

Weekly Newsletter

Off-Campus

Programs Edition

March 31, 2008

Celebrating **SOCIAL WORK MONTH**

IMPORTANT OFF-CAMPUS PROGRAMS ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PLEASE BE SURE TO REGISTER FOR FALL AND SUMMER SEMESTERS

**Tyngsboro Campus Networking Event for Students,
Alumni, Faculty, and Agency Field Instructors**

Friday, April 11, 2008

4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Tyngsboro Campus

Light refreshments will be served.

Students please invite your agency field instructor (agency supervisor).

Be sure to RSVP by 4/4/08 to sswptp@bu.edu or 617.353.3766

GRADUATION INFORMATION

1. Boston University main Commencement ceremony will be held on Sunday, May 18th, 2008 at 11:00 AM at Nickerson Field
2. SSW Commencement takes place in Metcalf Hall in the George Sherman Union located at 775 Commonwealth Avenue in Boston at 5:30 PM. Graduates must arrive by 4:00PM
3. **Graduation Regalia:** Regalia may be purchased from Barnes and Noble for \$103.00
4. **Gown Loan from BUSSW:** Borrowed gowns will be distribute in April to the Off-Campus Sites
5. Students who are loaned a robe will need to purchase their own cap (cost \$15.00), tassel (cost \$5.00) and hood (\$28.00) from Barnes and Nobles. Students who purchase regalia may also donate it to BUSSW after graduation for future use

6. **BUSSW Commencement Ceremony Tickets for Guests – Four tickets will be distributed at the Off-Campus sites in April. Additional tickets will be sent to the students via mail in early May**
 7. **Students Graduating in September Wishing to Participate in the May Commencement** should contact Quiana at Quiana@bu.edu. You will be sent a petition to submit to the Dean with your request.
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OFF CAMPUS PROGRAMS GRADUATION DINNER

Saturday, May 3 at 5:30 PM in Boston

This event is free for students. Students may bring a guest(s). There is a \$20.00 cost per guest. Invitation to this event will be sent via email this week

Social Work Facts for March: *Social Work Month*

- Professional social workers are the nation's largest providers of mental health services.
- According to government sources, more than 60 percent of mental health treatment is delivered by social workers.
- According to the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), social work is one of the fastest growing careers in the United States.
- The profession is expected to grow by 30% by 2010
- Currently, nearly 600,000 people hold social work degrees.
- In 2006 there are more than 170 social workers in national, state, and local elected office, including two U.S. Senators and four U.S. Representatives.

<http://www.socialworkers.org/pressroom/features/general/profession.asp>

CHANGE IS IN THE AIR: WILL SOCIAL WORK BE A PLAYER?

**Hubie Jones ('57), Dean Emeritus
Boston University School of Social Work**

A National Social Work Month Program

BUSSW Dean Emeritus Hubie Jones examines the dynamic and exciting current political, economic, and social climate and the role and response of social workers.

Monday, March 31, 2008
7:00 to 8:30 p.m.
Boston University
College of Arts and Sciences—Room 313
725 Commonwealth Avenue

Approved for 1.5 CECs

I am a Class of 2000 MSW graduate (SEMA campus), and still very thankful for the way BUSSW has equipped me to practice as a clinical social worker. I wanted to send the following information as a thank you and to let you know that there is a plug for BUSSW in a Strength in Social Work article ...

*In celebration of national social worker month, I would like to introduce to you a website providing innovative, life-changing resources for helping professionals. To read the latest article called "**Strength in Social Work**", encouraging clinical social workers to spread the word about our profession, simply click on "For Professionals" ...*

Keep Reaching!

Kristen Lee Costa, LICSW contact@helpinghelpers.com

Visit www.helpinghelpers.com to find:

- Self-care tools for helping professionals
- Stress management seminars and training for clinicians and general audiences
- A clinical BLOG
- Book reviews and recommendations

*I saw the announcement in the BUSSW Newsletter ...that advertised a free women's personal safety class in Somerville at Villari's Self Defense Studio. I attended the event and have now signed up for karate classes as a result, and I love it! - **Anne Kimmerling (BUSSW student)***

FREE WOMEN'S

PERSONAL SAFETY SEMINAR

Date: Sat, April 5, 2008

Time: 12pm - 1:30pm

Location: Villari's Self-Defense Center
2nd floor, 54 Union Square, Somerville, MA

Space is limited so please call to Register: 617-625-5070

Boston University School of Social Work Alumni Association
is pleased to present its

First Thursday Program

CURRENT ISSUES ON SUICIDE PREVENTION AND SOCIAL WORK

Thursday, April 3, 2008

7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Boston University

School of Social Work—Conant Lounge

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RSVP to sswrsvp@bu.edu or 617-353-9675.

For more information, please contact Rilda Kissel at the above telephone number.

THE BOSTON UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR
PSYCHIATRIC REHABILITATION

PRESENTS

CAROLYN REINACH WOLF, ESQ.

“CAMPUS MENTAL HEALTH LAW:
A PRACTICAL PRIMER
ON MENTAL HEALTH LAW ISSUES FOR UNIVERSITY
STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF”

APRIL 3, 2008
10:30AM-12:00

BOSTON UNIVERSITY
METCALF TRUSTEE BALLROOM
SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT -9TH FLOOR
595 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE

(ENTER ON 1 SHERBORN STREET AND
TAKE THE WEST ELEVATOR TO THE 9TH FLOOR)

The Social Work Event of the Year
Symposium 2008
April 10th & 11th at the Newton Marriot Hotel, Newton, MA

View the full program of numerous workshops and
register today at www.naswma.org

Keynote Speaker: Renowned Author, Barbara Ehrenreich

Nickel and Dimed: On (not) Getting By in America

Nickel and Dimed reveals low-wage America in all its tenacity, anxiety, and surprising generosity -- a land of Big Boxes, fast food, and a thousand desperate strategies for survival. Instantly acclaimed for its insight, humor, and passion, this book is changing the way America perceives its working poor.

THE BOSTON PSYCHOANALYTIC SOCIETY AND INSTITUTE

cordially invites you to

The Annual Nature of the Transference Conference

**COLLUSION IN CAUTION:
IMPEDIMENTS TO INTERPRETING TRANSFERENCE**

In this psychotherapy, the therapist is careful in the presence of a very careful young man, and the transference remains unspoken. What is the meaning of this resonance and how has it helped/hindered the treatment?

Saturday, April 12, 2008

9:00 am - 12:00 noon, by pre-registration
Registration 8:30-9:00 am
15 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts

To register, please contact: The Boston Psychoanalytic Society and Institute 15 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Email: office@bostonpsychoanalytic.org

phone: 617 - 266 – 0953 For 3 hours of CE please contact the BPSI Administrative Office about Continuing Education for social workers.

Announcing two new resources that allow

**Boston University Women
TO
connect with one another**

<http://www.bu.edu/calendar/> named "Special Interest to Women" allows you to search future events taking place at the University

A list of all the groups found on campus that are geared toward women with links to their individual Websites named "Boston University Women's Organizations", is available on the Information Center Website <http://www.bu.edu/infocenter/> under the category "BU Community".

A full-length

**LCSW PRACTICE EXAM
is now available online**

People who are registered to take the licensing exam can purchase the practice exam for \$75 and take it online. The content is drawn from 'retired' exam questions, and reflects the content outlines for the licensing exams. The online practice version functions just like the licensing exam, and is scored. After completing the questions, the candidate can go back over the exam and see all the questions, the correct answers, and the rationales.

Available on the ASWB website: www.aswb.org.

Licensing Test Prep Courses!

2008 Schedule

Thursday, April 10th; 8:30am-5:15 pm: Newton Marriot, Newton
Saturday, May 10th; 9am-4pm: Western New England College, Springfield
Friday, June 6th; 9am-4pm: JF&CS, Waltham
Saturday, June 7th; 9am-4pm: Salem State School of Social Work, Salem
Saturday, August 2nd; 9am-4pm: Smith College for Social Work, Northampton
Friday, August 22nd; 9am-4pm: JF&CS, Waltham
Friday, October 3rd; 9am-4pm: JF&CS, Waltham

Register for this information-packed course which includes lecture, review book, effective test-taking strategies, and practice questions designed to help you pass the ASWB Licensing Examinations.

Register online at www.naswma.org or
Mail with payment to: NASW-MA, 14 Beacon Street, Suite 409, Boston,
MA 02108

Web site dedicated to

SOCIAL WORK NEWS

<http://www.socialworknews.net>

Check out: **BUSSW Career Services**

LICENSING INFO, JOBS, JOB SEEKING TIPS, etc.

<http://www.bu.edu/ssw/career/index.shtml>

***Registration for fall courses starts on
Wednesday, April 2 at 7AM***

Registration changes reflected on the link for classes offered in Boston

FALL 2008:

Cancelled:

HB727 A1 Child Psychopathology

Added:

HB743 A1 Social Work with Refugees and Immigrants

New tuition BUSSW rates will be:

Off-Campus Programs-----\$495/credit (last year was \$485)

Boston Campus Part Time Tuition----\$738/credit (last year was \$716)

Boston Campus Full Time Tuition----\$23,600 (last year was \$22,902)

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION – SPRING 2008

2008 SUMMER LOANS – The Federal Direct Stafford Loan is available to students who enroll over the summer for at least 6.0 credit hours. The form to apply should be available by the end of March. Your form should be submitted once you have registered for the summer.

2008 SUMMER FEDERAL WORK STUDY – Applications for Summer Federal Work Study should be available by mid-March. Decisions will be made by mid April. Summer Federal Work Study is available to full-time students who will be continuing full time at SSW in the fall of 2008. A 2007/2008 FAFSA must be on file to be considered for a position.

Please feel free to contact Ina Frye in the SSW Financial Assistance Office, Room 109, at 617/353-3765, or by e-mail at ifrye@bu.edu, if you have any questions.

September Grads

if you are tentatively scheduled to graduate in September and

Wishing to participate in the May SSW Commencement Ceremony...?

Please contact Quiana at Quiana@bu.edu to request a “Dean’s Approval Form”.

You must have: **A** 3.0 or higher GPA **and** 6 credits or less to complete (or no more than 2 courses with incomplete grades, including field placement).

Your faculty advisor must sign off on this form. Completed **forms must be returned by April 18th**
