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REMINDERS...

* New Elective: Prof. Christina Erickson will be teaching a new elective course in the Day Program starting fall 2008, SWK 210: Environmental Justice and Social Change

*The **Women's Resource Center** is a quiet, private place for students to breastfeed or pump. Our drop-in hours are Monday 9am - 9pm, Tuesday 9am - 10:30pm, Wednesday and Friday 9am - 7pm, Thursday 9am - 6pm, and WEC Saturdays 11am - 2pm. The WRC is located in 207 Sverdrup. Call Jessica Nathanson at x1528 for more info.

* **Paper Pick-up Policy:** If a professor arranges for a student to pick up a paper from the bookshelf in the SWK office, it will be kept on the bookshelf up to 2 weeks into the next term. Any assignments not picked up before 2 weeks into the next term will be shredded. If you are unable to pick-up any assignments before that deadline, please make other arrangements with your professor.

NEWS NOTES April 25, 2008

BSW and MSW Students:

You're Invited to the

Field Appreciation Luncheon!

The end of the academic year is quickly approaching. As is our tradition, we will celebrate the hard work of Augsburg's Field Instructors and their interns at the Field Instructor's Appreciation Luncheon on:

Wednesday, April 30th, 2008 11:30-1:00pm East Commons, Christensen Center Augsburg College

Please join your field instructor for lunch and conversation. To plan accordingly for food, please **RSVP to Stacy Myhre** at 612-330-1483 or by emailing myhre@augsburg.edu **as soon as possible** (no later than Tuesday, April 29). Please alert Stacy to any vegetarian or other dietary requests.

To ensure our appreciation is shown, please check with our field instructor(s) to be sure they received an invitation. If they have not, please let Stacy know.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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Omicron Delta Social Work Honor Society

Omicron Delta Social Work Honor Society received the New Organization of the Year Award. This award is given to an organization that is less than two-years old that has contributed



to the Augsburg community in terms of diversity and cultural competence. The Honor society received the award for bringing a speaker to campus on marriage equality, an American Indian social work MSW alumni (discussion panel) to speak on culture and traditions and how that impacts working with American Indian clients. The panel also discussed various aspects of professional practice and also for setting aside funding so that students can attend the NASW conference in June.

Emily Tischer, junior and Vice-President of Omicron Delta received the Meaningful Work Award for her contributions to the Augsburg community and Res Life.

Mary Murzyn, senior, received the Linda Schrempp Alberg Leadership Award. Linda Schrempp Alberg was the Associate Dean for Student Affairs/Director of Residence Life at Augsburg. She worked here for 19 vears. and died from breast cancer in 1996.

MSW News

Hartford Partnership Program for Aging Education

Thank you for your applications! What a wonderful pool of candidates our field agencies have to choose from. We are so pleased to have Augsburg represented so well.

Please note that HPPAE scholars will be notified in mid to late May. Thank you once again!



Free coffee and muffins in the Oren Gateway Center on class weekend Saturdays (morning).

Weekend Chapel on Saturday @ 7:40am. Led by Ray MaKeever.

Graduation Clearance form

If you will be graduating this June, please remember to submit your Graduation Clearance form to Holley in Memorial 12B by **FRIDAY**, **APRIL 25**, **2008**.

June 2008 Commencement Ceremony

The Augsburg Commencement website is up and running. Please visit the site for details on the ceremony and to reserve your tickets (limit 5). http://www.augsburg.edu/commencement/

If you find yourself in need of additional tickets, you may

email your request to eventsrsvp@augsburg.edu

Info on purchasing your cap, gown and hood can also be found on the commencement website at http://www.augsburg.edu/commencement/cap_june.html

Interested in selling your textbooks to other MSW students?



In response to a request from a current MSW student, the SWK department has allotted space on one of the bulletin boards outside the main office (Memorial 12) for

MSW students to post ads for textbooks they would like to sell to other MSW students at a reduced price. If you would like to post a small ad, remember to include your contact information on it. Please be aware, if you purchase a textbook from another student, you purchase it at your own risk as course textbooks do change over time. If you are wondering whether or not a certain textbook will be used again next year, you may contact the professor who teaches the course to inquire.

Classroom Changes

ALL SECTIONS of SWK 509 (and SWK 698 Independent Study), Assessment and Diagnosis in Mental Health Practice with Aikoriegie, Syers and Conlin will meet in SCIENCE 123 on Friday, April 25 and May 9.

ALL SECTIONS of SWK 516, Community Development with Erickson, Tan and Moriarty will meet in OLD MAIN 18 from 1:00-2:30pm on Saturday, April 26.

SWK 669, Organizational/Social Administrative Practice 3 with Merrigan has been moved to OREN GATEWAY 112.

Field: 2008-2009 academic year

Field updates and documents can be found at: <u>http://web.augsburg.edu/socialwork/msw/field.ht</u> <u>ml</u>

*If you are interested in completing a field placement with CommonBond, please check the field website to view info on upcoming information sessions.

Reminder: You should complete your field placement interviews by May 9, 2008!

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'08 Juniors, Enroll in All Three of your fall courses Next year's juniors:

This is a reminder to enroll for ALL 3 of your beginning upper-level social work classes, regardless of whether you have been officially accepted to the major. If you have enrolled for 1 of these classes, enroll for all 3 of them:

SWK 301: History and Analysis of Social Policy SWK 306: Practice 1: With Individuals SWK 307: Field Work 1: Integrative Seminar

If you are having a problem registering, please contact me. I can get you into the class.

BSW Candidacy Applications

The process enters its next phase: Academic audit and faculty review. This will start after final grades are in. It will continue to mid-May with decision letters going out before the Memorial Day weekend to home addresses.

New Elective! SWK 210: Environmental Justice and Social Change

Professor Christina Erickson will be teaching a new elective course in the Day Program, SWK 210: Environmental Justice and Social Change.

This course will examines environmental justice issues, the relationship between environmental damage and damage to human populations, the differential effect of environmental damage on specific populations, and the ways social change agents can mobilize action to correct these injustices. **The class meets Tuesdays/Thursdays 9:40 to 11:10**. The only prerequisite is an understanding that we have only one planet.

SWK MEXICO BLOG

Minneapolis school is over, but Mexico school continues for two weeks. Keep following what is going on by reading the SWK Mexico Blog at: <u>http://www.swkmexico08.blogspot.com/</u>. There is a new entry this week by Julie Schellack. She does a log on her homestay with a Mexican family. Think your parents don't understand you sometimes? Imagine if you and your parents actually (not figuratively) spoke a different language. Read. Comment. Thanks.

Omicron Delta officers would like to extend an invitation to students who are *considering Social Work* as a major or who have *already declared Social Work* as their major to attend the **18th annual NASW-MN State Conference**. The conference will be **Thursday, June 5th, and Friday, June 6th**. The cost for both days for student members is \$85, and \$165 for student non-members. Thursday is **Student Day**, and the cost is **\$30** for both student members AND student non-members. Omicron Delta has a limited amount of funds available for students to attend the conference (\$800). If students are interested in this, please e-mail omicrondelta@augsburg.edu.





When. Sunday, April 27th, 2008 at 4pm

Where. The home of Professor Barbara Lehmann 1223 W. Minnehaha Avenue, St. Paul

What. Pot luck dinner

Seniors need bring nothing but themselves!

Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships

Interested in national scholarships and fellowships? The Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships are some that you should take the time to look into.

The Rotary Foundation's oldest and bestknown program is Ambassadorial Scholarships, established in 1947. Since that time, more than 30,000 men and women from 100 nations have studied abroad under its auspices. Today, the Ambassadorial Scholarships Program of The Rotary Foundation is the world's largest privately funded international scholarships program. Academic-Year Ambassadorial Scholarships provide funding for one academic year of study in another country. This award is intended to help cover round-trip transportation, tuition, fees, room and board expenses, and some educational supplies up to \$25,000 or its equivalent.

Deadline: Varies; between March 1 and July 15 the year before travel

To find out more about these scholarships, you may visit their web site at: Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships: http://www.rotary.org/foundation/educationa l/amb_scho/

If you would like information about other national scholarships and fellowships, check out the URGO web site at www.augsburg.edu/urgo, or contact Dixie Shafer at <u>shafer@augsburg.edu</u>

Upcoming Events & Opportunities

Have you ever considered developing your Social Work career in England?

UK Pro is looking for new graduates to work abroad. All new graduates who took at least 8 credit hours their final semester are eligible for the BUNAC student six month work permit and can gain Social Work employment in the UK through UK Pro. If you graduate in Spring/Summer 2008 you will need to enter the UK by December 31, 2008. To validate your work permit, please begin your paperwork now!

The first step is to submit your resume. Please email <u>info@uk-pro.net</u> to begin the application process and/or request additional materials. For more info, visit: <u>www.uk-pro.net</u>.

The U of M Medical Center, Fairview, Transitions and Life Choices (Palliative Care) Program announced a nine month, full time **fellowship in Clinical Social Work in Palliative Care**, to begin on September 1, 2008. For a program description and application, visit <u>www.fairview.org/tlc</u> or contact Dot Landis at 612-273-5893 or <u>dlandis1@fairview.org</u>. **The deadline for applications is May 1, 2008**.

Women's Resource Center Upcoming Events

• Take Back the Night Rally: Monday, April 28, 7:30pm

www.myspace.com/stpaultakebackthenight

March begins at the parking lot at the intersection of Summit Ave. and Mississippi River Blvd. and ends with a rally at the library steps at the University of St. Thomas. (Rain site is at the OEC Auditorium at St. Thomas)

• "Sex Signals: The real life sort of improv show about dating and other stuff": Monday, April 28, 7pm, Coffman Union Theater, U of M

AMERICORPS VISTA POSITIONS OPEN

The **Council on Crime and Justice**, in collaboration with area organizations, seeks 18 qualified individuals to join a program working within the criminal justice system to support people returning from prisons. We seek candidates to work within 4 areas: **Volunteer Coordination**, **Job Development**, **Reentry Evaluation and Research**, and **Project Development**.

To apply for a position, visit the AmeriCorps website at <u>https://my.americorps.gov/mp/listing/publicRequestSearc</u> <u>h.do</u>. (Search for AmeriCorps VISTAs postings in Minnesota under the ex-offender reentry category.) These positions are to start on August 7, 2008 and run through August 6, 2009. All applications must be submitted by **May 15, 2008.** Muscular Dystrophy Association Summer Camp Volunteer Opportunity Volunteers are committing to serve for one week in June as a one-to-one counselor to a child with Muscular Dystrophy. You will arrive to camp Saturday, May 31st, and depart camp on Friday, June 6th. For more info, and to request an application, call Jodi @ 952-697-3251 or e-mail jcastillo@mdausa.org.

Interested in working to help survivors of sexual

assault? The Aurora Center is inviting interested students to become trained advocates or educators. There are three types of positions - crisis line advocates, who answer the Aurora Center 24-hour crisis line; legal advocates, who write restraining orders, attend court, and otherwise help U of M or Augsburg students who contact the Aurora Center for support; or violence prevention educators, who provide peer education on the Augsburg campus. Training and volunteer hours are required.

The next trainings are May 27th - June 6th (for Crisis Line or Legal Advocates) or May 27th - June 3rd for Violence Prevention Educators; **deadline for application is May 9th**.

See <u>www1.umn.edu/aurora/events/training.html</u> for more info. If you are interested, contact Beth Carlson at 612-330-1136 or <u>carlson2@augsburg.edu</u>.

Tasks Unlimited, located in Minneapolis and serving adults with serious mental illness in the community, providing supported housing & employment services, as well as contracted case management services, has the following positions open:

- Case Manager/Supervisor
- Mental Health Worker (3)
- Chemical Health Skills Coordinator
- Mental Health Coordinator
- Vocational Coordinator

Check out <u>www.tasksunlimited.org/news.htm#jobs</u>. Resumes can be submitted via email to <u>koberpriller@tasksunlimited.org</u> or <u>rcondon@tasksunlimited.org</u>. Questions regarding open positions can be directed to Kris at 612-871-3320.

"BORDER CROSSING" at the Ritz Theatre When: **April 24th - May 4th** Thursdays-Saturdays at 8pm, Sundays at 2pm Where: 345 13th Ave NE Minneapolis Tickets: Call 612-436-1129 For info, call Off-Leash Area at 612-724-7372 or visit www.offleasharea.org

"Border Crossing" is a story of a resilient little girl who traces her immigrant parents' footsteps across the Arizona/Mexico border, told through the voices of the desert itself. The primary mission of the social work profession is to enhance human well-being and help meet the basic human needs of all people, with particular attention to the needs and empowerment of people who are vulnerable, oppressed, and living in poverty. A historic and defining feature of social work is the profession's focus on individual well-being in a social context and the well-being of society. --- NASW

Lutheran Social Service has multiple job openings:

- Mental Health Practitioner (Moorhead)
- Mental Health Practitioner: In-Home Family Based Counselor (Alexandria and St. Cloud)
- Mental Health Professional (Alexandria)
- Mental Health Technician (Alexandria)

For more info or to apply, visit www.lssmn.org/employme.htm

The Human Development Center has multiple job openings. For listings visit: http://www.hdchrc.org/employment.html



Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community is seeking:

Family Advocate

• Child Welfare Officer *For more info, check out* <u>www.ccsmdc.org</u>. Interested individuals shall submit resumes to: SMSC, Attn: Janice Bad Moccasin, 2330 Sioux Trail NW, Prior Lake, MN 55372.

Volunteer Opportunity at Arc Greater Twin Cities! Sibling Support Group Assistant Burnsville

Assist the facilitator of a monthly support group of siblings ages 6-12 in Burnsville who have a brother or sister with a disability. Play games, have fun, and make the life of a child better. Group meets just once a month on the

1st Saturday from 9 to 11am. For more info, contact Michelle at 952-915-3670 <u>michelletheisen@</u> arcgreatertwincities.org



Mental Health Resources, Inc. has multiple job openings. For listings, visit www.mhresources.org.

Year-Long Fellowship for Young People working for Positive Change

Each year, 20 exceptional young social entrepreneurs are selected as YouthActionNet Global Fellows. The year-long fellowship program provides opportunities in skill-building, networking, and advocacy, including a seven-day, all-expenses paid, capacity-building retreat in Washington, D.C. November 1-8, 2008. The program is open to all young people between the ages of 18 and 29. Applicants should be founders of existing projects/organizations or leading a project within an organization.

Visit the YouthActionNet Web site

http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/15012099/youthaction for complete program info and application procedures.

Deadline: May 15, 2008

MINNESOTA INDIAN WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER

MIWRC is seeking an **Oshkinijikwe/Phoenix Project Worker**, a dedicated individual to join the Healing Journey program. This individual will provide direct services to American Indian women and girls who are considered high-risk and vulnerable. The Healing Journey program will use the "harm reduction" module to provide services to clients. This person should be knowledgeable of case management, working with high-risk clients, work well with others including community agencies, and have some working knowledge of sexual assault/violence against women.

For more info, call 612-728-2004. To apply, send resume, cover letter, and complete Employment Application to the MIWRC, 2300 - 15th Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55404, fax 612-728-2039. Visit <u>www.miwrc.org</u> to learn more about MIWRC.

OPEN DOOR INTERNATIONAL,

INC. located in Reading, PA is seeking bi-lingual (English/Spanish) case counselors. For more info, visit <u>http://pa.opendoorcys.com/en/employ</u> <u>ment/</u>.

To send resume by e-mail for consideration: <u>kids@opendoorcys.com</u>

Hennepin County Job Opportunities

- Senior Clinical Child Psychologist
- Clinical Child Psychologist

To view postings and apply online, visit <u>http://hennepin.jobs/</u>.

Great Valley Publishing Co., Inc. has an exciting offer for students! Students can now receive *Social Work Today*, the nation's leading newsmagazine for social workers, <u>FREE</u> of charge! See Emily in the SWK office (Mem 12) for the forms.

Also, students are invited to search for jobs and post their resumes on the **Online Job Bank at <u>AlliedHealthCareers.com</u>.

International Social Work Challenging Opportunity: Sierra Leone

NGOabroad seeks people who are interested in resolving the poverty that drives prostitution in Sierra Leone. Help establish a solid foundation in Sierra Leone by helping build livelihoods so youth are not drawn to conflict and educate women and children.

Go to <u>www.ngoabroad.com</u>, then send us your resume & answered questionnaire to <u>info@NGOabroad.com</u>.

There are many other International Opportunities in Africa, the Andes, and Central America. Check out <u>www.ngoabroad.com</u> for more info.

Scholarships and Funding

New Web Site to Assist Borrowers with Student Loan Debt

http://capwiz.com/socialworkers/utr/1/CYCOIBIRIL/EZ ZWIBISFG/1718685171]

The burden of student loan debt has been growing more unmanageable for social workers and students over the last several years. The National Consumer Law Center and the Project on Student Debt have developed the **Student Loan Borrower Assistance Project** that can help loan saddled social workers and other borrowers to find out more information about the recently passed College Cost Reduction and Access Act, among other student loan related issues. Check it out!

The *Social Welfare History Group (SWHG)* is happy to announce its first history essay student scholarship award. To learn about the Social Welfare History Group, visit: <u>http://depts.washington.edu/sswweb/swhg/index.html</u> We encourage authors to submit their papers via email by Friday May 2, 2008. The papers should be emailed to <u>ibc9717@email.unc.edu</u>. For more info, contact: Iris Carlton-LaNey, Ph.D., President, Social Welfare History Group, University of NC at Chapel Hill, School of Social Work. For full description please see previous issues of News Notes or contact Emily @ 612-330-1189 or <u>cronk@augsburg.edu</u>

American Association of University Women (AAUW) has many fellowships and grants available.

For a complete list and to apply, check out www.aauw.org/education/fga/fellowships_grants/index .cfm.

The Women's Studies Program has money available for students who are interested in attending Women's/Gender Studies and feminist conferences. We also have three free memberships for the National Association of Women's Studies (<u>www.nwsa.org</u>), which has its conference in June of this year. If you are interested in funding to attend a conference, or a free NWSA membership, or both, please contact Jessica Nathanson at <u>nathanso@augsburg.edu</u> **John Gyles Education Awards** are available - Full Canadian or American citizenship is a requirement. Awards are available to both male and female students with at least a 2.7 GPA. Selected students will receive up to \$3,000. The application deadline is June 1, 2008. For more info, visit <u>www.johngyleseducationcenter.com</u>

CSWE-Carl A. Scott Memorial Scholarships

The awards will be made to students from ethnic groups of color who are in their last year of study for a social work degree in a baccalaureate or master's degree program accredited by CSWE. Applications due May 5, 2008. For more info, visit

www.cswe.org/CSWE/scholarships/The+Carl+A+Scott+M
emorial+Fund/.

2008 MSSA Scholarships

MSSA is sponsoring the following **scholarships** for the 2008-2009 school year:

- Two Education scholarships (undergraduate)
- Diversity scholarship (diverse background)
- Marjorie J. Carpenter scholarship (graduate)

The deadline is **June 1, 2008**. See Emily in the SWK Office (Mem. 12) or visit www.mnsocialserviceassoc.org for more info and an

www.mnsocialserviceassoc.org for more into and an application.