

# GRADUATE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK STUDENT ASSOCIATION

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## NASW State Conference a Success!

On **October 15-17**, 11 GCSW students attended the NASW state conference in Fort Worth. Students had the opportunity to attend workshops focused on Texas sex education policy, addressing racism in social work, ethics, and many more. The benefits of membership were discussed and Executive Director Vickie Hansen even provided a personalized networking informational session during lunch.

**Mark your calendar for next year, conference will be in Houston October 8-10!**



Students, faculty and staff show their Cougar Pride!

Thanks to the **NASW Houston branch** and **GCSW faculty and staff** for helping us raise \$600 towards conference expenses!

## Save the Date!

### Blow Out at Bohemeo's

December 12th @ 7:00 pm



Featuring a performance by Dr. Susan Robbins

### We are looking for student performers to offer their talent at the Blowout!

Whether you're part of a rock band, play a solo instrumental, or read poetry, we would love to have you or your group in the show. This is a fundraiser for the Student Association to contribute to future events and graduation, so any little bit helps! Questions? Contact Lorena Abitante @ [lja28@aol.com](mailto:lja28@aol.com) or 281-300-3011.

## Upcoming Events

CSWE Conference @ San Antonio	11/6-11/9
Registration Begins	11/7
Social Committee Meeting @ Lounge	11/9 12noon
SAISW Panel Discussion @ Rockwell Pavilion	11/9 5:00pm
"Precious" Movie Night @ Edwards	11/13 7:45pm
Thanksgiving Break	11/26-11/27
Foundation Research Day @ SW 101/102	12/5 9:30am
Blow Out at Bohemeo's	12/12 7:00pm

## Homecoming Tailgate

The GCSW Student Association, the GCSW Alumni Association, American Humanics, and the Office of Alumni and Career Services co-hosted a Cougar Football Tailgate for the Homecoming Game versus SMU on **Saturday, October 24th**. Students, alumni, faculty and staff, along with their friends and families, came out to have fun, network, and support the Coogs! Tailgaters enjoyed hotdogs, hamburgers, face painting, making spirit signs, a football toss, and the Homecoming Parade! We would like to extend a special thank you to Erika Thompson, Susy Mares, Jamie Parker, and Ann Liberman for heading collaboration, the set up and clean up crews, and especially to our cook, Brian Leo.



Januari Leo hard at work painting faces.

## Foundation Research Day

The UH-GCSW Foundation Research Poster Conference will be held:

**Saturday, December 5, 2009**

**9:30 a.m. to 12 noon • SW 101 & 102**

Cohorts 1 & 2 will present 9:30-10:30am and Cohorts 3 & 4 will present 11am-12pm.

We hope to see you there to support your fellow students!

## Movie Night



**Friday, November 13  
7:45pm**

Edwards Greenway Palace  
3839 Wesleyan, Houston, TX

## Texans Tickets

Texans tickets (*one per game*) are still available for the rest of the season's home games.

**Interested?** Contact Lorena Abitante for more information: [lja28@aol.com](mailto:lja28@aol.com).

## Become a "fan" of GCSW Student Association

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## Candidates Needed for NASW State Board

**Open Position: NASW MSW Student Representative, State Board of Directors**

*Open to current Foundation students only.*

Increase your leadership abilities by serving as the state representative for ALL MSW students! Travel to Austin for quarterly board meetings, attend the Sandra Lopez Leadership Institute, and attend the state conference in Houston in 2010. **This position also comes with a \$1000 scholarship!** Contact Januari Leo at [januarileo@yahoo.com](mailto:januarileo@yahoo.com) ASAP for more information. **Nomination form must be turned in by December 4th.** You must be a member of NASW to apply! Join today for \$48/year at [www.naswtx.org](http://www.naswtx.org).