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A Victory for Oregon

Last month's election was a tremendous victory for all of us who are dedicated to protecting vital services. But it was so much more than that. Voters approved Measure 66 and 67 around the state in urban, rural and suburban communities. Even in places we lost, the margin showed that our hard work generated votes from every community in the state. Together, we made more than a million phone calls and knocked on 300,000 doors. (That's the distance if a person walked from Portland to New York—and then walked all the way around the world.) And who did this? Ordinary Oregonians doing an extraordinary thing. It was NASW members, union members, small business owners, environmentalists, LGBT advocates, retirees, students, and more. Few thought a supposedly anti-tax state like Oregon could pass these measures, but we made change by appealing to Oregon's sense of fairness, talked about what taxes actually pay for and then had the courage to say to voters, "you decide." By staying unified and working hard, we defended the Oregon we love from a future we didn't want to live in. Now we have the chance to imagine an even better Oregon, and go make that happen too. It's going to be a great spring. Congratulations and heartfelt thanks to all of you, from all of us at the Vote YES for Oregon campaign.

Special Legislative Session Begins Today

The Oregon Legislature convenes today for a month long special legislative session and NASW's contracted lobbyist, Maura Roche, will be in Salem everyday representing social workers. Our priority this session is to work with the Oregon Psychological Association and the Oregon Nurses Association on legislation related to reimbursement rates for behavioral health providers. We will also be closely monitoring the DHS budget, as well as legislation related to domestic violence, justice reform, foster youth, access to health care.

NASW will be issuing action alerts during session. We also rely on the involvement of our members to testify during session and serve on the Chapter Legislative Committee. For more information, contact Jessica Ritter at jessica.ritter@gmail.com.

Exhibitor Opportunities: 2010 Statewide Conference

The deadline is February 12th, 2010.

Click [here](#) to view opportunities for visibility at the NASW Oregon Chapter 2010 Statewide Conference. Options include various sponsor levels, exhibit space, and ad space in the conference program.

2010 "Future of Social Work" Event (February 26th, Portland)

Connecting to our Roots & our Community to Create Change (5 CEs)
Friday, February 26th, 2010, University of Portland

Featuring: low cost registration, 5 CEs, keynote presentations, breakout sessions, lunch & reception

Click [here](#) to register online/by credit card.

Click [here](#) to view the flyer and to register by mail/check.

Statewide Conference - Registration Now and Save!

Treating the Trauma of our Times: Healing our Communities, our Clients, and Ourselves
Friday, March 12th, 2010, Oregon Convention Center, Portland

Keynote Speaker: Ghislaine Boulanger, Ph.D.
"Wounded by Reality: Understanding Adult-Onset Trauma"

Click [here](#) to download the conference brochure and registration form.

Click [here](#) to register online by credit card.

Spring Workshop Calendar

Possibility Therapy (February 19th-20th, Seattle)

Presented by Bill O'Halan, LMFT

For information on this workshop, sponsored by NASW WA Chapter, click [here](#).

Making the Leadership Leap (April 9th, Portland)

Presented by David Fuks, MSW

The Ethical Supervisor:

Clinical Supervision & Ethics (April 16th, Portland)

Presented by Brad Pendergraft, LCSW

Afrocentric Approaches to Clinical Practice (April 30th, Portland)
Presented by Danette Burchill, LCSW and Andre Pruitt, LCSW

LCSW Exam Preparation Workshop (May 1st, Portland)
Presented by Jody Swisher, LCSW

The Trauma Toolbox: Holistic Interventions in Psychotherapy (May 7th, Portland)
Presented by Susan Pease Banitt, LCSW

Situational Ethics, Personal Values, and Decision-Making (May 14th, Portland)
Presented by Ben Anderson-Nathe, Ph.D.

Legal Issues in Social Work (June 4th, Portland)
Session A: The Ethics of Documentation, Reporting & Board Complaints
Session B: Risk Management in the Digital Age
Presented by Paul Cooney and David Madigan, Attorneys at Law

For more information on these workshops and to register by check/mail, click [here](#).

Online Registration Coming Soon!

Save the Date: October 8th, 2010 Managing Difficult Ethical Dilemmas & Risks in Social Work

Presented by Dr. Frederic Reamer
Monarch Hotel & Conference Center
Clackamas, OR

Details coming soon!

Claudia Black's *Many Facets of Addiction* DVD Now Available

In this dynamic presentation, nationally renowned author Claudia Black addresses the many facets of addiction, including trauma, co-occurring disorders, multiple addictions, abandonment and family impairment. She also discusses critical treatment issues and offer a variety of intervening strategies for social workers and allied professionals.

Click [here](#) for ordering information.

Dr. Reamer's *Boundary Issues and Dual Relationships in Social Work* DVD Order Now and Earn 6 Ethics CEs at Home

If you missed this outstanding presentation (filmed in Portland on March 2nd, 2007), now is your chance to watch it on DVD and earn 6 Ethics CEs in the comfort of your own home for only \$85 (plus shipping & handling).

Click [here](#) for ordering information.

Private Practice Handbook (2009 Edition) Now Available

NASW Oregon Chapter is pleased to release the 2009 edition of the Private Practice Handbook. This valuable resource provides a range of information to aid social workers in establishing a thriving private practice, from start to finish. It also comes with a CD that contains sample forms and additional resources. For ordering information and to view the table of contents, click [here](#).

NASW Committee, Council, and Networks: Events & Announcements

Aging Network Survey

The Aging Network is a volunteer group affiliated with NASW Oregon Chapter. Our purpose is to build community for professionals in the field of aging through education, networking, peer support, resource sharing, and to demonstrate leadership in geriatric mental health. To further our purpose, and to help shape programs and events in the upcoming year, we hope you will take a moment to complete this brief survey. Your input is greatly valued!

Click [here](#) to take the survey.

If you have any other suggestions or would like to speak to someone in regards to the Aging Network, we can be reached by e-mail at: agingnetwork@gmail.com.

Upcoming Committee, Council and Network Meetings

Social Work Reinvestment (SWR) Stakeholder Engagement Subcommittee (February 8th, Portland)
Finance Committee (February 16th, Portland)
PR & Marketing Committee (February 17th, Portland)
Legislative Committee (March 3rd, Portland)

If you are interested in any of the above, please contact stacey@nasworegon.org for more information.

Opportunities to Get Involved

Click [here](#) for more information about our Committees and [here](#) for more information about our Practice Councils & Networks, which is a great way to get involved with the Chapter and meet other social workers. We are always looking for new members, and it's a great opportunity for networking and professional/leadership growth.

District Events & Announcements

Rogue Valley District

Monthly Meetings:

Second Wednesday of each month from 12-1:00pm at the Jackson County Library (Medford Branch), Carpenter Room, 205 S. Central, Medford. Bring Your Lunch.

Monthly Networking Nights:

Second Friday of each month from 5:30pm-7:30pm at the Avalon Bar & Grill, 105 W. Valley Road, Talent.

Contact: Gretchen Thiel, gthiel@pdx.edu

Interested in Establishing an NASW District?

Establishing an NASW district in your area is a great way to promote local involvement for networking, educational events, and other activities. Contact stacey@nasworegon.org to find out more about how districts operate, ways that the Chapter office will support your efforts, and seed money to get you started.

Call for Newsletter Article Submissions

The National Association of Social Workers (NASW), Oregon Chapter is committed to providing relevant and timely products and resources in our quarterly newsletter to our practicing social work members. We are seeking authors to write articles on a range of topics of interest to our members, according to the following guidelines.

Articles must provide information that is useful, relevant, and of interest to social work practitioners from a diverse range of practice settings. Ideas for topics might include new practice modalities, new clinical research, case studies, or how social workers might address prominent social issues. We also seek contributions related to ethics and private practice.

Creative, evocative, and humorous yet thought-provoking content is appreciated. We prefer articles that provide comprehensive information in a succinct manner. This should include brief vibrant paragraphs, the avoidance of jargon and overly complicated terminology, clear and concise sentences, and when necessary bulleted or listed items. In-text citations should be used, with no more than five references. Resource lists may be included.

Article length should be between 350 to 750 words. All articles must be submitted in a Microsoft Word document to stacey@nasworegon.org

Articles must be accompanied by the author's full name, highest degree and any licenses. An e-mail address for the author(s) must be provided for print with each article.

Articles are accepted on an ongoing basis.

The Deadline for the Spring 2010 Newsletter is February 8th.

Call for Workshop Proposals

The NASW Oregon Chapter Events & Conference Planning Committee invites NASW members to submit proposals to present workshops sponsored by NASW Oregon Chapter.

Presentation topics must have a strong, broad-based appeal. NASW Oregon Chapter is especially interested in topics related to ethics, clinical supervision, and a range of clinical topics that integrates innovation and evidence-based practice, though we welcome all submissions. Presenters should have experience delivering workshops to a professional audience.

Please submit the following information:

1. Contact information.
2. Resume or CV.
3. Short biographical sketch (approximately 100 words).
4. A short description of your proposed workshop topic(s), learning objectives and length of each presentation.
5. Recent workshop presentations (please include the location/date/sponsor/audience).

6. References.
7. Ability to travel outside of Portland-metro area.

Send workshop proposals to: stacey@nasworegon.org.

Proposals will be received on an ongoing basis and reviewed by the NASW Oregon Chapter Events & Conference Planning Committee. Please note that NASW Oregon Chapter sponsors a small number of workshops each year.

Classified Ads

Click [here](#) to view a list of trainings.

Click [here](#) to view a list of rentals.

Click [here](#) to view current job openings (members only).

Advertising Opportunities

Click [here](#) to view advertising opportunities with NASW.



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