

NEWS NOTES

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REMINDERS...

- *Free coffee and muffins in the Oren Gateway Center on class weekend Saturdays (morning).
- * Lindell Library now has the updated versions of the ASWB study guide (MSW and BSW). The ASWB study guide is for candidates preparing for the Association of Social Work Boards examination.

http://www.aswb.org/

*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.

* 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.

Congratulations and best wishes to the 2008 graduates!



June 29, 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

The schedule for the day is as follows: Rehearsal (attendance strongly recommended) Friday, June 27 5:30 - 6:15 p.m. Si Melby Hall

Eucharist Service (optional)
Sunday, June 29
8 - 8:30 a.m.
Hoversten Chapel, Foss Center

Baccalaureate Service (optional)
Sunday, June 29
9 - 10 a.m.
Hoversten Chapel, Foss Center
Line-up promptly at 8:40 a.m.

Baccalaureate is a celebration service of music and word held for the graduating class. Please inform your guests that seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Assemble in the corridor leading from the Foss Atrium to the Music Building, wearing your cap and gown, at 8:40 a.m. Please be prompt. You will line up in double file and be led into the chapel by the College marshals. As you march in, please follow the directions of the College marshals.

Refreshments and Line-up Sunday, June 29 10 a.m. Students line up in the Christensen Center lobby Line-up promptly at 10:15 a.m.

Commencement Ceremony Sunday, June 29 Begins at 11 a.m. Si Melby Hall

* A department reception will immediately follow the commencement ceremony in East Commons, Christensen Center. Family and friends are welcome!



End of the year...

Thanks to everyone for another wonderful year! I really enjoyed getting to know you all; you make my job easy ©. Congratulations to our graduates. I know you will do wonderful things in the field. And I look forward to seeing those of you who will be returning in the fall! Have a great summer and keep in touch. Holley

Lois and Holley will be in Slovenia June 30th – July 10th. They will return to campus the week of July 14th. They will not be checking email or voicemail while out of the country. If you have an urgent matter, you may contact Emily at 612-330-1189 or cronk@augsburg.edu

Fall Registration

AugNet fall registration is now open until September 4th. Please register promptly if you would like to register for certain course sections, as some tend to fill up quickly. Contact Holley with any questions at locherh@augsburg.edu.

*Please note: Family Practice students who will be enrolling in SWK 610, Field Seminar III have now been assigned to their section. If you have questions about which section you are in, email Holley at locherh@augsburg.edu.

Need help reviewing your resume, discussing interviewing techniques, connecting with organizations or conducting job searches?

Make an appointment with a career counselor in the Center for Service, Work and Learning!

Location: Anderson Hall, Lower Level

Telephone: 612-330-1148

Fax: 612-330-1432

Office Hours: M - TH 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

F 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

E-mail address: careers@augsburg.edu http://www.augsburg.edu/cswl/

Graduate Writing Workshops, 2008

Interested in improving your writing skills? The Graduate Writing Workshop Series is a supportive, interactive opportunity for students from all Augsburg graduate programs to focus on the development of basic writing skills. Topics include the construction and development of a thesis statement and the correct use of syntax, grammar, and punctuation. Dr. Kathryn Swanson, professor of English, teaches the workshops.

Dates: October 18, November 1, November 15 (a total of 9 hours

of instruction)

Time: 9:00am-12:00 pm Location: Oren Gateway 114

Cost: \$400

For more information, or to register, contact Patty Park, MAL Program Coordinator, at parkp@augsburg.edu or 612-330-1150.

Classroom Change SWK 509 (and SWK 698 independent study), Assessment and Diagnosis in Mental Health Practice, all sections will meet in OLD MAIN 18 on Friday, June 27.

June 27-28 Library hours

The Library will be open until 6pm on Friday, June 27 and from 7:30am-2:30pm on Saturday, June 28.

Field: 2008-2009 academic year

Field updates and documents can be found at:

http://web.augsburg.edu/socialwork/msw/field.html

Future Alumni: Employer Survey

We will be sending out an employer survey in January of 2009 asking you to have your employer evaluate your work based upon what we hoped you learned in our program. Also, you can expect an alumni survey in two years. We would very much appreciate your continued participation in these surveys!

Augsburg Alumni Network

If you will be graduating this June, feel free to join the Augsburg Alumni Network! Services include an alumni directory, alumni email, Class Notes (used to inform the alumni office of what you are up to), news and events, and of course making donation to the college ©.

www.augsburg.edu/alumni

Auggie Email for Life

Disappointed that you are not able to keep your Auggie email forever? Thanks to Google, we are now able to offer you an alternative Augsburg Alumni e-mail to use on your resumes and give to your friends. Please contact Alumni Relations at alumni@augsburg.edu to request an account.

* If you choose not to sign up for Auggie Email, your Augsburg email account will expire in September. You will receive a two-week notice prior to its closure with instructions for how to transition your account.

Upcoming Events & Opportunities

LEADERSHIP CONSULTANT

Amherst H. Wilder Foundation

The Wilder Center for Communities is seeking fulltime Leadership Consultant position for its Neighborhood Leadership Programs (NLP). For more information please visit: www.wilder.org. To Apply please send a letter and resume by July 9, 2008 to:

PattiJo Verdeja

Amherst H. Wilder Foundation Wilder Center for Communities 451 Lexington Ave N St. Paul, MN 55104

Or, submit your letter and resume online at iobs@wilder.org

To learn more about Wilder Leadership Programs visit: http://www.wilder.org/285.0.html

Minnesota Indian Women's Resource Center

MIWRC is seeking an individual to join the Healing Journey program. Individual will provide direct service to high-risk, vulnerable American Indian women, and use the "harm reduction" module with clients. Applicant should have knowledge of case management, high-risk clients, work with community agencies, and sexual assault and/or violence against women. Tasks include but are not limited to intake/risk assessments, case plans, develop education programs, conducting individual sessions, and collaborative work. To apply, send resume, cover letter, and a completed application to: MN Indian Women's Resource Center, 2300 15th Ave S., Minneapolis, MN 55404; email skincade@miwrc.org; 612-728-2004

Volunteer Positions – Lutheran Social Services

Providing phone counseling for grandparents and other relatives raising related children. Primarily, callers need emotional support, information about concrete resources, and legal information about their options. 15 hours of training and a 12 month commitment of service minimum of 4 hours/month. If interested please contact: Linda Hammersten

GrandFamily Connection
Lutheran Social Service of MN
2414 Park Ave. S.
Minneapolis, MN 55404
612-879-5307
Linda.Hammersten@lssmn.org

- * 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 AlliedHealthCareers.com.

Become a Good Will/Easter Seals AmeriCorp Member

Goodwill/Easter Seals MN provides innovative services for people with barriers to employment, education, or independence, preparing them for the world of work. For more info, visit www.goodwilleasterseals.org

★ Minnesota Reading Corps/AmeriCorp Positions Many paid positions are now available through MN Reading Corps and the Minnesota Literacy Council. These positions include Literacy Coordinator, Classroom Member, and Volunteer Coordinator, all working with children from a K – 3rd grade age range. Working through AmeriCorp, this program offers about \$430 every two weeks for full time members, and \$215 for half time members. There are loans available to apply toward existing loans or for future tuition expenses, and health coverage is available at no cost to full-time members. For more info, email apeters@theMCL.org or visit: www.theMLC.org/ReadingCorps.

Become an AmeriCorp Member & Work With the Community Technology Empowerment Project

Casa de Esperanza is seeking individuals to work on the Community Technology Empowerment Project (CTEP), which bridges the "digital divide" for new immigrants and low income communities in the Twin Cities.

The position is full time, 1,700 hours. Start Sept 8, 2008; complete by Aug 31, 2009. If you are proficient in Spanish, Hmong, or Somali and have advanced technology and staff training skills, **apply online at:**

http://recruit.cns.gov/faq applicant.html and enter 06ACHMN00100080 as the "Program Listing ID." You may also contact Joel Krogstad at 612-556-1384.

The Council on Crime and Justice General Crime Victim Services (GCVS)

*Volunteer Opportunities

*Crime Victim Advocate Intern Opportunity

For more information, or for an application, please contact: A. Lori Saroya (612) -353-3005

saroyaa@crimeandjustice.org http://www.crimeandjustice.org/

WANTED: Good, Practical, Educational Articles for publication in THE NEW SOCIAL WORKER

Articles should focus on one specific aspect of ethics, field placement, or other social work topics. They should be written in a conversational style and include examples to illustrate main points. If you or a student have written something that would be of interest and use to other students and new graduates, please e-mail your article (and encourage your students/colleagues to send theirs) to Linda Grobman at: linda.grobman@PAONLINE.COM. Articles are typically about 2,000 words in length. THE NEW SOCIAL WORKER is available for free download in PDF format at

http://www.socialworker.com.

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



This fall, three 2007 Auggie grads and founders of the Augsburg College Pedalers for Peace will be taking to the road again. Only this time, they're

riding from Bemidji to New Orleans!

They're hoping to make a multimedia travelogue out of their journey, and they're looking for supplies (biking and otherwise) to help them accomplish their goal. Here's a message from **Alisa Hoven** (she'll be biking with **Sarah Pesola** and **Betsy Popelka**):

"Three Augsburg grads are biking down the Mississippi River once again, this time heading from headwaters to gulf! The team will depart at the end of the summer and are looking for some gear. If you are able to lend out any of the gear listed below for the fall months, or know someone who can, please contact Alisa Hoven, alisa.hoven@gmail.com.

Here is a list of items they still need:

Compressible water jugs, cooking utensils & cooking kits, small tents, tarp, pannier bags, bicycle tire tubes, wheels, air pumps, first aid kit, and various art supplies for their chronicle.

Minnesota Social Service Association
Job and Internship Opportunities
For more info about these and other listings,
visit www.mnsocialserviceassoc.org

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

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

Tasks Unlimited has multiple positions open: Check out www.tasksunlimited.org/news.htm#jobs.

Lutheran Social Services has multiple openings: http://www.lssmn.org/employme.htm

For more info on any of these opportunities, please check the Social Work Opportunities Board, outside the Social Work Office (MEM 12).



Music For Social Change

Music For Social Change is a day of singing, songwriting, and fun. For eight years, Advocating Change Together has hosted this musical event, bringing together self-advocates, consumers, and allies to sing songs from civil rights movements and create new songs to capture the spirit of the disability rights movement.

The purpose of this workshop is to expand the use of music in our work, promote disability as a civil rights struggle, and celebrate our ability to create a more just society.

Musicians Larry Dittberner, Sherry Minnick, Maria Brown, and Vern Bloom have experience singing with groups and including everyone in the singing and activities.

The workshop is free. Lunch is provided.

Saturday, July 26, 2008

10:00AM to 4:00PM (9:30AM Refreshments and Registration)

Christensen Center at Augsburg College 720 22nd Avenue South in Minneapolis

Download the flyer:

www.selfadvocacy.com/pdf/MusicForSocialChange2008.pdf

To register, call Advocating Change Together at 651-641-0297.

Sponsored by the Augsburg College Social Work
Department

CAMP COUNSELORS NEEDED BY AUTISM SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA

The Autism Society of Minnesota is sponsoring Camp Hand in Hand, which runs from June 19– August 16. The position of camp counselor is a great opportunity to work one on one with campers age 9 -21 with Autism Spectrum Disorders. No special experience is required for this paid position that includes necessary training, food, and lodging. In addition, graduate and undergraduate credits are available. One, two, or three week commitments are available: June 19-26, June 26–July 2, and August 10–16. The camp is located at Camp Knutson in Crosslake, MN, 30 minutes north of Brainerd. To apply, contact the Autism Society of Minnesota at www.ausm.org, call 651-647-1083, or email camp@ausm.org.