society where the organized opposition wants to dismantle the social capital built by previous generations. Efforts to assist the needy are eroded by the fears and self interest of the well to do. And yet they come. It is enough to give an old man hope.

Need more information about the Master of Social Work Program?

Come to a MSW Information Session!

Tuesday, November 1, 2011

3:30 - 5:00 pm West Campus, Room 124 (37th & Maize Rd) 5:30 - 7:00 pm Main Campus Hubbard Hall, Room 209



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SOSW - Student Organization of Social Work Tim Hunter, President

This year is filled with many changes in the School of Social Work. Dr. GlenMaye transfers to the Provost office; Dr. Brian Bolin is elected Director for the School of Social Work; Dr. Orren Dale assumes the position of MSW program director; and a new Dr. in town, Dr. Natalie Grant. We congratulate all of them and give them our support.

Then, there is the change of the Student Organization of Social Work (SOSW). The BSW and MSW students have combined to be in one organization. I believe this will give SOSW a much needed change in networking between both levels of students. I will be doing my best as President with much need support from Pam Oliver (Vice President) and Sherry Chapman (Faculty Advisor), thanks goes to both for all their help.

We are off to a great start this year. We started by participating in "Move in Day" on August 20th. During Convocation, we submitted an

Activity Flag which several students helped in ideas for the design (see <u>SOSW facebook page</u> or <u>Orgsync.com</u>). On September 23rd we will participate in the "Veteran Homeless Stand Down" which we are doing a SOCK drive (Box located in the lobby of the West Campus).

The first few weeks of classes have brought us many new members. We now have 66 members of SOSW and it would be great to break 100 with the addition of our new MSW students. I know that we are all busy with classes, families, work, and/or practicum, and I know that no one can do everything. I would like to see each student commit to one SOSW activity this year and we will be able to succeed in helping our community in a way that will, not only benefit the community, but also benefit in learning to become the best social workers that we can.

I will be offering to the MSW students the next 3 weeks a limited offer to join SOSW for only \$5.00. This is an offer Pam, Sherry and I 2011-2012 SOSW Officers

President: <u>Tim Hunter</u> Vice President: <u>Pam Oliver</u>

Secretary: TBD
Treasurer: TBD

Faculty Advisor: Sherry Chapman

offered the BSW students, and they took great advantage of it. With help from the MSW Faculty Advisor, Sabrina Perez Glatt, we will do our best to focus our events to those that would be beneficial to MSW students as well.

Within the next month I will be asking for nominations for the position of Secretary and Treasurer for SOSW, BSW and MSW students are encouraged to nominate each other.

Let us all have a great year, and GET INVOLVED!

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

For the year of 2011-2012, Phi Alpha plans to provide a year of service to our metropolitan community. For the fall 2011 semester, Phi Alpha will be conducting a volunteer project which entails distributing hygiene bags to three homeless agency locations in the Wichita area. Phi Alpha would like to thank student volunteers that will be participating in the volunteer project as well as contributors for the hygiene contents which will provide services to over 400 homeless individuals in Wichita.

Phi Alpha will also be submitting a poster board presentation of the proposed hygiene bag project to the Council on Social Work Education national conference in Atlanta, GA October 27-30.

The year ahead looks promising in implementing Phi Alpha's purposes of providing a closer bond among social work students and promoting humanitarian goals and idea.

2011-2012 MSW Phi Alpha Officers

President: <u>Maggie Green</u>

Vice President: Allison Collazo

Secretary/Treasurer: <u>Deborah Butner</u>

Faculty Advisor: Brien Bolin

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Alumna Update Theresa Flaigle

Horses Participate in Recovery

Theresa Flaigle didn't have horses as a child, but she loved them so much she'd do anything to be with them. She'd take a bus to the stables, where she cleaned stalls and did other odd jobs. Her home life was dysfunctional, but she didn't realize at the time that "Those horses were saving me from that home. ... I understand how powerful they can be."

Today, Flaigle divides her work between traditional psychotherapy and equine-assisted therapy. Flaigle said that just like art, music or play therapy, treatment should be directed by "whatever therapeutic tool" best meets the clients' needs, and for some people the best tool is equine therapy.

"If a horse follows you - if no one likes you - that's empowering," she said.

Flaigle is certified by EAGALA (Equine Assisted Growth and Learning Association). Of the 3,500 EAGALA members worldwide, just a handful are in Kansas. EAGALA requires that a licensed mental health provider pair up with an equine specialist, whose job it is to interpret the horses' behavior.

Flaigle works with a pool of privately owned horses boarded at the stable she uses southeast of Wichita. Owners sign waivers and, Flaigle has found, are glad their horses are being engaged in the program. The equine specialist she works with chooses which horses are good matches for particular clients. Several of the horses belong to the stable's owner. One is owned by equine specialist Kathleen Timmermans.

Equine-assisted therapy is focused on solving problems and finding solutions. Clients are asked to use the props in the arena to complete tasks, then Flaigle, often conferring with Timmermans, observes them to see what they've done with the props and how they interact with the horses. Is the horse in charge or is the client?

"We don't want to make our clients' interpretations for them," Flaigle said. "We offer them a question and let them interpret."

Terresia DuBois, who will also be today's guinea pig, says that for all of talk therapy's benefits, it also has shortfalls: "Kids in the system know what to say." DuBois works in crisis intervention at COMCARE of Sedgwick County and also as a school social worker.

But in the ring, circumstances aren't predictable, and Flaigle can often help her clients un-



earth greater insight.

They do individual sessions but also work with groups of up to 10 people. Breakthrough Club in Wichita comes twice a month for teambuilding exercises. Breakthrough is a clubhouse open to anyone who's ever been diagnosed with a mental illness.

Lessons learned in the ring translate to real life. When a horse misbehaves and is taken back to its stall, young clients see the parallel to their own lives. And the horses mirror back the people's behaviors, whether calm or excited. Making those comparisons to life outside the ring can be easier for clients than if they were working on their problems in a traditional environment.

"You can own something better when someone's not saying 'you, you, you,'" Timmermans said.

She shares one of her favorite success stories about a women who learned to assert herself and say "no." Working with horses gave her that confidence.

"These are valuable teachers," Flaigle said. "They don't judge."

Role-playing

Today, the role of the client will be played by DuBois. Her character is a 50-year-old empty nester whose cheating husband just left her. Though DuBois is playing a character, all three women point out it's difficult not to bring aspects of your own life into this situation.

Flaigle asks DuBois to use the props in the arena to build two spaces: A representation of her house five years ago and another of her home now. DuBois mulls her options: traffic cones, cardboard tubes, swimming pool noodles, hulahoops, several poles and miscellaneous items.

She builds her old home, an orderly arrangement. DuBois says she's assigned meaning to the props that make up that home. "Each one of those things means something," she said. For example, the hula hoops represent her and her exhusband. When one of the horses approaches the

home, she becomes anxious. Later, she says she was concerned the horse might knock down the foundation of her former home. But, she says, "I guess it wasn't as perfect as I though it was."

Nearby, her new home is in shambles. The props are tossed in a pile. She says she chose the muddiest, roughest part of the arena as the spot for her new home. Pointing to that corner of the arena, she says, "That piece of s--t over there is my life now."

As DuBois shares these revelations with Flaigle and Timmermans, it's clear she isn't pandering to the new observer who's taking notes. At least to some degree, these are insights she's made about both her character and herself.

Flaigle instructs DuBois to bring the horse of her choice to the new house without the use of a halter or bridle. When DuBois picks the horse she wants, he is resistant to go to her new house. "See, he doesn't want to go." She interprets his behavior as meaning non of the horses want to go to her new home. "I don't want to go."

When two of the horses wander to DuBois' old house, she sees this as further proof the horses don't want to visit her new house.

No one can predict what will happen in the arena. "If you have an expectation for an outcome, you're gonna get slapped in the face" Flaigle said.

"A metaphor is a metaphor, no matter what it is," adds Timmermans. "I cannot facilitate this ending."

DuBois is instructed to make something representative of what she wants her house to be like now. As she works on the structure, she says "I don't have to fill it with all of the garbage." Eventually, horses begin to wander her way.

"I'm changing my house, and now they're coming" she said, happiness evident in her voice. "There are things about my old life I liked, (but) I don't want my new house to be exactly the same. I'm responsible for creating my new house."

DuBois takes this to mean there are things about her life she my need to change before people will once again want to come into her home and her life.

Flaigle said equine-assisted sessions generally last an hour, but she tries to always find a peak moment of insight at which to wrap up, ending things on a poignant note

Article borrowed from KHS Dispatch, Aug. 15, 2011 - www.kansashealthsolutions.org



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Community Events



Presenting Alan Franciscus Hepatitis C Support Project

Tuesday, September 27, 2011 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM (sign-in between 8:00 - 8:30)

Sunset Drive Office Building, Room 1070 11811 S Sunset Drive, Olathe, KS

Workshop Highlights:

- The Liver
- Hepatitis C Transmission and Prevention
- Diagnostic Tools
- Symptoms and Disease Progression
- Treatments and Complementary Medicine, including newly FDA approved HCV Protease Inhibitor combination therapies!

For more information, and registration form, go to: http://www.kdheks.gov/hiv/download/Hepatitis in the Heartland Flyer.pdf.



Urban League of

Empowering Communi Changing Lives.

First Annual Urban League of Kansas Educational Advocacy Conference

Wichita State University Metroplex 29th & Oliver, Wichita

> October 22, 2011 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Conference is Free and Open to the Public

Keynote Address featuring Alexa Posny, Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitation Services, U.S. Department of Education.

Opening address featuring Dr. Yvonne Spicer, Vice President for Advocacy & Educational Partnerships, Museum of Science, Boston.

Informational Break-Out Sessions:

- From Cradle to Career: Family Engagement in Education
- Empowering Parents in Children's Academic Success
- How to Know Why Your Child is Struggling in School
- Technology Assisted Learning

For more information, contact: Jason McKenney at (316) 440-9241 or imckenney@kansasul.org.



Central Plains Area Agency on Aging's Senior Expo 2011 - Age of Aquarius is coming soon. Grab your love beads, tie dye and bell bottoms and join us on **September 22**, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm for a groovy day. Visit Senior Expo at four great locations in Wichita including Botanica, The Wichita Gardens, Exploration Place, Old Cowtown Museum, and the Wichita Art Museum.

- Free Admission / Free Transportation to all Sites
- Free Health Screenings
- 130 Exhibitors
- Healthy Living Tips
- Sensational 60's Fashion Show
- Lunch \$6 at all sites

To kick off Senior Expo festivities, adults 55 and older are invited to the Senior Expo Gala on September 21st at 7 pm at The Cotillion located at 11120 W Kellogg. Enjoy an elegant evening of live music, hors d'oeuvres, and dancing. Admission for Gala is \$5.00 per person. Pay at the door or purchase tickets at Central Plains Area Agency on Aging at 2622 W Central, Suite 500.

For more information on Senior Expo or Senior Expo Gala visit www.cpaaa.org.

Free Public Lecture

Medicare and The Deficit: How to Improve Health Care and Save Money at the Same Time

Presented by Dr. Margaret Flowers Pediatrician and spokesperson for Physicians for a National Health Program (PNHP.org)

> Tuesday, September 27, 2011 7:00 - 9:00 pm (Doors open at 6:30 pm)

Murdock Theatre 536 N Broadway, Wichita (1 block north of Central)

Brought to you by The Group, Peace and Social Justice Center, League of Women Voters and other generous supporters.

For further information, call (316) 440-3271.



Welcoming the Stranger

You are invited to participate in a series of discussions on Immigration and Our Faith Response.

All discussions will be held from 9:00 am - noon. The Magnificat Center - Mt. St. Mary Convent Congregation of St. Joseph 3700 E Lincoln, Wichita, KS 67218

- August 6, 2011 Working for Justice by Understanding Our Faith Beliefs
- 2) September 10, 2011 Exploring the Root Causes for Migration
- 3) October 8, 2011 What Makes a Just Reform?
- 4) November 5, 2011 Our Call for Action in Our Work for Justice

You are invited to stay for lunch to continue the discussion. Donations accepted.

RSVP to Nell Kaba 3 days prior to each forum at (316) 689-4081 or nkaba@csjoseph.org.

Communities In Schools

Wichita/Sedgwick County

Please join Communities in Schools for one or more of our upcoming Site Visits this fall! And bring a friend to join the fun! The Site Visit is a chance to learn more about CIS services, and see firsthand the difference we are making for students. Each visit will last one hour from Noon to 1:00 pm and a light lunch will be served. Site Visit dates include: September 21, October 11th and October 25th.

Please RSVP to Jenifer Phillips at (316) 973-5110 or jphillips@ciswichita.org the Friday prior to the site visit you wish to attend.

Community Events



SPEAK OUT for "Disposable People"

Wichita ranks in the top five cities across the country as an originating city

for exploited children. This means that traffickers come to Wichita to profit by taking our kids to other cities and states. Local authorities estimate that approximately 400-500 Wichita children and youth are sexually exploited in our city each year. What are we going to do to stop this criminal industry?

Stop human trafficking.

Come hear Oregon's **Nita Belles**, advocate for human trafficking victims and author of *In Our Backyard*. Also hear of panel of local authorities:

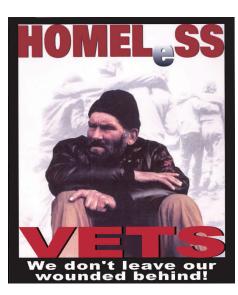


- Marc Bennett Deputy District Attorney
- Lt. Jeff Weible Wichita Police Exploited and Missing Children Department
- Karen Countryman-Roswurm WSU School of Social Work Instructor, Therapist and Coordinator of Anti-Sexual Exploitation Services
- **Jennifer White** Volunteer organizer on website ictsos.org

Friday, October 14th 7:00-9:00 pm Saturday, October 15th 9:00-noon Sunday, October 16th 10:00 am Worship Service

College Hill United Methodist Church 2930 E 1st Street Wichita, KS (316) 683-4643

There is no charge for this event.



Wichita Homeless Veteran and Community Stand Down

Friday, September 23, 2011 9:00 am - 3:00 pm 438 S Pattie St

The STAND DOWN will serve any homeless person and his/her family who requests assistance. Military clothing will be given ONLY to verified veterans.

The objective of STAND DOWN is:

- To provide homeless veterans a hot meal; a safe area for relaxing; and assistance in breaking the cycle of homelessness.
- To bring together a variety of social service providers to meet, inform, and help homeless veterans regain a more productive, satisfying lifestyle.
- To create an atmosphere conducive to change and recovery.

STAND DOWN is not a solution to the problem of homelessness. It is not a handout, but a hand up extended by a grateful, caring community.

For more information call (316) 737-2346 or visit http://www.vetsus.org/happenings.html.





Sock Drive

Needed:

Men's Socks Women's Socks Children's Socks

Help the Homeless of Wichita!

Collection Boxes located at:

WSU School of Social Work Office 535 Lindquist Hall

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WSU West Campus 3801 N Walker Ave (37th & Maize Road)



Dress For Success

Career Services provides the opportunity to donate to the Dress for Success Wichita organization to promote the economic independence of disadvantaged women by providing professional attire, a network of support and the career development tools to help women thrive in work and in life.

Please consider donating gently used seasonal suits and business attire you no longer need. A donation box will be located at Career Services, 203 Grace Wilkie Hall through 9 am on Monday, September 26th.

Donations should be interview/business appropriate. Dress for Success is currently in need of handbags and shoes. Also accepted are separates, coats, hats, scarves, gloves, new makeup and undergarments.

Dress for Success cannot accept sportwear, jeans tennis shoes, sandals or evening wear.

Your contributions will help Wichita women in need. https://www.dressforsuccess.org

Volunteer Opportunities

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Aseracare Hospice is seeking volunteers who can dedicate time in El Dorado, Wichita, Goddard and/or Douglass.

A Level I Volunteer would engage in office assistance, writing /sending letters to patients / families, create activities for the elderly, and assist in group games.

A Level II Volunteer would provide direct care to patients and/or families, engage in game activities at senior centers and nursing homes, read, play music or sing, and communicate with the Volunteer Coordinator about patient / family visits.

Aseracare Hospice believes that no one should have to die alone. Vigil Volunteers are individuals who are willing to dedicate time with patients during their last moments.

For more information, please contact Adrian Price, LMSW / Volunteer Coordinator at (316) 322-7017.



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS

OF SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS

Share your knowledge; help a kid with homework at the Boys & Girls Club

The Boys & Girls Club on 21st Street is looking for volunteers who can share their knowledge by helping kids with homework. This opportunity is for one or two hours a week during the following times: 2 pm to 7 pm, Monday through Friday, or 10 am to noon the first and third Saturdays of each month.

For more information contact Brett Wickham, Academic Programs Coordinator at bwickham@begreatwichita.org, (316) 210-1890 ext 118; or Connie Franklin, Volunteer Coordinator at cfranklin@begreatwichita.org, (316) 210-1890 ext 123.

Volunteer positions at Boys & Girls Clubs are open to individuals 18 and older who are committed to helping in the Club on a regular basis. Must complete a <u>volunteer application</u>, attend an orientation session and pass a background check.



Reality U: Reality U is an exercise that helps youth understand the "realities" involved in preparing for an employable future and adult responsibilities. Each student completes a lifestyle assessment and is assigned an occupation based on their grade point average. Students are given a checkbook with a monthly salary to go through the Reality U and purchase housing, transportation, child care, food, utilities, insurance and more. Community representatives from those entities are stationed at booths in the Reality U. Volunteers are needed to assist students with their purchases. Contact Diane Graham at dgraham@ciswichita.org if you would like to volunteer for an upcoming Reality U.

Mentor: Have lunch with a child once a week. Quality time in this one-on-one relationship can help students in many areas that affect life at home and at school. By offering friendship, guidance and a positive perspective, a mentor clearly shows that someone cares. For more information on volunteer opportunities, contact Karen Blucher at kblucher@ciswichita.org.

Tutor: Help a child be successful in school by tutoring them during the school day or helping them with their homework after school. All CIS sites have a great need for tutors. For more information on volunteer opportunities contact Karen Blucher at kblucher@cis.wichita.org.



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Wichita Area Sexual Assault Center (WASAC) is in need of volunteers to serve as hospital advocates and to staff the crisis lines. WASAC will provide 40 hours of training and 24 hours of on the job experience for each volunteer. Each volunteer will go through an interview process and background checks. Volunteers must be willing to commit to serving one year as a volunteer with WASAC.

Our volunteers matter! It matters to the survivors, to the families of the survivors, to your community and to us! WASAC could not meet the needs of the survivors without the tireless dedication of our amazing volunteers! Won't you join us in our mission to serve survivors of sexual violence and educating communities with dedication to heal and empower all persons affected by sexual violence by preserving the dignity and respect of every person we serve?

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the WASAC Volunteer Coordinator, Anne, at (316) 263-0185.



Are you looking for a way to make a difference in someone's life, while gaining experience?

Starkey, Inc. is a non-profit organization that provides assistance for adults with developmental disabilities. Through various programs, we work to create community inclusion opportunities for the individuals that we serve.

We have many opportunities for **Volunteers**. Volunteering can be a rewarding way to interact with the individuals with disabilities who receive services at Starkey. There are a variety of ways to become involved, from assisting with arts and crafts or fitness activities, to offering your time at a fund-raising event. There are opportunities for both group and individual volunteers.

For more information, please visit www.starkey.org or contact Kristie Dougherty at (316) 512-4127.

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UNITED, INC.

bringing potential to life

Rainbows United has the following volunteer opportunities:

• Ouality Assurance Members

Travel with Rainbow's staff to homes to provide quality assurance by observing provider's care and performing an evaluation, must be 18 or older.

• Behavior Review Committee Member

Review incident treads and make recommendations on behavior plans; related experience or education required; this committee meets five times per year.

Office Assistant

Transferring files, filing, other office work as assigned; must be able to lift heavy boxes.

Classroom Assistants

Direct interaction with 2-5 year olds; playing, reading, serving food, other activities class has planned

Please contact Kayla Hamilton, Volunteer Coordinator, at (316) 588-3422 or khamilton@rui.org for more information.

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Employment Offerings



Larned State Hospital 1301 KS Hwy 164 Larned, KS 67550

Paid on-the-job training

Career opportunities are: RN, LPN, MHDD Trainee, Food Service Worker, Cook, Custodial Specialist, Social Worker, Activity Therapist, Safety Security Officers, Account Specialist, Administrative Officer - Dietary, Unit Leaders, Psychologist, Administrative Assistant

Benefits include: Health & Dental Insurance, Group Term Life Insurance, Longevity Bonus, Paid Vacation & Sick Leave, Deferred Comp. Plan, Paid Holidays, KPERS Retirement Plan, Long Term Care Coverage, Pharmacy Plan, Free Continuing Education Credits, On-campus Employee Fitness Center, On-campus Daycare, Cafeteria Plan, Electronic Deposit

For additional information or to apply for one of these opportunities, visit the State Employment Center at www.jobs.ks.gov as well as Human Resources Shared Services contact: (620) 285-4380.



Are you looking for a way to make a difference in someone's life, while gaining experience?

Starkey, Inc. is a non-profit organization that provides assistance for adults with developmental disabilities. Through various programs, we work to create community inclusion opportunities for the individuals that we serve.

Currently, we are recruiting for **Community Living Trainers**. As a Community Living Trainer, you would provide support in a community living setting to the persons that we serve. You will be asked to provide training, support and direct care to persons served. Part-time and full-time positions are available during second and third shifts. Schedules are ideal for student schedules. Some full-time schedules allow you to work 182 days, while still receiving full-time benefits. A high school diploma or GED, valid driver's license, and good driving record is required.

For more information or to apply, please visit www.starkey.org or contact Cara Hansen at (316) 512-4180. Applications can also be completed in our office at 4500 W Maple.



Southeast Kansas Mental Health Center

Full time employment opportunity to provide outpatient therapy in a rural community mental health center. National Health Service Corp loan repayment program recognized.

The Outpatient Therapist provides therapy for individuals, couples and families. Team members include Ph.D. and Psy.D. therapists, Masters level Social Workers, Masters level Psychologists, Chemical Abuse Counselors, Adult and Children Case Managers. In addition to providing outpatient therapy, the Outpatient Therapist will provide on-call crisis assessments approximately once a month for half a weekend. Supervision for LSCSW and other professional licenses available.

Requirements: Applicants must be licensed or license eligible in Kansas as a Qualified Mental Health Professional. Applicants should be willing to locate to the Fort Scott or Pleasonton area. Masters in Psychology, Social Work, Ph.D., or Psy.D.

The position is located in our Fort Scott and Pleasonton offices. Websites for Fort Scott and Pleasanton are:

http://www.chanutechamber.com, www.fortscott.com/visit.php and www.pleasantonkansas.org.

> If interested, please contact: Robert F. Chase, Executive Director PO Box 807 Iola, Kansas 66749 (620) 365-8641; fax: (620) 365-8642 bstanley@sekmhc.org



Group and Individual Community Support Workers needed in the Wichita area working with youth in a psychosocial rehabilitation / attendant care program. Looking for committed men and women who desire to positively impact children in our community. Gain valuable clinical skills working with children and families.

Part-time, 15-32 hours per week. \$8.35-\$10.75 per hour. Must have reliable transportation. Experience working with children and/or related education preferred.

Fax resume to (316) 262-4213 or email to employment@behaviorallink.com.

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COMCARE of Sedgwick County is a large and progressive Community Mental Health Center providing an array of mental health and substance abuse services. We have several great career opportunities available. To view and apply for current openings please visit www.HrePartners.com.

<u>Substance Abuse Counselor</u> - If you are AAPS certified, have a bachelor's degree and 1-3 years of experience, we are looking for you. Candidates should be eligible for licensure as an Addiction Counselor (LAC) through the BSRB. LCAC preferred.

<u>Case Manager I</u> (Children's Services, Community Support Services, Center City) - Assist individuals experiencing mental illness in learning life skills and coordinating services that will help them be successful in the community. (Bachelor's degree or equivalent)

Case Manager II (SCOAP) - Provide goal-directed, medically necessary services to support adults who have a diagnosed mental illness which causes functional impairment and contributes to repeated criminal justice system contact. (Bachelor's degree or equivalent)

Attendant Care Worker (Part-Time) - Act as a para-professional member of the therapeutic preschool treatment team, providing support to children between the ages of 3 and 5 years old who have been identified as having a serious emotional disturbance. (High School diploma or equivalent)

Crisis Case Manager (Part-Time) - Work with individuals presenting with a psychiatric crisis often through answering the mental health and suicide prevention hotline. (Bachelor's degree or equivalent.

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Community Liaison Advocate

The YWCA Women's Crisis Center is looking for a special member of our Outreach team. Duties include advocacy for women & children who are survivors of domestic violence, short-term case management, developing outreach activities in the community and public presentations for education and training. The candidate selected must have strong written and verbal communication skills. Undergraduate degree required, with a degree in social work, criminal justice, women's studies or communications preferred. Position will report to the Director of Community Outreach Services. Send resume and cover letter to mainoffice@ywcaofwichita.org.

Applications will close on Sept. 17, 2011. EOE



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

Reintegration Therapist (Hutchinson/ Newton, Garden City/Dodge City/Liberal (Bilingual Required)). The Reintegration Therapist uses his/her abilities to assess and provide intensive in-home/clinical out-patient family services, using a therapeutic model. The Reintegration Therapist's responsibility is to work with children/families in the SRS Reintegration/ Adoption/Foster Care Homes contract to develop permanency options for the children through reunification with the family or other permanency alternatives. The Reintegration Therapist's primary objective is to provide a therapeutic milieu in which the child has the opportunity to heal, to transition through change, and to grow.

Therapist: Family Preservation (Colby). The Therapist uses a therapeutic model to provide inhome family services and case management. Builds on the strengths of the families to resolve issues and maintain the family as a whole.

<u>Social Worker; Reintegration</u> (Liberal/Great Bend/Garden City/Hays). The Social Worker works to strengthen children and families ability to cope, while building on the family's strengths to preserve their bonds, so all family members can live with vision and hope.

<u>Kinship Specialist</u> (Hutchinson). The Kinship Specialist provides an assessment and supports resource families in providing safe, secure care for children in out-of-home placement.

Registered Nurse (Residential - Salina, West Cloud). The Registered Nurse promotes and maintains a healthful living and working environment of clients and staff, and strives to ensure that the optimal achievable quality of nursing care is available to all clients. Completes Kan Be Healthy assessments and initial nursing assessments on children referred to residential facilities. Refers any concerns to local health professionals.

Resource Worker (Foster Care Homes - Wellington). The Resource Worker uses his/her abilities, under supervision, to support resource families in providing safe, secure care for children in out-of home placement.

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Resource Recruiter (Foster Care Homes - Hutchinson). The Resource Recruiter provides and supports foster care and adoption services, but working to provide safe, secure care for children in a family setting until they can be reunited with their birth families or other permanent plan can be implemented.

Resource Specialist (Foster Care Homes - Dodge City). The Resource Specialist implements family centered practice by assuring that relatives, kin, foster, and adoptive resource families are considered and assessed for possible placement and/or support throughout the case planning process.

Web Application Developer (IT Salina). The Web Application Developer is responsible for implementing intranet/internet/web application design, programming and maintenance in support of SFCS staff, client and resource home information services. Incorporates database driven web applications for the efficiency of staff and betterment of client and resource home services.

<u>Case Manager</u> (Family Preservation - Manhattan). The Family Preservation Case Manager's responsibility is to provide services to families at risk of having their children removed. Often must be available on short notice or unusual work hours to provide concrete direct services to families in crisis in accordance with needs and overall case plan.

Grant Manager (Community Outreach - Salina). Research, coordinate, write and submit grants for private and public funds and to manage all grant reporting and compliance.

KIPP Clinician (Great Bend/Hays/ Hutchinson/Newton/Garden City). The Kansas Intensive Project (KIPP) Clinician provides intervention and clinical services to parents and their children as assigned in accordance to the KIPP PMTO training and credentialing.

<u>Supervisor</u> (Reintegration - Hutchinson). The Supervisor provides supervision of staff providing reintegration services to children and families.

Saint Francis Community Services offers an excellent benefit package and competitive wages. Must be 21 years of age and pass background checks.

Send Resume to <u>lisa.treece@st-francis.org</u> or visit the website at <u>www.st-francis.org</u>. EOE



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Upcoming Dates:

October 12 Fall Mid-Term

October 17-18 Fall Break (no classes)

November 1 MSW Information Sessions

November 23-27 Thanksgiving Recess (no classes)

November 24-25 Thanksgiving Holiday - University Closed

December 9 Study Day (no classes)

School of Social Work Holiday Party

December 10-16 Finals

December 11 Fall Commencement

December 23-January 2 Holiday Closedown - University Closed



Faculty Accolades

Dr. Lisa Hines is participating in a panel discussion entitled, "What I did last summer: Learning to Teach Online." The panel will feature "Reboot Camp" alumni who will share their experiences learning to develop and teach online courses. All WSU faculty and staff are welcome to attend. The panel discussion will be held September 23 from 1-2:30 pm. Dr. Hines is also working with Multicultural Affairs who has been developing diversity trainings for WSU administrators and staff. The project is being expanded to

include faculty members too.

Because of Dr. Hines' efforts in helping to eliminate health disparities, she was asked to join Wichita Women in Science. Their goal is to provide support and networking to women scientists in the Wichita area. One of their first projects is supporting Dr. Tracie Collins, MD, MPH, FSVM. Dr. Collins is working with the African American community in treatments for peripheral artery disease. Her National Institutes of Health grant is focused on improving walking

and exercise in the African American community using a social-behavioral approach that includes motivational interviewing. Dr. Hines is excited about the potential of this project.

Additionally, Dr. Hines has been asked to sit on the Board of Directors of Medical Services Bureau (MSB). MSB provides medical assistance such as prescription medications, eyeglasses and referrals to low income residents in Wichita and the surrounding areas. Last year, MSB served approximately 4500 clients.

Dr. Kyoung Lee has published two articles, has done two oral presentations, and has received a training grant.

Publications:

- **Lee, K. H.** (2011). The role of spiritual experience, forgiveness, and religious support on the general well-being of older adults. *Journal of Religion, Spirituality, and Aging, 23*(3), 206-223.
- **Lee, K. H.**, & Yoon, D. P. (2011). Factors influencing the general well-being of low-income Korean immigrant elders. *Social Work*, *56*(3), 269-279.

Presentations:

- Lee, K. H. (06/2011). Spirituality and Health of Korean Immigrants in the US. Oral presentation at the Young Ways Academy sponsored by Global Youth Association, International Social Welfare Association, International Youth Study Academy, Korea Welfare Education, and Catholic University of Daegu Youth Association, Catholic University of Daegu, Daegu, Korea.
- **Lee, K. H.** (06/2011). The impacts of stress and coping on mental health and overall quality of life among minority population with Korean identity in the US. Oral Presentation at the

international conference: "Social Status Changes of the Aged People and Ageism Reconsidered" sponsored by National Research Foundation of Korea, Social Science Korea Research Group, and Seoul National University ISDPR Population and Aging Society Research Center, Seoul National University, South Korea.

Training Grant:

Dr. Lee was awarded for the training of online course development (ScWk 300), sponsored by the Office of Academic Affairs and Research, the Media Resources Center, and the Office for Faculty Development and Student Success, WSU.