

# Clinical Perspectives

The Clinical Social Work Association of Savannah

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## News and Announcements

The Annual Oyster Roast and Auction was a resounding success. Legare Nadelman did a wonderful job of organizing and pulling off the event without a hitch, and Fred Nadelman was at the top of his game in his position of Auctioneer Extraordinaire. It was a good time, enjoyed by all who attended.

We are looking for input as to how to make next year's fundraiser even better. One thought has been to hold a B-B-Q rather than an Oyster Roast. If you are an Oyster Roast purist, or have an even better idea, let Vice President Cathy McRae know your thoughts and opinion at (912) 484-0514.

## Monthly Meeting - February 25, 2009

Mark Baggett, Executive Director, Chatham-Savannah Authority for the Homeless, will lead our colloquium this month. The topic will be the work of the Homeless Authority, and mental health issues faced by the homeless in our area.

Dr. McRae can be reached by electronic mail at: [mcra1452@bellsouth.net](mailto:mcra1452@bellsouth.net).

On a different note, the CSWA-S has been getting several requests from outside agencies to co-sponsor their events, which would allow participants to receive CEUs. As we are a volunteer organization, we are unable to meet any requests which are made less than 30 days before the event, as there is simply not enough time for processing. All requests must be made directly with the Program Committee Chair. Currently, Dr. McRae is holding that position.

Lunch will be a hot roast beef and cheese sandwich, tomato soup, and banana pudding. For those looking to receive CEUs, it is imperative that you RSVP Michael Mack at [harkonan@aol.com](mailto:harkonan@aol.com) before 02/20/09.

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### Calendar of Events:

- 02/17/09: Child and Family Welfare Issues Seminar at Savannah State University Village Recreation Room at 8:30am.
- 02/21/09: Winter Institute at Hospice Savannah at 8:30am.
- 02/25/09: Monthly Meeting at the Gibbons Chapel in the rear of Riverview Health & Rehab. from 11:30 until 1pm. (6711 LaRoche Ave.)



## Editorials and Opinion

### Winter Institute

This year's Winter Institute is featuring Chris Foley, LCSW, VP of Community Services of Hospice Savannah, Inc. She will be discussing the symptoms, therapeutic interventions, and support techniques when sudden death occurs. It begins at 8:30am in the Training Room at Hospice Savannah at 1352 Eisenhower Drive. The date will be Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup>. The registration fee is \$30.00. For more information and to RSVP, please contact Dr. Cathy McRae (912) 232-0304 or by e-mail:

**mcra1452@bellsouth.net.**

### Training Opportunity

The Savannah State University Department of Social Work will be hosting a seminar on February 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am in the University Village Recreation Room entitled: Effectively Addressing Child and Family Welfare Issues in the 21st Century: Thinking Outside the Box. For more information, please call Irma Gibson, PhD at (912) 353-5262.

### Employment Opportunity

LCSWs, LPCs, or MFTs needed to work part-time to provide adoption services to families in the Savannah area. Work can be done at night and on weekends. Must be GA licensed and have good computer skills, prefer exp. in adoption and willing to do some travel. Email resume to: **Recruiter@familiesfirst.org** or FAX 404-759-2759. EOE.

### Working Vacation

The Savannah State University Department of Social Work is headed to Grecia, Costa Rica for a cultural exchange. This trip includes language classes, social work visits, a social work policy lecture, a two-week stay with a host family, breakfast and dinner, and transportation back and forth from the airport. The cost is \$1200, and does not include airfare.

### Member Participation

Contributions to this newsletter are encouraged and can be sent to: **harkonan@aol.com**

### A Note from Our Founder

Dear friends,

This is a belated, but nonetheless sincere, note of thanks for the honor that you have bestowed upon me in naming our annual professional conference the "Julius Hornstein Annual Conference." Usually such august acclaim is given to the recently or not-so-recently departed, but I am still alive and kicking and able to see my name way up there in lights (with glasses, of course) and it is a thrill to know that something of my efforts will last beyond me. Your recognition of my role in founding and sustaining this marvelous organization is deeply appreciated. The creation of a high caliber professional gig such as ours is one among many of the things that we have done, and I take with me the pleasure of my part in what we have accomplished. I look forward to good ensuing deeds, which, hopefully, I will have something of a hand in.

Thanks so much and see you in March (if not sooner).

Julius "Boo" Hornstein

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## REGISTRATION FORM - Winter Institute

### Therapeutic Techniques for Coping with Sudden Death

Christina Foley, LCSW, Vice President of Community Affairs, Hospice Savannah

This presentation provides training concerning the symptoms, therapeutic interventions, and support techniques for our clients and ourselves when sudden death occurs.

February 21, 2009, Hospice Savannah, Inc., 1352 Eisenhower Drive

9:00am-12:00pm

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

If you choose to pre-register, please mail checks no later than February 14, 2009.

If you plan to register at the training, please arrive by 8:30am.

Because space is limited, pre-registration is strongly encouraged to secure a seat.

The remaining seats will be on a first come first serve basis.

**Fee for Members: \$30**

**Fee for non-members: \$45**

**Fee for Students with ID: \$15**

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<http://socialworksavannah.freeyellow.com/CSWA-S.htm>

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Sorry if you did not get last month's newsletter!

We're working out all of the glitches, so please  
pardon our progress!



## Social Worker Spotlight

### Louisa Laird, LCSW

As a founding member of CSWA, Louisa has been actively involved in the organization since its beginning. She served as vice president in 1995. She is also a member of NASW and the ACSW, and has been a LCSW since 1987. Louisa received her undergraduate degree in social work from Auburn University and her MSW from UGA.

Before entering private practice, she had extensive experience in both inpatient and outpatient mental health settings. Her experience also includes pediatric social work in a hospital and school social work. In her current practice, Louisa provides

individual, marital, and family therapy. She is best known in the community for her work with adolescent girls, women in recovery, and clients with Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder.

Louisa's community activities include membership/leadership with the District Advisory Board for Magnet Schools and the Telfair Academy Guild.

She is married to David Ethridge, a forensic evaluator for the State. Their son, Evan, is a sophomore at UGA. Together, Louisa and David have renovated 4 homes, and the CSWA has benefited from their efforts, as they have hosted numerous events, including oyster roasts and holiday parties. -Legare Nadelman