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## Message from the Director

The outlook for social work education in Oklahoma is promising despite the unsettled budget picture for state-supported universities. Enrollment statistics for the 1983-84 school year are generally consistent with previous recent years: 81 undergraduate majors, 29 first-year full-time graduate students, 78 second-year graduate students, and more than 100 part-time graduate students. Part-time student enrollments are increasing here as elsewhere throughout the nation, though more and more of our full-time students also find it necessary to work long hours while attending school.

The budget picture at the University of Oklahoma remains clouded, with appropriations for academic year 1983-84 below those of last year and talk of possible cuts before the end of the academic year. While the long-range implications of budget cuts are difficult to predict, some unpleasant consequences are already evident. For instance, I recently attended a meeting of departmental liaisons responsible for recommending library purchases of books and periodicals. We were advised at that meeting of the necessity to make voluntary cancellations of periodical subscriptions in advance of new policies which may require cutbacks in library orders. Other examples of real or potential measures for spending reductions are a freeze on hiring,

travel, and purchases, and furloughs for staff and faculty.

On the brighter side, faculty of our school are continuing to make substantial contributions to the social work literature and through presentations at professional meetings. Our curriculum is being expanded to include "fields of practice" specializations and a wider range of elective courses. Efforts are now under way to strengthen the two graduate concentrations (Interpersonal Services and Administration/Policy) by adding new content and providing more options to students for specific skill development. The field practicum is undergoing a reorganization, and classroom faculty will play an expanded role in field practicum matters. Finally, graduates of the program are finding jobs in the profession, and the forecast here and nationally is that social work continues to be a viable career choice.

A Social Work Day this spring will kick off plans for a regular annual event bringing alumni back to campus. The Social Work Day will feature continuing education opportunities and the chance to socialize with friends and colleagues. The initial responses to planning this event have been very enthusiastic, and we are hoping for a good turnout.

More than ever before we need your support in efforts to improve the quality of our educational programming. The School of Social Work has been blessed by alumni and friends who have volunteered countless hours of professional time as field practicum supervisors, committee participants, and financial donors. If I haven't had the chance to say it in person lately, on behalf of the School of Social Work, I would like to say a heartfelt "thank you" to all of you.

*Kenneth R. Wedel*

## Annual Social Work Alumni Day Planned For Spring

Dr. Nancy Humphreys, director of the School of Social Work at Michigan State University, will be the keynote speaker for the first annual Social Work Alumni Day to be held on the Norman campus of the University of Oklahoma on April 27, 1984. Humphreys is a past president of the National Association of Social Workers, and she currently serves as co-chair of the national NASW's PACE (Political Action Candidate Election).

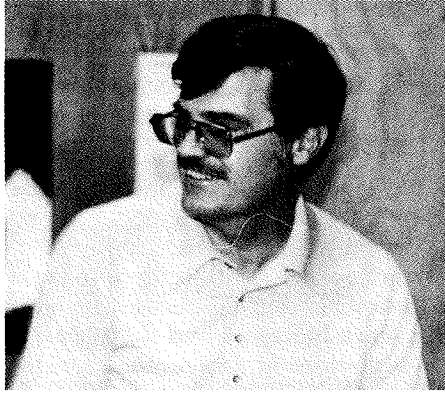
Alumni Day activities also include workshops by Humphreys and Jacquelyn Cook, alumna of the school and clinical social worker at the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, The University of Oklahoma. A luncheon will be included.



*Nancy Humphreys*

Registration and additional information will be mailed in early April. Advance registration is encouraged. For further information, contact Dr. Julia Norlin at the School of Social Work.

## The Nadine Roach Memorial Award



*George Sam Bowman*

George Sam Bowman (MSW '67, University of Pittsburgh) was the recipient of the second annual Nadine Roach Memorial Award given in a ceremony during the hooding and recognition of candidates for graduation in May. Bowman has held an adjunct faculty position with the school since 1970.

Bowman is the present executive director at the Neighborhood Services Organization, a United Way agency in Oklahoma City. He has been director of the same agency since 1973 and has been instrumental in the development of many projects that have benefited great numbers of persons in need.

A sampling of some of the projects includes: a health clinic serving primarily a low-income black community in Oklahoma City; the development of the public inebriate jail alternate center now operated by the city of Oklahoma City; a program serving meals on wheels for the homebound elderly—a program that started serving ten meals a day by one church and has grown to 600 meals per day by 40 churches; a program designed to assist low-income families with home repairs; the development of neighborhood associations and a citywide coalition of these organizations; the creation of a food bank to support the needs of non-profit community agencies; and the development of the John F. Kennedy Project Area Committee that oversees urban renewal issues in northeast Oklahoma City.

Charlotte Heard (MSW '72), the

first recipient of the Nadine Roach Memorial Award, said of Bowman, "Sam's allegiance to social work values are unquestioned; the quality of all men, respect and dignity for those in trouble, and a 'working with instead of doing for' characterize his practice. He is predictable simply because his motivation is his persistence in finding solutions for individual and community problems."

The Roach Memorial Award was established in 1982 with the purpose of fostering and continuing the kind of contribution made by Professor Roach during her life and career as a social worker and educator. Professor Roach was especially recognized for her community ac-

tion, her achievements in social change, and her sound and direct perspective on social work practice.

The award is an individual unrestricted cash award in recognition of the creative synthesis of social work theory with practice in the field practicum which goes beyond the expected roles of practitioners.

Individuals eligible for the award include students, staff, classroom and field practicum faculty, agency personnel, and others who have made significant contributions to social work practice and/or social work education. The committee is soliciting nominees for the 1984 award. For further information, contact Dr. Frank J. Peirce at the school.

## Knee Reception



*Ruth I. Knee (center) visits with friends at a reception in her honor hosted by the School of Social Work last fall.*

On October 18, 1983, the School of Social Work hosted a reception honoring Ruth I. Knee. Mrs. Knee and her husband attended the University of Oklahoma and are long-time supporters of the school.

Junior and Ruth received their bachelor's degrees in social work from the University of Oklahoma in 1941. She received her MSW from

the University of Chicago after completing her first year of graduate work at OU.

Long identified with mental health, Mrs. Knee was a program director at NIMH at the time of her retirement. She resides in the Washington, D.C., area and visits Oklahoma regularly.

## Indian Child Welfare Project Produces Handbook

A handbook entitled *Indian Child Welfare: Resources and References* is a product of a recently completed project directed by Professors Stephen C. Anderson and Antonia Dobrec. The project was made possible by a grant awarded to the school by the Department of Health and Human Services Children's Bureau.

Input for the handbook was guided by two committees of experts providing tribal child welfare services in two states, Oklahoma and New Mexico. Other contributors include Antonia Dobrec (Yurok), Phillip Lujan (Kiowa/Taos), Frances Oheltoint (Kiowa), Gary D. Davis (Cherokee), and Virginia J. Sutter (Northern Arapaho).

The handbook is accented with a series of supportive children's sketches designed especially for the book by Indian artist Gordon L. Yellowman from the Cheyenne-Arapaho tribe. The book has received high praise for its breadth of treatment regarding subject matter that relates to tribal child welfare services.

The handbook is being distributed to institutions and personnel associated with undergraduate and graduate social work CSWE-approved programs, tribal child welfare agencies, and tribal groups in a three-state region area. For additional information, contact Dr. Anderson at the School of Social Work.

## Faculty News

Stephen Anderson and project staff have just completed a project supported by a grant from the Department of Health and Human Services Children's Bureau. A handbook entitled *Indian Child Welfare Resources and References* is the major product of the project. Anderson presented a paper entitled "Correlates of the Self-Concept in Child-Abusing Parents" at the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association

annual meeting held in Showbird, Utah. The same paper co-authored with Dr. Herb Richek is to be published in the *Journal of Indian Pediatrics* in New Delhi, India.

Wayne Busby is working with NASW to help secure a grant to support a demonstration project on school social work.

Wayne A. Chess was co-author of an article published in *Social Work Research and Abstracts* entitled "Perceptions of Emotional Support, Stress, and Strain by Male and Female Social Workers." Co-authors are Srinika Jayarante, a former faculty member, and Tony Tripodi. Chess and Jayarante published a second article in *Administration in Social Work* entitled "Job Satisfaction and Turnover Among Social Work Administrators: A National Survey." In addition Chess and Jayarante co-authored a chapter entitled "Job Satisfaction and Burnout in Social Work," which will appear in a new text entitled *Stress and Burnout in the Human Service Professions*. Chess co-presented a paper entitled "Burnout Among Private and Agency-Based Practitioners: Results of a National Study" at the 1983 NASW Symposium. Co-presenters were Dr. Julia Norlin and Dr. Srinika Jayarante.

Herman Curiel was appointed by Governor Nigh to serve on the State Foster CARE Review Advisory Board. He was elected president of the Oklahoma Association of Hispanics in Higher Education. He presented the following papers at the Southwestern Social Science Association annual meeting: "A Comparative View of Approaches to Social Work Education in Argentina and the United States," "Do Minority Faculty Development Programs Work? A Ten-Year Follow-up Study of One Program," and "Teacher Ethnicity and Student Learning: A Quasi-Experiment and Failure to Replicate." The last paper was co-authored with Dr. Herb Richek.

Antonia Dobrec, formerly assistant director, is currently a doctoral student at the University of Oklahoma program in public administration.

John Gunther is serving as consultant to the Oklahoma Board of

State Licensed Social Workers. He has developed a training manual and conducted training sessions for social work supervisors. Gunther was the keynote speaker at the NASW luncheon held in conjunction with the annual meeting of OHWA held in Tulsa this fall. He serves as trainer/consultant for the Department of Human Services division of Court-Related Community Services. He was appointed state chairman for the NASW Social Action Committee which oversees the PACE/ELAN efforts for NASW. He presented two papers entitled "Survival Information Television: The Future Technology of Community Education" and "Organizational Development: Technologies for the Future" at the annual meeting of the Council on Social Work Education held in Fort Worth, Texas. He also presented a paper at the National Conference on Social Welfare entitled "Empowerment: An Affirmative Response to a Socially Hostile Environment" held in Houston in May 1983.

Man Keung Ho is on sabbatical leave and holding the position of acting director at St. Joseph's Children's Home in Oklahoma City. He has completed work on a new book that will be in print next spring entitled *Building a Successful Inter-marriage*. Ho gave an invitational paper on work with Asian/Pacific Americans at Smith College in June 1983. He presented a paper entitled "The Use of an Ethnic Sensitive Test to Enhance Students' Practice Skills with Ethnic Minorities" at the CSWE Annual Meeting held in Fort Worth, Texas. His article, "The Use of Popular Music in the Education and Practice of Family Therapy," is to be published in the January 1984 issue of *Social Work*. A second article, "Group Work with Asian/Pacific Americans," is to be published in the February 1984 issue of the *Journal of Social Work with Groups*. Ho is serving a three-year term on the NASW editorial board for the *Practice Digest* publication.

Dale Kunkel will be conducting an institute on sexual dysfunction and sex therapy as part of the Tulane University School of Social Work summer series. He is working

with Professor Harvey L. Grochros of the University of Hawaii on a new book entitled *Intimacy*.

**Constance Lindemann** is presently serving as a member of the Women's Advisory Committee for the State Department of Mental Health. Her paper "Sexual Freedom, the Right to Say No" will be published in the December 1983 issue of *Social Casework*.

**Julia M. Norlin** co-authored a paper that was presented at the Community Organization/Administration Symposium at the annual program meeting of the Council on Social Work Education in Ft. Worth in March 1983. The paper was entitled "Social Work Administrators in Part-Time Clinical Practice: Results of a National Survey." She also authored a paper for the APM/CSWE entitled "Women in Social Work: An Analysis of BSW and MSW Females"; she co-authored a paper at the NASW National Symposium in November 1983 entitled "Burnout Among Private and Agency-Based Practitioners: Results of a National Survey." She was elected to a two-year term as treasurer of the Association of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors. This is a national organization of BA-level social work educators.

**Virginia Olds**, coordinator of field practicum, was appointed by the national office of NASW to the national NASW committee of peer review.

**Francis J. Peirce** was elected a life fellow by the American Orthopsychiatric Association. His article "Social Group Work and Alcoholic Anonymous" is to be published in the proceedings of the second annual Symposium on Social Work with Groups.

**Herbert G. Richek** co-authored a number of papers which were presented at the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association annual meeting held in Snowbird, Utah. Joan Faught, social work graduate student, was cited as one of six finalists in the graduate student competition for her paper entitled "The Suicidal Oklahoman: Content Analysis of Hot-Line Telephone Calls." Richek co-authored with Faught a second paper delivered at the same meeting entitled "Depressive Anxi-

ety and Existential Neuroses Associated with Professional Burnout."

**Kristi Twichell** is jointly conducting a research study with Dr. Julia Norlin and students on "The Stress and Support Needs of Elderly Couples Where Illness Is a Factor." She is the lead investigator on a second comparative study with Professors Norlin, Kunkel, and Curiel that compares the perceived roles of classroom and field faculty, with emphasis on examining the role of the field liaison individual.

**Kenneth R. Wedel** presented a paper entitled "Privatizing the Social Services in the United States" to the United Kingdom Social Science Research Council Policy Study Group in London, England, last October. He was the lead author of a paper presented at the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association annual meeting in Snowbird, Utah. The paper was entitled "A Comparison of the Value Systems of Four Service Rendering Professions."

## Alumni News

### 1950s and earlier

**Joan Johnson Casey** (BA '36) is now a volunteer for the Denver Red Cross in Colo.

**Rosa Lee (Grueser) Flanigin** (BA '51) lives in Ponca City and is a psychiatric social worker for a non-profit community clinic.

**Joyce Moore** (BA, MSW '58) is administrator of mental health services in Ada.

### 1960s

**Wynona G. Day Wood** (MSW '60) lives in Muldrow. She retired as a social worker from a Veterans Administration hospital.

**Billy F. Timmons** (MSW '62) is an administrator-supervisor of general social services in Tahihina.

**Irene Oliver Clarey** (MSW '64) has retired and lives in Cushing.

**Joe G. Formby** (MSW '65) is clinical director of the Ft. Sill Alcohol/Drug Rehabilitation Center.

**Jan S. (Ledford) Glasgow** (MSW '67) is a consultant for a child-care center and a pre-school youth ranch in Ada.

**Verlin R. Woolley** (MSW '67) is the executive director for Inland Counties Regional Center Inc. in San Bernardino, Calif. He lives in Redlands.

**Linda R. McNew** (MSW '68) is a supervisor and social worker in private practice in Oklahoma City. Her field of practice includes aging and mental health.

**Andrew Phillips** (MSW '68) is an area director for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Mental Health.

**Gail R. Schra** (MSW '68) is a social worker in Colorado Springs, Colo.

**Gwendolyn M. Scott** (MSW '68) is a social worker in a mental health agency in Houston.

**John M. Waltz** (MSW '68) is a social worker in a mental health agency in Del City.

**Juanita T. Cagle** (MSW '69) is an administrator of general social services in Oklahoma City.

**George Ann (Connely) Cooper** (MSW '69) lives in St. Louis, Mo., and is a child abuse and neglect investigator.

**Carolyn J. Goff** (MSW '69) is chapter organizer and president for the Oklahoma County chapter of MADD—Mothers Against Drunk Drivers.

**Jane Haines** (MSW '69) retired in May from Tulsa City-County Health Department after 13 years with its family planning project.

**Evelyn Lee** (MSW '69) retired in May after 35 years with DHS.

### 1970s

**K. Genevieve Davidge** (MSW '70) is an administrator at Westside Family and Children's Services in Tulsa.

**David M. Jones** (MSW '70) is a supervisor for DHS in Oklahoma City.

**John L. Conatser** (MSW '71) is a social worker for the Gregg County Youth Center in Longview, Texas. He has a part-time private practice.

**Mary-Jo Poulton Wimbish** (MSW '71) is a volunteer with the Margaret Hudson Board Mother-to-Mother Program and the Tulsa County Foster Care Review Board.

**Tempie Jean Nichols** (MSW '73) is a consultant in the mental health field.

**Kenneth Peterson** (MSW '73) monitors the purchase of service contracts for a county office in Grand Rapids, Mich.

**Richard Wilson** (MSW '73) is an administrator for a public works agency in Ft. Supply.

**Viki L. Turnipseed** (MSW '75) lives in Santa Fe, N.M., and is assistant director for a multi-hospital system.

**Sandra K. Patton** (MSW '76) is a social worker with the Indian Health Services in Ada.

**Gwenn Schlansky** (MSW '76) is doing direct social work practice and planning in Jerusalem.

**K. Renee Marlow** (MSW'77) lives in Tulsa and is a clinical social worker.

**Jane Temerlin** (BA, MSW'77) works in the mental health field in Oklahoma City.

**Linda Rogers Laforgia** (MSW'78) is a captain in the Air Force and chief social worker in a mental health clinic at Norton AFB, Calif.

**Gary F. Micka** (MSW'78) lives in Hannibal, Mo., and is a social worker for a mental health agency.

**Nancy J. Brawner** (MSW'79) is a consultant in the mental health field and lives in Oklahoma City.

**Sidney Hollar** (BA'79) is finishing the second year of law school at Georgetown Law Center.

**Kay Mondres-Ludwig** (MSW'79) is director of follow-up services with the Department of Mental Health. She is also in private practice.

**Gene C. Reid** (MSW'79) lives in Tulsa and is the owner of Reid Landscape Construction Co.

#### 1980s

**Barbara E. Barber** (MSW'80) is a social worker for a mental health agency in St. Petersburg, Fla.

**Ginger K. Corbet** (MSW'80) is a social worker in Medford. She conducts workshops on stress management.

**Anita R. Harward** (MSW'80) is a social worker at the Baptist Medical Center in Oklahoma City.

**Wanda M. Koehler** (MSW'80) is doing post-graduate work at OU. She now holds three master's degrees.

**Judy A. Merlo** (MSW'80) is an administrator at the Midwest City Memorial Hospital.

**Frederick D. Redshaw** (BA'80) is a counselor in a private non-profit agency for the chemically dependent in Norman.

**Christine Ringle-Smith** (MSW'80) has recently moved to Ann Arbor, Mich.

**Claudia Wagnon (Arnn) Small** (MSW'80) is on the board of Planned Parenthood of Oklahoma City.

**Candy M. Chapman** (MSW'81) is a social worker for the Jim Taliaferro Mental Health Center in Duncan.

**Janice Fesler** (BA, MSW'81) is working toward certification in chemical dependency. She is a case manager for mental health services in Ada.

**Sydell H. Feinman** (MSW'81) is a social worker in Cherry Hill, N.J.

**Jean M. Goodnight** (MSW'81) is a social worker for a day treatment program in Tulsa.

**Catalina Herrerias** (BA, MSW'81) was nominated as an Outstanding Young Woman of America for 1983. She is a doctoral student at the University of Texas at Austin.

**Spike Jackson** (BA'81) is developing a private non-profit agency called Challenge Inc. to assist youngsters in learning to deal with life without drugs.

**M. Susan Moore** (BA, MSW'81) lives in North Little Rock and is a supervisor for a federal social work agency.

**John Arthur Torro** (BA, MSW'81) is a social worker in a corrections agency in Altus.

**Pamela Turner-Hunt** (MSW'81) is a rural social worker and social services consultant in Seminole.

**M. Rachele Hardin** (MSW'82) is a social worker for the Transitional House in Norman.

**Vivian Sue Morton** (MSW'82) lives in Albuquerque, N.M., and is a social worker in a health agency.

**Bessie Speyer** (MSW'82) is a social worker with the Department of Child Welfare.

**Nancy D. Walentiny** (MSW'82) is a social worker in Broken Arrow.

**Joyce Atchinson** (MSW'83) is a social worker for DHS in Oklahoma County.

**Steve Keller** (MSW'83) is a social worker for Harris County Child Welfare in Houston.

#### In Memoriam

**Mary Louise Bellati Hartpence** died November 23 at her home. Mrs. Hartpence served as an adjunct faculty member for the School of Social Work

for many years. She held the position of programs assistant administrator with the Oklahoma Department of Human Services since receiving her MSW from the school in 1952. Mrs. Hartpence was a member of Beta Sigma Phi, Order of the Eastern Star, and the Oklahoma Health and Welfare Association. She received a Special Recognition Award by OHWA in 1969. She was a member of the American Public Welfare Association, the National Association of Social Workers, the Academy of Certified Social Workers, and the Oklahoma State Board of Licensed Social Workers. She was listed in *Who's Who in American Women* in 1970 and 1971.

**Lois Copus** (MSW'81) died December 14 as a result of an automobile accident. Ms. Copus was a counselor for displaced homemakers at Moore-Norman Vo-Tech and was president-elect of the Cleveland County Mental Health Association.

#### Interaction Survey Results

We received 70 responses from our "We'd like to know you better" request. Your feedback indicates that OU graduates are found in three major fields of practice: mental health, family and children's services, and health care—in that order. Twenty percent of the respondents are practicing in rural communities.

#### Attention: All Alumni

Please send in information on your location, employment, any projects you are working on, changes in lifestyle, travel, and family news. We are the only source of information for social work alumni. Send to *Interaction* Editor, School of Social Work, The University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK 73019.

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