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On the Horizon

Issues in Working with High-Risk Children Conference

The Alamo Area Council of Governments, in cooperation with the Texas Department of Human Services, will sponsor a conference, "Issues in Working with High-Risk Children," Friday, August 14, at the Holiday Inn Riverwalk, 217 N. St. Mary's St., San Antonio, Texas.

Directed toward child protective service workers and other mental health professionals who deal with high-risk children including those in residential care, foster homes or shelters, the daylong conference will offer a choice of workshops on minority adoption, street kids, separation and attachment, child and teen suicide, child management, the sexual abuse victim, and present trends in substance abuse as it concerns children and teens.

Delivering the keynote address, "Generational Repetition of Abuse — Clues to Intervention," will be Dr. Clare Haynes-Seman, a developmental psychologist at the Kempe National Center for the Prevention and Treatment of Child Abuse and Neglect.

Registration is \$20 before July 31, \$25 after July 31; lunch is complimentary with registration. For more information and/or to register, contact the Alamo Area Council of Governments, (512) 225-5201.

Regional Citizens Cited

he Alamo Area Council of Governments presented this year's Regional Citizen Awards to Sister Mary Sapp, O.S.B., Executive Director of the Benedictine Health Resource Center, San Antonio, Texas, and the Rev. Monsig. Erwin A. Juraschek, pastor, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Cestohowa, Texas.

Born Aug. 6, 1945 in Bethesda, Md., Sapp began her years of community service in Bexar County in 1965 when she was a teacher for the archdiocese of San Antonio. Following appointments as assistant administrator for Spohn Hospital in Corpus Christi, Texas, and Morningside Manor in San Antonio, Sapp was appointed hospital administrator of St. Benedict Health Care Center from 1972 to 1985.

Sapp has chaired the Bexar Senior Advisory Committee, the Aged and Disabled Advisory Committee of the Texas Department of Human Services, Region 9, and the Coalition for Health Care for the Homeless. She has also contributed as a member of the Policy Writing Committee for Catholic Charities, U.S.A.; San Antonio Independent Living Services (SAILS); board of trustees, St. Paul Medical Center, Dallas, Texas; San Antonio Oral Health Advisory Committee; Maternal and Infants Health Improvement Act Subcommittee; and As Parents Grow Older (APGO) Steering Committee.

Sapp holds master's degrees in theological studies from the Oblate School of Theology and in health care administration from Trinity University, with her B.A. from Incarnate Word College.

Juraschek has served the Alamo region for over 40 years, as pastor of parishes in Victoria, San Antonio and Fredericksburg, archdiocesan moderator of Catholic Action and director of the Regional Council of Catholic Youth. Born in San Antonio, Texas, Aug. 12, 1921, the monsignor attended St. John's Seminary in the city and was ordained to the priesthood March 19, 1946. During his assignments throughout the region, Juraschek contributed as moderator of sodalities, scout organizations and Newman Clubs, and as chaplain of the 141st Infantry Regiment of the Texas National Guard.

In 1976 he was assigned to his present parish in Cestohowa, Texas, where he has been elected to serve as dean of all parishes in Karnes and Wilson Counties and has initiated the Cestohowa-Pawelekville Chamber of Commerce, for which he serves as president. His recent work to assist the senior citizens of his community has resulted in the establishment of a senior center and nutrition program in Cestohowa. Additionally, Juraschek's parish church has purchased property for locating a kitchen to provide meals for the four other senior center/nutrition sites in Karnes County, while a grant has been obtained from the Meadows Foundation to fund the facility's construction and equipment.

Executive Committee Review: June 24, 1987

In the Executive Director's report, Al J. Notzon III reported on items including the extension of the public comment period to June 26 regarding the Applewhite Reservoir project draft Environmental Impact Statement, a legislative update and the current status of equipment needs of the Fort Sam Houston MAST unit.

After approving the recommendations of the Budget and Workplan Committee, the Executive Committee went on to consider the following:

from the Regional Alcoholism & Drug Abuse Advisory Committee, a favorable review on 19 applications to the Texas Commission on Alcohol & Drug Abuse and the federal Office of Substance Abuse Prevention; a favorable review with the comment that school districts should seek funding through the Texas Education Agency's monies from the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1986 on five grant proposals; and an unfavorable review for another six TCADA applications;

from the Alamo Senior Advisory Committee, an approval regarding the Retired Senior Volunteer Program at Texas Lutheran College;

from the Regional Health & Human Services Advisory Committee, a favorable review for three grant applications to the federal Department of Health & Human Services;

from the Housing Authority Committee, approval for two applications for new construction of elderly housing in San Antonio and Fredericksburg, and unfavorable comments regarding two additional projects in San Antonio; and

from the Regional Development & Review Committee, a favorable review to the Farmers Home Administration for a city of Schertz water project.

Application Review Agenda

Regional Alcoholism & Drug Abuse Advisory Committee

Committee meets: Tuesday July 14, 1987, 2:30 p.m. Comments to: Martha B. Reyes by July 13, 1987

The following grant applications are in response to a request for proposals from the Texas Commission on Alcohol & Drug Abuse:

TX-06-09. Applicant: Frio County Alcoholism Prevention Program. "Alcohol & Drug Abuse Services." Total Cost: \$22,417.

TX-06-10. Applicant: The Patrician Movement. "Alcohol & Drug Abuse Services." Total Cost: \$776,058.

TX-06-11. Applicant: Our Lady of the Lake University, Worden School of Social Services. "Los Ninos." Total Cost: \$34,234.

- TX-06-12. Applicant: S.A. Council on Alcoholism. "Alcohol Misuse Prevention Project." Total Cost: \$29.805.
- TX-06-13. Applicant: S.A. Council on Alcoholism. "Focus on Women." Total Cost: \$52,500.
- TX-06-14. Applicant: Ella Austin Community Center. "Alcohol & Drug Abuse Services." Total Cost: \$34,952.
- TX-06-15. Applicant: Alcoholic Rehabilitation Center of Bexar County, Texas. "Alcohol & Drug Abuse Services." Total Cost: \$30,075.
- TX-06-16. Applicant: MAUC, Casa Del Sol/Casa Adelante Alcoholism Recovery Homes. "Alcohol & Drug Abuse Services." Total Cost: \$110,521.
- TX-06-17. Applicant: Mexican American Unity Council/Edgewood Primary Prevention Project. "Amigos Program." Total Cost: \$48,657.
- TX-06-18. Applicant: Bexar County MHMR Center. "Outpatient Program/Drug Component." Total Cost: \$390,726.
- TX-06-19. Applicant: Bexar County Board of Trustees for MHMR Center. "Alcohol Detoxification." Total Cost: \$278,109.
- TX-06-20. Applicant: Nosotros Human Services Development, Inc. "Nosotros Youth Center." Total Cost: \$49,875.
- TX-06-21. Applicant: Edgewood Independent School District. "Buen Tiempo Sin Drogas." Total Cost: \$70,000.
- TX-06-26. Applicant: Alpha Home, Inc. "Alcohol & Drug Abuse Services Intermediate." Total Cost: \$9,875.

Regional Development & Review Committee Committee meets: Tuesday, July 21, 1987, 10 a.m. Comments to: Bill Carpenter by July 14, 1987 This grant application is being made to the Farmers Home Administration:

TX-06-27. Applicant: Bigfoot Water Supply Corporation. "New Domestic Water System In and Near Bigfoot." Total Cost: \$300,000.

Housing Advisory Committee

Committee meets: Monday, July 20, 1987, 1:30 p.m. Comments to: Ernie Lopez by July 12, 1987

This grant application is part of an ongoing federal HUD Title X housing program:

TX-06-25. Applicant: Financial Benchmark, Inc. "Lake McQueeny Subdivision." Total Cost: \$2.5 million.

Criminal Justice Planning Committee Committee meets: Wednesday, July 15, 1987, 1:30 p.m.

Comments to: Carlie E. Evans by July 14, 1987 This grant application is for federal funding out of the Criminal Justice Division: TX-06-24: Applicant: Family Services Association. "Crime Victims Assistance Program." Total Cost: pending VOCA guidelines finalization.

Regional Health & Human Services Advisory Committee

Committee meets: Thursday, July 16, 1987, 1:30 p.m. Comments to: Judith R.K. Werking by July 15, 1987 The following grant applications are in response to a request for proposals from the federal Department of Health & Human Services:

TX-06-22. Applicant: South Texas Rural Health Services, Inc. "Border Initiative Program." Total Cost: \$1,409,914.

TX-06-23. Applicant: Economic Opportunities Development Corporation of Atascosa, Karnes and Wilson Counties. "Head Start Program." Total Cost: \$1,013,654.

This grant application is for state funding from the Department of Health:

TX-06-28. Applicant: Atascosa Health Clinic, Inc. (RHI). "Health Education for Self-Care." Total Cost: \$36,328.

Texas Department of Health Reviews Solid Waste Plan

Working to develop a regional plan with the members of the Solid Waste Task Force, AACOG staff and consultants have spent the past two years collecting data on local practices, alternative technologies and problems of solid waste management. Following this analysis it was determined that the major problem concerning solid waste management is the overreliance on landfills. Other challenges involve the cost of siting and permitting landfills, poor public awareness of solid waste management issues and citizen opposition to disposal sites.

In response to these findings, the following recommendations to the state for legislative action are among those included in the AACOG regional plan:

mandate a public education/awareness program for K-12 school curricula on solid waste management; adopt a hierarchy of preferred management techniques for solid waste treatment;

require permit applications for landfills to include statements of public need for the proposed facility and of alternatives considered;

require adequate notice for public hearings on landfill siting permits, a mandatory local review included in the siting process and state certification of operators responsible for permitted solid waste disposal sites;

publicize the existence of self-reporting monitoring information filed by disposal facilities, and how citizens can report solid waste violations; and increase effective enforcement of violations of solid waste regulations.

Following its assessment, the Department of Health is expected to make a recommendation by August 1 to process the regional plan, via a public notice and comment period, for Board of Health adoption.

The Solid Waste Task Force was chaired by Bexar County Commissioner Bob Lee.

Agency Notes

The Texas Department on Aging has announced the appointment of Edwina Ward Oliver, M.S., C.S.W., Senior Services Project Director, Senior Community Services, Inc., to the State Citizens Advisory Council. Oliver is currently serving on the Bexar Senior Advisory Committee and, in 1985, served as co-chair of the Bexar County Silver-Haired Legislature Steering Committee.

At the June 24 Semiannual Meeting awards luncheon, AACOG recognized the contributions made by outgoing members of its Executive Committee: Tommy Curbo, former county judge, Bandera County; David Montgomery, county commissioner, Medina County; Mark Wieser, former county judge, Gillespie County; and Tom Vickers, county judge, Bexar County. Also, the following advisory and planning committee chairs were commended for their past service: G.J. "Jack" Bowie, Alamo Senior Advisory Committee; Porter Dillard, Regional Development & Review Committee; and Sheriff Benny C. Sanders, Frio County, Criminal Justice Planning Committee.

Martha B. Reyes, alcohol & drug abuse programs manager, is the 1987 recipient of the San Antonio Council on Alcoholism's Patricia A. Merrill Prevention Award, citing her service in the field over the past decade.

Carlie E. Evans, criminal justice programs manager and charter board member of the National U.S. Air Force Security Police Association, welcomed to San Antonio the association's second national conference June 11, 12 and 15.

Human resources director James M. Brandes will deliver a paper, "Implementing Communications in Texas: TARCNET — a Statewide System," at the 25th annual conference of the Urban and Regional Information Systems Association (URISA) to be held Aug. 2-6 in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Criminal justice specialist Ian S. "Buddy" Lovestock was recently recognized by the Alamo Area Crime Prevention Association with their Outstanding Crime Prevention Practitioner of the Year Award. Also, Lovestock edits the association's newsletter that was selected among the top 10 of such publications by the National Association of Town Watch, Inc.

CALENDAR

July

- 2 Interagency Child Abuse Network (ICAN); 11:45 a.m.
- 10 Bexar Senior Advisory Committee; 10 a.m.
- 10 Alamo Senior Advisory Committee; 2 p.m.
- 14 Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Task Force; 12 noon
- 14 Regional Alcoholism & Drug Abuse Advisory Committee; 2:30 p.m.
- 15 Criminal Justice Planning Committee; 1:30 p.m.
- 16 Health & Human Services Advisory Committee; 1:30 p.m.
- 20 Housing Advisory Committee; 1:30 p.m.
- 21 Regional Development & Review Committee; 10 a.m.
- 21 Violence/Vandalism Task Force; 1:30 p.m.
- 22 AACOG Executive Committee Meeting; 12:30 p.m.
- 22 Area Judges of the Alamo SDA; following Executive Committee meeting
- 27 Due to summer schedules, Wilson County Development Committee will not meet in July
- 28 24-Hour Care Providers; 9 a.m.

August

- 6 Interagency Child Abuse Network (ICAN); 11:45 a.m.
- 11 Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Task Force; 11:30 a.m.
- 11 Regional Alcoholism & Drug Abuse Advisory Committee; 2:30 p.m.
- 14 Bexar Senior Advisory Committee; 10 a.m.
- 14 Alamo Senior Advisory Committee; 2 p.m.
- 18 Violence/Vandalism Task Force; 1:30 p.m.
- 19 Criminal Justice Planning Committee; 1:30 p.m.
- 20 Health & Human Services Advisory Committee; 1:30 p.m.
- 24 Wilson County Development Committee; Wright's Cafe, Floresville; 12 noon
- 26 AACOG Executive Committee Meeting; 12:30 p.m.
- 26 Area Judges of the Alamo SDA; following Executive Committee meeting

All AACOG meetings are accessible to the handicapped and, unless otherwise noted, are held in room 420 of the AACOG offices, 118 Broadway, San Antonio, Texas, (512) 225-5201.

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