Annual Meeting

Opportunities for Social Work in New York City During a Time of Crisis

Dr. Jacqueline B. Mondros Delivers Keynote Speech

On the evening of May 14, 2009, over 450 social workers gathered in the UFT Auditorium for NASW-NYC’s Annual Meeting entitled: A Community Organizer in the White House: Discerning Opportunities for Social Work in New York City During a Time of Crisis. Featured Keynote Speaker, Dr. Jacqueline Mondros, Dean of the Hunter College School of Social Work, highlighted the significance for the social work profession of having a community organizer as President of the United States, noting the ways in which President Obama’s hands-on experience as a grassroots organizer is closely related to the practice, skills and values of social workers and the social work profession. She drew attention to the lessons that social workers could learn from President

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Continuing Education Begins This Fall

In November 2009, NASW-NYC commences its Fall Continuing Education Program with a diverse array of offerings that will engage your intellect and enrich your professional practice. As always, NASW-NYC is committed to delivering programming of the highest quality to meet the continuing education and professional development needs of social workers. The Fall 2009 Program features new additions to the curriculum and includes courses on high-demand topics that continue to be well-attended year after year.

Social work ethics will be examined with a fresh eye in the course Ethical Decision-Making in Changing Times with Dr. S. J. Dodd. Concerns and challenges that can arise from the proliferation of technological avenues of communications will be explored, major schools of ethical thought will be covered, and the NASW Code of Ethics will be discussed. Community organizing skills and principles can be valuable to all social work practice methods. Attend Community Organizing for the New Era: Crucial Roles and Skills for All Social Workers, and learn how social workers can increase their effectiveness as practitioners through the application and integration of the strategies that have long served community organizers.

Tension can rise when the conversation turns to issues of race, culture, class or sexual orientation. The workshop on facilitating challenging dialogues on these topics, led by Dr. Cheryl Franks and Joan Adams, will provide practical guidance and strategies to aid participants in navigating the dimensions of these potentially complex situations. Advanced Group Work practitioners will have a unique opportunity to deepen their understanding of group process, sharpen their facilitation skills and apply effective interventions in Judith White’s workshop: The Role of the Group Leader in Addressing Conflict: A Workshop for

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Message From The President

September - A New Beginning

The September issue of *Currents* is an especially exciting one for me as it represents a new beginning. For those of you who study and teach social work, it is the start of the new academic year. For all of us at the National Association of Social Workers – New York City (NASW-NYC) Chapter office, it is the new beginning of the Chapter program year. This includes staff, committee, task force and Board leadership, and all the almost 10,000 members of the Chapter including those of you who are new members or may be reading this column and planning to join.

We are currently planning our annual retreat which will take place in late October. This is a time when Chapter staff and volunteer leaders come together, greet new Board members and officers, including our new President-Elect, Dr. Susan Nayowith, and under the able leadership of our Executive Director, Dr. Robert Schachter, lay the groundwork for the 2009-2010 program year. The Chapter’s 2008-2011 Strategic Plan, which lays out goals and objectives including workforce and licensing, promotion of diversity and anti-racism, professional education, and other important issues of concern to the Chapter and its members, will be a focal point of this year’s retreat.

For all social workers, education is the foundation of our profession. Since Mary Richmond and others took up the challenge of Alexander Flexner at the turn of the 20th century to make social work a profession with a transferable body of knowledge and a professional code of ethics, we as social workers have continued to strengthen our position as a lead helping profession in New York, nationally and around the world. We are privileged in New York City to have so many top-ranking schools of social work that educate influential practitioners and scholars. At the Chapter office, we have a continuing education program that meets the highest standard of excellence for post-masters professional education.

Regrettably, to date, New York State is the only state in the nation without mandated continuing education requirements as a condition for maintaining professional licensing status. NASW-NYC, in collaboration with other social work membership organizations in New York State, is examining options for strengthening the 2002 Social Work Licensing Law in a number of ways, including continuing education (It is likely that such a requirement would take some time to be enacted.)

Although continuing education may not be required to maintain licenses, NASW-NYC members can immediately take advantage of the exceptional course offerings of the Chapter Continuing Education Program. The Program’s outstanding planning committee, coordinated by NASW-NYC’s consultant, Kate Schaper, works hard to develop a continuing education curriculum that is relevant to all methods of social work practice and covers the entire academic year. Planning Committee members include Dr. Portia Adams, Dr. Helen Crohn, Dr. Elaine Gerald, Dr. Rick Greenberg, Dr. Beatrice Plasse, Ms. Lynne Spevack and Dr. Lala Straussner.

Workshop offerings cover a broad array of topics and substantive areas of interest and concern to members, including advanced clinical courses, diversity and anti-racist workshops, management, policy, and advocacy skills-building programs, and courses covering many other content areas. Highly-rated preparatory courses for members preparing to take New York State social work licensing examinations at both the LMSW and the LCSW levels are also offered by the Chapter.

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**Message From the President-Elect**

**Entering a Period of Seamless Transition**

Susan A. Nayowith, Ph.D., LCSW, Director, Office of Client Advocacy, NYC Development of Homeless Services

I am excited you have elected me as the next President of the New York City Chapter of NASW. Since NASW provides a seamless transition period between presidents, I will serve as President-Elect for one year. I look forward to my continued collaboration with our current President, Pat Brownell, our current board members, our incredible executive director, Bob Schachter, and our very talented staff. In addition, I would like to thank Bea Hanson, our current Secretary of the Board. Following our very close election, I am pleased she will remain on the Board where we can benefit from her knowledge and commitment.

During the transition I will study issues important to our members. Three come to mind: dwindling resources, our traditionally poor image and low pay, and licensing issues. The new licensing law impacts agency and individual practice and has many implications for other aspects of social work as well, including social work education and training.

For example, field instructors need to be licensed to take their SIFI and supervise students; without a license they cannot train others. However, many MSW graduates work in areas like administration or policy where they find licensing irrelevant and feel no need to take the LMSW exam. Agencies will not be able to recruit the social workers they need because they do not meet the criteria for LCSW supervision. New professionals find it difficult to get the required experience in agencies to pursue the LCSW because the current definition of what constitutes clinical practice does not cover all types of work that many social workers would consider to be clinical social work.

Tell me my work at a Community Mental Health Center with deinstitutionalized people living in an SRO was not a clinical setting, or, that a settlement house or government social service program engaging, sheltering and obtaining services and housing for homeless individuals and families was not clinical social work. We were supervised by social workers and worked on multidisciplinary teams with psychiatrists, medical and psychiatric nurses and other professionals. We need to return to our roots, be proud to serve those in need in both traditional and non-traditional settings and find ways to broaden the definition of clinical practice.

What is the best way to train for work in our agencies and communities? How do we create realistic expectations of our roles? How do we make NASW attractive and relevant to new professionals by strengthening our professional image, increasing salaries and improving working conditions? What are the pathways to obtain credentials (education, experience, supervision) for responsible practice? These are some of the issues I will focus on during my year as President-Elect.

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**Correction**

There was a misprint in the June 2009 issue of *Currents.*

The correct phone number for VISIONS/Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired is (212) 625-1616.
Obama’s ability to use the opportunity of crisis to effect positive change. She suggested that the social workers could emulate his methodical and pragmatic approach to help rebuild the profession. Her remarks were sobering and at the same time, struck a chord of hope and offered concrete steps for action.

First, Dean Mondros underscored the importance of reducing the divisions within the profession. She cited the need for consensus among social workers if the profession is to stay alive, much less flourish. Second, Dr. Mondros encouraged social workers to embrace “interdisciplinarity” – collaborating with other related professions in order to better serve clients and communities.

Finally, Dean Mondros spoke of the necessity to ensure the continued vitality of the social work profession. “Social workers are in the thick of the action, but the public and the people in power don’t know [they] are there,” she stated as she articulated the need for social workers to communicate what they do every day to address issues at the forefront of the Administration’s agenda. She also spoke about the need for the profession to be seen as relevant and exciting by young people, and noted that many who would be poised to enter an MSW program, based on their undergraduate degrees, ultimately choose to pursue other professions.

The Chapter’s Executive Director, Dr. Robert Schachter, began his annual report by inviting attendees to re-invoke the feelings they had on the evening of November 4, 2008, when Barack Obama was elected as our 44th president. He suggested that a similar kind of energy and hope was needed to deal with the challenges confronting the world, as well as the profession of social work, and he pointed to the steadiness and professionalism of President Obama to serve as a model for social workers in facing the challenges at the forefront of our profession.

The evening unfolded and honorees were acknowledged, student award recipients were recognized, and the profession was celebrated. Joan Serrano Laufer was the recipient of the Chapter Service Award. Ms. Laufer has made numerous contributions to the profession, including her work at the Chapter as Co-Chair of PACE.

Dr. Megan McLaughlin, First Vice President of the NASW-NYC Board of Directors, presented four Social Work Image Awards this year to social workers who exemplify outstanding leadership and service. Honorees were Cynthia Wolff of 1199, Susan Lob of Voice of Women Organizing Project, Jenny Crawford of Bronx Defenders and a team of six social workers at Coney Island Hospital: Lorna Campbell, Anna DeSantis, Charmaine Gentles, Tim Martin, John Prakasam and Wendy Gemelle.

The NASW Student Award was presented to ten students including: Ronald Assue, Adelphi University School of Social Work; Allison Brown, Hunter College School of Social Work; Ivaldo Costa, Long Island University School of Social Work; Joan Edwards, Touro College Graduate School of Social Work; Deirdre Drohan Forbes, New York University Silver School of Social Work; Raquel Fraser-Martinez, Yeshiva University Wurzweiler School of Social Work; Justin Freitas, Fordham University Graduate School of Social Service; Kristina Lehmann, Lehman College School of Social Work; and Lauren Polakoff, Columbia University School of Social Work. The Georgia McMurray Award was presented to Columbia University School of Social Work student, Julianna Gwiszcz.

As attendees stood at the end of the program for a collective reading of an affirmation, led by Executive Committee member, Gwendolyn Butler, the room swelled with hope and pride in recognition of the myriad roles that social workers play in their work, every day.

Left: Members of NASW-NYC and their guests peruse their programs while they wait for the 2009 Annual Meeting to begin. Right (from left to right): Dr. Robert Schachter, Executive Director, NASW-NYC; Joan Serrano Laufer, Chapter Service Award Winner and co-chair of NASW-NYC PACE; Launa D. Kliever, Associate Director, NASW-NYC; Tess Gilman, NASW-NYC intern.
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- 1199 SEIU United Healthcare Workers East
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First Vice President Dr. Megan McLaughlin presents a Social Work Image Award to Cynthia Wolff, Vice President, Albany South Region, 1199 SEIU for her efforts on behalf of the social work workforce.

Executive Committee Member, Gwendolyn Butler, leads the audience in a collective reading of a social work affirmation.
CONTINUING EDUCATION
FALL 2009

Capitalizing on the Effectiveness of Cognitive Behavioral Treatment Across Social Work Practice Settings
Susan Dowd Stone, LCSW
Mondays, November 2 & 9, 2009

Child and Adolescent Bereavement Theory and Treatment
Christopher S. Kido, LCSW and C.V. Koh, MD
Tuesday, November 3, 2009

Agency Recordkeeping and Charting: How to Effectively Document Your Work
Gail Winter, LCSW
Wednesday, November 4, 2009

The Role of the Group Leader in Addressing Conflict: A Workshop for Advanced Group Practitioners
Judith C. White, MS, LCSW, CGP
Thursday, November 5, 2009

Fostering Empowerment and Recovery with Adult Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse
Ruth Forero, Ph.D., LCSW
Saturday, November 7, 2009

The Self of the Social Worker: A Multicultural Perspective for Clinical Practitioners
Kenneth V. Hardy, Ph.D.
Mondays, November 10 & 17, 2009

I’ve Been Promoted to Manager! Now What?
Alan B. Siskind, Ph.D., LCSW
Tuesday, November 10, 2009

Integrating Spiritual Philosophy and Clinical Practice
Jeffrey Seinfeld, Ph.D.
Wednesday, November 11, 2009

Facilitating Challenging Dialogues on Race, Culture, Class, and Sexual Orientation in Social Work Settings
Cheryl L. Franks, Ph.D. and Joan M. Adams, LCSW
Thursday, November 19, 2009

Implementing Strategic Planning for Maximum Impact
Karun K. Singh, Ph.D., LCSWR, CSWM
Saturday, November 21, 2009

Helping Families with Substance Abusing Members: A Systemic-Motivational Approach
Peter Steinglass, M.D.
Monday, November 30, 2009

Community Organizing for the New Era: Crucial Roles and Skills for All Social Workers
Irma E. Rodriguez, LMSW
Wednesday, December 2, 2009

Enhancing Clinical Outcomes by Utilizing DSM-IV-TR
Martha Gabriel, Ph.D., MSW
Saturday, December 5, 2009

Combating Anxiety and Depression: Strategies that Work
Lynne Spevack, LCSW
Sundays, December 6 & 13, 2009

Record Keeping for Private Practitioners
Gail Winter, LCSW and Paul Kurzman, Ph.D., ACSW
Monday, December 7, 2009

Ethical Decision-Making in Changing Times: C U 4 UR aptt. @ 6?
S. J. Dodd, Ph.D., MSW, MEd.
Tuesday, December 8, 2009

Look for the brochure in the mail in mid September. For more information about registration, visit our website at www.naswnyc.org or call (212) 668-0050 x235.
NASW-NYC’s Annual Addictions Institute on May 27, 2009 featured keynote speaker Timothy O’Farrell, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology at Harvard Medical School and the Director of the Families and Addictions Program at the VA Boston Healthcare System. Dr. O’Farrell, who also directs the VA’s project on marriage counseling for alcoholics, shared that he feels very close to the social work profession and has been significantly influenced by social workers, including Margaret Bailey, who did pioneering work with the wives of alcoholics, and by his first supervisor, who was a social worker.

Dr. O’Farrell shared the observation that among couples, when one partner drinks or abuses substances, the other partner suffers. The outcome is often distrust and distancing, resulting from conflict and lying about the substances. Partner violence, job loss and the suffering of children are also common. The point is that substance abuse problems and family problems often go together, that they are intertwined. He said that when both are addressed, there are better outcomes compared to treating the individual alone. Relationships fare better, there is decreased partner violence and decreased child distress, even though the child is not in treatment.

There are two primary objectives of behavioral couples therapy (BCT): to support abstinence and to improve relationship functioning. Dr. O’Farrell said that BCT is suitable for married couples and couples living together who are both willing to work on the problem. When both partners want to see an end to the substance abuse, BCT does very well. Although BCT is not appropriate for situations where there is a likelihood of severe violence, he said that 65% of all couples that his project has worked with have experienced some degree of violence. He said that violence is significantly reduced through BCT and only 5% of all couples are ruled out for this.

One of the primary points in BCT is to build support for abstinence. This starts with a focus on the issue of lying, which is in the forefront of treatment in the beginning. Dr. O’Farrell underscored the significance of lying in destroying relationships. He said that trust is built through rewarding abstinence, although it is not obvious that abstinence should be rewarded. He reviewed what his program calls the “daily trust discussion” in which the abusing partner states that he or she did not drink or use drugs yesterday, has no plan to do so today or tomorrow, and the other partner responds by saying “thanks.” He said that he starts people off using a script, but they move on to putting things into their own words. He emphasized that the focus is on the present and the future, not on the past.

BCT also focuses on relationship issues with an emphasis on increasing positive activities and communication skills. Other components of BCT include maintenance and relapse prevention and an action plan to keep the partner safe from potential violence. One of the points that Dr. O’Farrell shared is that it is better to avoid getting into an argument when a partner relapses. Arguing at such times increases the risk of violence.

Dr. O’Farrell is the author of Behavioral Couples Therapy for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse. This book can be ordered through a link on NASW’s website. It is also noted that NASW-NYC will hold a workshop, “Helping Families with Substance Abusing Members: A Systemic-Motivational Approach” by Peter Steinglass, M.D., on November 30, 2009.

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New NASW-NYC Website

Coming Soon

The NASW-NYC website is being updated to include more information for our members.

Look for an e-mail from us in early October with information about new procedures for member login.
Ersa Hines Poston, female pioneer in the U.S. Civil Service and social worker, passed away at the age of 87 on January 7, 2009. Ms. Poston held numerous positions in the New York State government and was a respected administrator in state and federal arenas. She served as the first Black female at the head of the New York State Civil Service under Nelson Rockefeller, and in 1977, became the first Black woman to be appointed to the U.S. Civil Service Commission; she was appointed by President Jimmy Carter. She continued her service at the federal level as Vice Chairperson of the Merit System Protection Board – a role that positioned her as one of the highest ranking Black women in the Reagan administration.

She also was the National Vice President of the Urban League and served on a number of Boards of Directors, including the Whitney M. Young Memorial Foundation, Inc. She was the recipient of many awards and citations for her contributions to society; she had a special interest in creating education programs for young people.

Born and raised in Kentucky, Ms. Poston later earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Kentucky State University in 1942 and her Masters of Social Work from Atlanta University (now Clark Atlanta University) in 1946.

President’s Message

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While the Chapter staff and leadership are preparing for the new program year, we remained busy this past summer as well. An exciting new Task Force for Social Workers of Asian Descent, spearheaded by Executive Committee member, Susan Wong and other leaders of the Asian social work community, met throughout the summer. A Diversity Plan Oversight Committee, chaired by Executive Committee member, Gwen Butler and others, met over the summer as well to continue the ongoing development of the Chapter’s Diversity Plan. The Gerontology Committee welcomed the New York City Department for the Aging Commissioner, Dr. Lilliam Barrios-Paoli, for an interactive conversation with Chapter members. Commissioner Paoli shared new developments in the aging service delivery system, provided insights into her plans for strengthening it and highlighted the central role of social workers in service provision for older adults and their families in New York City. The New Professionals Task Force held a well-received program at the Chapter office focusing on the nuts and bolts of successful job seeking and career building within the profession. Presentations were made by a panel of experts including NASW Pioneer, Frances Gautieri, who helped to lay out strategies for professional success.

What is coming up this Fall? In addition to the rich offerings of the Chapter’s Continuing Education Program, there are a number of other opportunities for Chapter members to participate in and enjoy. The Emerging Leaders Awards Dinner will be held on December 3rd, and I encourage all members who are heads of agencies and programs, and colleagues of new professionals, to submit nominations of those who have not only demonstrated outstanding capabilities in their professional work, but have also gone beyond this in helping to strengthen communities, start new programs, and improve the lives of individuals, families and groups. In these times of fiscal constraint, celebrating innovation, initiative and leadership of new professionals is priceless.

The Chapter is also planning another teach-in on social work licensing for the Fall. One of the unique dimensions of social work education that distinguishes us from most other helping professions is our coursework on social welfare policy and advocacy. This foundational curriculum positions social workers to understand our New York State licensing law as a workforce development program intended not only as practice and consumer protection, but also as a way to promote the wellbeing of the populations that social workers serve throughout New York City and State. While professional licensing issues are complex, we as social workers are educated to analyze, debate and speak out on all legislation that affects our clients and our profession.

I hope as you read through this issue of Currents, you will take out your appointment calendar and begin to update your fall schedule with the many activities available to you by virtue of being an NASW-NYC Chapter member. Last but not least, think about becoming active in one (or more) of NASW-NYC’s many committees and task forces, as well as the NYC Political Action for Candidate Election (PACE), the political action arm of the Chapter. Please consider stepping forward when the Nominations Committee, headed by Mark Goodwin, announces the call for candidates to become next year’s Chapter elected leaders.

This year I want to extend a very special welcome to my long-time colleague Dr. Susan Nayowith, who assumed the position of President-Elect in July 2009, and will succeed me as President in July 2010. Dr. Nayowith has had many years of demonstrated leadership in the field of social work in New York City, and will bring her experience to the Chapter this year and into her presidency. I want to also take this opportunity to congratulate Dr. Darrell Wheeler in his election to First Vice President of the National Board of Directors. We have a great team of leaders moving forward!
Following an extensive search, the Chapter selected Launa Kliever, MSW, as the Associate Director on July 1, 2009.

Launa is a 2006 graduate of Columbia University School of Social Work, having concentrated in policy practice and contemporary social issues. She also has a bachelor of science in interdisciplinary studies from the University of North Texas where she acquired a certificate in elementary education.

Launa had served as the Chapter’s Interim Associate Director since December 2008, and enabled the Chapter to maintain its extensive array of programming, projects and activities while it was in a period of transition. Launa’s contributions during this period were considerable, as she learned the components of the job with considerable speed. She is now helping the office enter into a new program year that will include new opportunities, challenges, and some degree of organizational change.

Prior to serving as Interim Associate Director, Launa was Project Director of the Latino Social Work Task Force for 18 months. The Task Force is a collaboration between the Puerto Rican Family Institute, Inc. and NASW-NYC. Her position was time-limited and was underwritten by the United Way and the New York City Council.

Launa also served as a founding co-chair of the Chapter’s New Professionals Task Force. Launa first became involved with NASW-NYC while she was a social work intern with the Undoing Racism Internship Project, which is now entering its fifth year as a collaboration between the People’s Institute for Survival and Beyond, NASW-NYC, the Jewish Board for Families and Children’s Services, and several schools of social work, including Hunter College, Columbia University and Fordham University.

Launa has broad responsibilities relating to the Chapter’s work and staffing, which includes oversight of anticipated changes in the newsletter, Currents, as it becomes integrated into an array of communications which are increasingly electronic. She is responsible for oversight of the Continuing Education Program and expanding advertising, both of which represent significant non-dues revenue streams for the Chapter.

Launa is also working closely with the Undoing Racism Internship Project Steering Committee and with the Social Workers of African Descent Task Force, which is focusing on workforce issues, including professional and leadership development.

Approximately one hundred social workers gathered on June 25, 2009 at Hartley House for a non-partisan candidate forum hosted by NASW-NYC PACE. Eleven candidates attended or sent surrogates to the event including: Mayoral candidates, Tony Avella and William C. Thompson; candidates running for NYC Comptroller, John C. Liu, Joe Mendola, David Weprin and David Yassky; and candidates running for Public Advocate, Bill de Blasio, Eric N. Gioia (pictured above), Mark Green, Normal H. Siegal and Alex T. Zablocki. Visit the Chapter website at www.naswnyc.org to see a listing of NASW-NYC PACE endorsements and to review candidates’ completed questionnaires.
CALENDAR OF EVENTS
SEPTEMBER 2009 - NOVEMBER 2009

(All meetings held at the Chapter Office unless otherwise specified)

Wednesday, September 9, 2009
NASW-NYC PACE
6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, September 11, 2009
Disaster Trauma Committee
Topic: 8th Annual 9/11 Anniversary Reflection and Remembrance Meeting
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Monday, September 14, 2009
Social Workers Advancing the Human Animal Bond
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 23, 2009
Addictions Committee
9:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Tuesday, September 29, 2009
Gerontological Social Work Committee
Topic: Health Care Reform
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Friday, October 2, 2009
Private Practitioners Group
Topic: Fee & Marketing Support Group Meeting with Lynne Spevack, LCSW
12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Monday, October 5, 2009
Social Workers Advancing the Human Animal Bond
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 14, 2009
NASW-NYC PACE
6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 15, 2009
New Professionals Task Force Meet-up
Location: TBD
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 28, 2009
Addictions Committee
9:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Wednesday, October 28, 2009
LGBT Committee Networking and Social Event
Location: LGBT Center, 208 W. 13th St., Manhattan
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Monday, November 2, 2009
Social Workers Advancing the Human Animal Bond
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
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