

CLINICAL PERSPECTIVES

The Clinical Social Work Association of Savannah

April 2011

CSWA-S Annual Conference

Dear members, colleagues, and supporters,

The CSWA's 25th Annual Dr. Julius "Boo" Hornstein Professional Conference was a great success and was well received by the participants. The overall consensus from the evaluation forms indicated the participants found the information provided by Dr. Susan Campling, R.N. Psy.D. & Dr. Stephen Howard, M.D. to be beneficial to their clinical practice. As the chair of the conference committee, I would like to thank sponsors Savannah State University, Coastal Harbor Treatment Center, University of Georgia, Recovery Place, St. Leo's University, and St. Simon's by The Sea. I would like to acknowledge the many individuals who deserve credit for their contribution in making this a very

successful professional conference:

- Dr. Catherine McRae, Legare Nadelman, Edward Parks & Cheryl Turner (Conference Planning Committee)
- Linda Richardson for tracking Registration & manning the registration table. Also assisting with registration were Linda Barnes, Legare Nadelman & Cheryl Turner
- Maggie Lee who was responsible for CSWA securing Dr. Stephen Howard as a speaker for day two. Maggie also planned a wonderful & delicious Reception/Dinner for the speakers & CSWA Board.
- Lisa Seago for completing the application and receiving credentials from the LPC board.
- Sr. Pat Brown who provided transportation & entertainment for Dr. Susan Campling. Sr. Pat was also served as the liaison between CSWA & Barnes & Noble. (cont. page 2)

Upcoming Events

Spring Institute

The Program Committee is excited to announce that Klugh Kennedy will present on updates in psycho-pharmacology on Saturday, April 16th at Hospice Savannah on Eisenhower.

The institute will be from 9AM until noon with registration beginning at 8:30. Cost of the Institute will be \$30.00.

Please RSVP to Cheryl Turner:
turnerche@sjchs.org

Monthly Colloquium

The topic for next month's meeting on April 27th at 11:30am will be "Treating the Mind and Body with Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine" with Nicole Coughlin Ware, LAC. It will be held at the Hoskins Center of Memorial Hospital. RSVP to lkseago@yahoo.com by **Friday, April 22nd** indicating if you will attend and if you would like a box lunch (\$5). RSVPs for lunch provided after Friday, **Friday, April 22nd** will not be accepted.

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Calendar of Events:

- 04/16/11: Spring Institute at Hospice Savannah on Eisenhower. 9:00am until noon. Cost: \$30. **RSVP:** turnerche@sjchs.org
- 04/27/10: Monthly meeting at the Hoskins Center of Memorial Hospital. Topic is "Treating the Mind and Body with Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine" with Nicole Coughlin Ware, LAC. Lunch is scheduled for 11:30am.



For Your Consideration

(Annual Conference)

- Michael Mack for coordinating with Coastal Georgia Center for audio-visual equipment & disseminating information regarding the conference.
- Jillison Parks, who secured a new web-site provider, updated the web-page & posted the conference brochure. Jillison also provided technical support for the creation of the brochure.
- Dr. Julius "Boo" Hornstein, who provided signed copies of his book "Sites and Sounds of Savannah Jazz" for the two speakers & the conference chair.
- Dr. Adrian Anderson of Savannah State University who is the liaison between SSU & CSWA. Dr. Anderson, who also serves on CSWA Board, assisted in securing the three student volunteers, Elizabeth Thomas, Keisa McIlwain-Barr & Yalonda Parham.
- C. Nancy Wallace for her generous donation of \$100.00 in appreciation to CSWA for coordinating another successful Annual Conference.

It would be remiss of me to fail to acknowledge & express my great appreciation to Mary Hill, who has worked tirelessly on many prior CSWA Events but especially for sharing her

considerable knowledge & skills with regard to coordinating the Annual Conference. It is because of Mary Hill's guidance & mentorship that I was afforded the opportunity to chair such a successful conference. The Program Committee will review the conference evaluations for ideas for next year's conference & will no doubt carry on with the tradition of excellence established by prior CSWA conferences.

Respectfully,

Helen D. Schandolph, LCSW

LCSW Wanted

We currently have a dream of a job available at a Military Medical Facility for a part time LCSW in a fast-paced, professional atmosphere. You will be caring for our nation's heroes and their families in a cutting edge medical environment. Benefits of this position are competitive compensation, credentialing services, unprecedented growth potential, and a state of the art facility.

Professional Performance Development Group, Inc. is a family owned business with 26 years experience in medical field. It has experience operating in 39 states, Washington DC, Belgium, and Germany. We received a 93 % employee satisfaction rating on last annual employee survey. You will be assigned to a dedicated support team. Please email resumes to: vsanz@ppdg.com or Monique@ppdg.com

A successful candidate will possess and maintain a valid and unrestricted license to practice as an LCSW in one of the 50 United States. Have a minimum of 2 years of experience within the last 3 years routinely practicing as an LCSW. Possess a current BLS/CPR certification, and hold a degree from a university accredited by the Counsel on Social Work Education and an Independent Clinical Social Work license from a recognized state with regulatory authority.

Coastal Children's Advocacy Center Workshop

The Coastal Children's Advocacy Center will sponsor a workshop on child molesters this Friday, April 15th. 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. with Dr. Anna Salter as part of Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month and Crime Victim's Rights Week. Dr. Anna Salter, nationally recognized expert on sex offenders, will present a day-long workshop for professionals on Friday, April 15th at the Chatham County Department of Family and Children Services, 761 Wheaton St. Dr. Salter's presentation will cover issues related to child molestation, including juvenile and adult offenders, manipulations used by molesters, interviewing offenders and intervening with non-offending and non-supportive parents/caretakers. For more information, please call (912) 236-1401.

-Kris Rice, Coastal Children's Advocacy Center

Savannah State Social Work Programs Reaffirmed

On March 17, 2011, Savannah State University released a news bulletin announcing that the Council on Social Work Education Commission on Accreditation reaffirmed the accreditation of the bachelor and master's level social work degree programs at Savannah State for the next eight years (2019).

The Bachelor and Master of Social Work programs have been accredited for several years dating back to 1984, and 1998 respectively. The Bachelor of Social Work program prepare students for generalist practice while the Master of Social Work program offers two advanced, practice concentrations; social administration and clinical.

-Adrian Anderson, PhD, LCSW

What Happened to Our Bill?

Bottom line—we ran out of time! As you know, the Georgia General Assembly meets each year for 40 days. These days are not necessarily consecutive. Thus, a session which begins in early January can easily last through the month of March. The 30th day of the session is known as Crossover Day. Any bill which has not been passed by either the House or the Senate will not be considered for the remainder of the session. HB 434 had been favorably reported out of the House Health and Human Services Committee (HHS), but was not put on the House calendar for a vote by the Rules Committee by Crossover Day. Please remember that the intent of our bill was to assure that Medicaid in Georgia would accept the LCSW's authority to diagnose. Commercial plans, Medicare and CMOs already accept this authority.

In other words, nothing has changed related to the practice of social work in Georgia. Much appreciation and thanks to those who made calls to their Representatives, especially to the members of the HHS. It was a great effort that will be remembered next year when our bill is re-introduced. If you made calls, please let your Representative know that you appreciated their support and look forward to that support during the next session. As we approach the 2012 General Assembly you will be notified via email of our plans and of any action you can take to assure passage of the bill. With your help we will prevail!

As of April 8, 2011, social work coalition lobbyist Wendi Clifton is still working toward our bill passing this year. Although our chances are slim, Ms. Clifton has found bill, SB135, which deals with licensed chiropractors. It is not uncommon to have bills attached to legislation that are similar in nature. As both HB 434 and SB 135 are proposed changes to Title 43 of the Georgia Code, this might be possible. Please check the NASW-GA website, www.naswga.org, for the final outcome which is anticipated just before April 14th which is the last scheduled day of this legislative session.

-Susan R. Fort, Executive Director, NASW-GA

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We're On The Web! Check out our updates!

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



Susan Campling, RN, PsyD
and Stephen Howard, MD.

Extra Bits of News

Many people at the conference expressed an interest in Dr. Stephen Howard's book, *THE HEART AND SOUL OF THE THERAPIST: Rage, Fear, Desire, Loss and Love in the Psychotherapy Relationship*. However, due to logistics issues, the CSWA-S will not be able to provide this book directly. It can be found on Amazon at:

http://www.amazon.com/Heart-Soul-Therapist-Psychotherapy-Relationship/dp/0761840125/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1302474678&sr=8-1

More information about Dr. Howard can be found on his website:

<http://stephenhowardmd.com/>

More Nominations Wanted

The board of the CSWA-S is accepting nominations for Social Worker of the Year.

Please email cswasavannah@gmail.com with your choice and a brief explanation about what makes him or her special.

Newsletter Editor Wanted!

It has been a pleasure and privilege to serve the CSWA-S as the Newsletter Editor for the past three years, but it is time to let someone else take the reins of this position as I will be performing within the organization in a different capacity. Please email cswasavannah@gmail.com if interested.

–Michael Mack