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## Colloquium, Phi Alpha and All School Assembly May 8, 2006

Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup> is just around the corner. For those of you in "the know," that date represents an exciting day of information, presentations, fellowship, awards, closure and sheet cake. For those joining us for this "don't miss day," you will be able to register for the event and CEUs in the RSC Ballroom (3rd floor) between 8:30 and 9:00 am.

Do not miss the mini muffin snack as you choose your first sessions from 9:00-10:15. The topics for the first session will include Employee Assistant Programs, Women Support Services, Children, and School Social Work topics.

Next, from 10:30-11:45, you will be treated to a choice

of Practice Issues in Social Work, Legal Systems in Social Work Treatment, Foster Care, or Measuring Program Effectiveness.

For lunch, let's strap on the feed bags together and spend a little time with SWOGS in Duffs from 11:45-1:00.

After the dine and dash join us for three more exciting sessions from 1:00-2:15 on SPMI populations, School Social Work or Youth and Social Work Interventions.

The grouping of sessions from 2:15-3:30 will offer something for everyone who is anyone, these include The Workplace environment in social work, Adolescents and

social work services, or Working with adults in social work.

If you would prefer to see where the future of social work is headed, stroll by the East ballroom between 2:15 and 3:30 and check our BSW student's projects.

Next, from 3:00-3:30 Phi Alpha (the social work honor society) will induct new members in the East Ballroom. Please help honor these students in their accomplishments.

Finally, there will be a reception and multi media presentation with awards and a stroll down memory lane. We will wrap the event up with a sheet cake, punch, good times, and memories – priceless.

## POWER Conference Recap

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3rd Annual

WSU School of Social Work  
Fairmount College of  
Liberal Arts and Sciences

**POWER  
Conference**

Social Work Practice in a  
Culturally Diverse Community

March 3, 2006



WSU Hughes  
Metropolitan Complex  
5015 E. 29th Street North  
(29th and Oliver)  
Wichita, KS 67220

What an emPOWERing way to kick-off Social Work Month!

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Pride of Wichita Empowerment Rally (POWER) was a great success! The 2006 theme, *Social Work Practice in a Culturally Diverse Community*, proved to be an area of interest of nearly 200 Kansans. Keynote, Terry Cross and our very own Wichitan, Keith Reynolds, left social workers, including myself, and other professionals rejuvenated and emPOWERed to carry out culturally competent social work practice. Though Terry and Keith presented interactive and thought provoking

material, it was certainly complimented by the cultural entertainment which gave us insight into their cultures through art, dance and spirituality.

Three years ago, the Wichita State University School of Social Work had a vision to promote the meaningful, rewarding, and often challenging work we, as social workers do. The Award Reception is held immediately following the Rally. This is a time to celebrate the profession of social work, but to especially recognize social workers who demonstrate exemplary social work practice in

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## Director's Corner

### Dr. Linnea GlenMaye

### Director of Social Work

Greetings!

By now, I'm sure that we have all managed to move our clocks ahead and to absorb the changes of daylight savings time! "Spring forward" is definitely the motto of the season, as we move forward toward May graduation and the culmination of our School's activities.

This year has seen growth in many areas, including growth in enrollment and admissions. Our School Advisory Board is also growing and is developing a new vision and activities to support their role of advocating for the School and serving as a bridge to the Wichita Community. I am thankful to the Advisory Board for their commitment and service throughout the year, and send a special note of thanks to Marcia Allen, who has guided the Board through the tasks of developing a mission statement and agenda for the Board.

I am also thankful for the support of our great faculty. Each one supports the teaching, research, and service mission of the School, and their unique contributions are appreciated and crucial to the overall success of our MSW and BSW Programs.

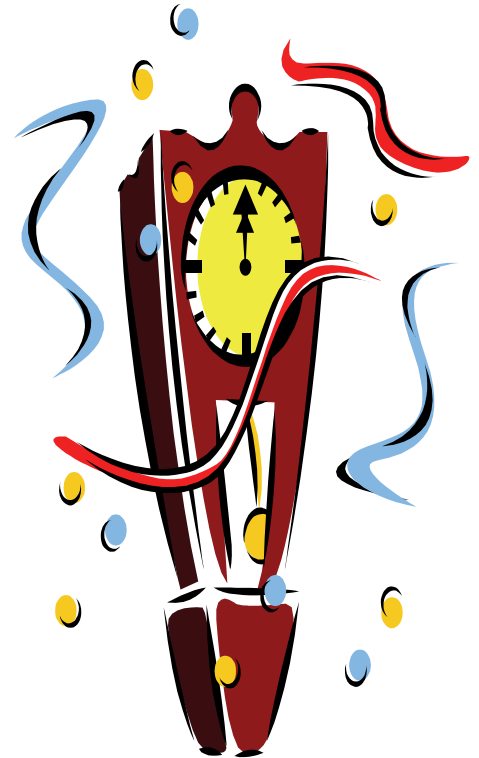
I also want to thank our dedicated staff for going above and beyond in so

many ways during the past year. We have much work ahead as we move through the accreditation phases, but I have utmost confidence in the skills of our office staff.

Lastly, I want to acknowledge and thank our wonderful cohort of students. Our BSW and MSW students are outstanding in every way, and each and every one deserves acknowledgement and congratulations. Our students have distinguished themselves in courses and practicum, and I'm looking forward to the opportunity of telling them so at our All-School Assembly on May 8<sup>th</sup>.

I hope to see all of you at our end of the year celebration on May 8<sup>th</sup>. It is our opportunity to reflect on achievement and to celebrate accomplishment. In a world torn by war and suffering, we are indeed fortunate to have the opportunity to learn and excel, and to look forward to the future with hope and excitement.

Thanks to ALL of YOU for a GREAT YEAR!!



## BSW Beat

### Courtney Boettcher

### BSW Program Director

My tulips seem to speak to me. Every year, it seems, my excitement of their arrival grows beyond what I anticipate. They are the first bold color of the season. I wonder their color. I wonder their size. I wonder how long I will be able to savor in their beauty and their unspoken message of growth. They are the first glimpse of spring. Ultimately, their message they feed me, *a season for change, a season*

*for growth.*

Like my tulips, students are the catalyst for change. The spring semester is a time students prepare for a major change in their lives. GRADUATION! They will take on a new professional role. In May, you will seek change; you will seek growth. Students prepare to accept new jobs, move, begin graduate school, apply to fellowships, start a family or take "time

off." Whatever it is you plan to do, assure you are nurturing your soul; assure you take care of yourself. Most importantly, choose something that will allow you to grow.

Just as tulips commence the spring, graduation will commence your new season of personal and professional growth. My best to you all as you begin this part of your life.



## Field Notes

### Sabrina Perez Glatt

#### Director of Field Practicum

Spring semester goes by so fast! Here we are after spring break and our May graduates are “feeling the burn” so to speak. That last sprint to graduation for some and others anticipating the end of a busy semester.

Busy has also been a word for the practicum program. Thanks to our field instructors we have been working on placing students for the Fall '06 semester since December. Now it is time to start with the newly admitted msw students for the foundation and advanced generalist year.

Our new admits will be going through practicum interviews March 27-31<sup>st</sup>. Then our program goal is to have them all placed by May 06.

If you are interested in having students

the best way to contact me is through my email at [sabrina.perezglatt@wichita.edu](mailto:sabrina.perezglatt@wichita.edu).

Until further notice, my voicemail will be going directly to Trisha Wenrich so you will be getting as much assistance as possible until we get through this busy period of time.

Site visits for our students in practicum is in full speed. Trisha is making appointments for faculty and we will be coming soon if we have not already done so. You may be meeting with a faculty member who doesn't have your student in class. In an effort to not have our field instructors meeting with many different professors, multiple placement sites will be done when possible with one faculty member. This will also assist with gas mileage which is an issue for all of us.

Field Instructors, if you believe that your student has done an exceptional job, and I know some of you do, please email who, and the reason why you would support this student for recognition. These can be sent to [trisha.wenrich@wichita.edu](mailto:trisha.wenrich@wichita.edu) by **April 17<sup>th</sup>**. Your student may be recognized at our School Assembly on **May 8<sup>th</sup>**.

In conclusion I would like to inform you that Alisa Norlin, Field Associate returned to Hospice Care of Kansas at the end of March. We wish Alisa well as she continues her practice in a training capacity for this agency. Alisa treated her students with kindness and caring and I'm sure she will be seeing them within the practice community.

## Congratulations to Our Graduates!

### BSW Graduates

Kala Adam	Bianca Garcia	Jordan Reheis
Sara Adams	Crystal Goodwin	Susan Rikli
Edwin Adams	Kerri Hagan	Sylvia Salgado
Erin Anderson	Crystal Hamilton	Janel Sanford
Louisa Arellano	Deb Heck	Catherine Shaw
Donna Becker	Dru Heffron	Amanda Shuey
Candace Bell	Laurel Janssen	Crystal Smith
Jennifer Billingsley	Deanna Joynes	Jodi Smith
Joshua Boydston	Sarah Kerr	Jill States
Todd Brown	Ashley Kliewer	Bobbie Stinson
Sarah Clark	Carissa Kline	Kathleen Tatum
Julie Cleveland	Debbie Lacy-Sisco	Shasta Townsend
Gentry Cobb	Cindy Luke	Robine Warry
Melissa Corcoran	Shanell Mans	Wendy Wentworth
Andrea Cummins	Dalena Mar	Josie Wright
Jason Decker	Courtney McPhail	
Mary Doyle	Sherrie Mosley	
Sunny Ervin	Rebecca Murfin	
Megan Ewing	Skylinn Ortiz	
Shala Foster	Deborah Osmun	



### MSW Graduates

Valerie Ahlf-Vazquez	Stephanie Galusha	
Martha Arana	Jennifer Gibson	Angelica Nunemaker
Alison Asher	Shealah Gulick	Christina Olson
Jennifer Atchison	Sarah Hanes	Deah Rhodes
Debbie Back	Jennifer Hardin	Jeffrey Roth
Sheri Baker	Diana Herberger	Kimberley Rowan
Sierra Bauer	Sylvia Hernandez	Stacy Sarratt
Kelley Bieberle	Trista Herrmann	Mary Ann Smith
Darcy Bigham	Rebecca Hill	Erica Soltero
Jon Bryan	Michelle Holdeman	Nicole Stump
Kindra Burton	Leslie Horn	Jessica Wingle
Chul-Soon Choi	Kelli Isaacson	Sherry Worth
Marla Clouse	Indy Jones	
Karen Countryman-Roswurm	Lorraine Jones	
Tara Dahlstrom	Gail Kelly	
Yadira DeAnda	Chuck Lambertz	
Karen Dodson	Dawn Miller	
Sarah Forsythe	Andrea Minet	
Tara Fortner	Peter Ninemire	



## SOSW — Student Organization of Social Work

The Student Organization of Social Work is having a great year and we are learning a lot from the agencies who have come to speak to us so far. We have had Robert Miller from Faith Home Health and Hospice and Alana Debarea from Sedgwick County Developmental Dis-

ability Organization. Thank you both for coming.

Our BSW licensing review is Saturday April, 1 from 9:30-3:30. It will be held in 326 Lindquist Hall. Members of the community are invited to attend for \$25.

We are beginning to look forward to

the next year of leadership in SOSW. We have some great candidates with excellent leadership potential who will carry our organization forward and make it even better.

~Deborah Osmun  
[dxosmun@wichita.edu](mailto:dxosmun@wichita.edu)

## Wrapping Up the Semester with SWOGS

By: Chuck Lambertz and Jeff Roth

SWOGS would like to welcome all the new members that have joined our organization this spring. Hopefully everyone that attended either, if not both, the Psychopharmacology Workshop and/or the Licensure Exam Review Workshop benefited from the information presented. It was impressive to see the number of students from other school programs, such as Friends MSW program and the WSU MSW alumni who participated in one or both of the workshops. Dr. Curtis Proctor-Artz, who facilitated the Licen-

sure Exam Review, stated that the workshop was “overwhelming, the feedback showed that participants increased their overall confidence in every one of the test’s areas.”

We’d like thank everyone who have supported SWOGS this year by attending our events and purchasing merchandise. We do have a number of travel mugs available with the SWOGS logo printed on them for \$5 for anyone interested.

The colloquium is scheduled for Monday, May 8 in the Rhatigan Student Cen-

ter with registration beginning at 8:30. We encourage everyone to invite practicum co-workers, family and friends to attend and observe us as we present our integrative project, an added benefit, attendance of the colloquium can result in CEU’s for certain licensed professionals. Lunch will be served in Duff’s in the RSC from 12:15 to 1:45 and will be free for SWOGS members and faculty and \$5 for anyone else. We hope to see everyone there!



**Phi Alpha Honor Society**  
 A National Honor Society For Social Work Students

*Beta Delta Chapter*

The Beta Delta (WSU) Chapter of Phi Alpha will hold its annual induction ceremony for new members on May 8 from 3:00 - 3:30 in the Rhatigan Student Center Ballroom (third floor). This is the first year for MSW students to be eligible for induction to Phi Alpha.

Congratulations to the following students who will be inducted into Phi Alpha:

MSW Students:

Debbie Back	Kelli R. Isaacson
Shealah M. Gulick	Dawn Miller
Sylvia Hernandez	Glenn K. Sherwood

BSW Students:

Kala Adam	Sarah D. Kerr
Donna E. Becker	Ashley M. Kliever
Julie O’Dell Cleveland	Carissa M. Kline
Megan Ewing	Christina Lowe
Jessica Forrester	Becca Murfin
Shala Foster	Susan G. Rikli
Delores (Deb) Heck	Amanda J. Shuey
Dru Heffron	Mary B. Ternes
Elisha D. Hinkle	Kristie J. Valentino

## Student Spotlight — Cindy Luke

I am sure that a lot of seniors have felt the same way that I did going into my senior year of college. I was getting closer to graduation and did not know what I wanted to do or even if I was going to have a job when I graduated. My practicum placement was Catholic Charities Harbor House. This was an area of social work that I have always been interested

in, however; at that time this did not help me with finding a job before I graduated or even after I graduated. The summer before my senior year I began looking for employment. Here I was going into my last semester of college and I was still looking for a job in the social work field. A month ago, Catholic Charities offered me an advocate position at Harbor House

and I accepted the position. I never thought of looking for work at the place I was doing my practicum. Not every student will be offered a position at their practicum, or if they are, not every student will accept, but in my case it has turned out that I have found the job I was looking for and also it is a job as a social worker, one that I am really enjoying.

## Research Spotlight

The faculty support committee awarded a \$5,000 multidisciplinary research project

grant to Karmesh Namunduri of electrical engineering and **Linnea GlenMayer** of

social work for the project “Eye Gaze Tracking Based Assistive Technology.”

## Kansas Women’s Coop: Your help is needed to make it happen!

Hello! I am writing a NIH/NIDA grant proposal to fund an intervention research project. If funded, the project would establish two field sites for a women-focused outreach intervention. The goal of the outreach is to provide HIV prevention education to women at-risk, and will especially target African- and Hispanic-American women. The outreach will be conducted in both an urban (Wichita KS) and in rural communities (western Kansas). The research question will examine the effectiveness of a

women-focused outreach in reducing Kansas women’s risk-taking behavior (HIV prevention) and drug abuse over time. Dr. Wendee Wechsberg, a senior NIDA researcher who developed the women-focused approach to outreach, will be my co-investigator. She will also provide the training and materials for all staff. I am putting together an interdisciplinary research team to assist in the research component. This could be a tremendous opportunity to provide needed services to the most vulnerable women in

our communities.

**Where do you come in?** Part of having a successful proposal is including a **STACK** of letters of support from the community. The proposal is due **May 1**. Can you or someone at your agency provide a letter? If so, I can email a draft that you can use. Please contact me at [Cathleen.lewandowski@wichita.edu](mailto:Cathleen.lewandowski@wichita.edu), 978-6966, as soon as possible if you are willing to write a letter of support. Thanks!!!

## POWER Conference Recap (continued)

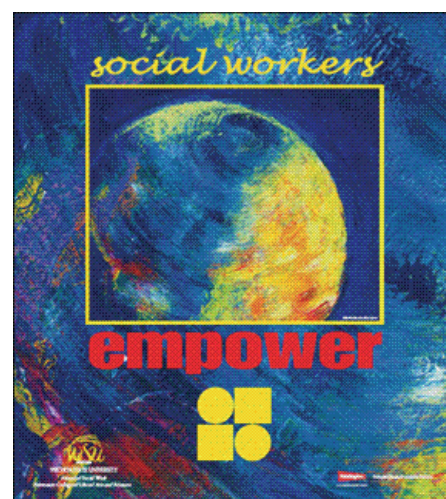
Wichita and the surrounding communities. This year’s practice excellence award recipients are **Denise Glenn**, Medical Social Worker; **Pat Valko**, School Social Worker; **Michelle Shue**, Mental Health Social Worker; Randy Bottorff, Aging Social Worker; **Candyce Rabourn**, Law & Justice Social Worker; **Kirsten Lyman-Roberson**, Child and Family Social Worker; and **Jean Hogan**, Administrative Social Worker. **Gloria Tuttle** received the Partner in Social Work Award to recognize her contributions to the WSU School of Social Work. Distinguished Alumni Award went to **Debbie Trimmell-Martin**. The Social Worker of the Year was awarded to the much deserving **Deb Schuessler**. Thank you for all you do for the community, the profession of social work and most importantly the clients we serve.

This emPOWERing day would not have been the success it was without all those who have supported this Rally during the past few years. Our cultural presenters unfolded a piece of their culture through stage performances. They were **East High School’s Korean Group** performing the *Fan Dance*; the **North High Madrigals and Latino Rhythms** musical and latino dance numbers; and the **Pejuta Mato Singers (Bear Medicine Singers)**

**and Dance Troupe** led by the Dan and Melody Rutledge Family. Thank you for giving us a glimpse of your culture. This year’s POWER Lunch sponsor was **Youthville**. Our POWER Break sponsors were **Odyssey Healthcare, Inc.** and **COMCARE**. Other sponsors who contributed to the success of the Rally were Broadway Home Medicals, Catholic Charities, Inc., Faith Home Health & Hospice, Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice, Home Buddy, Hospice Care of Kansas, Nova Care Rehabilitation, Right At Home, SRS, Sedgwick Plaza Retirement Community, Self Help Network, Senior Services Inc. of Wichita, Via Christi HOPE, and Wichita Lifeline, Inc. In addition to the sponsors, there were individuals who contributed their talents and passion. Thank you to Cathy Shaw and Brittin Boggess, WSU BSW Students for sharing their time by providing the complimentary massages! A special thanks goes out to Genesis Health Clubs, Beehive Salon’s Stylist Kristy Mueller, and Sonic Drive-In for contributing door prizes. Lastly, thanks to the team at Printing, Inc. for donating your time and abilities to produce a beautiful logo! Your contribution to this event is appreciated!

For those of you who were able to share in this day, you left with an image.

This image was likely one of how you see yourself integrating social work with culturally competent practice. But, beyond this image, most of you walked away with a beautiful image of art; art that was prepared by the hands and soul of MSW Graduate Student, **Michele Anderson**. Through her painting, Michele sent us a beautiful message of emPOWERment (below). This piece of art will speak to us all in a diverse way. Her message is clear, however. We must embrace the diversity, talent, spirit and determination of our community and hope to emPOWER our clients to embrace their own image in life, whatever it may be.



## Community Offerings



WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY  
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### 1 Credit Hour Summer Course Offerings

(Registration required through the  
WSU Registrar's office)

#### International Social Work

June 3 & 4, 2006  
8:00 - 5:00

WSU West Campus  
37th & Maize Rd

#### Social Work Practice with the Aging

June 17 & 24, 2006  
8:00 - 5:00

WSU West Campus  
37th & Maize Rd

#### Financial Management for Social Service Organizations

July 7 & 8, 2006  
8:00 - 5:00

WSU West Campus  
37th & Maize Rd

For more information call the  
WSU School of Social Work  
office at 316-978-7250.



Kansas  
Health  
Ethics, Inc.

Richard D. Lamm  
Former CO Governor & Author

### *The Brave New World of Health Care*

Wednesday, April 12, 2006

Hughes Metropolitan Complex  
5015 E 29th St North  
Wichita, Kansas

Call (316) 684-1991 to register for  
this Free presentation.

### 2006 Annual Conference

#### *Cost & Crisis: The Future of Health Care*

Thursday, April 13, 2006

Airport Hilton  
2098 Airport Rd  
Wichita, Kansas

Cost: \$85.00 before April 7

[Conference Brochure](#)

[On-Line Registration](#)

For more information on either  
conference, visit the  
[Kansas Health Ethics, Inc. website](#)



### Foster Care *Affair*

#### “Reason to Hope”

April 28 & 29, 2006

Believers Tabernacle  
2000 S. Hillside  
Wichita, Kansas  
(Hillside & Mt. Vernon)

*Sponsored by:*  
Children's Alliance  
SRS

DCCCA  
Child Care Association - Early Head Start  
Gerard House  
Kansas Children's Service League  
Wichita Children's Home  
Youthville  
Wendy's Wonderful Kids Program

Registration Deadline  
April 14, 2006

[Brochure and Registration Form](#)



A Signature Program of the Dove Thomas Foundations for Adoption

If you know of a community offering that  
should be included in our newsletter, please  
contact Trisha at [trisha.wenrich@wichita.edu](mailto:trisha.wenrich@wichita.edu)  
or (316) 978-6518.

## More Community Offerings

### *Making Hope Happen*

*Hope, the “stuff” that makes change possible, will be demystified through discussion of Rick Snyder’s Hope Theory. Participants will walk away with new ideas about facilitating change by measuring hope, creating hopeful helping relationships, and enhancing hope via brief strategies.*

#### Free workshop

#### Wichita, Kansas

April 14, 2006

Hughes Metropolitan Complex  
5015 E 29th St North  
8:30 - 4:30

#### Lawrence, Kansas

April 28, 2006

8:30 - 4:30

#### Lindsborg, Kansas

Date to be determined

8:30 - 4:30

#### Registration Required

Please send your name and choice of location to [hopekhf@ku.edu](mailto:hopekhf@ku.edu). You will receive confirmation of your registration, directions to the workshop site and more information via a return email.

#### Sponsored by:

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**Prairie View**  
Center for Sexual Health  
www.prairieview.org  
1-800-362-0180

### In the Wake of Sexual Abuse & Trauma: Contemporary Approaches to Treatment of Diverse Populations

April 28 & 29, 2006

1901 E First St  
Auditorium  
Newton, Kansas

[Brochure and Registration Form](#)

### Employment Offerings for Graduating Students



LBSW or LMSW staff to provide in-home counseling and case management to at risk families. Temporary license okay. Practicum, volunteer or work experience needed. Salary 30,000-34,000K plus full benefits with insurance paid. Great team and successful program. Send resume now to Susan Krogmann, DCCCA Family Preservation, 1319 W. May, Wichita, 67213 or fax to 267-2007. EOE

persistent mental illness. Currently, COMCARE-CSS is looking to fill several positions of employment within the Case Management program. Persons serving in this position are the primary care coordinators for approximately 16-20 individuals.

Primary responsibilities as noted in the official job description: “Will engage consumers in a working relationship, assess consumers personal strength, resources, desires, needs and barriers related to specific life domains of independent living, vocational/educational, social support, leisure/recreational and health. Assist in developing short and long term goals and work with consumer in accomplishing these goals. Collaborate with multidisciplinary treatment team to achieve goals. Teach skills related to goals in a one-to-one setting. Provide assistance in completing applications for benefits and resources. Accompany consumers to appointments as needed. Assist in admissions and discharges, including involuntary hospitalizations. Complete documentation as required and apply policies and procedures of the agency according to specifications. Participate in group supervision and other staff activities related to training and service delivery.”

We feel that we offer our staff many opportunities to grow in the areas of working with a multi-disciplinary team, coordinating care for disabled persons, resource acquisition, client advocacy and empowerment, developing interpersonal communication skills, acquiring knowledge of the symptoms of mental illness and the corresponding treatments/medications for such illnesses, etc.

Persons interested in applying for the position can go Sedgwick County’s official employment website ([www.hrepartners.com](http://www.hrepartners.com)). The position can be found in the Sedgwick County section under COMCARE. The official title of the position is “Field Case Manager – CSS”. If there are questions about the position please feel free to contact Curt West – Director of CSS Case Management – at 660-7906 or e-mail at [cwest@sedgwick.gov](mailto:cwest@sedgwick.gov).



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## Mark Your Calendar!

### Upcoming Dates:

May 8.....	All School Assembly
May 8.....	MSW Colloquium
May 8.....	Phi Alpha Induction
May 9.....	Study Day
May 10 - 16 .....	Final Exams
May 12.....	Commencement
May 16.....	Final Evaluation of Field Practicum Due
May 19.....	School of Social Work Advisory Board Mtg
May 22-June 2 .....	Summer Pre-Session Classes
June 5—July 28 .....	Summer Classes

# Summer Vacation

August 17 .....	Fall Semester Begins
August 25 .....	Field Instructor Training
August 25 .....	Social Work Convocation
August 29 .....	WSU Pep Rally / Convocation

## Dr. Lewandowski's Sabbatical

Dear friends and colleagues,  
Starting the end of spring semester, I will be on sabbatical for one year. A sabbatical allows faculty to focus on their research. Many faculty use a sabbatical to travel to places that allows them to further their research agenda. For me, my research is right here, so I will not be going very far. Most of you know that our MSW program will be going through reaffirmation of accreditation of our MSW program. Though on sabbatical, I plan to participate in the site visit. In terms of my research, I will be continuing my research with women in recovery, and plan to write several manuscripts based on research already conducted at the

Women's Recovery Center, with funding from the National Institute on Drug Abuse. I also plan to write another grant proposal to further this research (Kansas Women's Coop article, page 5). Unlike last year, I won't be far away, and may see some of your from time to time. Take care, and keep up the good work!

Cathleen Lewandowski

