
It opens with a paper that reviews the literature relating to community advocacy. This is the first of two papers in which Paula Crean and Mary Ann Baskerville present and discuss their research on advocacy. The opening point made by Paula and Mary Ann is that while advocacy is not unique to the social work profession, it has historically been regarded as being one of the core practice skills of social workers and part of their everyday activities. The authors cite Sections 2.3 and 2.4 of the ANZASW Code of Ethics in support of this point. They also describe how community (welfare) advocacy work exists along a continuum, with values that are common to both ‘case advocacy’ and ‘cause advocacy’. A current challenge highlighted in this field is whether the advocacy role should continue to be seen as a part of social work practice or whether advocacy should be carried out by independent advocates.

As observed by editor Mary Nash, this paper (and its sequel), should give rise to some debate within ANZASW about how we define advocacy - a good debate for Journal Clubs! - and how it connects with social and community development work.

This question is opened up further by Maire Leadbetter who asks whether there is a link between social work and international justice. Maire has a long social work background (mainly in health) and has worked for many years in a voluntary capacity as a peace and human rights activist. She currently works at Auckland City Hospital in Older People’s Health and is the Spokesperson for the Indonesia Human Rights Committee.

Maire is the author of *Negligent neighbour: New Zealand’s complicity in the invasion and occupation of Timor-Leste* (Craig Potton, 2006), and her paper refers directly to this as an instance of the New Zealand Government’s variable performance on human rights. Her conclusion remains a hopeful and inspirational one:

“We do have the power collectively to influence our Government to act with decency and fairness in its international affairs. We also have the freedom to act and to lobby without fearing punishment. There is an apt appeal often used by activists living under oppressive regimes: ‘please use your freedom to protect ours’.”

The journal also carries another article in the ‘Their stories, our history’ series. This time Barbara Staniforth, of Massey University, considers the social work career of Judith MacKenzie, a foundation member of NZASW, and captures the flavour of debates in the health sector during the mid-eighties.

Amongst her many achievements it is noted that Judith, with Kate Leslie, instituted the first Maori health social work team in Auckland Hospital which covered all wards. Barbara’s paper also records that Judith was instrumental in the formation of the Chief Social Worker Association which was supported by the Ministry of Health in the early 1980s. Barbara closes her paper by writing that: “As a health leader (Judith) was often misunderstood and seen to represent the values inherent in those public institutions in which she was employed, at a time of radical change within the country. Social work in Aotearoa needed those radical times to question the status quo, to consolidate and to find its identity, and social work also needed Judith MacKenzie”.

**Note:** The latest edition of *Aotearoa New Zealand Social Work* completes Volume 19 of the journal, and is enclosed for members with this month’s NoticeBoard.
CONNECTING WITH WHANAU

Lisa King’s recent ‘Working with Whanau’ CPD workshops encouraged participants to reconsider whanau - from their own family experience through to a broader understanding of Tenei Au - identity - and Whakapapa Whanau.

Drawing outwards from definitions of whanau set out by Mason Durie and Joan Metge, her workshop presented a journey of the changing nature of whanau and its survival over time, without mistaking whanau as a one size fits all or as a ‘magic pill’.

Lisa, who primarily works with Maori and Iwi social workers, was personally impressed with the enthusiasm and willingness to learn of tauiwi colleagues at the workshops and the sharing of ideas and experience at each event.

Feedback reflected positively on the relevance of the workshop and the way it offered ways to work rather than focusing on what not to do, said Jeanne Warmington, ANZASW Membership Services Manager.

“A common comment identified a lack of workshops around this area of practice, as well as a need to stimulate more follow-on dialogue within organisations as to how we work to meet cultural needs and diversity”.

Two things emphasised by Lisa were the diverse realities of whanau and the importance of ‘connecting’. “The importance of whanau for Maori can’t be underestimated - people have a right to whanau. This goes along with the importance of making connections, of whakahanaungatanga”.

Social workers who do not have networks into Te Ao Maori are encouraged to find those better placed. There are Iwi Maori social services who know the whanau of their communities, and who offer services supporting whanau development”. When asked to comment further on Working with Whanau, Lisa said “whanau in the current context may not be the ‘cure-all’. However, if we are committed to culturally responsive practice, and if we are to honour Te Tiriti o Waitangi, then strengthening and supporting whanau to meet their responsibilities and rights must be fundamental to our practice at individual, community and societal levels”.

KAIPURONGO

Tena koutou nga karangamaha o nga rohe katoa

By the time this Kaipurongo appears the Hui Amorangi will have taken place at Putaiki Marae, Mangere. A full agenda was being put together across many important issues and of course the opportunity to meet kanohi ki te kanohi. A fuller report from the Hui Amorangi will no doubt follow in the next edition of NoticeBoard.

This hui will also be instrumental in electing a tangata whenua representative to be co-opted onto the Board to complete my term of office for 2009.

I have, after much thought, consideration and supervision decided to resign from the Governance Board. My decision to step aside means I will be doing more to meet the day-to-day mahi with my current employer, but also to meet the demands as a chairperson of an NGO non-profit medical/health centre in my home town which is in times of change and growth. Achieving a work-life balance is never easy! My resignation will be effective from the December Board meeting in an attempt for the replacement to begin the new year of 2009.

I believe I stated in my first Kaipurongo by observing that although it had only been 2-3 months I felt as though I had crammed a year’s worth of mahi into that short space.

I will say I have much respect for the Governance Board members who put in several hours of their own time and additional time for meetings at weekends which is precious family time. The ANZASW Board is charged with making many decisions and is required at the end of the day to hold particular stands or opinions - with each one having serious or major consequences for the Association.

To my colleagues on the Board thank you for sharing your knowledge, insight, and patience. As Rose says, this is a new structure for the organisation and we are still transitioning to the new changes.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Dominic, our Executive officer, who I believe has an inbuilt memory chip with matters pertaining to the Association. I’m sure he only carries a laptop around to download his memory.

Also to the great team of the National Office without whom the Association would not function. The addition of specialist staff to the Association has been, in my opinion, a great asset to the organisation, and believe changes have already been noted. I wish the Board well for the future and will continue to be an active member and supporter of the Association.

Kia kaha, kia toa, kia manawanui!

Na reira
e rau rangatira ma e te whanau katoa
he i kona ra
mihia atu kia koutou

Graham Black
(Tangata Whenua Governance Board member)
PRESIDENT’S COMMENT

Building to end of year AGM and strengthening our revised structure

Tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa.
Nga mihi mahana ki a koutou.

The Annual General Meeting on the 27th of this month will be held in the southern city of Invercargill. Last month, remits for changes to the Constitution and proxy forms for these, as well as voting forms for the Governance Board candidates were circulated in NoticeBoard.

I am delighted that members are putting themselves forward to contribute to the running of our organisation in this way and I strongly encourage all members to take the opportunity to vote by postal ballot - before Monday 24 November - or authorise a proxy for the remits to ensure that you can have your say.

In addition to the usual business of an Annual General Meeting the event in Invercargill enables us to join with local members as they celebrate the 40th birthday of their branch. I am looking forward to returning to the ‘birthplace’ of my social work career, to catching up with some former colleagues and to meeting new members at this special event.

Over recent weeks the Governance Board sub-committees of the revised structure have met and started their work. This is very much a 'work in progress' as we wend our way through the various projects, issues and clarify our understandings of the terms of reference for each sub-committee. As anticipated there will be some ‘waxing and waning’ and considerable variation in the workload for each committee. However we believe this structure offers the opportunity for broader participation of members to assist in the running of our organisation.

I look forward to the work of these committees continuing to evolve and to recommendations coming to the Governance Board in each of the key areas:

• Te Roopu Tikanga / Tikanga Committee
• Te Roopu Huanga / Membership Support Committee
• Te Roopu Whaiwahi / Communications Committee
• Te Roopu Hapori Tikanga / Social Justice Committee
• Te Roopu Hapori Ngaio / Professional Development Committee

The Hui Amorangi met in Tamaki Makaurau at the beginning of this month with, as usual, a very full agenda! I trust that there was also sufficient time for the all important informal networking, as well as some relaxation and refreshment.

At the time of writing this I am unaware of the outcomes of the many debates and recommendations that will flow from this Hui but look forward to working with the four tangata whenua members and the whole Governance Board to receive the advice and feedback from this Hui so necessary to progress our bicultural partnership. From my perspective having four active tangata whenua members on the Governance Board has undoubtedly been one of the highlights of the revised structure.

Planning for the Asia Pacific Conference in Auckland in November 2009 continues and I encourage all members to log onto the website at www.swinnz2009.co.nz to express their interest. The call for abstracts is on the website and closes in December.

The time to start planning for papers or presentations to this conference is NOW >>>

I appreciate that for many of us this seems a long way out from the conference but I encourage you all to please consider taking the opportunity to present to an international audience at this event.

In these financially challenging times I would also draw your attention to the ability of your organisation to attract the very early bird registration fee by ‘booking’ and paying for conference spaces before 30 March 2009.

Your organisation can then advise the conference organisers of who specifically will fill those spaces at a later date.

After much deliberation it has been decided not to hold an ANZASW conference event originally scheduled to be held in Wellington in April 2009 after the Congress.

As a number of previously unforeseen events unfolded, it became apparent that attempting to run multiple events in the current environment and timeframes involved would be unsustainable. I acknowledge the work the Wellington branch had done towards the April conference and am pleased that as far as possible some of the key arrangements will be incorporated into the Congress programme, the likely theme for which is “The voice of the profession”.

I am also very appreciative of members of the Wellington branch being willing to redirect some of the energy and enthusiasm they have generated in their work thus far to assist with some aspects of the organising of the Asia Pacific Conference next year.

No reira, tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa.
Rose Henderson, ANZASW President/ Tumuaki
president@anzasw.org.nz

Note: Copies of presentations made at the 2008 ANZASW Congress by Dr Cindy Kiro and Mike Doolan are now available on the ANZASW website at www.anzasw.org.nz/events.html (‘Our Voice’ section)
the understanding of our profession in the general public and its strong influence on their sense of professional identity has been identified. Students of other health and social care professions, particularly social work, have reported a stronger sense of professional identity than students of other health and social care professions. Research conducted in the UK has confirmed these observations.

As part of this project some work was undertaken to look at the issue of professional identity in the social work profession. A genuine commitment to work in partnership appears to be the only effective way forward for the profession as a whole.

As part of this project some work was undertaken to look at the issue of professional identity in the social work profession. Research conducted in the UK has discovered that student social workers have a stronger sense of professional identity than students of other health and social care professions. It was identified that a student’s prior understanding of the social work profession had a strong influence on their sense of professional identity and this therefore indicates the importance of improving the understanding of our profession in the general public as a whole. Inter-professional education is also now being used in the UK to promote greater understanding between professional groups, to improve the sense of professional identity and to prepare practitioners for the reality of multi-disciplinary work environments. Internship programmes were also cited as potentially having a positive influence on the development of professional identity for new graduates and it is encouraging to hear that there may be an expansion of such programmes in DHB’s.

Clearly there is an ongoing challenge for our profession to clearly articulate and communicate the unique contribution to our society made by social workers who work in a whole range of different work environments. Equally important is the need to effectively communicate the commitment that social workers have to promoting social justice and to providing a positive influence on the social policy agenda of our Government.

The Election year cycle obviously provides a particular opportunity to publicise this message with key ministers. The Social Justice Committee has taken up this challenge and is currently working on a set of ‘briefing letters’ for incoming Ministers. These letters will seek to identify the key issues of concern for the social work profession and to highlight those areas, in broad terms, that require Government attention. The challenges currently facing the international economy and the prospect of recession in our own country clearly bring with it concern for those on the margins of our society who are always amongst those most severely impacted by these events. It is imperative that these concerns and others are raised at a time when new Ministers are receptive to hearing such concerns. We hope that providing this information to Ministers will increase the likelihood of the voice of the profession being heard in a new political environment.

Dominic Chilvers, Executive Officer, ANZASW dominicc@anzasw.org.nz

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Ref No: 019296
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www.mentalhealthjobs.co.nz
FOCUS ON EDUCATION

From Industry to Education

[Contributed by Toni Hocquard, Stream Coordinator, Waiariki Institute of Technology, Rotorua; ANZASWE]

“Social work education aims to equip students with the knowledge, skills and values necessary for effective practice in the service of social justice” (Jones, 2002)

Sounds simple enough, yeah right!! All of us have been through a social work education programme at some time or another. As students I am sure that we were unable to appreciate the complexities involved in developing and delivering social work programmes. With the many changes and challenges facing social work today, the complexities for educators has increased.

In order to stay current, and keep pace with the demands of not only the profession but also the employers, accreditation bodies (including the Registration Board) and the changing needs of clients, there has had to be a rapid response from educators. Cree (cited in Jones, 2002) acknowledges the impact of these changes and states that the jobs we were trained for twenty years ago no longer exist. This is a somewhat scary thought for someone who completed their social work education well over twenty years ago, but I think very true.

However, it is now us ‘dinosaurs’ who are often in positions of coordinating the programmes to meet the needs of today. Heady stuff. Add to this the requirement of a Masters Degree, research outputs etc and it is a wonder that we have social work education programmes at all. So what entices social workers in industry to take up a role in education?

I can only speak from a personal perspective, but for me, corny as it may sound, it is a passion for the profession that brought me into education (and I am reassured by those around me that it is the same for them too). Promoting our profession, and particularly the development of knowledge and effective practice, is a core value position that we commit to when we join ANZASW. Being an educator is a very powerful way of being involved in this aspect of social work, and in many ways a privilege. As educators we hold a great responsibility, as we do have the opportunity to influence the nature and practice of social work in the future. Congress (2006) stresses the importance of teachers of social work values modelling ethical behaviour, and this we must embrace.

Ensuring that the ‘mantle’ of our profession is passed on intact and with integrity, demands that we hold ourselves up to be challenged and accountable. I have only been in education for three years, but the process of becoming an educator of social workers has been very affirming. I have discovered that I have both developed as a social worker over my 25 years since my own graduation (phew!), but that I am also still very connected to the reason I came into social work in the first place.

Being able to share this with students and to help them connect with their own passion is quite an honour.

Furthermore, as social workers, I also believe that we have been able to bring our social work values into how we teach. I am quite sure that most social work programmes today follow a transformative approach to learning (Freire, 1972). Transformative education, based on Paulo Freire’s key principle - that ‘no education is ever neutral’ - recognises the relationship between education and social transformation.

Education becomes more about raising awareness as opposed to reproducing relationships of power and domination. For the students this begins with their own values and worldviews being challenged and changed so that they can become aware of and address the oppression in their own lives and communities. This is exciting. Watching students grow and quite literally ‘transform’ as they proceed through their own journey of social work is one of the highlights of the job and one noted by many (Jones, 2002).

It makes dealing with the complexities very bearable.

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Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Update

So far this year 331 people, members and non-members, have attended CPD events with a healthy indication of strong interest and bookings in further workshops.

Most recently Blenheim and Timaru hosted Lisa King’s workshop ‘Working with Maori Whanau’. Both locations did a wonderful job in encouraging and generating attendance. Marlborough Branch’s Gerrie Cresswell organised and promoted the Blenheim workshop, which was held at Omaka Marae in Blenheim. Timaru members led by Karen Gemmell and the team generated a good level of interest and report that members travelled from Christchurch and Dunedin to attend (see also item below).

Planning continues for the provision of relevant training for members. In 2009 the Supervisors Interest Group plans to bring a range of Supervision related events to members. Many requests have been received in respect of professional development opportunities around Supervision. If your branch, roopu or interest group would like input or suggestions into your planning process for CPD please get in touch with Jeanne Warington, ANZASW’s Membership Services Manager (contact details page 13).

Please also remember to keep us up to date with your contact details by sending changes in information to National Office at admin@anzasw.org.nz

Current CPD Notices

Forum presentation in Canterbury
“Ethics and Principles of Social Work”
Presenter: Margaret Morrell

When: Tuesday, November 11 from 5.30 to 7pm
Where: Department of Human Services and Social Work, University of Canterbury
Cnr. Arts and Clyde Road, Christchurch
Cost: Gold coin donation

Workshop in Waikato
“How to make the best use of Supervision”
Presenter: Robyn Corrigan

When: Thursday, November 20
Where: Auditorium, Te Ara Hou Village, 100 Morrinsville Road, Hamilton.

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FOCUS ON HEALTH SOCIAL WORK

Understanding the complex domain of social work in health and disability


The domain of social work in health and disability is that of the social context and social consequences of physical/mental illness, trauma, disease and disability.

The purpose of practice is to restore individual, family/whanau and community well being, to promote the development of each individual’s power and control over their lives, and to promote principles of social justice.

Our social work practice occurs at the interface between the individual and the environment: social work activity begins with the individual, and extends to the contexts of family, social networks, community, and the broader society.

Social context
At the level of “social context”, our social work is concerned with the way each individual’s social environment shapes their experience of physical/mental illness, trauma, disease or disability. Its concerns include issues of individual personality, vulnerability and resilience, family functioning, strengths and stressors, support networks, culture, community, class, ethnicity and gender.

Beyond the intrapsychic aspects of ego functioning, self-esteem, and meaning making, and intrapersonal aspects of family functioning and personal relationships, its concerns include broader social issues of economic well being, employment and housing.

Social consequences
Social work is concerned with the interface between physical/mental illness, disease and disability and broader health and welfare issues such as child protection and family violence.

At the level of “social consequences”, our social work is concerned with the impact of physical/mental illness, trauma, disease and disability on the individual, the family/whanau and personal relationships, and the broader community, including the impact on sense of self, on life changes, on family/whanau well being and adjustment, and on economic security, employment and housing.

Social justice
At the level of “social justice”, our social work is concerned with issues of stigma and discrimination, of political freedom and civil rights, of promoting access to necessary treatment and support services, and of promoting consumer and carer rights to participation and choice in health services.

It is concerned with making all human services more accessible and responsive to the specific needs and wishes of people with physical/mental illness, trauma, disease and disability. These services should also be accessible to their family/whanau carers.

Social work seeks to facilitate problem-solving, supporting the person with adjustments and enabling change towards total holistic well being.
FOCUS ON HEALTH SOCIAL WORK

At the level of "social consequences", our social work is concerned with people with physical / mental illness, disease and disability and broader health and social policies. Social consequences include broader social issues of economic well being, esteem, and meaning making, and intrapersonal aspects of personality, vulnerability and resilience, family functioning, and the individual’s ability to manage and cope with the impact of such health matters.

Social work includes the application of knowledge about psychosocial implications of illness, injury, and health conditions on the person-in-environment perspective. The Social Worker incorporates application of knowledge and skill to the holistic model of care by being a member of the multidisciplinary team, and by advocating towards a sustainable and health promoting environment. All people have an equal right to enjoy the basic conditions which underpin human health. These conditions include a minimum standard of living to support health and a sustainable and health promoting environment. All people have an equal right to access resources and services that promote health and address illness, injury and impairment, including social services. IFSW will demand and continue to work for the realisation of these universal rights through the development, articulation and pursuit of socially just health and social policies.

(POLICY POSITION IN BRIEF)
1. Health is a key aspect of all fields of social work – practice, education, research and policy making – and in all settings.
2. Health is not merely the absence of disease, it encompasses physical, mental, emotional and social wellbeing.
3. Health is a central dimension of people’s lives.
4. Health is an issue of fundamental human rights.
5. Health status is primarily determined by social, economic, environmental and political conditions and is an issue of social equality and justice.
6. Securing and sustaining health depends on local, national and global health and social policies and practices.
7. Securing and sustaining health depends on the concerted actions of international institutions, governments, civil society and peoples.

SOCIAL WORK ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES
Social workers in all settings are engaged in health work whether in creating the conditions for improved health chances or working alongside people to manage the impact of poor health on themselves or those close to them...

Social work should renew efforts to engage more effectively at a policy level either with international institutions with responsibilities influencing health or with non-governmental organisations working for health related development. In addition, alliances should be sought with social movements seeking reforms leading to improved population and individual health....

All social workers should constantly question the health consequences of their actions. IFSW policy opposes overt or covert actions or policies which are discriminatory or which exacerbate health inequalities... Social workers should pay attention to the economic and political roots of the troubles people bring to them and give sufficient attention to ensuring that service recipients have a say in the direction and priorities of service provision. Services should always be provided by workers trained to be culturally competent.

INTERNATIONAL POLICY

An excerpt from the IFSW Policy Statement on Health

STATEMENT (Source: www.ifsw.org; approved 14/8/08)

IFSW asserts that health is an issue of fundamental human rights and social justice and binds social work to apply these principles in policy, education, research and practice. All people have an equal right to enjoy the basic conditions which underpin human health. These conditions include a minimum standard of living to support health and a sustainable and health promoting environment. All people have an equal right to access resources and services that promote health and address illness, injury and impairment, including social services. IFSW will demand and continue to work for the realisation of these universal rights through the development, articulation and pursuit of socially just health and social policies.

(RIGHTS AND INTERESTS OF DISABLED PEOPLE)

The rights and interests of disabled people in Aotearoa New Zealand received a boost this year with the Government’s ratification of the UN Convention of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Meanwhile, due to the Election cycle, policy developments at Parliament and in the public sector have largely been ‘on hold’, with the exception of ‘report backs’ which ANZASW National Office regularly monitors.

In May 2006 the Social Services committee announced an inquiry into the quality of care and services for people with disabilities. The inquiry arose partly out of allegations made against a disability service provider (concerning standard of care and financial management), and despite initial concerns that the inquiry might not look beyond the mismanagement of that individual provider the Terms of Reference were comprehensive enough for a full review. After nearly two and a half years, 150 submissions and advice from the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Social Development and the Office for Disability Issues, the select committee has finally reported back. The report is long but makes good reading, and makes a number of substantive recommendations. In particular, the committee expressed concern at the lack of accountability for disabilities services and in a strongly worded statement said “The lack of any single overarching entity with funding, responsibility and accountability for disability services is the most important issue we have discovered in this inquiry”. The committee’s recommendations include:

- That the Government appoint a lead agency with responsibility for disability issues and accountability for the sector.
- That the new lead agency be responsible for ensuring the New Zealand Disability Strategy is put into action effectively and without delay.
- That the Government investigate the appointment of an independent disability commissioner (possibly within the office of the Health and Disability Commissioner).

The committee’s findings will be of no surprise to people working in the sector or trying to access disability services. Currently disability support is funded through 11 different Votes, as well as through ACC, Land Transport and Lotteries. Many people receive support from several different agencies, service provision is inconsistent and submitters told of insufficient co-ordination between government agencies. A single properly funded lead agency seems like a step in the right direction. The report can be read, and downloaded at www.parliament.nz

[Source acknowledgement: LawScene, September 2008 - author Nicola Shirlaw]
New degrees under development

The Social Services Industry Training Organisation - Te Kaiawhina Ahumahi (ITO), has embarked on a major project to develop national degree standards for youth work and social work. The ITO has entered into a partnership with Wellington Institute of Technology (Weltex) to develop the first degree programmes to be based on the degree standards. It is intended that the degrees will be registered on the National Qualifications Framework and will commence in 2010. The ITO is not currently offering a competence assessment service for social workers but is exploring the development of a new assessment process.

RANZCP Faculty Essay Prize

Allied Health Professionals are being invited to submit essays of 2-3000 words on any topic related to mental health and/or mental illness in old age. A prize of $500 is on offer. The closing date for entries is 30 November 2008. For further information send an email to awards@ranzcp.org

Social workers in NZ on cultural exchange

The Aotearoa New Zealand branch of the Council of International Fellowship (CIF - www.cif.org.nz) is hosting four social workers in October-November. They are: Lars Blomqvist from Sweden, works with refugees (Head of Integration in one of the municipalities); Annick Lundgren from Sweden, family work with parents who are separated, looking at ways to work with their children; Danae Christophorides from Greece, works with refugees (Deputy Director of a Refugee Centre who provide social and legal protection to asylum seekers) and Irmgard Winkler from Austria, mediator and social worker, Austrian Association for Probation Service and Social Work. In New Plymouth they had a week long orientation programme run at WITT with a variety of lectures on different aspects of New Zealand social services, followed by visits to agencies in the area. In Auckland they will have some generic visits and then some specific visits to agencies in their interest areas.

Seeking Restorative Justice facilitators

The Taranaki Restorative Justice Trust is looking for people interested in becoming trained as a Restorative Justice Facilitator. Contact Deena Coster, justicenaki@xtra.co.nz for more information.

Young people sought for Reference Group

The Children’s Commissioner’s current Young People’s Reference Group (YPRG) is completing its two year term. If you know some talented 12 to 16 year olds who would be interested in applying to join the group for the next term point them to www.occ.org.nz Applications close on Friday 28 November.

Amendment Act offers extra protection

The Protection of Personal and Property Rights Amendment Act 2007 came into force in September. It builds extra protection into Enduring Powers of Attorney (EPA) by taking steps to ensure that people making an EPA will be better informed, and those granted the power will be more accountable.

Workshop Announcement

Alan Jenkins author of Invitations to Responsibility

HMA Training is pleased to announce two very special chances to hear Alan Jenkins talk about his ground breaking work of intervening with violence.

Christchurch 9th – 10th March 2009:
‘Shame, Realisation and Restitution: The Ethics of Restorative Practice’

Auckland 12th – 13th March 2009:
‘Shame, Realisation and Restitution: The Ethics of Restorative Practice’

Alan has worked in a range of multi-disciplinary teams addressing violence and abusive behaviour for 25 years. Rather than tire from this work, he has become increasingly intrigued with possibilities for the discovery of ethical and respectful ways of relating. The valuing of ethics, fairness and the importance of protest against injustice has led him to stray considerably from the path prescribed in his early training as a psychologist, towards a political analysis of abuse.

For further information to secure your place on this training visit www.hma.co.nz or email lynette.cherry@hma.co.nz
Special honours

In September Bay of Plenty branch member Trish Hanlen was invested as a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit (MNZM) for services to the community. Trish believes her services were actually to various communities, as supported by an especially long citation of community organisation memberships and community awards. “My late husband, Ross, was with Radio NZ and we shifted around a lot!”

Trish is a Life Member of Citizens Advice Bureaux of NZ. She has held a number of Ministerial appointments (as lay person) such as Chairperson of Rotorua District Legal Services Committee, NZ Psychologists Board (9 yrs) and has served on the North Regional Health & Disability Ethics Committee. Other roles have included those of Trustee of the Rotorua District Community Law Centre, Chairperson/Executive of the Bay of Plenty Association of Social Workers and being a member of the ANZASW Ethics committee. Trish has been a member of ANZASW for 14 years. While working as a Manager for Open Home Foundation, she completed a Social Work Degree (Hons, Massey), then as Professional Advisor of Social Work at Lakeland Health she completed a Masters in Social Work, Diploma in Child Protection and Certificate in Social Work Supervision. In her current job as a social work lecturer, in her spare time (!!!) she is studying for a Doctorate of Philosophy (Social Work).

When NoticeBoard spoke to Trish she wanted to pass on a challenge: “I am sure most regional committees of ANZASW will know of social workers who make significant contributions to their local communities or the Association, and warrant recognition for their contribution to community well-being and/or to the Association. In receiving an award like this, I see it as a tribute to the profession of social work and an acknowledgement of the value of voluntary work in the social services”.

Also in September, ANZASW’s inaugural President Merv Hancock was honoured with a Civic Award from the Palmerston North City Council. The citation records that Merv is recognised in Palmerston North as a person of vision, Palmerston North City Council. The citation records that Hancock was honoured with a Civic Award from the "the social services".

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VIOLENCE - IT’S NEVER OK

Tuesday 25 November is White Ribbon Day, the International Day for Elimination of Violence Against Women, a day when men wear a white ribbon to show they don’t tolerate or condone men’s violence towards women. For more information visit www.standbyme.org.nz (an Amnesty International website) and www.refuge.org.nz

For resources designed as a counter to violence, free posters can be downloaded from the project website for RAP - Respect All People Whakamana Tangata at www.respect.org.nz

RAP targets youth violence and produces a new poster each month to promote respectful behaviour. The National Network of Stopping Violence has also produced a music CD (“You Will Know - Brothers Against Violence”). For copies email info@nnsvs.org.nz

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ANZASW INTEREST GROUPS

Pasifika Interest Group

Malo ‘etàu lava, Talofa lava, Nisa Bula Vinaka, Taloha Ni, Fakalofo lahi atu, Kia Orana, Talofa, Namaste, Mauri, Kia ora koutou katoa

The Convenors of the Pasifika Interest Group recently held a survey amongst the Pasifika Interest Group members to gauge their commitment to and interest in attending a National Fono.

We are pleased to announce that the results from the survey supported the hosting of a National Pasifika Interest Group Fono in Wellington on 16th April 2009 (prior to the ANZASW Congress).

If you would like to register your interest in attending our Fono, please email sally@waipas.org.nz

As well as having a Business Meeting, we plan to have some workshops / presentations that focus on Pacific social and community development within Aotearoa New Zealand. Further details of the Fono will be outlined in the next issues of NoticeBoard. Keep watching this space and we hope you have a very blessed month.

Private Practice/ ACC Interest Group

Members are struggling with delays with ACC while the Sensitive Claims section of ACC is undergoing a much needed overhaul. It has been difficult working within the system with constant staff turnover, which means we are unable to develop a personal relationship with Claims/Case Managers before they are replaced. We are hopeful of faster turn around times for decision on claims and on progress reports. ACC is also looking at strengthening the links between the interface with Psychiatric Services of DHB’s as there has been much confusion around pre existing and current mental health conditions of ACC claimants as to acceptance of claims and also who should be responsible to fund the counselling when mental health issues predominate.

The Association has made a submission on our behalf regarding increase in fees that all professional bodies were requested to submit. A decision on this should be made over the next few months, well overdue as fees have not been increased for the past 8 years, and the “top up” charged for counselling in many parts of NZ makes it untenable for many of our clients to obtain the much needed counselling to deal with the effects of the abuse.

Please contact me with any issues/concerns that need to be raised at Sensitive Advisory Group Meetings.

Cathy McPherson
cathy.mcpherson@goalscentre.co.nz

Other Interest Group contacts:

Edwina Brookes, edwina.gl@healthcamps.org.nz

SWIS - Social Workers in Schools

John Wong, john.wong@pgfnz.org.nz

CSWIG - Chinese Social Workers Interest Group

Mathew Keen, mathew.keen@midcentral.co.nz

SWOT - Social Workers Out There

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ANZASW Meetings & Hui

Note: If members do not give their email address on the members detail report when they join, they cannot be added to our regional email database, hence will miss out on emails and local news. Also a reminder that if you are not receiving local notices or panui please contact the local ANZASW contact, as listed.

GOVERNANCE BOARD

- 27-28 November Meeting, Invercargill - includes AGM
- 13 December Meeting, Wellington

ROOPU

All roopu extend a warm invitation to current and prospective social workers to attend roopu hui. We continue to enjoy our hui and the korero, awhi and whakawhanaungatanga regarding the māhi that our members are involved in with our community. Venues are often moved around the agencies to assist members to attend hui.

TAI TOKERAU

Te Ra: Thursday 11th December
Kei Hea: (venue to be confirmed)
Waea: Heta Erueti, (021) 071 0726

TAMAKI MAKOURAULO (Meets last Thursday of the month)

Te Ra: Thursday 27th November
Kei Hea: (Please confirm with Sandy)
Waea: Sandy Tito Evans sandy-supervision@xtra.co.nz
Cell 027 370 3510
Future hui: 18 December, 29 January, 26 February

WAIRIKI

Waea: Hariata Kohunui, kohunui@wairiki.ac.nz

TE ROOPU O TE TAIRAWHITI (Meets last Tuesday of the month)

Te Ra: Tuesday 25th November
Te Wa: 1pm
Kei Hea: Te Kainga Whaiora Children’s Health Camps, Poho Rawiri Marae
Waea: Tauha Te Kani, Tauha.TeKani@healthcamps.org.nz, (06) 867 5614

TE WHANAU O RONGOKAKO (Meets third Thursday every second month)

Waea: Rawinia Hape, Rawinia.Hape@hawkesbaydhb.govt.nz or (027) 234 3866

MANAWHENUA (Meets first Thursday of the month)

Annual General Meeting - all welcome!
Te Ra: Thursday 6th November
Kei Hea: Child Youth and Family Office, 313 Church Street, Palmerston North
Waea: Secretary Kelly Bevan, piri.e.19@slingshot.co.nz

KAHU ORA ROOPU O WAIRARAPA (Meets second Wednesday of the month)

Te Ra: Wednesday 12th November
Waea: Lynne Whata, lynne.whata@wairarapa.dhb.org.nz

BRANCHES

All branches warmly welcome all new, provisional, intending and existing ANZASW members and interested social workers to their meetings.

AUCKLAND

Next meets: Monday 8th December, 12noon
Venue: Band Rotunda, Cornwall Park
Topic: End of year celebration picnic. Bring party food to share and energy for fun, catch up and meeting new people!
Contact: Vicki Hirst, v.g.hirst@xtra.co.nz

BAY OF PLENTY

Next meets: Wednesday 19th November, 12 noon
Venue: Churchyard cafe, 16 Ashley Street, Tauranga
Topic: End of year celebration picnic. Bring party food to share and energy for fun, catch up and meeting new people!
Contact: Trish Hanlen at trishhalen@xtra.co.nz

CANTERBURY

Next Forum: Tuesday 11th November 5.30pm, “How to make the best use of Supervision” presented by Margaret Morrell.
Branch AGM: Tuesday 11th November at 7pm.
Interactive Workshop: Friday 28th November
Adolescent Development and the effects of Alcohol and Drugs and Depression
Registration 12.00pm. Workshop 12.30 – 4.30 pm
Sessions: Alcohol and Drug Stream - Youth Specialty Service - Mental Health Services CDHB; Dr Sue Bagshaw and the collaborative for Research and Training in youth health and development.
Members – $5.00; Non members $15.00
Workshop enquiries to Brenda Cromie (03)37 7899 xt 66368
Venue for all events: School of Social Work and Human Services, Clyde Road, Canterbury University.
Contact: John Dunlop, j.dunlop@xtra.co.nz
HAWKE’S BAY
(Meets second Monday, every second month)

Next meets: Monday 8th December from 4.30 pm
Christmas Get Together at Gintrap Cafe & Bar, Napier
Contact: Fiona Woodcock, (06) 878 8109 Ext 6750
or Vicky Gollner, (06) 831 0822

MANAWATU/ WANGANUI

Manawatu
Annual General Meeting - all welcome!
Monday 24th November; 4.30pm for 4.45 start
Venue: Churchyard cafe, 16 Ashley Street, Palmerston North
Nibbles and drinks will be provided. We will attend to
business, and also have a guest speaker.
Contact: Tepora Pupepeke, tepora@xtra.co.nz

Wanganui
Next meets: Tuesday 18th November from 11am
Venue: Child Adolescent and Family Service (CAF), Heads Road, Wanganui Hospital. CAF will present
an overview of their service and referral process.
Please bring some food to share.
Contact: Trish Melling, (06) 348 1234 Ext 5763

NELSON/ MARLBOROUGH

Nelson
(Meets third Wednesday of the month)

Next meets: Wednesday 19th November from 12 to 1pm
Venue: 360 Annesbrook Drive, Presbyterian Support/Family
Works building, Nelson
Contact: Alistair Munro
alistairm@psusi.org.nz or (03) 547 9350 xt717:

Marlborough/ Wairau
(Meets fourth Thursday of the month - no meeting December)

Next meets: Thursday 27th November from 5pm
Venue: Chequers, Scott Street, Blenheim - for end of year
Contact: Colleen Cox, colleen.cox06@mxl.govt.nz
Future meetings: 22 January 2009, at Barnardos in Blenheim

NORTHLAND

Contact: Suzie Munro@healthcamps.org.nz

OTAGO

Next event: End of year Pot Luck Dinner on
Friday 5th December from 6pm
at 112 Ravenswood Road, St Clair, Dunedin
Please RSVP by Monday 1st December 2008 to
Penny (03) 477 2107 or email pennysalmond@xtra.co.nz

SOUTHLAND
(Meets second Wednesday of the month)

Next meets: Wednesday 12th November, from 12.15pm
Venue: Hospice Southland Meeting Room

ANZASW Southland Branch is celebrating their 40th
Anniversary in conjunction with the Governance AGM. A
current and past members welcomed to attend, for
further details please contact Pania Coote on (03) 2181949
extn. 8814 or via e-mail pania.coote@sdhb.govt.nz.

TARANAKI

Next meets: Wednesday 19th November, 12 noon
Venue: Child Community Centre, Taranaki Base Hospital
Topic: Business Meeting
(Teleconference connection with South Taranaki)
Contact: Carolyn Ravek, Te Rau Pani (06) 759 7306

WAIRARAPA

Contact: Susan Walker,
susan.walker@wairarapa.dhb.org.nz

WELLINGTON
(Meets last Wednesday of the month)

Next meets: Wednesday 10th December, 5pm
Venue: Lady Norwood Rose garden, Botanical gardens
Speaker: Granny Claus of Polar (Very) Social Services.
Please bring a used gift for her to dispose of.
Contact: Sylvia Bagnall, Sylvia@sunflower.co.nz

NOTICE BOARD DEADLINES

For Notice Board to reach members as near to the beginning
of each calendar month as possible the deadline for
ALL editorial and advertising copy can be no later
than the second to last week of each preceding month.
Contribution and advertising deadlines currently
set for the next two editions are:

Wednesday 19 November 2008 for December edition
Friday 23 January 2009 for February edition
A full schedule for 2009 is available on request.

Notice Board is published online approx. a full week before
it is distributed in hard copy. Please note that listings
of meetings and longer related notices are gradually
being made available on the ANZASW website,
www.anzasw.org.nz in the "Joining In" section.
Messages about editorial content, any corrections
to these listings, as well as any updates about special
events or advertising inquiries should all be sent to
admin@anzasw.org.nz
NOTES FROM NATIONAL OFFICE

Reminder

For those whose membership year ends 30 November 2008 - check your Membership Card - the membership subscription for the next 12 months is now due. A subscription notice and tax invoice is in the mail, and payment made by the due date (20 December 2008) will attract a discount. It is possible to pay by credit card, cheque, internet banking or automatic payment. Don’t forget to update the Association’s membership database information at the same time, including your current email. If you have any questions about the Professional Indemnity Insurance made available automatically through ANZASW membership please contact the Association’s Insurance Brokers, ACM Insurance Services - contact Iain McKenzie, email imckenzie@acmonline.co.nz or phone (04) 472 8710. ACM can also supply details about the Social Workers Legal Advisory Panel, a service that provides a panel of approved legal firms for advice on legal issues.

Membership update

ANZASW Membership numbers as at 22 October 2008:

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* This includes members in training, those with legitimate extensions or who have changed status from Non Practising to Provisional as well as those who are ‘out of time’.

New members

On behalf of the Association the Governance Board extends a warm welcome to the following new members of ANZASW:

Krystal Hamblyn, Taranaki
Donata Kauika-Stevens, Manawhenua
Helen R Kingston, Manawatu
Jenny Pepworth, Manawatu
Rosemary Soper, Nelson
Peter Nicoll, Canterbury
Elizabeth A Munro, South Canterbury
Colette Gavin, West Coast

Full members

The following have recently completed their competency assessment, are now Full members of ANZASW and are entitled to use the letters “MANZASW”. Congratulations!

Gillian Parsons, Tamaki Makaurau
Gary Rayner, Auckland
Roxane Hughes, Auckland

Recertifications

Congratulations to the following members who have recently had their Full membership recertified for a further five years:

Margaret Pandey, Auckland
Ranee Gedye, Auckland
Beverley Rye, Waikato
Catherine Maddaford, Taranaki
Emma Costley, Manawatu
Ruman Ansari, Manawatu
Marguerite McDonald, Wellington

Addresses Unknown

National Office would be pleased to learn the current address for the following members:

Alastair Smith, previously Nelson
Andrew (Anaru) Brown, previously Palmerston North
Andrew Perenara, previously Auckland
Ann Gwilliam, previously Rotorua
Barbara Lucas, previously Napier
Barbara Schwalm, previously North Shore City

Mercy Ampomah-Dwamena, Auckland
Liaqat Ali, Auckland
ChongJa Leekoh, Auckland
Ellamay Tuape, Auckland
Elizabeth Teinakirahi-Nitika, Auckland
Eterine Aumua, Auckland
Alida Panapa, Auckland
Tutuapikepike Maru-Wichman, Auckland
Michele Humphrey, Waikato
Jan Taylor, Waikato
Hoki Poka, Waikato
Karen Hickey, Waikato
Cedric Jewell, Waikato
Rose Timoko, Waikato
Salanai Lasona-Uaea, Wairariki
Julie Marinovich, Taranaki
Louise Rostron, Manawatu
Leah Schmidt, Manawatu
Craig Buttar, Manawhenua
Thomas Ngaruhe, Manawhenua
Claude Emke, Manawhenua
Gaye Sutton, Wairarapa
Catherine Lawson, Wellington
M Camille Smith, Wellington
Helen Richardson, Wellington
Aime Tomberg, Nelson
Duangkamon Keyanonda, Nelson
Elisabeth Clemens, Nelson
Claire Pearson, Nelson
Karlijn van Middelaar, Marlborough
Carolyn Harris, Canterbury
Ina Mouton, Canterbury
Shane Siataga, Canterbury
John Wu, Canterbury
Catherine O’Leary, Canterbury
Rosemary Densen, Canterbury
Pamela Milligan, West Coast

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Carla McConnell, previously Christchurch
Carol Beckett, previously Whakatane
Danelle Keith, previously Masterton
Desiree van den Broek, previously Taupo
Dianne Chalmers, previously Thames
Gayle McLean , previously Hamilton
Gwendoline Dawson, previously Christchurch
Jennifer Sales, previously Overseas
Jonathan Spears, previously Wellington
Karin Brown, previously Porirua
Louise Teraihu, previously Whakatane
Margaret Giles, previously Palmerston North
Ngahuirorimata Jackson-Catton, previously Christchurch
Nyree Bowen-Lilly, previously Christchurch
Peter Lucas, previously Christchurch
Rawinia Hohepa, previously Mt Maunganui
Robbie McCleery, previously Hamilton
Sophie Kamu, previously Auckland
Stephanie Butcher, previously Te Puke
Susan Fraser, previously Auckland
Tiaki Leathers, previously Rotorua
Vivienne Wright, previously Hokitika

ANZASW CHARITABLE TRUST NOTICE
Do you fit the criteria of:

- Salary less than $32,000 pro rata (or pro rata full time equivalent)
- Work in the Voluntary Sector
- Full financial members of ANZASW Members holding a certificate of competency

If so, you are eligible to apply to the ANZASWCT for an individual grant of $250 as a contribution towards your Annual Social Work Registration practising certificate fee from the John McCreary Social Work Education Trust.

Application to be received by Convenor of the ANZASWCT by 3 December 2008 (late applications will not be considered and the Trustees accepts no responsibility for late or lost applications due to the postal service). Applications are to be sent to:

Fiona Robertson
Convenor ANZASWCT
51 Parkstone Ave
Christchurch 8041

If there are more applicants than funds available by the closing date of 3 December, successful applicants will be chosen by ballot. The ANZASWCT Trustees thank the John McCreary Social Work Education Trust for their support.

ANZASW Member Services

Updates from Jeanne Warmington,
your Membership Services Manager,
working in Tamaki Makaurau/ Auckland
jeannew@anzasw.org.nz or (027) 583 1029

Competency Service News

Kia ora tatou,

We’ve been working through some changes to our administrative systems, with the aim of improving communication, and our response times to you. As of February 2009 all portfolios, both initial Competency and the 5 year Competency (Recertification) will be directed to National Office. Following a basic check they’ll be forwarded to the Assessor you’ve nominated (either Niho Taniwha or Tauiwi assessment).

If there are any components missing, you’ll hear from one of the team requesting the material to be provided. Using your checklist is a good process to prevent this happening. We believe that Assessors’ skills, expertise and energy are best spent working with you to complete the Assessment process. Other changes include the requirement to send all References with your Portfolio – previously there’s been an option for Referees to send direct to the Assessor. We’ve found that this sometimes causes confusion and delay and at the end of your process you receive all material anyway. If you have elected the Niho Taniwha process your Referees will (mostly) be giving their korero verbally and this won’t hold up the process.

The term ‘Competency Assessor’ will replace ‘National Assessor’. Feedback from members was that the old term was a bit confusing – all the Assessors are facilitating Competency processes, some at the beginning of membership and others further on. Remember these changes happen from February 2009, information and updates will be sent to Roopu and Branches and repeated in NoticeBoard and on the website.

A reminder that in areas with smaller populations it may be necessary to wait until the Assessor has a full day of Assessments or for members to travel to larger centres to complete Competency. Please discuss this with your Competency Assessor. While Provisional Members have 12 months to complete Competency, it’s not necessary to wait till the end of that timeframe! Consider sending your Portfolio in and organising a date, then you can tick one more item off that list of goals for the year. For those whose further goal is Registration this is a good chunk of the work to have completed. Currently the team has capacity to schedule your Assessment within a good timeframe.

Details of how to complete Competency, Workshops and participation in a Competency panel are available on the website or contact your Assessor or our office team Jacqui, Margaret or Sharon on (03) 358 6920, or myself.

Jeanne

[Note: From 6 November to 6 December the Competency Service component of Jeanne’s role is being ‘minded’ by Janetta Findlay while Jeanne is on leave - in India. The best way to contact Janetta is by email ziggy.findlay@xtra.co.nz, or alternatively telephone (06) 8358132 or (021) 0404828 Any CPD inquiries can be directed to Dominic or Jacqui at National Office, admin@anzasw.org.nz].
Competency Assessor Contacts

Assessors working in partnership are; John and Janetta in Hawkes Bay, Turoa and Autumn in Manawatu, Bella and Sarah in Auckland, Ngatai and Mike Canterbury/ Westland, Soro and Colleen in Northland, Merrill and Emma in BOP/ Waikato, providing a choice of Assessor and Assessment process for members.

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Tangata Whenua
Turoa Haronga
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NOTE: Full contact information for Assessors and Recertification Coordinators is also available on the Association’s website: www.anzasw.org.nz under “Contacts”.

Panel & Competency Workshop Notices

Auckland -
When: Wednesday 26th November
What: Panel workshop, 1-2pm; Pre-competency workshop, 2-3.30pm
Where: St Lukes Community Centre, 130 Remuera Road, Remuera.
Contact: Sarah Alden, Bella Wikaira
- see Assessor Contacts elsewhere on this page

Taranaki
When: Tuesday 4th November from 1-2.30pm
What: Competency workshop for provisional members
Where: Te Rau Pani, Maru Wehi Complex, 36 Maratahu St, New Plymouth
Please contact Melanie Sanson (06) 759 7306 or melanie@teraupani.co.nz to register interest.

Nelson
For all provisional members in Nelson considering competency, what it entails and how to manage the process Linda Glew is available for individual or group support.
Email salind@xtra.co.nz or call (027) 4476 435

Canterbury/South Canterbury/West Coast
What: Pre-assessment workshop
When: Thursday 20th November, 5.30pm
Where: Canterbury University
Contact: Mike Kempt
- see Assessor Contacts elsewhere on this page
Supervisors Interest Group

It was great to meet with a group of local members of the Supervisors Interest Group for breakfast in October. We have decided to keep meeting on a 6 weekly basis for social support and sharing of ideas and resources. We also considered (briefly!) the Future Directions of the Interest Group document and those present identified some areas they would like to be involved in. From a personal perspective I am pleased to have a face-to-face group to help keep me focused and energised. Thank you to all of those who were able to make our 7.30am appointment - the coffee does help to sustain!

Other members of this group are meeting locally in Tauranga and I think Nelson. If there are others who would like to set up local meetings then I encourage you to do so - please let me know what is happening and hopefully what areas of our ‘Future Directions’ you might be interested in furthering.

I am here to offer support and co-ordination. Let me know so I can let others know!

Auckland group are meeting again on Wednesday 3rd December at 7.30am at the Sierra Café at 167 Great South Road, Greenlane (own cost).

Jeanne Warmington, Manager ANZASW Membership Services, with responsibilities for CPD, has asked for our input into what supervision training she should source. This topic has been posted on our e-discussion forum on the website. (Instructions for accessing this for those of you who have not already done so follow this notice).

Two further reminders:

1) We will have some time allocated to our group at the ANZASW Congress in Wellington 17-18 April, 2009. It will be great to hear from anyone who is undertaking research on supervision in Aotearoa New Zealand and willing to share this with our members in this forum. A fantastic opportunity for collegial sharing! Please email me in the first instance.

2) The ‘Future Directions of the Supervisors Interest Group’ document is posted at www.anzasw.org.nz.

Vicki Hirst – Supervisors Interest Group Co-ordinator
v.g.hirst@xtra.co.nz

E-DISCUSSION FORUM
You can access the forum by taking the following steps.

1. Join the ANZASW website
If you have not already done so then you need to apply for your membership logon and password details. Please email Margaret at the ANZASW National Office - margaretl@anzasw.org.nz and she will send you your personal logon details.

2. Start the website and forum
Type www.anzasw.org.nz into your address bar. Click “Joining In” in the grey menu bar. Click “Supervisors Interest Group” on the left hand side of the screen.

3. Log on
At the prompt, enter your email address and click ‘next step’. Enter your password (from Margaret) and click ‘next step’. On the left of the screen click “Supervisors Interest Group Forum”.

4. Participate
You can now either click on an existing thread to read comments and add a reply or else start a new thread at the bottom of the first page.

If you have any problems with using the website or discussion forum please contact Dominic Chilvers at dominicc@anzasw.org.nz or ring 03 358 6920.
Events Calendar in Brief

9 to 12 November, Australia
2008 Strength in Unity Conference, Luna Park, Sydney. Organised by the The Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW), The Australian Institute of Welfare & Community Workers (AIWCW), and The Australian Association of Social Work & Welfare Educators (AASWWE). To register for the Conference or for more information, please visit the Conference website www.iceaustralia.com/strengthinunity2008

13-14 November, Adelaide
Improving Quality, Safety and Throughput: The Healthy Hospital. See www.changechampions.com.au

16-18 November, Palmerston North
Psycho-oncology New Zealand Conference. See www.ponz.org.nz/pages/conference.html or contact Sue Peck, suepeck@xtra.co.nz, for a registration form and information.

19-21 November, Philippines
In celebration of the 60th year anniversary of the Philippine Association of Social Workers, Inc. (PASWI), a national convention will be held at the Hotel Supreme along Magsasay Road in Baguio City. The convention aims to discuss emerging trends and issues in relation to global and local realities. We have invited social workers from all over the Philippines and colleagues from the International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW) to participate in this important event. See: www.paswi.org

24-26 November, Auckland
Australia and New Zealand Third Sector Research Ninth Biennial Conference. See www.anztsr.org.au

24-26 November, Melbourne

26-28 November, Kathmandu - Nepal
International Conference on Social Development and Transition: Paths of Global Local Partnerships. For further information email icsd2008@gmail.com or MPawar@csu.edu.au

28 November, AUT Tech Park Centre, Auckland

WEB LINKS TO INFORMATION ON COURSES
Various training courses and training dates are available at:
www.cps.org.nz
www.parent2parent.org.nz
www.skylight.org.nz
www.rational.org.nz
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Federation of Social Workers (IFSW) to participate in this over the Philippines and colleagues from the International and local realities. We have invited social workers from all along Magsasay Road in Baguio City. The convention aims of the 60th year anniversary of the Philippine Association of Social Workers, Inc. (PASWI), in celebration of the 60th year anniversary of the 19-21 November, Philippines.


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We are looking for candidates who are passionate about working with older adults, can work independently within the team and have a desire to be part of a continually developing service.

You must have a tertiary qualification, full membership with ANZASW and New Zealand Social Work Registration. Previous hospital experience is desirable.

For further information, please contact Otto Hofman, Allied Health Team Leader on 09 839 0535.

Alternatively, please contact Social work professional leader Ellice Rains on 09 839 0000 ext 3323.

For a position description, please call 0800 47 22 84.

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Closing Date: 21st November 2008

All applications must be accompanied by an application form. To download a position description and application form please visit the website www.tdh.org.nz or contact the Human Resources Department, on ext 8268 or by emailing jobs@tdh.org.nz
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These photos are from the photo competition held by the International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW) to capture the theme “Social Work: Making a World of Difference”. 47 photos from all over the world were sent in for the 2nd competition, from which a panel of social workers shortlisted 25 photos for exhibition at this year’s IFSW World Conference 2008 in Salvador de Bahia, Brazil. Photos A, B and C above were judged in 1st, 2nd and 3rd place respectively in the competition by an international panel. Photo D is from the inaugural competition held in 2006.

The details for each photo are:

A - Title: “No Age Bar”
This photo by Girish J. Kingar, India, is of a young girl helping an elder to write and reflects the issue of adult literacy in rural India.

B - Title: “Freedom to speak”
This photo by Tena Gardiner, USA, is described as one social worker’s attempt to capture what Robert Frank called “the humanity of the moment”.

C - Title: “Yes”
This photo by Kim Ilsun Chang, Korea, was accompanied by the comment: “I hope this boy’s future in life is YES!”

D - Title: “Soft Touch”
The caption for this photo, taken in India, reads: “A member of an NGO plays with Down’s syndrome children with painted faces celebrating Holi, a festival of colours”.

The next photo competition will take place in 2010 in connection with the next World Conference being held in Hong Kong in June 2010. The competition is part of IFSW’s ‘Promotion of the Profession’ programme, which has two goals:

1) To promote social work to organisations and to the public at international levels;
2) That global and regional bodies, the media and general public understand, value and support the contribution of social workers to society.

This involves describing the current situation/perception of social work in IFSW member countries and work to identify the barriers and issues that impact on the position/perception of social workers.

One key promotional opportunity on the calendar each year is World Social Work Day (WSWD) which is being celebrated on the third Tuesday in March. The dates for the next two WSWD are: 17 March 2009 and 16 March 2010.

The theme for both days will be linked to the global consultation preceding the 2010 World Conference in Hong Kong, namely ‘Social Work and Social Development: The Agenda’.

The website address for the 2010 IFSW World Conference is www.swsd2010.org

Human Rights Day on 10 December 2008:
“Dignity and justice for all of us”

On Human Rights Day 2007 the United Nations Secretary-General launched a year-long campaign in which all parts of the UN family are taking part in the lead up to the 60th birthday of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) on Human Rights Day 2008. The theme of the campaign, “Dignity and justice for all of us,” reinforces the vision of the Declaration as a commitment to universal dignity and justice and not something that should be viewed as a luxury or a wish-list.

As one of the founding members of the United Nations, New Zealand played a significant role in the creation of this landmark document and its acceptance of 30 core rights.

Amnesty International notes that since the signing of UDHR New Zealand has ratified six core UN human rights treaties. It is also noted that there is still much to be done to deliver concrete improvements in human rights for all, as indicated by the NZ Government’s failure to support a number of other UN treaties.

For more information see:
- www.un.org/events/humanrights/udhr60
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