National Association of Social Workers

# The Power of Social Work

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# CE focuses on licensure requirements, expands number of workshop locations

By RoAnne Edick

You asked for it - and we've got it. This spring, we're offering more continuing education opportunities in more locations than ever before. Here's a look at what's coming soon:

A number of our workshops satisfy the AZ BBHE requirements for each licensure renewal period. Among those are:

"Walk A Mile in THESE Shoes: Understanding Disability" by Aimee Burke, MSW, LCSW. This workshop will review definitions of disability in current policy and issues specific to each type of disability. Interactive activities will be used to explore the role of the social worker in working with disability across the lifespan. 9 a.m. to noon Feb. 11 at the Mesa Convention Center, 3 CEUs.

"Cultural Competency: Working with Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Clients" by Shari Goettel, LCSW, CADC. This workshop will provide insight into the discrimination and

oppression of sexual minorities both historically and in the present, and how this discrimination affects the healing process. Attendees will learn about how to integrate the celebration of sexual diversity into their practice or agency. 9 a.m. to noon April 22 at Northern Arizona Healthcare Education Center in Flagstaff, 3 CEUs.

"Diversity and Resilience in Ecological Context" by Margaret Waller, CISW, Ph.D. Participants will develop a deeper understanding of their own social identities as well as knowledge and skills for building and maintaining respectful, collaborative relationships with clients from diverse social identity groups. 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. May 20 at ASU Downtown in Phoenix. 3 CEUs.

"Ethics in Social Work and Behavior Health Practice." Back by popular demand, ethics guru Sharon Taylor explores behavioral health ethics as they pertain to social workers. 9 a.m. to noon

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# President's Pen



by Melinda Kiltz, MSW

Happy New Year to all of you! I hope the holidays were peaceful and full of love and joy for everyone. As we begin another new year, it is important to reflect on the past year, as well as to look forward to exciting new opportunities...

NASW-AZ is proud to be sponsoring another Social Work Day at the Legislature. This year's event will be held on Feb. 1, 2005 at the Capitol. In response to numerous evaluations from the past few years, this year's format will be entirely different. We are listening to you, the members, to continue to provide this valuable legislative tool, while considering the many factors that have limited (or prohibited) participation in the past. Thank you for your input, as this is the way in which our association continues to learn and grow!!

For the first time, NASW-AZ will be sponsoring the event at no charge to participants. As a result, there will not be a need for online or mail registrations. In addition, participant packages will be provided online. It will be your responsibility to download the packet prior to the day of the event. Because this event is being underwritten by NASW-AZ, food will not be served. You will need to bring your own snacks and provide lunch on your own. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the donors who generously gave money to cover the cost of holding the event at the Capitol. Without your generosity, NASW-AZ would have been hard-pressed to finance this entire event on a limited budget. Please read on in this newsletter for additional information about this year's event.

In addition to SW Day, I am pleased to announce the kickoff of the Social Work Image Campaign which is set to begin in March at the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of NASW in Washington DC. In a

statement by Gary Bailey, MSW, president of NASW, in the NASW Foundation's 2004 video, "We spent years helping others. We don't help ourselves. Our image is portrayed by the media, and it's not always been favorable. The time has come for us to tell our own story with one voice to tell the story of social work."

This campaign will involve a multi-year, multi-million dollar investment on the part of the state and national chapters. It will be a multi-media campaign, including magazine advertisements, a new website for the public as well as one for members, increased media relations with television and print journalists, and a new slogan: "Social workers: help starts here."

The NASW foundation video states, "It is time you know just how valuable you are. It is time the world knew."

Social workers are a priceless resource in our communities. Let us acknowledge and celebrate the impact that social workers have on our lives and the lives of those we serve! Please watch for additional information about this campaign and how you can get involved.



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or 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. as follows: Feb. 18 at Pueblo Inn in Tucson; April 8 at Carl T. Hayden Medical Center in Phoenix; April 22 at Northern Arizona Healthcare Education Center in Flagstaff. 3 CEUs.

#### Exciting new workshops coming....

We start the season off with our new AGES series, thanks to a grant from the Institute for Geriatric Social Work, Boston University's School of Social Work. Sandra Coorough, MSSA, ACSW, LCSW, BCD, C-ASWCM, will reframe the way we look at assessing elders and their support system. This dynamic series is sure to be a hit in this hot spot for retiring seniors. This workshop will be held 9 a.m. to noon in Tucson (Jan. 21) and Phoenix (May 20). (3 CEUs)

The NASW Insurance Trust of Washington, D.C. will sponsor "Best Practices for Social Workers: Avoiding Malpractice Lawsuits." James Townsend, president and CEO of TGC, Inc., a healthcare management company, and a former trustee for the Trust, will describe the most significant malpractice risks in social work today. He will also discuss numerous methods of mitigating and reducing one's risk of being sued for malpractice. 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Tucson Jan. 21. (3 CEUS)

"Eating Disorders 101" will be conducted by Clara Williams, MSW, MAC, NCC, LPC from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Jan. 28 in Glendale. This workshop will introduce an overview of the assessment and experiential activities to identify underlying issues of those with a diagnosis of eating disorders and trauma. (6 CEUs)

"Trauma Recovery Assessment and Pre-

vention Services (TRAPS)" will be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 11 in Mesa. David Berceli, MSW, LMT, CBT. Agency personnel who work or live in traumainducing professions or environments will benefit from this workshop that will teach how to manage one's own trauma and that of the client. We recommend comfortable clothing for this workshop that includes both didactic and experiential teaching methods. (3 CEUs)

"Southwest Borderland Immigration Issues" will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 11 in Phoenix. Melanie Reyes will examine who immigrants are historically. She will examine why they migrate and what it means to us who live in the Southwest. (6 CEUs)

For more information and online registration, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.naswaz.com">www.naswaz.com</a>

The Arizona Association for Marriage and Family Therapy announces
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# Stambaugh selected NASW Executive Director of the Year

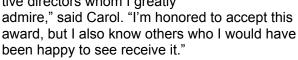
Co-written by RoAnne Edick and Sky Westerlund, Awards Committee Chair and Executive Director of the Kansas Chapter

Proactive. Energetic. Innovative. Intelligent.

These are just some of the words used to describe Carol Stambaugh, Executive Director of NASW-Arizona, who was just named 2004's **NASW Outstanding Chapter** Executive.

That's quite the honor, considering there were 56 executive directors in the competition.

"There are a lot of executive directors whom I greatly



Carol's reputation as a stellar leader began shortly after she accepted the position in Arizona. Just four months into the job, the chapter hosted its first Social Work Day at the Legislature, which hosted more than 300 students and professional



Carol Stambaugh

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- 5. Make changes and click "submit".

social workers from across the state.

In terms of internal organization, Stambaugh has managed to build up the chapter's reserves by developing unique income sources. A partnership with the Arizona State University School of Social Work, for example, has led to a new stream of income through co-developed and cosponsored continuing education offerings. At the same time, this partnership also has made more workshops available for social workers in the state.

Early on, Carol saw a need for respectable educational opportunities for social workers. A new partnership with the Arizona State University School of Social Work has led to a new stream of income through co-developed and cosponsored continuing education offerings, while at the same time, has made more workshops available to social workers in Arizona. Word is out that top-notch presenters, convenient locations, ample CEU opportunities and hot topics combine to make this program a success. Workshops have even been known to "sell out" when

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12-13<sup>th,</sup> ROBERT HALL, MD, WORKSHOP, 12 CE's, \$295 26th, Gestalt Theory Seminar III, Pamela Kinder, M.C., 3 CE's, \$45

MARCH

26<sup>th</sup>, "Seeing What Is" Workshop, Scott Hendrickson, Ph.D., 6 CE's, \$95

#### APRIL

2<sup>nd</sup>, "What to Look for When Doing Therapy" Workshop, Kat von Rhau, L.C.S.W., 6 CE's, \$95 23-24th, Mind-Body Workshop, Will Heywood, Ph.D., 12 CE's, \$150

30th, Gestalt Theory Seminar IV, Pamela Kinder, M.C., 3 CE's, \$45

#### **JULY**

23-29<sup>th</sup>, Gestalt Therapy Retreat in Santa Barbara, CA, Gestalt Institute Faculty, 50 CE's, \$1375

Please Contact Linda at 602-955-9298, or info@gestaltphoenix.com, www.gestaltphoenix.com

*The Gestalt Institute of Phoenix is approved by the* American Psychological Association to offer continuing education for psychologists. The Gestalt Institute of Phoenix maintains responsibility for the program.

#### **Stambaugh** (continued from Page 5)

the number of registrations meets the location's capacity limit.

Under Carol's direction, NASW-worked to implement the Arizona Licensure bill, which became effective July 1, 2004. To get the bill passed, the chapter worked in harmony with three other professional associations representing counselors, substance abuse counselors and marriage and family therapists.

One of Carol's greatest strengths is her ability to conquer technology. In December 2003, the Arizona Society of Association Executives (AzSAE) presented the chapter with an "Award of Excellence in Association Management/Communication" for NASW-AZ's cutting-edge website. Fueled by Carol's creativity, enthusiasm and natural ability to conquer technical challenges, the website has become the main communication tool for NASW-AZ members. She has even led trainings for other chapter directors. Her ability to communicate with members and with leadership within the chapter is unparalleled within the association, said Sky Westerlund, executive director of the Kansas Chapter.

Carol was elected by her peers to serve on the Council of Chapter Executives Steering Committee. She also has led trainings on technology at Annual Leadership Meetings of the association and has been appointed to represent chapters on national NASW committees.

Shortly after her arrival to NASW-AZ, Carol became involved in AzSAE. In her 6 years of membership, she has held the positions of Professional Development chair, member of the board of directors, treasurer and secretary. She is currently serving as president-elect and will begin her term as president on Jan. 1, 2005.

Carol, her husband Chris, and their daughter Kaeden reside in Mesa.

Carol's selection as 2004 NASW Outstanding Chapter Executive can best be summed up by the following quote from her nominator, Steve Karp.

"When I first met Carol six years ago, I was impressed by her skills, commitment and enthusiasm for the position of executive director," said Karp, executive director of the Connecticut Chapter. "Six years later, I have concluded that I was right!"

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## NASW-AZ to mark Golden Anniversary with 2005 Conference

By Ray Thomas 2005 Conference Chair

Mark your calendars now for October 6 and 7, 2005— you will want to join us for our statewide conference.

Year 2005 will mark the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the National Association of Social Workers. The Arizona Chapter is working hard to make the 2005 Annual Conference a memorable experience for NASW-AZ members. We want The "Golden Anniversary" Conference to be a "must-do" event. NASW-Arizona has a diverse membership working in multiple fields and settings-hospitals, schools, businesses, behavioral health, private practice, juvenile justice, child welfare, services for older and aging persons, universities and community colleges--the list goes on and on.

We want the Golden Anniversary Conference to be a milestone event that appeals to as many elements of our membership as possible.

Although planning has already started, YOU CAN HELP! YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE!

Send us your ideas about what YOU would like to see in the Conference. Tell us what would move you to mark the Confer-

ence as your "must attend" event. Your program and event ideas are wanted and needed. Please e-mail or mail your ideas to the Chapter office. Any and all ideas are solicited. We may not be able to use them all, but we will certainly consider them all. We want the Golden Anniversary Conference to be one that will proudly and memorably reflect Arizona Social Workers.

Ideas already under consideration include:

- The Grand Marketplace
- Silent Auction
- Exhibits
- Workshops By Your Colleagues (Perhaps Even You)
- Honoring Arizona Social Workers
- The Golden Gala
- Distinguished Keynoters
- Fifty Years of Arizona Social Work
- Telling Our Stories
- The Return of DJ Jazzy Ray (And that might be only the first day!)

Keep watching www.naswaz.com for more details to come soon.

# Join Branch 2's upcoming educational activities

By Yolanda Shoemaker, Branch 2 Chair

Branch 2 had a Lunch & Learn meeting on Nov. 9 with Judge Michael Lex as the guest speaker. Judge Lex established the Mental Health Division of the Tucson City Court and explained to us its function, services, and impact on our clients. NASW members received CEU credit for this training.

A steering committee meeting was held on Dec. 7 at the Blue Willow Restaurant.

The next Lunch & Learn will be held on Jan. 11 at noon at El Minuto Restaurant. The Award Luncheon will be help on March 4. Details will be on the Branch 2 committee

section of the NASW-AZ website. Please e-mail NASWAZ if you want to be on the Branch 2 listserve. We are also asking for nominations from Branch 2 for the Awards Luncheon.

The Second Annual Mid-Winter Conference for helping Professionals will present "Social Work as a Heroic Journey: Developing Personal and Collective Skills to Follow the Part of Heart". The presenter is Marion Moss Hubbard, PhD. It will be held Jan. 28 at the Tucson Community Resource Campus and CEUs will be awarded. If you would like more information or have a proposal for a presentation, please contact robert.moore@cpsa-rbha.org.

## PACE prepares for tough political road ahead

By Judy Walruff, PhD PACE Chair

Your Arizona NASW PACE thanks you for all your hard work to research the issues, quiz the candidates, and vote. Although many of our endorsed candidates won their seats, the final election results gave us a legislature that is far less likely to support public policy or to support a state budget that addresses the human needs in Arizona. Nor is it apt to reflect the values of NASW members.

Already, we are hearing rumors that this new legislature is looking to cut taxes and eliminate or scale back social programs. Rather than viewing our recovering economy as an opportunity to "catch-up" with the payments owing to end the child care subsidy waiting list, fund early childhood education programs, and support the funding needed

to complete the reform of CPS, this legislature is looking to further reduce revenues needed to support social and health services.

Our work is cut out for us. As a social work community, we must be vigilant, vocal, and active. Get involved and volunteer for the NASW legislative committee. We'll need your help to speak up and speak out for sound fiscal policies. Know your legislators — those who are progressive on both sides of the aisle — and be ready to hold them accountable for every vote that impacts the human services budget. With every NASW member pulling together, we will be heard and our voices will make a positive difference.

Support your PACE, too, and let's start now to make a difference in 2006!







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#### **Curanderismo workshop planned in Tucson**

The ASU Foundation and NASW-AZ are hosting "Curanderismo: The Practice of Folk Medicine in a Modern Era" by Dr. Jan Paz from 8 a.m. to Noon Friday, March 11. This insightful workshop will be held at the CPSA Training Center, Plaza Arboleda, 2502 N. Dodge Blvd., Tucson.

The cost is \$60 for general registration and \$30 for student registration (copy of student ID is required.) The fee is tax-deductible. Proceeds will go to the Cesar Chavez Social Work Scholarship Fund.

Registrations are due by Feb. 28. For more information, contact Josefina Ahumada at josefina.ahumada@asu.edu

# National Association of Social Workers, AZ

#### NASW - AZ Chapter

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#### Social Work Day at the Legislature

February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2005 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Executive Tower Lobby, Arizona State Capitol

#### Social Workers Value All Families

About the Event -- This year's Social Work Day at the Legislature is a free event for all social workers and social work students interested in finding out more information about public policy. The event will include information on key legislative issues, experiencing committee hearings and floor session. The social work day at the legislature will have a rally that will focus on Family Values: Social Workers Value All Families.

What you need to know -- Since this year's event is free, there will be no food served at this event, so bring a light lunch and/or snacks. The state's cafeteria will also be open and available to any participant.

What you need to do -

- There is no advance registration. To guarantee that you get a seat, it is recommended that you arrive early to assure a seat.
- There will also be no packets handed out on the day of the event. Go to <a href="www.naswaz.com">www.naswaz.com</a> and download the social work day packet, print it, and bring it with you to the event. The packet will be available on the web after Friday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2005.
- Bring signs for the "Value ALL Families" rally.
- Call your legislator now and make an appointment to meet with them. Then email them one week prior to the event to remind them that you will be coming to meet with them. If you do not know who your legislator is please go to <a href="http://www.azleg.state.az.us/">http://www.azleg.state.az.us/</a> for more information.

#### Come Advocate for ALL Families in Arizona

#### Register now to ensure space in CE Series workshops

**Jan. 21:** "Strength-based Geriatric Assessments: Reframing the Focus for Care" by Sandra Coorough, MSSA, ACSW, LCSW, BCD,C-ASWCM at Pueblo Inn, 350 S. Freeway Rd., Tucson 9 a.m. – Noon (3 CEUs)

**Jan. 21:** "Best Practices for Social Workers: Avoiding Malpractice Lawsuits" by James Townsend, MHA, MSSW, ACSW at Pueblo Inn, 350 S. Freeway Rd., Tucson 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. (3 CEUs)

**Jan. 28:** "Eating Disorders 101" by Clara Williams, MSW, MAC, NCC, LPC at Glendale Community College, 6000 W. Olive Ave., Glendale, AZ 9 a.m. – Noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (6 CEUs)

**Feb. 11:** "Walk a Mile in These Shoes: Understanding Disability" by Aimee Burke, MSW, LCSW at Mesa Convention Center, Building A, Superstition North Ballroom, 201 N. Center St., Mesa, AZ 9 a.m. to Noon (3 CEUs)

**Feb. 11:** "Trauma Recovery Assessment & Prevention Services" by David Berceli, MSW, LMT, CBT at Mesa Convention Center, Building A, Superstition North Ballroom, 201 N. Center St., Mesa, AZ 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (3 CEUs)

**Feb. 18:** "Ethics in Social Work and Behavior Health Practice" by Sharon Taylor, LMSW, PhD at Pueblo Inn, 350 S. Freeway Rd., Tucson, AZ 9 a.m. to Noon OR 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (3 CEUs)

March 11: "Southwest Borderland Immigration Issues" by Melanie Reyes, MSW at Carl T. Hayden VA Medical Center, 650 E. Indian School Rd., Phoenix, AZ 9 a.m. to Noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (6 CEUs)

**April 8:** "Ethics in Social Work and Behavior Health Practice" by Sharon Taylor, LMSW, PhD, Carl T. Hayden VA Medical Center, 650 E. Indian School Rd., Phoenix, AZ 9 a.m. to Noon or 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (3 CEUs)

**April 22:** "Cultural Competency: Working with Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Clients" by Shari Goettel, LCSW, CADC, Northern Arizona Healthcare Education Center, 1000 N. Humphrey, Suite 241-242, Flagstaff, AZ 9 a.m. to Noon (3 CEUs)

**April 22:** "Ethics in Social Work & Behavior Health Practice" by Sharon Taylor, LMSW, PhD, Northern Arizona Healthcare Education Center, 1000 N. Humphrey, Suite 241-242, Flagstaff, AZ 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (3 CEUs)

**May 20:** "The Family-Identified Caregiver" by Sandra Coorough, MSSA, ACSW, LCSW, BCD, C-ASWCM, ASU Downtown Center, 502 E. Monroe St., Phoenix, AZ 9 a.m. to Noon (3 CEUs)

**May 20:** "Diversity and Resilience in Ecological Context" by Margaret Waller, CISW, PhD, ASU Downtown Center, 502 E. Monroe St., Phoenix, AZ 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (3 CEUs)



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Feb. 18	□AM only	□PM only		□ NASW Student Member
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# **Need Help Paying for Medications?**

A largely hidden feature of the Medicare reform bill is just NOW being publicized and outreach efforts launched. A savings of \$600 in 2004, and again in 2005, can be received by a single Medicare beneficiary with an income no greater than \$12,569 (\$1,047 or less per month) or by a couple with income below \$16,862 (\$1,405 per month).

Locally, the Foundation for Senior Living has established the Arizona Access to Benefits Coalition (AZ's ABC) to help community agencies enroll individuals who are eligible to participate in this prescription drug benefit. There are an estimated 53,000 Medicare beneficiaries in Maricopa County and only about 8,000 are currently taking advantage of this benefit.

It'll only take about 30 minutes to determine eligibility for the Medicare transition assistance program. In that short time, the individual will be asked 25 questions covering basic information including a list of medications taken to determine his or her eligibility for the transition benefit program. Information will be entered into the national ABC database and specific recommendations to that person will be developed.

If the individual is eligible, she or he will then be assisted in making a choice about which prescription discount card best fits that person's needs. An application is completed and submitted at that time. By the following month, a Medicare-approved prescription card will be delivered. If eligible for the Medicare transition benefit, that person will immediately start seeing a savings on prescription medications.

Persons eligible for the Medicare transition assistance program will not have to pay the annual enrollment fee. In addition to the credit, many companies are providing discounts on their prescription drugs. The state's CoppeRx card can be used along with this Medicare transition assistance program without any problems.

#### Important things to remember:

- 1. Individuals must be enrolled in Medicare
- 2. Individuals are not eligible if they are en-

rolled in AHCCCS, ALTCS, TRICARE for Life, Federal Employee Health Benefits, employer health insurance or a private health insurance program that provides prescription coverage

- 3. Individuals may be eligible if enrolled in a Medigap or Medicare Advantage plan
- 4. Individuals must be enrolled in a Medicare-approved card program.

It sounds easy, but unfortunately, many people are not signing up. Local agencies are available to assist you. For assistance, contact any of the local agencies listed below:

Foundation for Senior Living, 602-285-0505 ext. 186 or TTY at 602-222-1063, www.fslaz.org

**Aging & Adult Administration:** 602-542-4446, Statewide Hotline is 1-800-432-4040; TTY at 602-542-6366

Maricopa County: Area Agency on Aging Region One at 602-264-2255

**Pima County: Pima Council on Aging at** 520-790-7262

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Pinal Gila Counties: Pinal Gila Council for Senior Citizens at 520-836-2758 or 1-800-293-9393

Graham, Greenlee, Cochise, Santa Cruz Counties :VICAP at 520-459-8141

Navajo Nation: Navajo Aging Services Department at 928-871-6868

LaPaz and Yuma County: WACOG at 928-782-1886

Mohave County: WACOG at 928-753-6247

Other Tribal Nations: Inter Tribal Council of Arizona at 602-258-4822

#### NASW-AZ offers training for the clinical supervisor

By Jackie Davidson, CE Coordinator

In the new regulations passed by the Arizona Board of Behavior Health Examiners, there is an entire section (R4-6-804) devoted to the new training requirements for those who provide clinical supervision to marriage and family therapists, professional counselors, clinical social workers and substance abuse counselors.

Those supervisors must initially complete a minimum of 12 clock hours of continuing education during the two years before the clinical supervisor's license renewal date. Thereafter, they shall complete a minimum of six clock hours for every two-year renewal period.

The regulations are specific about the content of the training to include:

· The roles and responsi-

bilities of a clinical supervisor;

- Skill sets involved in providing oversight and guidance to a supervisee engaged in diagnosing, treatment planning, and treatment of clients;
- Conceptual knowledge of supervision methods and techniques;
- Evaluation of a supervisee's role, performance and capacity to conceptualize and implement clinical assessment and treatment processes.

Arizona follows other states in the implementation of this training requirement. NASW is pleased to announce that this training will be held March 4 and 5 in Phoenix at the ASU downtown campus.

The training will be based on the comprehensive program designed for the Virginia Licensing Board by nationally renowned expert on supervision, Dr. Carlton Munson. This curriculum has been utilized by

numerous states due to its excellence. We are also pleased that our presenter, Barbara P. Griffin CISW, worked with Dr. Munson in Maryland.

The curriculum is quite comprehensive and will be divided into Part 1 and Part 2, each with 12 continuing education credits.

In Phoenix, Part I will be March 4 and 5 and Part 2 will be in the fall. In Tucson we plan to offer Part I in the fall of 2005 and Part 2 in the Spring 2006.

We are able to offer this training to our members at a cost substantially less than that offered by most other organizations.

More information can be found on our website, www.naswaz.com. We recommend you register early as space will be limited.

# EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Please visit our website, www.naswaz.com, for more information on the following employment opportunities. (Remember that the employment area on the web is a member benefit—you will need the username and password found on Page 2 to access the information.)

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#### Here and There: News briefs in the world of NASW-AZ

- NASW-AZ is looking for new members to fill spots on the CCNLI committee. If you're interested, please contact Josefina Ahumada at josefina.ahumada@asu.edu.
- NASW member Irv Fellner, ACSW, of Mesa, Ariz., had his stage play, "Sam's Quest," accepted for production by The Theatre-Studio, Inc., of New York City in December. "Sam's Quest" is about a disabled, older man who is desperately seeking a way to make his existence meaningful. His wife, Beverly, is bitter about having all the responsibilities of day-to-day living thrust upon her
- and constantly demeans him. Sam is planning a drastic solution to his dilemma when, after speaking to a volunteer for a social agency, he unexpectedly finds the answer to his quest.
- If you are interested in attending a CE series workshop, register as soon as possible. Our workshops are getting more popular and more often than not, registration is full two weeks prior to the workshop date. You will also be charged an extra \$10 for registering any sooner than one week prior.

#### 2005 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA: FAMILY VALUES

By Suzanne Schunk Public Policy Chair

The NASW Public Policy Committee has agreed that safeguarding family values in the Arizona State Budget must be the primary focus for social workers as they advocate with their elected officials during the upcoming legislative session. Many legislators have been elected under the theme of moral or family values; AZ social workers must define the family values as valuing all families in AZ by meeting the needs of all vulnerable children, adults, elderly, and disabled. It is the role and responsibility of a moral government to protect and care for its vulnerable residents.

Social workers are the voice for the poor and vulnerable people of our society. It is critical that we ensure that Arizona's budget provides for the needs of these populations. We shall insist that the budget addresses critical issues such as the following:

- The child care waiting list
- Continued implementation of Child Protective Services Reform
- Severe shortage of domestic violence shelter beds

- Shortfalls in adoption and guardianship subsidies
- Continued funding for behavioral health and substance abuse treatment, the homeless, and persons with disabilities
- Funding for elderly services, especially community based programs

Additionally, it is anticipated that bills will be introduced to increase availability of all day kindergarten and to make the legal consequences of marital rape the same as those for stranger rape. NASW supports these goals.

AZ social workers can advocate as a united voice at the Social Work Day at the Legislature event coming in February. The theme is "Family Values: Social Workers Value ALL Families." A rally will be held and social workers are urged to make appointments ahead of time to meet with their legislators, attend the event and rally, and ensure that our elected officials vote for a budget that safeguards the people with whom we work. Additionally, social workers can receive legislative updates and alerts throughout the session by joining the email alert list at the website www.naswaz.com.

#### **Licensure Survey**

Please complete and mail back to NASWAZ at 1050 E. Southern, Suite F-5, Tempe, AZ 85282 or complete this same survey online at www.naswaz.com. Thank you for your input.

Are you satisfied with the move from certification to licensure?

Are there any specific rules that you think should be amended, deleted or added? If so, what are they?

Have you recently moved to Arizona since the implementation of the new licensure?

If yes, what was your experience in applying for your license? Good, fair or poor? Please explain.

Did you apply for licensure at the LCSW level post the implementation of the new licensure (July 1, 2004)?

If so, did you experience any difficulties in applying for the LCSW? Please explain.

Are you planning to apply for the LCSW level in the near future?

Have you had any difficulties in obtaining information on how to apply? If so, please explain.

Have you had any problems with obtaining clinical supervision? If so, please explain.



Have you encountered difficulties other than what is mentioned above? If so, please describe with specific details.

Do you know of someone else who has encountered problems obtaining licensure? (If yes, please tell them to come to the nasw-az website and complete this questionnaire)



Leslie Leighninger, director of ASU Main's School of Social Work, stands among fellow Kerry supporters before the Kerry-Bush debate held at ASU in October.

# **Upcoming Events**

Please visit our website, www.naswaz.com, and click on "Education and Chapter Events" for more information on the following upcoming activities and workshops:

- **Jan. 7 & 8:** NASW-AZ Pre-Approved Workshop, "Clinical Supervision of Psychotherapy"
- Jan. 15: Community Workshop, Gestalt Theory Seminar II
- **Jan. 21:** NASW-AZ & ASU Main Continuing Ed Series "Strength-based Geriatric Assessments: Reframing the Focus for Care" and "Best Practices for Social Workers: Avoiding Malpractice Lawsuits"
- **Jan. 25:** NASW-AZ Pre-Approved Workshop, "The Mental Health Professional and Family Court"
- Jan. 28: NASW-AZ & ASU Main Continuing Ed Series "Eating Disorders"
- **Feb. 4:** NASW-AZ Pre-Approved Workshop, "Assessing the Mental Health Status of Older Adults"
- **Feb. 4 & 5:** NASW-AZ Pre-Approved Workshop, "Clinical Supervision of Psychotherapy"
- **Feb. 11:** NASW-AZ & ASU Main Continuing Ed Series "Walk a Mile in These Shoes: Understanding Disability" and "Trauma Recovery Assessment and Prevention Services"
- **Feb. 16-18:** Community Workshop "Making the Connection"
- **Feb. 18:** NASW-AZ & ASU Main Continuing Ed Series "Ethcis in Social Work and Behavior Health Practice"
- Feb. 26: Community Workshop "Seeing What Is"
- March 4: Branch 2 SW Month Luncheon
- March 11: NASW-AZ & ASU Main Continuing Ed Series "Southwest Borderland Immigration Issues"
- March 12: Community Workshop by Gestalt Institute
- March 26: Community Workshop "Gestalt Theory Seminar III"
- **April 2:** Community Workshop "What to Look for When Doing Therapy"
- **April 8:** NASW-AZ & ASU Main Continuing Ed Series "Ethics in Social Work and Behavior Health Practice"

# Call for Conference Proposals Fall 2005

#### **NASW-AZ Annual Conference**

Come help NASW celebrate our 50-year Anniversary.

You are invited to submit a workshop proposal for the 2005 Chapter Conference and be a part of the meeting that brings together social workers and related human service professionals.

#### Criteria for Selection:

- Creativity in format or presentation
- Relevance of content to Social Work Profession
- Originality of material

Send ONE copy of the Title Page and SIX copies of the proposal abstract.

The Title Page must contain all of the following information in the order shown:

- Title of Workshop
- Educational goal/objective
- Brief abstract (max. 30 words) for use in the program brochure
- Information on presenters: full name, highest degree, agency name, agency & home addresses, city/state/zip, work & home telephone numbers, and email address. All communications from NASW-AZ will go to the presenter listed first. It will be the responsibility of that presenter to convey information to co-presenters.
- Biography of each presenter for use in the program brochure (max 30 words)

Abstracts must be typewritten, double-spaced on  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$  white paper, no more than 500 words and include specific information about the content of the workshop. *In order to assure anonymity, no identifying information may be included in the body of the abstract.* The title page must be separate from the abstract.

- Abstract retained by Chapter.
- All workshops will be 90 minutes in length.
- NASW will provide overhead projector/flip chart. The presenter must supply any audio-visual needs beyond this.
- Presenters are responsible for providing all handouts for their sessions.
- Presenters will absorb travel and per diem costs.
- Presenters receive lunch and a \$25 discount on registration.
- Proposals must be postmarked by March 31, 2005. Mail to: NASW Conference Proposals/1050 East Southern Avenue, Tempe, AZ 85282.
- Selection Committee will notify you by May 15, 2005

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