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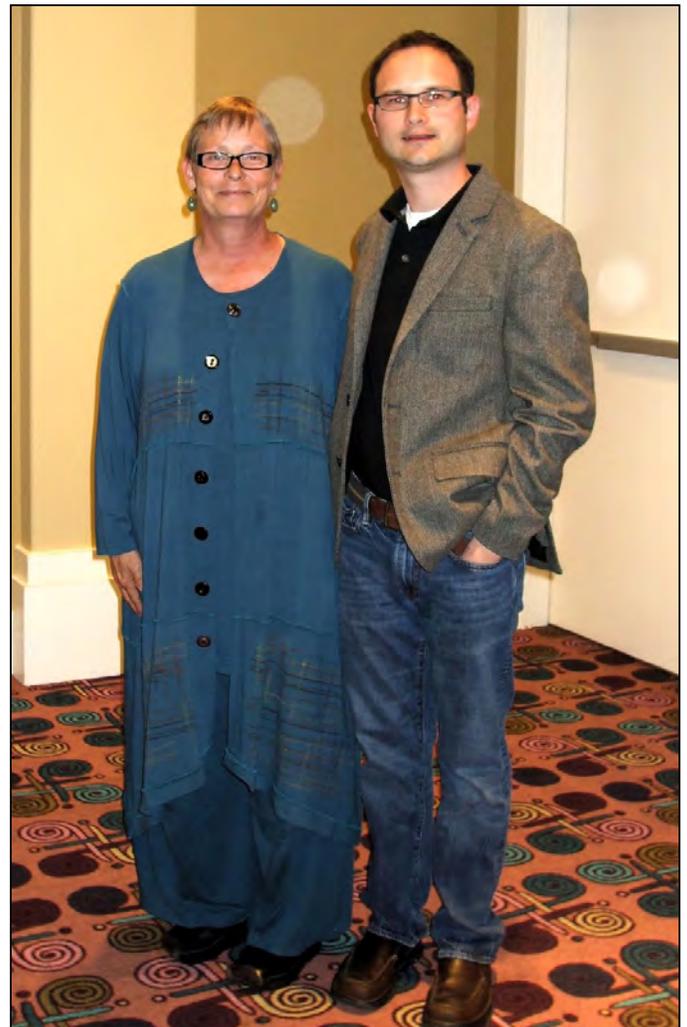
## 2010 Provincial Conference—“Social Justice Works: From Discourse to Action”

The 2010 SASW Conference was held in Regina at the West Harvest Inn on Thursday, April 29, and Friday, April 30, 2010, with the theme being *Social Justice Works: From Discourse to Action*. Approximately 86 participants attended the conference.

The conference program included four keynotes. On Thursday morning, Dr. Shawn Cassiman from the Department of Social Work, University of Dayton, Ohio, presented a keynote titled *Discourse, Narrative and Social Justice: The Relevance to Social Work Practice and Policy*. This presentation focused upon the discursive construction of policy statements, paying particular attention to recent media and policy discussion of “welfare” mothers in the US and the similarities to Canadian social welfare policy. She examined the ways in which policy discussion shapes our understanding of policy and how critically examining such narratives may lead to different conceptualizations of poverty.

Dr. James McNinch from the Faculty of Education, University of Regina, also presented a Thursday morning Keynote titled *I thought Pocahontas was a Movie: Perspectives on Race/Culture Binaries in Education and Education and Service Professions*. James applied discourse analysis to an infamous sexual assault trial involving three white prairie “boys” in their twenties and a 12-year-old First Nations girl. He explored how a “cross-cultural” sexual assault trial can become a metaphor of contemporary power relations between First Nations peoples and white settler descendants. He discussed the ways in which discourse analysis helps us to come to terms with our colonial past and move beyond the binaries of race and class and culture. He explored the implications this research has for “helping” professions.

The Hon. Donna Harpauer, Minister of Social Services, brought greetings to the conference attendees during the lunch hour. She reported on steps taken in the recent provincial budget with regards to Child and



Shawn Cassiman, Ph.D., conference presenter, with Kirk Englot, Chair of SASW Conference Planning Committee.

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## “Social Justice Works: From Discourse to Action” continued

Family Services and commended social workers for their good work.

On Thursday afternoon Dr. Cindy Blackstock, Executive Director of the First Nations Family Caring Society, gave a keynote titled *Is this our Canada?* Cindy documented the inequalities experienced by First Nations children and families through research evidence and pictures before outlining the strategies used by First Nations to address the problem.

Cindy described the human rights work her organization has been involved in, outlined many instances of systemic racism and human rights violations against First Nations people. Cindy shared stories and perspectives that inspired and challenged the audience.

At the Thursday evening banquet, awards were presented to Debra Wiszniak (CASW Award), Norma Rohatyn (SASW Award), and Tanya Shiele (Student Award).

At the banquet Noela Crowe-Salazaar, Maggie Dixon, and Lynndel Alexson performed two pieces titled *Blackbird Tells the Story of Ghost Child*, authored by Maggie, and a poem titled *Prevail*, authored by Noela. This emerging work was very powerful and resonated with the themes of the conference.

Dr. Bill Lee, associate professor, McMaster University, gave a keynote on Friday morning titled *Working for Social Justice: Lessons From History*. Bill has extensive community organizing experience and discussed current challenges faced by contemporary social movements. He argued that difficult as these issues are we do have inspiration and things to learn from those who have been

called on to fight social justice battles. He described the work and lessons of some of some pioneers within historic social movements including Mohandis Ghandi, Saul Alinsky, and Tommy Douglas.

The conference speakers brought wisdom and energy, challenge and hope and the conference offered an opportunity for socializing, networking, and sharing.

Submitted by:  
Kirk Englot, BSW, RSW (SK)  
Conference Chair

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## Conference Highlights



*Conference Highlights*



## President's Message



I'm very pleased to assume my new responsibilities as President of your association. By way of introduction, I've been a member of SASW for nearly 28 years, my level of engagement dependent on where I was on my eclectic career path at any given point. Prior to assuming the role of President-Elect last year, I served as chair of the Profes-

sional Conduct Committee for two years. Over the years I've also served as a member of the Legislative Review Committee, as Editor of the newsletter, as chair of the Health Care Task Group, and as President. I'm currently employed as Vice-President of Administration and Quality Improvement at the Ranch Ehrlo Society, where I've been for over 10 years.

This issue of the newsletter provides the highlights of another successful annual general meeting and provincial conference held at the end of April. I won't repeat what is written elsewhere but I do want to extend my appreciation to Kirk Englot, Tara Bilash and Eileen Elkington and Debb Fisher who spearheaded the small but determined conference organizing committee. I'd also like to thank the outgoing council members Myrna Pitzel Bazylewski, who served as our secretary, and to Victoria Walton, who concluded her term as member-at-large. I would like to extend a special thank you to Jim Wall whose thoughtful and respectful manner, his ability to engage others, and his dry wit certainly enhanced Council's deliberations over the past two years. I look forward to Jim's support and wisdom as he assumes the role of Past President. I'd like to welcome Dianne Laurantzen, from the Battlefords as our new secretary and Dr. Jim Mulvale, from Regina as our new Member-at-Large. I look forward to working with all of you.

There are a number of upcoming events that I would like to bring to the attention of the membership. As the newsletter goes to press, Executive Director Richard Hazel, CASW representative Ray Pekrul and I will have just returned from a meeting of member organizations of the Canadian Association of Social Workers in Montreal. The primary agenda item was a facilitated discussion on a comprehensive and wide-ranging operational review of the national association. The review, which contains 44 recommendations, is proposing that the CASW become a leaner organization by focusing on core services that its member organizations need

most.

SASW has been invited to make a presentation on June 16 to the Saskatchewan Child Welfare Review Panel, chaired by Bob Pringle. Two issues we will be focusing on are the need for additional resources and supports for employees working in the field the need to increase preventative and community services.

We continue to be involved with the recently created Canadian Council of Social Work Regulators. While still in its infancy, the council has received funding from Human Resources and Skills Development Canada to establish a set of social work competencies for entry level social work in Canada. Much of the impetus for national competencies is due to labour mobility issues resulting from the Agreement on Internal Trade.

So stay tuned for updates on all these fronts. There is a great deal going on in your association. As I assume the role of President, I look forward to the challenges that lie ahead.

*Submitted by:*

*Carole Bryant, MSW, RSW (SK), MBA, CMA*

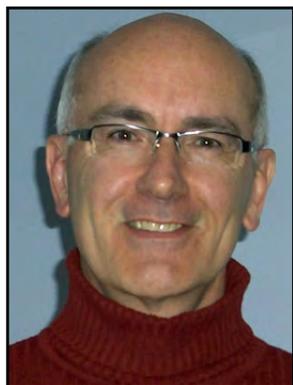
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## Executive Director's Message



In addition to what Carole has outlined in her report about our recent conference, I would just like to add acknowledgement of the three award recipients who each responded to their awards with such grace and humility. Congratulations to Norma Rohatyn, Debra Wiszniak and Tanya Schiele. Next time

you have a chance to visit the SASW Office, please have a look at the new plaques on the wall that now capture the names of award recipients over time.

Our AGM was held the evening of Wednesday, April 28.

For lunch that day, Council invited the group of aboriginal members who have been working with Hazel Berg to set up the Aboriginal Social Workers Committee. Also invited were representatives from the 18 Indian Child and Family Services agencies to talk with us about the opportunity to move further in the direction of SASW registration. Twenty-five were gathered for this event, and we all had the great opportunity to hear Cindy Blackstock speak about her views on our profession and to outline the very significant work being done on the current Human Rights Tribunal dealing with the role of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada. Cindy spoke further on this effort at the conference the next day and strongly challenged us to become interested in and involved with this work. Cindy is the Executive Director of the First Nations Child and

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## Registrar's Report

In view of our annual addition of new members, and as a refresher for all of us, it seems timely to review the importance of Section 24 of the *Social Workers Act*.

Prior to 1995 there was little in the way of social work regulatory mechanisms enshrined in Saskatchewan legislation. Basically, pretty much anybody could hang out a shingle and declare herself/himself to be a social worker. This changed with the 1995 *Social Workers Act* restricting who could practice social work and greatly increasing the accountability of those who could. In the first instance, Section 24 declared that "no person other than a member (of the Saskatchewan Association of Social Workers) shall engage in the practice of social work by using the title 'social worker'." With respect to accountability, other introductions in the 1995 Act provided for establishment of the Professional Conduct Committee, the Discipline Committee and the Discipline Hearing framework. Taken over-all, the new provisions of the Act established two of the key goals of SASW, protection of the public and strengthening the social work profession.

With respect to section 24, those who may practice social work in Saskatchewan are those who have applied, have been assessed and found eligible for registration as a member of SASW. These persons may engage in the practice of social work using the title "social worker" and may use the designation RSW (Registered Social Worker).

The significance of the forgoing in terms protecting the public while correspondingly strengthening the profession of social work can be seen in the following. From the viewpoint of a prospective service recipient, or as another example, from the perspective of a potential employer, the candidate in front of him/her bearing the credential RSW (Sask) has proven eligibility for registration in an

Association requiring, among other things, satisfaction of an agreed standard of educational attainment, verification of criminal records clearance, and endorsement of good character from another registered social worker or current social work employer. Beyond this, the candidate has qualified for registration in a professional body that is self regulating, the candidate having sworn to uphold the Code of Ethics, and in so doing having embraced accountability to peers and to the public, all in the knowledge that any breach of this code of conduct potentially bears penalties, the most severe of which is expulsion from the Association and public censure. These assurances are not automatically present with practitioners, or intending practitioners, who are not members of SASW or an equivalent body in another jurisdiction.

Clearly, joining an association such as SASW is serious business, not to be undertaken lightly. Clearly, the benefit of membership is also great in having demonstrated willingness to be held to a high standard of professional accountability.

Ownership of title is an important component of the standing and influence of SASW, of its clout, if you will, and all of us who are members of this Association have a vested interest in assuring this privilege is exercised and protected. Part of the responsibility of the Registrar is to evaluate and challenge apparent contraventions of Section 24. All members of SASW are encouraged to bring to the attention of the Registrar instances in which prohibited use of the title "social worker" appears to have occurred, be it in a media release, a position description, a resume or other form of communication. All such referrals will be assessed and acted upon as deemed appropriate. While

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## 2010 CASW Distinguished Service Award – Debra Wiszniak, MSW, RSW (SK), Regina

This year's CASW Distinguished Service Award was presented to Debra Wiszniak. We all know Debra for her high energy, sense of humour, and strong commitment and dedication to the profession of social work. She displays a “get it done” mentality regardless of the barriers, inviting others along for the fun of planning and the challenge of getting it completed.

The Association has benefited from these character strengths when Debra was Member-at-Large on SASW Council, 1998-2002; Member of Legislative Review Committee, 2002-2003; President-Elect and President, 2005-2007; Past President and Treasurer, 2008.

Debra provided leadership and relationship building during the discussions leading to what has become the Canadian Council of Social Work Regulators when hosting the social work regulatory organizations in Regina in September 2006. Debra continued after her term as President to volunteer with SASW providing continuing support in development of the Quality of Life Survey. Debra has worked her entire career as a social worker in health care. She started in term positions covering emergency,

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### *Executive Director's Report, cont.*

Family Caring Society in Ottawa and she makes becoming involved very easy. Take a look at their website at [www.fnccfs.com](http://www.fnccfs.com), and read the “7 Ways to Make a Difference.” With reference to the first two entries on the list of seven items, some time back Council approved SASW signing on as witness to the Tribunal and also registered its support for Jordan's Principle.

On March 17 you may have noticed a letter in the *Star Phoenix* and the *Leader Post* from our Registrar, Bill Tingley. He was writing on the topic of the title “social worker” and how it is that it is protected by provisions within *The Social Workers Act*. The letter was intended to educate the editors due to the title having been misused within articles published February 18 and 25 on child and youth services. When contacted to see if it was okay that his letter be published, Bill agreed. His report on page 7 reflects further on this critical piece of our “public protection” responsibility, and I recommend you read it!

On my “to-do” list for spring is an updating of the Action Plan resulting from the strategic planning session in January of 2007. The update will be on the agenda of the June meeting of Advisory Board, and will be posted on our website thereafter. From my notes, it appears that we will once again see some solid movement in the directions set three years ago.

*Submitted by:  
Richard Hazel, MSW, RSW (SK)*

the burn unit, women's health and family medicine from 1994-96. She moved to be the medical social worker on Palliative Care from 1996 to 2003 with Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region, and then moved to SWADD as Quality, Performance and Education Manager concerned with program development, evaluation and training of staff to meet best practices and outcome measures.

From November 2005 to February 2008 Debra was the Bereavement Centre Project Manager which has come become the Greystone Bereavement Centre. During this time the centre was moving to become an independent entity from the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region, with its own community board, looking to become a center of excellence in research and in practice along with an Aboriginal component. Debra is currently a Client Representative with the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region, a position demanding both advocacy and strong diplomatic skills to aid clients in accessing services and addressing issues as they arise. Debra has also been a sessional lecturer with the University of Regina on Dynamics of Death and Dying. Besides all these professional work activities Debra is a certified fitness instructor and International Stott Pilates Instructor explaining her high energy and fueling her commitment and determination. Debra, you're a social work practitioner deserving of the Distinguished Service Award. Congratulations!



Ray Pekrul, CASW Representative, presented the CASW award to Debra Wiszniak at the Conference banquet, April 29, 2010.

## SASW Distinguished Service Award – Norma Rohatyn, MSW, RSW (SK), Regina

The recipient of the SASW Distinguished Service Award for 2010 is Norma Rohatyn. It is fitting that Norma receive the award this year as this summer will mark 35 years of human service work by Norma.

Norma obtained her Bachelor of Social Work degree in 1993 and her Masters of Social Work in 2000. She has been a member of SASW for the past 17 years. She has served in the position of Registrar (1994-1996) and was Past President from 1998-2000. She also served as a representative to CASW from 2001-2002. Norma has always conveyed her pride in the social work profession and continues to support and promote our association and its contribution to the field of social work.

This summer will mark 35 years of service to the Ministry of Social Services. Norma began her career with Social Services in August of 1975. She has worked in both Income Assistance and Child and Family Services programs in various locations and in various roles. After working in both Swift Current and Saskatoon offices, Norma took a supervisory position in La Loche, Saskatchewan, in October 1979. She then moved into the Acting District Director role in La Loche before becoming the Program Manager in La Ronge in 1983. In October 1984, Norma relocated to Regina and became a Program Consultant at Central Office. She remained in that position until accepting a Supervisory position with Income Security in the Regina Region office in February 1986. Norma continued in this role for the next 14 years. In January 2001, Norma accepted the Area Service Manager position in the Moose Jaw Service Centre. She commuted from Regina to Moose Jaw for the next two years. From January 2002 to May 2003, Norma was A/Regional Director for Moose Jaw/Swift Current/Kindersley/Rosetown offices. She returned to the Regina Regional Office in May 2003 as the Area Services Manager in Child and Family Services. In April 2004, Norma accepted the position of Regional Manager for Child and Family Services for Regina/Moose Jaw/Swift Current. In 2009 Norma returned to Central Office, Child and Family Services Division, to become Program Specialist, Program and Service Design Branch. The title of Program Specialist truly fits the level of knowledge and expertise that Norma has developed in her years of service.

### *Registrar's Report, cont.*

section 42 of the Act provides a scale of penalties that may be imposed to discourage repeat offences, it is anticipated that satisfactory results can be obtained through an educative process.

*Submitted by:  
Bill Tingley, MSW, RSW (SK)*



Karen Wasylenka (left) and Gloria Baldwin (right), from the Ministry of Social Service, presented Norma with the award on April 29, 2010.

In October 2008, Norma organized a celebration for Regina Social Services to recognize 100 years of child protection services in Saskatchewan. She researched the history of child protection services in our province and spoke about this history at the event. As with everything that Norma organizes, the small details and elegant touches were well taken care of.

Norma's dedication to improving the outcomes for children and families in this province has been inspirational. Her commitment to the Ministry and to the larger community of social work continues to motivate and influence others. In each and every role that she has served in, Norma has conducted herself with the utmost of professionalism and respect. She offers encouragement and mentorship to staff and colleagues. She has promoted ongoing education and has strived to remain informed about best practices.

Norma was always able to challenge those around her to seek excellence in practice and to constantly seek ways to improve our knowledge as social workers. She demonstrates great leadership to those around her and has been a mentor to many of us.

Her focus in her work remained on the individuals she served and she provided that service with respect and integrity. Her genuine, caring attitude comes through as she listens to clients and co-workers alike. She always has the ability to see the strengths, whether it be in clients, colleagues, or difficult situations. She never expected more from anyone than she did for herself. Those around her were often hard pressed to keep up with her energy and enthusiasm. Even when faced with challenges herself, she kept her spirits high and always was the first to reach

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## 2010 SASW Student Award – Tanya Shiele, Saskatoon

Tanya lives in Saskatoon, attending the Faculty of Social Work there. She is nearing completion of her BSW and will be doing her major practicum in the fall with CPAS with the Saskatoon Health Region.

As a mature student, Tanya's interest in social work began when she was working as an Admin Assistant with Home Care in Meadow Lake. From working in this area, Tanya developed a desire to be involved in providing direct service provision to individuals, assessing their needs and obtaining the appropriate services.

In reviewing the applications submitted for the student award, the committee saw strength in Tanya's volunteer experiences over a number of years. Some of her volunteer work includes:

- Working with youth groups and events in her home town of Meadow Lake
- Participating with a building project in Peru and the Philippines with Canadian Food for the Hungry
- Being a camp counselor
- Providing child care at New Zealand Capernwray Bible School
- Volunteering at Real Choices Crisis Pregnancy Centre as well as at SWITCH (Student Wellness Initiative Toward Community Health) in Saskatoon.

Tanya's references indicated that she has shown good development of her skills and described Tanya as "confident and competent" with an empathic attitude.

The student award committee is pleased to present this award to Tanya.

Congratulations, Tanya, and good luck in your practicum and securing employment in the health care sector.

### *Norma Rohatyn Receives SASW Distinguished Service Award, cont.*

out to others. She also doesn't forget about the need to have fun—and so was able to create that atmosphere in the workplace.

Norma embraces and encompasses what social work and social workers strive to be and offer—courage, a kind heart, fairness, belief in goodness of people, belief that people can change with the right tools and support, caring, pride, professionalism, respect, being a change agent for policy and practices, and being human.

Congratulations!



Marlene Glettler (left), chair of the Student Award Committee, presented the award to Tanya Shiele on April 29, 2010.

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## Article Section

# MSW Practicum with SASW

In 2007 the SASW adopted an organizational strategic plan that included several action items for its social justice mandate. One of these action items related to the exploration of a provincial anti-poverty strategy. I had the opportunity to develop an MSW practicum around this action item and completed an eight-month, part-time field placement with SASW. This practicum took place between May and December 2009.

My work was based on supporting SASW to increase its capacity for social justice work, and to support the development of partnerships and networks that could carry forward the development of an anti-poverty strategy. This work was meant to be developmental, and focused on capacity building, so that the potential anti-poverty strategy initiative could carry on beyond my practicum term, and extend beyond the capacity of SASW. My practicum work plan focused on three main tasks:

### **Exploration Anti-Poverty Strategy:**

Why Worry About Poverty? Poverty rates in Saskatchewan have been stagnating despite a decade of relative prosperity. Income inequality is growing and the depth of poverty experienced by our province's poorest has increased. There are great moral and social costs to poverty, and while it takes a considerable social investment to address social exclusion and provide financial supports to families, the cost of letting poverty flourish in society is even greater.

Why an Anti-Poverty Strategy? Anti-poverty strategies have been an emerging social policy concept in Canada. Several eastern provinces, including Newfoundland and Labrador, New Brunswick, Quebec and Ontario have implemented strategies. Other provinces, including Manitoba, Alberta and British Columbia, have groups calling for the implementation of strategies. It has been demonstrated that strategic, concerted and collective action with clear goals and timelines makes a difference.

What is an Anti-Poverty Strategy? An Anti-Poverty Strategy is a comprehensive social policy plan to address the complex structural and multi-dimensional contributors to poverty through implementing a coordinated and cross-governmental effort to eliminate poverty. It starts with the selection of a legitimate and commonly used poverty measure such as the Low Income Cut Off (LICO). An Anti-Poverty Strategy establishes poverty reduction targets (a goal to reduce poverty by a pre-set amount) and timelines (by a pre-set date). It also requires the commitment to measure whether or not progress is being made

towards the goals and timelines. It relies on a process of collaboration and consultation across sectors (including government, CBOs, business, and citizens).

### **Develop a Provincial Network:**

A Collective Approach: SASW recognized that a comprehensive and integrated social policy framework would best be explored within the context of a diverse and multi-sectoral partnership. In June 2009, an initial meeting was organized to bring together social policy advocates, researchers, service providers and people who have lived the experience of poverty. This initial meeting led to the formation of a group titled Poverty-Free Saskatchewan. This group has emerged with an organizational structure, a terms of reference and an expanding membership, and is currently developing a body of research and making plans for community consultations. Future work towards a provincial anti-poverty strategy will be facilitated by this group.

### **Engage with Policy Decision Makers:**

A Collaborative Approach: SASW has affirmed a preference for relationship-based advocacy and collaboration. One of the primary objectives for my practicum was to support SASW to intentionally explore ways in which it might be effective in having a positive influence in shaping social policy to reflect social work values. While we tried to engage collaboratively with diverse groups, it was recognized that some of the key stakeholders are elected and non-elected provincial government officials. I worked at building and fostering relationships with key policy makers including the Ministries of Social Services and Education. One of the outcomes I hoped to achieve was to establish engagement around the concept of strategic, coordinated, and cross-ministerial and cross-sectoral anti-poverty social policy.

### **Practicum Outcomes**

At the completion of my practicum, I had the opportunity to present an evaluation report to Council on whether or not we were able to complete the anti-poverty strategy action item goals. I reported that the action plan item to explore the development of an anti-poverty strategy was completed. Outcomes for SASW were (a) increased clarity about potential benefits and drawbacks of an anti-poverty strategy as an option, (b) a survey of what has been happening in other jurisdictions, and (c) early partnership establishment and animation of discussion around comprehensive and strategic responses to poverty. During my

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## *MSW Practicum with SASW, continued*

practicum we surpassed SASW's initial goals. We moved beyond exploration into active partnership and development. A multi-organizational collaboration has been established to continue the work into the next year. There have also been many productive meetings held with government policy officials and elected members, resulting in increased attention to the idea of an anti-poverty strategy.

A key interest of the SASW was to explore how to involve itself effectively around its mandate to pursue social justice. We learned that effective organizing can be aided through good organizational leadership. Our intentional exploration of collaborative approaches demonstrated that this approach can be effective in moving an item of interest onto the social policy agenda.

My evaluation also suggested that SASW's four mandates, regulation, supporting practice, promoting the profession, and pursuing social justice, are inter-related. Working on one area supported the advancement of other areas. For example, when we met with officials within the Ministry of Social Services about pursuing an anti-poverty strategy, we were also profiling the profession and talking about regulation. Discussions about regulation also profiled the need for improved social policy and programming. Leading a multi-organizational and community-based collaboration profiled the association as having a contribution to social justice matters.

We also learned that SASW could add to the capacity

of community and social justice efforts. Through my practicum we were able to provide a level of leadership and capacity that might not have otherwise been possible. We were able to see that it can make a big difference for the SASW to delegate staff time to social justice efforts. I would recommend in the future that, if increased resources allow greater staff capacity, social justice activities such as the work I completed during my practicum could be a priority. I feel that positive social justice work was profiled as a result of my practicum work and internal organizational capacity was increased as a result of these efforts and outcomes.

I believe that the SASW has a relevant role in contributing to the development of effective social policy, healthy communities, and an actively engaged profession. I feel honoured to have been provided an opportunity to complete my MSW fieldwork with SASW. The opportunities I was provided during my practicum were highly valuable to my professional development. I am very grateful to Richard Hazel for the thoughtful and experienced supervision he provided that stretched my thinking into new terrains, and for challenging me to be a better social worker and a more effective advocate. I am also grateful to Council who approved this work as a priority amongst many important issues pulling at the SASW office's capacity.

*Submitted by:*

*Kirk Englot, BSW, RSW (SK)*

### **Impact Therapy: Presented by Dr. Danie Beaulieu**

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Dr. Beaulieu is the founder and president of Academie Impact, a training institute in Quebec. A psychologist specializing in innovative multisensory intervention and teaching methods, she is co-developer of Impact Therapy and Eye Movement Integration Therapy and is currently the only person authorized to teach these two approaches in Canada and the French speaking world. She has published 17 books and numerous articles. She has presented over 2500 workshops worldwide. Recognized for her dynamism and humor, she is an internationally renowned teacher and receives high praise for her presentations.

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# Prostitution

Prostitution and trafficking in women and children has shown an alarming increase around the world during the past several decades (Farley, M., Cotton, A., Lynne, J., Zumbek, S., Spiwak, F., Reyes, M., Alvarez, D., & Sezgin, U. (2003). The trafficking and prostitution of women and girls for profit is one of the fastest growing global businesses along with other forms of economic globalization.

Prostitution is a dangerous activity. Researchers interviewed 854 people currently or recently in prostitution in Canada and around the world, and found that prostitution causes many traumas. "71% of respondents were physically assaulted in prostitution; 63% were raped. And 68% had the clinical symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder" (Farely, M., Cotton, A., & Lynne, J. 2005).

Prostitution is connected to poverty. In Canada alone, over 80% of those surveyed reported current or past homelessness, and 98% consider themselves living in poverty. (Farely, et. al, 2005; Day, 2008). Prostitution is often referred to as "survival sex." It is a means of paying the rent, feeding children and maintaining a home.

Prostitution is also inextricably connected to childhood sexual, physical and emotional abuse. Farley, et. al, (2005) conducted a study of 100 women that lays out some of the tragedies that women in prostitution face. Of the women they surveyed, 82% reported a history of childhood sexual abuse, by an average of four perpetrators and 72% reported childhood physical abuse. The women studied were living in the downtown Vancouver area, 52% of them identified themselves as Aboriginal or First Nations.

Those who are sexually exploited or perpetually abused are often unaware that they have any human rights. Many of the individuals involved in the sex trade do not understand the magnitude of abuse that is occurring. While there are some women who advocate for the right to use their body in which ever way they would like, it does not remove the reality that their bodies are being violated, and the entire process is a direct power over, and violence, against women.

Currently, the Canadian law states that the actual act of exchanging sex for money is not illegal; however, the communication and solicitation around it is. This means that women and men, both offenders and victims can be charged for being involved in prostitution. Many believe this does not help women's equality at all. In fact, Day (2008) argues that it puts women in a position where they struggle to reach equality and autonomy, and the most impoverished, racialized victims are punished.

In general, the standards within the Canadian Criminal Code increases the vulnerability of prostitutes. Working conditions are often dangerous and threatening because fear of arrest emphasizes avoiding charges and incarceration

rather than focusing on health and safety (Day, 2008). Also, since a criminal record makes it extremely difficult to obtain any form of legal employment, it ensures that a woman involved in the sex trade will have few economic options other than prostitution.

Canada often entertains the idea of decriminalizing or legalizing prostitution. Decriminalization is considered a "gender-neutral" approach which sees women selling the services and men who purchase, as equal contributors to the sex trade (Day, 2008). Decriminalization in Canada would mean removing appropriate sections of the Canadian Criminal Code that currently prohibit any activity within the sex trade. This would inherently give permission legally to have both men and women participate in the industry as they wish.

Legalization is similar, but often seen as a means for the government to monitor, regulate and profit from the industry. Therefore, people would be able to open licensed businesses that could be indoors and have security or monitoring systems. Those who advocate for decriminalization or legalization believe that prostitution is inevitable and that, by setting up standards and "reducing harm" by bringing it indoors, women are safer (Day, 2008).

Then third option is abolition. Sweden has taken a lead in operating under this principle and some believe it would be appropriate for Canada to follow.

Abolition is the only option which decriminalizes women (the seller) but criminalizes the men (the purchaser) (Day, 2008). In Sweden, prostitution is fully recognized as male violence against women. To prohibit the purchase of sexual services, the Swedish government decided in 1999 to only charge the purchaser of the service, not the seller. They believe it is not helpful to punish the women in circumstances such as this because it is not working towards eliminating the harm that occurs in the transaction of the service (Day, 2008).

The Swedish government recognizes that without the male dominated demand for and use of women and girls for sexual exploitation, the prostitution industry would not be able flourish and expand. So, to decrease demand for prostitution, the government decided to make it more difficult for men to access these services.

Swedish law outlines what exactly would happen to someone who was charged with attempt to purchase services from a prostitute. Chapter 23 of their code states: "A person who obtains casual sexual relations in exchange for payment shall be sentenced for the purchase of sexual services to a fine or imprisonment for at most six months. Attempt to purchase sexual services is punishable" (*Swedish Penal Code*, c.23).

Because of this law, Sweden is no longer an attractive market for traffickers or purchasers. A member of Stock-

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## Prostitution, continued

holm's Social Services department states that the industry has dropped 40% to 45% since the law has been introduced in 1999 (Day, 2008). This is certainly a substantial change and something other countries such as Canada should consider.

If Canada were to follow Sweden, potentially similar effects would be seen. However this cannot be done without ensuring that means to economic and social security are in place. If women who are engaged in prostitution can feel like they have opportunities outside of their work on the street, it might increase the chance of them leaving that lifestyle. Human trafficking and prostitution is such

an extensive issue, but women all over the world need to know they have a definitive right not to be exploited. If this message can begin to be heard, then it can reinforce hope for eradication of the issue.

Submitted by:

Amber Bodziak, BSW, RSW (SK), Saskatoon

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### Navigating an Ethical Minefield? Pondering a "Grey Area"?

The **Practice Ethics Committee** is a confidential support service for SASW members that offers guidance on ethical decision-making. The committee will make every effort to respond in a timely fashion, and will provide alternate ways of viewing and acting on ethical issues.

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## CASW Section



# CASW Report

As I write, the Canadian Association of Social Workers is preparing for its annual meeting on May 30 in Montreal. The board, presidents and executive directors will be meeting prior to the AGM over 1 1/2 days to discuss and decide how to employ the recommendations from the operational and governance review just completed by the Agora Group of consultants. The report comprises 44 recommendations with a proposed change in emphasis for the national body and proposed weighing of voting capacity determined by provincial membership size. The Agora group will facilitate the process. Currently provincial members are preparing responses to the report by noting any additions to the recommendations and describing any questions or concerns they may have with particular recommendations.

CASW responded to the recent federal budget with a press release entitled “No Nation Can Be Prosperous on the Poverty of Others” followed by a 12-page analysis and overall criticism of how little social policy to reduce poverty in Canada was apparent in the budget except for a few isolated initiatives. The press release and paper entitled *Budget 2010: Short on Social Policy* is available on the website [www.casw-acts.ca](http://www.casw-acts.ca). Board members along with CASW staff constructed and chose the message of the press release and outlined the general contents for the paper. Fred Phelps, the social worker on staff, researched and crafted the paper.

A range of activities from the association office continue under a cloud of uncertainty generated by the report and the upcoming deliberations of the board and presidents. A meeting of the Intersectoral Committee composed of members from CASW board, CASWE (Canadian Association of Social Work Educators) and CCSWR (Canadian Council of Social Work Regulators) will be held June 23, 2010. A tentatively planned meeting for fall 2010 in Winnipeg is scheduled for the Committee to discuss shared and unshared terrain regarding the profession of social work. Exploratory discussions have been facilitated by the consultants and staff of CASW regarding sharing administrative resources. As your representative to the

board, I replaced Emily Dryzmala from Alberta to the Intersectoral Committee, and in a loose capacity continue acting as the social policy representative.

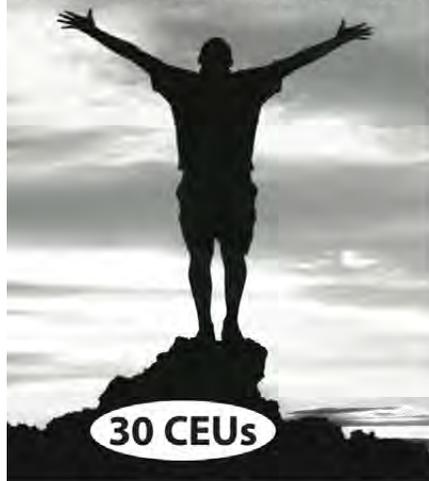
This is an exciting and challenging time for CASW as it reexamines its mandate and capacity to provide services to the member organizations. There is change in the air and it seems inevitable in some ways—so look forward to a perhaps differently constituted organization with redefined objectives.

*Submitted by:*  
**Ray Pekrul, MSW, RSW (SK)**  
*CASW Representative*

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## Committee, Branch & Task Team Section

### “A Day in the Life of a Social Worker”



I began my practice in a different capacity in Ghana, Africa before immigrating to Canada. The institutional differences between these two worlds afforded me a unique comparative perspective. I am currently an employee of the Prairie North Health Regional Authority (PNHRA). However, my reflections here as a social worker are based on my prior

employment as a Community Youth Worker with the Ministry of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing (CPSP).

In a typical day, I started work by checking my voice mail, returning phone calls, reading and responding to emails, and going through faxes sent to me the previous night. My primary responsibility involved case management and providing direct supervision to youth in trouble with the law. Consequently, attending the Youth Justice Court was a daily routine. Being the primary Case Manager for a young person in trouble with the law, I worked closely with the court system and provided information as well as recommendations regarding bail hearing and sentencing options.

As a social worker, my professional opinion sometimes differed from that of the crown prosecutor on one hand and the defence counsel, the youth and their families on the other. This was mostly within the context and circumstances surrounding the offences or violations in a given

case and consequences that were considered to be appropriate. I advocated for the youth as opposed to the position assumed by the Crown. As partners in development, this was often not an easy or popular decision to make. Similarly, I quite often recommended sentence options contrary to the advice of my closest and most dependable professional associates; the RCMP's Serious and Habitual Offender Capacity Action Program (SHOCAP) officers, as well as against the wishes of the youth and their families. In my everyday experiences therefore, I found myself in the middle balancing these forces. I was also fully aware of the different sentiments generated by the decisions I made. In an effort to act fair and balanced in the interest of the general public, I became appreciative of the fact that public safety responsibility is never a popularity exercise.

As a member of the case management team, I developed a close working relationship with my colleagues working in custody facilities. Along with members of the RCMP-SHOCAP, the Education Co-ordinator, Battlefords Tribal Council (BTC) Settlement Workers and families of young offenders, I participated in admission and progress review as well as discharge conferences in which we undertook joint-planning and implementation and evaluation of intervention initiatives.

For the purpose of providing direct supervision for youth serving non-custodial or the community portion of their custodial sentences, I teamed with the RCMP SHOCAP team to conduct home visits in and around Moosomin and Salteaux First Nations, Poundmaker as well as Little Pine First Nation. I played a role in advocating for school re-entry. Through BTC Settlement workers, I recommended appropriate cultural-based treatment services for healing purposes.

Conducting home visits created the opportunity for me to connect with families of young offenders as well as community members. Visits to schools allowed me to meet with teachers for a joint review of progress of the youth's behaviours and/or academic programs. Working closely and sharing information with the RCMP-SHOCAP team was incredibly positive work experience for me. The evening coffee-break I had with my RCMP colleagues was the moment to reflect on the day's challenges and to strategize for the days to come. A firm comradely handshake which was followed by the phrase “tomorrow is another day” concluded my day.

*Submitted by:  
Binamin Konlan, MSW, RSW (SK)*

### Award for Contribution to Rural Community: Sandra Fowler



Sandra Fowler (Eyebrow, SK) was awarded at the YWCA Women of Distinction Award Ceremony held on May 6, 2010 in Regina for her contribution to rural community. Fowler has long been involved with her area's school board, health board, Committee to Build and Better Community and Terry Fox Run.

# Social workers recognize one of their own

By Jayne Foster  
News-Optimist Staff Reporter

Local social worker Leora Harlingten was recognized by the Battlefords Branch of the Saskatchewan Association of Social Workers (SASW) at a luncheon celebrating Social Work Week in Saskatchewan.

In presenting the award, fellow social worker Mary Ann Gibson described Harlingten as an individual who is involved in social work throughout its entire scope. Harlingten, who holds MSW degree and is now working on a PhD, says social work is meaningful because its core values are providing service to humanity and addressing social justice.

With those values, she said, come long and short term goals. With a long term goal of structural change, she said, "eventually we will get to a state where there really is social justice."

Harlingten is a counsellor and intake co-ordinator at the Battlefords Mental Health Centre. There, she counsels adults and co-ordinates intake for the Prairie North Health Region, including scheduling intake teams, writing procedures, reporting and calculating monthly statistics of new clients and wait times. She has held this position since 2006. Prior to that, she job-shared an adult community service position there while also working as a counsellor, mediator and group facilitator with Catholic Family Services.

Harlingten has also lectured and taught through the University of Regina, North West Regional College and the Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology (SIASST).



Leora Harlingten (left) and Mary-Ann Gibson (right).

Prior to entering social work, Harlingten worked out of Saskatoon as a self employed labour coach who assisted women throughout the process of natural childbirth, and achieved master herbologist status, providing specialized service in the area of nutrition and nutritional supplement.

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## 2011 SASW Provincial Conference

A conference planning committee has been struck to plan/coordinate the 2011 SASW provincial conference. Members sitting on this committee are as follows:

Maureen Kraemer (chairperson), Weyburn  
Nicole Ingethron, Saskatoon  
Angie Pollom, Saskatoon  
Charlene Cameron, Prince Albert  
Dianne Lauritzen, Battlefords  
Debb Fisher & Richard Hazel, SASW Office

Due to employer budget cuts for educational funding, the conference planning committee has decided to take a different approach to planning for next year. Rather than having a 1 1/2-day session with a banquet, the committee has decided to go with one-day workshop for members. The workshop will be held one day in

Saskatoon (for central and northern members) and then the same workshop will move to Regina for members in the southern part of the province with the same content/speakers(s). A banquet/entertainment will not be part of this educational opportunity. The educational day will be held in May, rather than in April.

It was felt that having a one-day educational event in two major centres would:

- bring the training closer to home for members
- cut down on costs for members to travel
- cut hotel accommodation costs
- reduce the registration fee considerably

The committee is reviewing ideas/suggestions for speakers and topics. Please watch for further details in the November issue of *The Saskatchewan Social Worker*.



# Faculty of Social Work, University of Regina Section

## Dean's Message



I hope I can hold your attention for a quick update before you run out the door to enjoy the warm sunny environment that has been so long in coming. In the Faculty of Social Work we are anticipating exciting student travel and new course offerings. Year by year we are seeing a shift in our approaches to summer. Faculty are hard at work insuring that we have expanded options for

our students. These new opportunities are in response to student and community feedback. This year in addition to new offerings at our Regina and Saskatoon campuses, there are more practicum options in rural and northern areas as well as expanded distance programming and student travel options.

A new distance/blended practice course is being offered for students in PA, LaRonge, North Battleford and other communities. The course is Introduction to Practice and it requires a good amount of face-to-face work for observable practice activities. By combining the use of televised and face-to-face interaction we are moving the boundaries on what is possible for students across the region. Meeting the needs of students who have not been able to access traditional delivery methods in Regina or Saskatoon is a faculty priority. Margi Hollingshead is leading this learning adventure. Thank you, Margi.

Have you ever wanted to see Detroit in the spring? A number of our students are taking an opportunity to do just that. Garson Hunter and Miguel Sanchez are traveling with a group of about 50 students to the Motor City to attend the US Social Forum conference on poverty. As part of a double course offering including "Macro Practice and Social Vision" as well as "From Classroom to Practice with the US Social Forum II," professors Sanchez and Hunter will be introducing BSW students to the issues economic stressors and societal responses from within the context of poverty. The course will examine possible alternative responses to meeting human need. Thank you, Garson and Miguel. Our students are very excited about this opportunity and have been discussing it in anticipation for months.

At the MSW program level, our expanded program (full time) in Saskatoon is providing new opportunities. It is now possible to achieve a complete degree at the MSW level in

both Regina and Saskatoon without needed travel. It is also possible to focus one's graduate education on either clinical/direct practice or policy and research. The public is responding. This fall our MSW program will double in size and we anticipate more students as the word gets out as to the opportunities available through the U of R, Faculty of Social Work. The faculty is also about serving the public in ways that go beyond offering a quality education.

This last month, the faculty was honoured to present to the Saskatchewan Child Welfare Review Panel. We chose to provide a statement of principles combined with a number of specific recommendations and resources to assist the panel in reaching constructive conclusions. A number of folks were involved in the preparation of this presentation including Professor Emeritus Sharon McKay, Donald Halabuza, Monty Montgomery, Ailsa Watkinson (who helped out while stranded in London due to a volcano) and myself. Thanks to all who participated. We as a faculty are invested personally in using our skills to improve the life of our community. This is but one example of many that go beyond the classroom in our pursuit of a more just society. Thank you to each participant. But also a big thank you goes to the profession. The presentation was made possible because of the support and positive interactions of our faculty with the profession and social services.

Your voice is critical to our mission. Meeting community needs is a priority for the University of Regina and the Faculty of Social Work. A key element to our success in this is being open to what is happening around us and engaging in open dialogue. All that I have described above is occurring in part due to our interaction with people from across the region. It is through community voices that we understand our environment and find creative solutions. As we serve, we look forward to continuing to hear from you. Thank you.

*Submitted by:*

*David Schantz, Ph.D., RSW (SK)  
Dean – Faculty of Social Work*

**Contributions to the newsletter are  
always welcome.**

Read any good books lately?

Working on an interesting project?

Have an area of interest that you would like to share  
with other people?

Write to SASW Editor and see your name in print!

**Deadline for the next newsletter is  
September 15, 2010.**



## Chatter Box Section

### The top ten benefits of reading

- Reading is an active mental process that makes you use your brain. Reading forces you to reason out many things that are unfamiliar to you.
- Reading improves your vocabulary and exposes you to new words.
- Reading gives you a glimpse into other cultures and places of the world.
- Reading improves focus, requiring you to concentrate on what you are reading for long periods of time.
- Reading builds self-esteem; the more you read, the more knowledgeable you become.
- Reading improves memory. Studies show that if you do not use your memory, you lose it.
- Reading improves your discipline by helping you learn to schedule and organize your life.
- Reading improves creativity by exposing you to new ideas. More information helps to develop the creative side of your brain.
- Reading always gives you something to talk about by widening your horizon of information.
- Reading reduces boredom. If you are bored anyway, then you might as well read a book, right?

Reading is part of a balanced life, leading to harmony and health. A balance between work, family, home and other activities is considered important in managing stress. Reading is also an activity that is at once solitary and communal, especially when ideas about books and experiences are shared. So, the question is: Have you read any good books lately that you'd like to share with us in the Chatter Box? If so, we always welcome submissions from members regarding any books or other resource materials that you feel have helped you in either your personal or professional life.

## SEARCHING for Mentors

Student Energy in Action for Regina Community Health (SEARCH) is a student-run interdisciplinary health care initiative in the North Central Community in Regina. This student-run initiative provides access to clinical and social services in an after-hours clinical setting. SEARCH is a non-profit organization supported by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health, the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region, the Four Directions Community Health Centre, the North Central Community Association, the University of Regina, the University of Saskatchewan, the First Nations University of Canada, and the Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology.

Students representing many disciplines are involved in SEARCH including; nursing, medicine, social work, health studies, kinesiology, clinical psychology, education, dental hygiene, physical therapy, human justice, Arts, Science and others.

Students are currently co-operating with faculty members from the University of Saskatchewan, University of Regina, SIAST, First Nations University of Canada, with the represented colleges and with community organizations.

SEARCH is looking for professionals to be a part of one of the most innovative and unique primary health care projects in Canada.

When and where does SEARCH operate? Saturdays from 10 am-2 pm at the Four Directions Community Health Centre. On each shift, there is a SEARCH coordinator, a medical receptionist, a physician, three interprofessional mentors from faculty and local agencies and student volunteers from the U of S, U of R, FNUC and SIAST.

Are mentors paid? Yes, Mentors are paid an honourarium for their services each shift. SEARCH is a student-driven

nonprofit organization; and mentors can choose to donate their mentor fees to help support the continuing programs and services at SEARCH.

Are mentors covered by liability insurance? Our insurance providers require proof that you are covered by your own liability insurance either through an insurance company or your professional organization.

What are one's responsibilities as a mentor? As one of the interprofessional mentors, responsibilities include:

1. Providing interprofessional guidance for students from other disciplines
2. Providing clinical supervision for students from your own discipline.
3. Maintaining and monitoring the policies of SEARCH (charting, protocols, policies, etc.).
4. Monitoring adherence to the SEARCH scopes of practice for each discipline and the Code of Ethics during a SEARCH shift.
5. Providing feedback to SEARCH about how to improve operations.
6. Working with SEARCH staff and students to provide best practice interdisciplinary health care for clients and an interdisciplinary educational experience for students.

How do I become a mentor? Contact the SEARCH Coordinator at [reginastudentclinic@gmail.com](mailto:reginastudentclinic@gmail.com) or call 551-3366 for more information. You can also visit our website at: [www.reginastudentclinic.com/documents](http://www.reginastudentclinic.com/documents) and download instructions and paperwork to become a mentor at SEARCH.

Help us promote SEARCH and forward this unique primary health care opportunity on to your colleagues!

# UPCOMING CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS & EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

## *Mental Illness - Awareness and Support*

June 15, 2010  
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## *Counseling Skills - An Introduction and Overview*

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## *Brain development & Learning: Making Sense of the Science*

July 16-20, 2010  
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Contact: Mary Imran - Faculty of Medicine, UBC  
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## *Basic Week in Reality Therapy*

Location: Regina  
Dates: August 16 - 19, 2010  
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Website: [www.youdoitcounselling.com](http://www.youdoitcounselling.com)

## *Sensory Processing Disorder (SPD) and Its Implication in Trauma Resolution Workshop*

September 3-5, 2010  
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Contact: Jeannette Kuc 306-343-0789 or  
Susan Fryklund 306-631-6139,  
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