

GRADUATE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK STUDENT ASSOCIATION

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Blowout at Bohemeo's!

The GCSW Student Association is hosting its 2nd Annual Fundraising Concert on Saturday, December 12th at 7:00pm. Proceeds from the event help fund the work of the Student Association, including the May graduation reception and class gift (see sidebar for a list of SA accomplishments in Fall 2009).

Tickets are on sale now! Save \$2.00 dollars by purchasing your tickets in advance from any Student Association Officer.

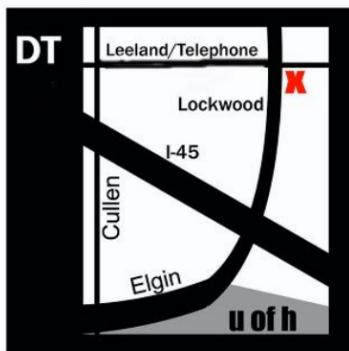
\$5.00 in advance
\$7.00 at the door

This event promises to be the biggest event that SA has hosted all semester long! Don't miss out on the fun. Please feel free to invite friends, family, alumni and partners.

bohemeo's

music art coffee

708 Telephone Rd., Houston, TX 77023



Saturday,

Dec. 12

7:00pm

Featuring Dr. Susan Martin Robbins

Upcoming Events

Foundation Poster Presentation	12/5 9:30am
End of the Semester Celebration	12/5 12.30pm
Field Evaluations DUE!	12/5
Community Development Presentation	12/8 6pm
NASW Holiday Party	12/11
Blow Out at Bohemeo's	12/12 7:00pm

Students Attend CSWE

Over 15 GCSW MSW and PhD students attended the 2009 CSWE (Council on Social Work Education) Annual Program Meeting on November 6-9 in San Antonio.



*Bridging Rights, Culture, and Justice:
Social Work as a Change Agent*

Students had the opportunity to attend workshops that shape social work curriculum, visit with students and faculty from schools across the U.S., and meet the authors of textbooks currently in use at the GCSW. Student Association provided a \$20 stipend for all SA members who attended. Mark your calendars for October 14-17, 2010, when CSWE will be in Portland, Oregon!

LAA Track Organization

A yet to be named LAA track student organization will be unveiled spring semester. If you would like to help develop this new organization, please contact Januari Leo at januarileo@yahoo.com for more information. We will meet in January, prior classes resuming.

PeaceJam Slam

Thank you to GCSW students who volunteered at the PeaceJam Slam: Sonya Hereford, Alicia Hicks, Karla Sehnert, Jami Thomas, and Ophelia Wong.

Save the Date for the PeaceJam Youth Conference March 27-28, 2010. Not only will be it an amazing experience and fabulous resume builder, you will get to meet Nobel Peace Laureate **Shirin Ebadi!** Contact pjam@central.uh.edu for more information.

Thanks to the SA Environment Committee, new recycling bins for paper have been placed in all classrooms & the Lounge.

New Recycling Bins



The custodians don't empty these, however, so please do your part to empty them into the larger recycling bins when the get full.

Happy recycling!

Fall 2009 Wrap Up

SOCIAL EVENTS

- Welcome Back Bowling Night
- First Fridays @ Little Bigs and Mo Mong
- Movie Night: *Precious*
- End of Semester Celebration @ Freebirds

VOLUNTEERING

- School Supply Drive for Yellowstone Academy
- Phone Bank for KUHF (Houston Public Radio)
- Grandparent Expo
- PeaceJam Slam

COLLABORATIONS

- Homecoming Tailgate with GCSW Alumni Association, American Humanics, and the Office of Career & Alumni Services

EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

- Coordinated students attending NASW and CSWE Conferences
- Contributed \$20/each for CSWE Student Attendees

FUNDRAISERS

- Social Work T-Shirts
- Lockers
- Fall Bake Sale
- Blowout at Bohemeo's

ENVIRONMENT

- Recycling Bins in classrooms
- Stapler/Hole punch for the Computer Lab

AND MORE...

- Transitioned to a committee format to allow more opportunities for involvement
- Membership Drive
- Student Advocacy Meetings
- Monthly Newsletters
- Developed Facebook Page



Committee Opportunity

A committee of NASW members is being formed, which will compile nominations for the social work awards breakfast in March. We will meet sometime in January, prior to classes resuming. Please contact Januari Leo at januarileo@yahoo.com if you wish to serve on the committee. NASW membership is a MUST! Join today at www.naswtx.org.