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Receives Graduate Council Approval

Doctoral Program on Steady Course

The school's proposal to initiate a doctoral program in social work is one major step closer to reality. The proposal was presented to the Graduate Council of the University by Dean Ben P. Granger and Dr. Bob Bonovich, chairperson of the School's Doctoral Planning Committee, at the Council's July meeting. It received unanimous approval.

There are three more phases of the approval process before the program can get underway: it must be approved by The University of Tennessee Senate and Board of Trustees, and finally, the Tennessee Commission on Higher Education. It is expected that these remaining finalities will be completed by the end of Fall Quarter, according to Dean Granger. The Winter edition of STIMULUS will carry further details.

Once the program is approved and resources made available, the doctoral program will begin in the fall of 1981. The program will emphasize research relating to the study of practice, and relationships between practice, policy and administration.

The doctoral program proposal is the culmination of work that began in 1974 when an ad hoc committee, charged with exploring the feasibility of a doctoral program at UTSSW was formed. In 1978, planning committees were established at each branch and at the School-wide level, and a committee of external consultants was formed.

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Lou Beasley Named Acting Director

Dr. Lou M. Beasley has been appointed Acting Branch Director at Nashville effective August 1, 1980. The appointment was announced by Dean Ben P. Granger.

Dr. Beasley has been a member of the faculty since 1971 when she was named Assistant Professor and since 1976 as Associate Professor. She has gained special recognition for her work with children and child welfare. Her (continued on page 2)
Creasie Hairston Joins OCSWE Staff

Dr. Creasie F. Hairston has been named Associate Director of The Office of Continuing Social Work Education effective September 9, according to Ron Green, Director.

Dr. Hairston, a full-time Assistant Professor with the Knoxville Branch since 1977, filled the position vacated by Richard L. Edwards, who is now Associate Director of the Continuing Education Program at the School of Social Welfare, State University of New York at Albany.

In Cleveland, Ohio, Dr. Hairston served in several related positions including caseworker, planning associate, instructor with the Cleveland State University Department of Social Services, consultant to United Torch and research associate with the Human Services Design Laboratory at Case Western Reserve University. She has gained expertise in evaluative research and consultation and technical assistance to non-profit organizations in the area of financial management.

She received both her MSSA and PhD at Case Western's School of Applied Social Sciences and her undergraduate degree was earned at Bluefield (West Virginia) State College.

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undergraduate work was completed at Tennessee State University and she received her MSSW from the University of Tennessee School of Social Work. Dr. Beasley received her DSW from The University of Denver Graduate School of Social Work.

The former Branch Director at Nashville, David Fauri, accepted a position at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale where he is a division head in the Human Services College.

Alumni Association Elects Officers

The election results for the Board Officers and Board Members of the UT School of Social Work Alumni Association have been announced by Barbara Grunow, outgoing president. The officers and board will serve a two-year term from July 1, 1980, to July 1, 1982.

Serving as President will be Lynnelle Hammett, Regional Director of the Tennessee Department of Human Services, Knoxville. Vice President will be Betty Rasberry, Director of the Undergraduate Social Welfare Program at the University of Tennessee-Martin. Secretary/Treasurer will be Vanessa Taylor, Medical Social Worker with LeBonheur Children's Hospital, Memphis.

Board members were chosen to represent each of the six major areas of the state. Representatives will be Julie Hardin, Admissions Psychiatric Social Worker, Lakeshore Mental Health Center, Knoxville; Farrell Cooper, Director of Social Services, Erlanger Medical Center, Chattanooga; Charles Wilson, Planning and Evaluation Specialist with the Tennessee Department of Human Services, Nashville; Emily Kyzar, Medical Social Worker at Methodist Hospital, Memphis; Jeanne Dycus, Director of Social Work at the Northwest Tennessee Mental Health Center, Martin; and Barbara Grunow, Assistant Commissioner for Planning and Evaluation for the Tennessee Department of Human Services.

As of September 1, a total of $1,476 has been contributed to the School's Alumni Scholarship Fund, an important source of partial support for UTSSSW graduate students. Keep up the good work!
### Fall Symposium Schedule

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### Tennessee NASW Meeting in Gatlinburg

The 1980 Fall Conference of the Tennessee Chapter, National Association of Social Workers, will convene on November 13 at the River Terrace Motel in Gatlinburg. The theme of the three-day conference will be "Growth in the '80s: The Person and the Profession." Fees for the conference are $35 for NASW members, $45 for nonmembers and $30 for full-time students. Complete registration information and details on the conference are available from Peggie L. Carey, University of Tennessee School of Social Work, OCSWE, 1838 Terrace Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee, 37916, (615) 974-6015.
ICSW Conference Addresses Global Issues

by Peggie L. Carey

"Social Development in Times of Economic Uncertainty" was the thematic issue which brought 1,100 international delegates to the Asian showplace of Hong Kong for the 20th International Conference on Social Welfare (ICSW), July 16-22, 1980.

Representatives from 70 countries, including 400 participants from the United States, convened in Hong Kong for the seven-day conference. It was a fitting setting—a crossroads where East meets West. Africans in colorful costumes, Westerners hiding from the sun and heat, petite Thai, Malayan, Japanese and other Asian delegates blended into the cosmopolitan atmosphere of this British crown colony on the southeast coast of China.

In addition to its international flavor, the city was a good choice of conference sites from its social perspective. Social welfare programs are advanced in Hong Kong. A noncontributory social security system is supplemented by additional allowances on a nonmeans tested basis for the disabled and elderly. Medical care is virtually free and nine years of schooling is both free and compulsory. More than two million people, approximately 40 percent of the total population, live in government-subsidized housing.

Almost 180,000 illegal immigrants enter the city annually—a day-to-day problem that was especially aggravated last year when 70,000 boat people arrived during a nine-month period. Social services have been stretched to the limit, advances of the past decade have been threatened, and hope for continued progress almost destroyed.

The spectre of half the population of the world living in undernourished conditions hung over the conference discussions. Most speakers, especially those from "developing" countries, referred to this situation, many quoting from the recent Brandt Report. At the opening plenary session, John F. Jones, chairman of the board of Studies in Social Work at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, emphasized the theme of

Peg Carey, OCSWE, stands beside an obelisk marking the conference site.

North-South disparity. He pointed out that three-quarters of the world's population live on about one-fifth of the world's income. Jones further suggested that underdeveloped areas, being primarily agricultural, could not really benefit from imitating industrial-based models of the Northern Hemisphere nations, but rather from models which combined agricultural and industrial growth structures.

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Abuse of the Elderly
Subject of State Conference

The 1980 Tennessee Conference on the Abuse of Older Persons, one of the first of its kind in the nation, will be held December 3-4 at the University Center on the University of Tennessee-Knoxville campus.

The Conference will provide a forum for the exchange of information and research on the abuse of older persons in our society—abuse that is physical, psychological and economic. A number of workshops presented by well-known authorities and a film festival will be part of the conference agenda.

Richard Douglas of the Institute of Gerontology, University of Michigan, and Marilyn Block, a faculty research associate with the University of Maryland, will address the conference a keynote speech detailing the nature and extent of the abuse older persons face. Robert J. Havighurst, Professor of Education and Human Development at the University of Chicago, will explore the problems older persons can expect to face in the '80s, especially in light of the prevalence of violence in our society.

The Conference is to be cosponsored by the Tennessee Commission on Aging; The University of Tennessee Center for Extended Learning; The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Cole Interdisciplinary Council on Aging; The University of Tennessee School of Social Work, Office of Continuing Social Work Education; Tusculum College, Department of Social Work; and Lakeshore Mental Health Institute, Aging and Mental Health Project.

Registration materials will be available in October. To request registration materials or additional information, contact: Peggie L. Carey, University of Tennessee School of Social Work, Office of Continuing Social Work Education, 1838 Terrace Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee (615) 974-6015.

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Ed Weaver, executive director of the American Public Welfare Association, stressed the concept of an "interdependent world--a global society." He felt that isolationism and protectiveness were not the answers, nor was financial assistance with "strings attached" a reasonable long-term solution. Instead, Weaver advocated a modern-day Marshall Plan which would be underwritten by the United States, Western Europe and Japan, noting that the original Marshall Plan succeeded because of the "participation and implementation of those affected."

Another plenary session speaker, W.A. Dyson, executive director of The Vanier Institute of the Family in Ottawa, Canada, deplored what he called a "loss of community" in the western world. He suggested the so-called "have" nations should look to Asia and Africa where, in spite of their underdevelopment, a sense of community, tribal, sectional or family ties continued to cement their culture.

Dyson stated that western peoples have become a "rootless mass" and that "the price of industrialization has been the loss of wholeness. We have equated people with replaceable uniform parts. The core issue facing western industrialized people is not that they should give up their wealth and share it as such, but that they need a fundamental (continued on page 10)
Non-Credit Opportunities

NATIONAL

American Public Health Association - 108th Annual Meeting
October 19-23, 1980, Detroit, Michigan

Fourth Annual Conference on Training in the Human Services
October 21-23, 1980, Williamsburg, Virginia
Contact: Florence Z. Segal, Director of Continuing Education,
School of Social Work, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA 23284.

Society for Hospital Social Work Directors Annual Meeting
October 21-25, 1980, Denver, Colorado

Fourth Annual Conference on the Small City and Regional Community
March 26-27, 1981, Stevens Point, Wisconsin
Purpose: To combine research and practice in dealing with multi-dimensional aspects of life in small cities. Proceedings will be published. Deadline for submissions is December 1, 1980.
Contact: Robert P. Wolensky or Edward J. Miller, Fourth Floor, Collins Building, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Stevens Point, Wisconsin 54481.

STATE

Improving the Quality of Services to Black Families: Social Myths and Economic Realities
October 24, 1980, Cook Convention Center, Room P, Memphis, TN; 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Fee-$12.
Objectives: To distinguish prevalent myths, misconceptions and generalities from factual information on the socioeconomic characteristics of black families and to better enable human services workers to formulate strategies and programs based on current information and analysis.
Sponsors: Memphis-Shelby County Health Department, Division of Family Planning; Tennessee Department of Public Health, Division of Maternal and Child Health; Shelby State Community College, Continuing Education Program; University of Tennessee School of Social Work, Continuing Social Work Education.
Contact: Continuing Education at Shelby State Community College, 528-6778, 528-6779, or 528-6798.

The Family Therapy Training Center
Established by the Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at the University of Tennessee Center for the Health Sciences, Memphis.
Workshops will be given in September and November.
Contact: Robert L. Pugh, ACSW, Director of The Family Therapy Training Center, (901) 528-5944.

LOCAL

Theory and Practice on Group Psychotherapy - Irving Yalom, M.D.
November 21, 1980, Knoxville, TN
Sponsored by Peninsula Psychiatric Hospital
Contact: Rolf Carlson, Knoxville: 573-7913 or Maryville: 983-8216.
Social Work in Rural Areas Continues to Expand

Approximately 250 persons attended the Fifth National Institute on Social Work in Rural Areas held July 27-30, 1980, in Burlington, Vermont. The conference was cosponsored by the Adelphi/Vermont Program, the Rural Social Work Caucus, the Vermont Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers and the University of Vermont Rural Studies Program.

The conference theme was "Toward Clarifying the Context of Rural Practice." Contributing to the program were several members of the University of Tennessee faculty and staff: Dean Ben P. Granger, Richard L. Edwards, Joanne F. Jankovic, Phyllis Betz, Nancy S. Dickinson and Paul Campbell.

Other major addresses at the Institute were given by U.S. Senator Patrick Leahy (D-VT); Joan Wallace, Assistant Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture; and Kate Jeshing, Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislation, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Joan Wallace (left) and Joanne Gumpert.

Five years ago, the University of Tennessee School of Social Work sponsored the first National Institute on Social Work in Rural Areas. That effort has now become firmly institutionalized with meetings held in successive years in Wisconsin, West Virginia, Wyoming and most recently in Vermont.

The keynote speaker of that first Institute was Leon Ginsburg, then Dean of the West Virginia University School of Social Work. Ginsberg also delivered the keynote address at the Fifth National Institute held in Vermont, and he is now serving as Commissioner of Welfare for the state of West Virginia. In addition to commenting on the changes he has experienced in moving from a position as an academic dean to the head of a large bureaucracy, Ginsberg commented on the growth of interest in rural social work since the first institute in Tennessee. From an attendance of less than 100 in the first year, the institute now attracts nearly 250 participants each year. In addition, the rural social work journal, Human Services in the Rural Environment, begun by the University of Wisconsin and now published by the University of Tennessee School of Social Work, is now firmly established and recognized as a quality publication.

Proceedings from the Vermont conference should be published shortly. For more information, contact Joanne Gumpert at the Adelphi/Vermont Program, c/o Trinity College, Burlington, Vermont 05401.
**Davenports' Sequel Probes Energy Problems**

Joseph Davenport, III, and Judith Davenport, both professors of social work at the University of Wyoming and UTSSW alumni (1968 and 1970, respectively), have edited a second book on boom towns. The Boom Town: Problems and Promises in the Energy Vortex was written as a training textbook for a social work course the Davenports teach.

The editors recognized their first work, Boom Towns and Human Services, needed to be expanded to explore new areas and to cover others in more depth, so they contacted 22 people from a variety of agencies and institutions to participate in the writing project. Funds for the project were made available through a grant from the National Institute for Mental Health.

A number of subjects relevant to boom towns--alcohol, child abuse, community planning and public policy--are covered in the text which will also serve as a handbook for persons developing planning strategies in impacted areas.

The book is available without charge from Wyoming Human Services Project, Room 312, Merica Hall, University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming, 82081.

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**Noted Speakers Set for Lakeshore Program**

The Aging and Mental Health Program will sponsor a one-day conference entitled "Community and Family: A Caring Network for the Elderly" at Tennessee State University-Downtown, Nashville, on Wednesday, November 5, 1980.

Keynote speakers for this conference will be Dr. Barbara Silverstone and Dr. Florence Safford. Dr. Silverstone is the Executive Director of the Benjamin Rose Institute in Cleveland, Ohio and the author of several publications dealing with issues of family and the elderly. Dr. Safford, formerly with the Isabella Geriatric Center in New York City, is now Educational Specialist for the Brookdale Center on Aging of Hunter College, New York. Dr. Safford has written extensively about her experience in working with families of the mentally impaired elderly.

A panel discussion will be conducted in the afternoon which will focus on the role of Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) in developing community services. Small group workshops will follow the panel discussion and will address topics such as: working with the local AAA; legal and civil rights of the elderly; working with adult protective services, and utilizing home health services. Dr. Silverstone and Dr. Safford will also be conducting small group sessions.

The registration fee for this conference will be $15, which includes a catered lunch. Student registration is free, however, $5.00 will be charged for lunch.

For further information concerning this conference, contact: Aging and Mental Health Program, Lakeshore Mental Health Institute, 5908 Lyons View Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919; Telephone: 615-584-1561, ext. 7481.

Joe and Judy Davenport
Fall Courses Offered

Following is a list of social work courses open in Fall Quarter, 1980, at the Memphis Branch for persons in the community who have completed their master's degrees. Others may enroll with permission of the instructor.

Classes begin on September 25 and end December 9. For further information about registration and fees, contact UT School of Social Work Memphis Branch, 1246 Union Avenue, Memphis 38104, (901) 725-4463.

5083: Directed Readings in Research: Epidemiologic Analysis of Social and Health Problems
W, 8-10 a.m., 2 hours credit
(Prof. Feit)

5315: Human Sexual Problems
R, 1-4 p.m., 3 hours credit
(Prof. Hirayama)

5480: Special Topics in Social Work: Advanced Social Work Treatment
W, 1-3 p.m., 2 hours credit
(Prof. H. Hess)

5480: Special Topics in Social Work: Social Work Practice with Children in Crisis
M-F, 10-12 a.m., 3 hours credit
(Prof. P. Hess)

5661: Community Organization
M-R, 8-10 a.m., 3 hours credit
(Prof. Knighton)

5771: Information Systems and Decision Making
T, 1-4 p.m., 3 hours credit
(Prof. Mullins)

5772: Financial Management for Social Welfare Administration
W, 1-4 p.m., 3 hours credit
(Prof. Feit)

5820: Social Aspects of Illness
W, 10-12 noon, 2 hours credit
(Prof. Lowry)

Memphis Hosts Lecturer from Japan

Mr. Akio Miyazaki, a lecturer in social welfare at Okayama Prefectural Junior College, Okayama City, Japan, will be a visiting research associate at the Memphis Branch during this school year.

Miyazaki earned his bachelor's degree in sociology at Doshisha University, Kyoto, in 1966, and in 1969, he received his master's degree in social welfare from the same university. He worked as a case worker, psychiatric social worker, probation officer and marriage counselor before joining the staff of Okayama Prefectural Junior College.

He is looking forward to his year abroad and hopes "to gain a deeper understanding about the theory and practice of American social work and social policy" during his year at UT.

Innovative Program in the News

Carolyn Drzycimski, a first-year graduate student at the Memphis Branch was saluted in an article in "The Commercial Appeal" in early June. Mrs. Drzycimski, a part-time teacher at Shelby State Community College as well as a graduate student, organized a group of senior citizens, who were patients at Cawthon Clinic, into a friendship circle.

During the group meetings Mrs. Drzycimski introduced the group members to community resources available to them, took them on field trips and had a nurse discuss health and aging problems. Although she will be leaving the group of newfound friends soon, Mrs. Drzycimski hopes another graduate student will take over her role and begin the group meetings again in September.
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change in their way of living and life style. We need to learn to live more easily with ourselves and each other, to practice a new economics based on enough, not more.

"The challenge to the developing nations is that they can do an end run around the western industrialized path in creating and expanding their own production capacity so that it serves their people and is rooted in their people's lives." He pointed to the "task of the social worker to help people work together towards strengthening community among and within people and not just the provision of more services."

The real work of the conference consisted of a number of table discussions. The same group of ten people met each day and hammered out policy statements on subjects such as: the structure and organization of social welfare; the provision of housing within a livable environment; work and employment for vulnerable groups (i.e., women, youth, handicapped); health for all people; personal health care and care for special groups; and education for all peoples.

The three main questions guiding the development of policy statements from each group were: What is the effect of economic uncertainty? What should be the objective guidelines and priorities for social development? What are the new strategies for action and what should ICSW and its membership do?

In addition, eight forums and three special workshops focused on specific subjects and issues related to the main theme. Field visits to local agencies and home visits with local residents provided cultural exchange opportunities.

Peggie L. Carey, Associate Director for Special Projects, Office of Continuing Social Work Education, served as reporter for the table discussion on "Education for All," an eight-hour effort by representatives from India, Israel, Thailand, Phillipines, Hong Kong, Sierra Leone and the U.S. Conference documents available for review at OCSWE include: Social Welfare in Hong Kong prepared by the organizing committee for the conference, an interesting document of social welfare development in Hong Kong including the current status of programs and proposals for the future; Social Development in Times of Economic Uncertainty, the conference working document by James Dumpson, General Reporter, which is a "world report" summarizing issues related to conference discussions from the five ICSW regions (Africa, Asia and the West Pacific, Europe, Latin America and North America), with an appendix of selected world development indicators.

At the report-back session of the conference, Dr. Dumpson summed up the table discussions. Highlights were:

ICSW should serve as a clearinghouse for information and social services for its national committees, and develop educational materials suitable for training policy makers and for guiding consumers in the use of community facilities and participation in community planning.

ICSW should seek to influence the development of social policy through its National Committees, and seek to have social welfare become one of the top priorities in each of the countries.

ICSW should provide leadership in the development of a series of specialized standards for the care, support and protection of the most vulnerable groups in our society—the elderly, the disabled, displaced persons, etc.

ICSW should facilitate the exchange of manpower and assist in providing a network of professionals for working in social development, particularly in industrially developing and underdeveloped countries.
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Part of the program goal is to foster attitudes of scholarship, competence in research methodology and facility in the analysis and evaluation of social work practice. The program mission is to contribute to the knowledge base of both major practice specializations—social work practice with individuals, families and small groups and social work administration and planning practice.

The core program will be located on the Knoxville campus and will later expand to Nashville and Memphis.
Editorial

The Age of “Unenlightenment”

Currently we are witnessing a threatening paradox in higher education. On the one hand, the demand for and provision of specialized kinds of adult education is ascending to all-time highs, while on the other hand, the support for general public education appears to be sinking rapidly. Adults increasingly are often willing to finance part of their own technical education and employees are often willing to support this in terms of time and money. But adults collectively seem increasingly unwilling to continue adequate levels of support for public higher education through direct state program support or public-supported stipend programs for students.

Perhaps this is the logical extension of the "do your own thing age," a reaction to the awareness that the major societal problems of the age have not succumbed to a decade of programmatic effort and with no "quick fixes," we will have to look out for ourselves.

What a potentially shortsighted step it is to withdraw support from the major institution of society that has the capacity to help its citizens develop the type of "world view" that will be essential for adequately coping with the demands of the last quarter of the 20th century. It is a time when world interdependence is forcing most of us to deal with the realities of other's cultures, values, histories, priorities and needs; a time when competition is spreading beyond community and nation to an international scale and when the capacity of our industrial system is in question.

Is this really a time we can afford to allow ourselves to slip into an "age of unenlightenment?" --RKG