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NABSW: Who We Are - History in Progress

(Adapted from NABSW, Inc.)
—Darlene Jackson, Year 2
NABSW Student Chapter

The National Association of Black Social Workers, Inc. is designed to promote the welfare, survival, and liberation of the Black community. Members of the NABSW recognize the necessity of Black community control and accountability of self to the Black community. NABSW offers linkages through its mem-

NABSW
Mass Student Chapter
Next Meeting:
Nov. 12
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Mission Hill Housing Devel.
28 McGreevey Way
Roxbury
(617) 427-5145

Discussion topics: volunteer community work, membership, dues, national conference update (New Orleans 4/7/98-4/11/98), fund raising. Please plan to attend. For additional information, contact Darlene Jackson (DJ) at 617-391-9109.

bers with all Blacks, having an open membership which is not predicated upon degrees or experience.

The National Association of Black Social Workers, Inc. was born May 1968 in San Fran-

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Ideas That Matter . . .

Working with Adult Survivors of Child Sexual Abuse

An important event in the *Ideas That Matter* series will take place this Wednesday, Nov. 12 when Tracey McHugh, Year 2, will present "Working with Adult Survivors of Child Sexual Abuse." The presentation will be from 11:30-12:30 in Rm. 4-201, the Oak Room.

Tracey has worked as direct service coordinator of rape crisis services of Greater Lowell for over five years.

The primary focus will be meeting the needs of our clients who have this trauma in their history.

Freedom Seder Comm. Next Meeting:

Wednesday, 11/12 11:00-11:30 Rm 5-101

Everyone welcome to come, take on a task, get ready for our upcoming bake sale

If you can't make the meeting but would like to be involved in any way, call:

Stacey Handel, Yr.1, 247-7871.



food for thought. . .

A house is not a home unless it has all the rooms in place. – Hohnson, Wellington

FENS DINING ROOM CLOSED TOMORROW

Roy Schifilliti, Manager of Auxiliary Services, would like to notify students who have classes on the Main Campus tomorrow (Tuesday) that the Fens dining service will be closed tomorrow, November 11, because of Veteran's Day.

Food and drinks will still be available from the vending machines located near the Fens.

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We're right on target with our news!

Join in and contribute your article!

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cisco, CA. It results from the coming together of various Black groups who had been working in different parts of the country under various names, but with a common goal of Black Liberation. This coalition of Blacks brought together practitioners from different principles in the welfare arena, degreed and non-degreed. These groups banned together forming NABSW, Inc., offering for the first time a national unified force to combat individual and institutional white racism in the social welfare system of America.

The new organization became involved in two levels of work simultaneously: making demands for change within existing welfare structures, and building an organizational network on a local and national level. The years of 1968 and 1969 were years of demand upon the racist organization and welfare system for change. At the same time emphasis was upon expanding and strengthening the NABSW on both local and national levels.

On the national level the National Conference on Social Welfare was presented with a Position Statement of NABSW at its conference in 1968 and 1969. The National Association of Social Workers at their Delegate Assembly meeting in 1969 was presented with a Position Statement as well. These organizations, after reviewing the Position Statement, have made some changes. These organizations have increased the number of Blacks participating on committees and in offices held and acknowledged the fact that white racism does exist. Many of

the changes which have occurred within these organizations have been in part due to the thrust of the NABSW. A similar impact has been made upon the Council on Social Work Education.

The NABSW focused its attention upon the accountability of the social welfare system in the Black community and the delivery of those services which are reflective of the Black experience. NABSW has been concerned with the decision-making and policy setting which has previously been denied to Blacks. Energies have been devoted to alternative plans of service delivery and building a solid base of operation rather than focusing upon confrontations with non-Black groups.

The NABSW has taken stands on and has been concerned about such issues as enunciating the strengths of the Black family, transracial adoptions, welfare reforms, health care, energy, prisons, the aged, nation building, community control, social work practice and training, assaults on illiteracy, U.S. and Africa relations, aid for Haitian immigrants, and federal support for the Black colleges. The NASW Office of Student Affairs which is supported by NABSW has been concerned with the recruitment and retention of Black students in schools of social work, as well as curriculum development and the recruitment and retention of Black faculty. The 1980 Conference in Washington provided the organization with an opportunity to make its position known to the members of Congress and the President on the specific issues noted above.

(Article will continue next week.)

Fellowship Offered in Clinical Social Work

Clinical Social Work Fellowship in Managed Mental Health Care and Brief Psychotherapy with Adults, Children and Families, July 1, 1998 - June 30, 1999. Half-time academic/clinical, \$12,000 stipend. Application deadline: January 2, 1998.

Information meetings: Nov. 21, 1997 at 9:00 and Dec. 5, 1997 at 12:00 p.m. Location: Harvard Pilgrim Helath Care, Dept. of Ambulatory Care & Prevention, 126 Brookline Ave., Suite 200, Boston, 02215. For further information: call Barbara Clivio, B.C., Ph.D., LICSW at 617-381-5463.

Also, see the Job Board in the Field Department for other information on Fellowships and Post Graduate Training Opportunities

DEADLINE REMINDERS FOR FACULTY

Book order forms for spring courses due.

Library book orders for spring due.

Sequence Heads: confirmed list of adjuncts teaching in spring to Edie Tepper by Nov. 21

Syllabi for spring courses due to staff assistants by Nov. 24.

Syllabi for spring courses due to Marilyn Bregoli by 1st week of Dec.

Wanted: Graduate Resident Adviser Applications for January opening available from Office of Residence Life, 521-1096.