

November, 1998

Mary Maxwell, Editor

Presentations

Kathy Olson and **Patty Black** recently had a poster exhibited at the 1998 Conference of the Association of Community Mental Health Centers of Kansas in Wichita, titled "*Competency-Based Training for Supported Employment Specialists*".

In October, **Stephanie Hudson** and **Bobbi Fabrycky** made a presentation at the Kansas Association for the Education of Young Children Conference held in Wichita on "*How Resource and Referral Agencies Can Help Child Care Providers Adapt for Children with Disabilities*".

Susan Jack, **Dean Williams**, **Dick Shores**, and **D. Napolitano** presented a poster session at the annual meeting of the American Association of University Affiliated Programs in October at Bethesda, Md, titled "*Measuring the impact of psychotropic drug therapy on social behaviors using direct observation*".

At the 15th annual meeting of the Southeastern Association for Behavior Analysis held in Asheville, NC, October 15-17, **Dean Williams** was the Program Chair and **Jennifer O'Donnell** was

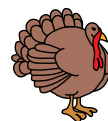
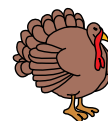
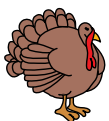
Session Chair. At the meeting, the following poster presentations were made:

D. Napolitano, **Susan Jack**, **J. Zarccone**, **H. Yoo**, **L. Fielder**, **R. Peyton**, **Dick Shores**, **Dean Williams**, and **M. Valdovinos** on "*A comparison of direct and indirect measures of the effects of risperidone in persons with developmental disabilities*".

Kate Saunders, **Jennifer O'Donnell**, **Mark Johnston**, **Dean Williams**, and **Joe Spradlin** titled, "*Emergent conditional position discrimination in nonverbal adults with severe mental retardation*".

David Lindeman recently presented at the Head Start and Special Education Directors meeting and a meeting on Age 3 Transition Planning on Interagency Collaboration and Agreements.

Vera Stroup and **Misty Goosen** presented at the Kansas Head Start Association Conference held at Wichita in October on "*Meeting the needs of children in Developmentally Appropriate Settings*".





Payroll Issues . . . from Jan Grady

REMINDER: Wednesday, November 11 is Veterans Day. With respect to Veterans Day, the Board of Regents has determined that because classes are in session on that day, unclassified employees of the Regents' institution will not observe this holiday. Classified staff will observe it as usual.

Holidays for 1999 Calendar Year

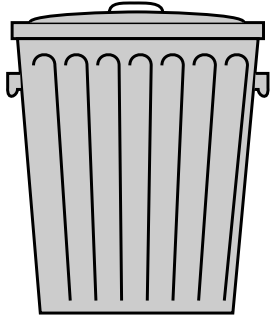
New Year's Day	Friday, January 1, 1999
Martin Luther King Day	Monday, January 18, 1999
Memorial Day	Monday, May 31, 1999
Independence Day	Monday, July 5, 1999
Labor Day	Monday, September 6, 1999
Veterans Day	Thursday, November 11, 1999
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday, November 25, 1999
	Friday, November 26, 1999
Christmas Day	Friday, December 24, 1999
Discretionary Day	

UNITED WAY 1998-1999 CAMPAIGN

Employees at the Parsons setting may donate funds to the local Parsons United Way via Douglas County United Way. Douglas County United Way mails out the information to employees of the University. On the backside of the pledge form (white copy) you will find a box titled, "Other United Way". This space allows individuals to designate the United Way they wish to have their donation sent to. **DO NOT SEND THE PLEDGE FORM DIRECTLY TO UNITED WAY OF DOUGLAS COUNTY.** Send the pledge form to me. In doing so, it lets me coordinate with the Parsons United Way our pledges from this setting. The copy I make for the Parsons United Way is the only copy they get that shows total pledge dollars for their agency. Please note the front side of the pledge form has been set up for designating the amount you wish to pledge. **IF YOUR PLEDGE IS \$25.00 OR LESS, PLEASE INCLUDE PAYMENT WITH THE FORM WHEN YOU SEND IT TO ME.** If you have any questions, please call me.



Adopt-A-Highway

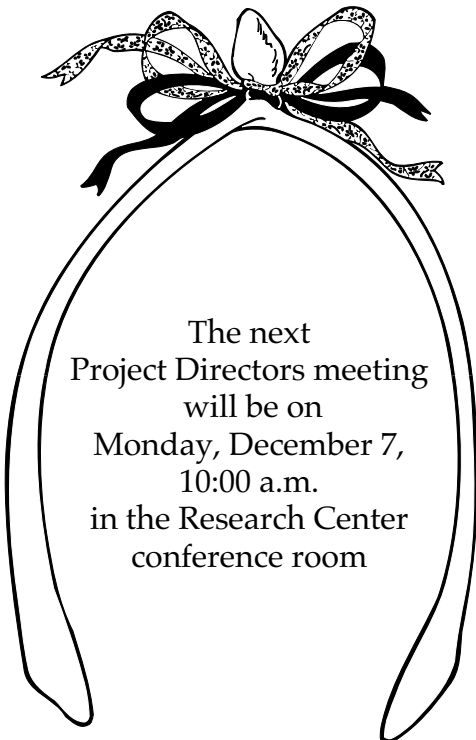


As most of you know, I am the new Coordinator for the Adopt-A-Highway program. For those of you that may not be totally aware of the program, quite a few years ago the KUAP adopted a section of Highway 59 a few miles north of Parsons. As adoptees, we assume the responsibility for removing litter and trash along our section of highway. It has become the pattern for volunteers to go out once in the spring and once in the fall to clean up our section. This is usually scheduled for late afternoon, takes a couple of hours, and then we meet for refreshments and award a trophy for the most unusual/interesting piece of trash (The Chuckie Award, a Chuck Spellman tradition). It is a time of public service, frolicking in the ditches and weeds, and much merriment as we gather afterwards to vote on the recipient of the trophy.

Yes, you are right, we have not done the fall duty of picking up trash for our highway clean-up miles. I know many of you are very disappointed, especially since the weather has been very favorable. However, the state took down the sign which marked our territory on the highway as they are making new signs and have requested that we do NOT do a clean-up until they have put up the new signs. So...we will probably not have a clean-up date for this fall. Before you jump for joy, keep in mind that will mean we will have TWICE as much trash to pick up next spring. Therefore, we will need lots of help.

I will keep you informed as to the posting of the new signs and the plans for our spring clean-up schedule. If anyone has any suggestions or questions, let me know. Thanks for your support and I will be in touch!

~ David Parnell



The next
Project Directors meeting
will be on
Monday, December 7,
10:00 a.m.
in the Research Center
conference room



Important Reminder

If you are scheduling a meeting, workshop or other activity that will bring visitors into either of our buildings, please notify the people who work in that building by E-mail as soon as your plans are made and a definite date has been set. Don't forget to reserve the conference room you wish to use. A calender is posted on each door.

WHAT'S GOING ON?

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Where</u>
November 18-21	<i>NAEYC (National Association for the Education of Young Children) Conference.</i> [Contact: (202) 232-8777 or (800) 424-2460].	Toronto, Canada
December 2-5	<i>TASH '98 Conference (The Association for Persons with Severe Handicaps)</i>	Seattle, Washington
December 6-9	<i>Division for Early Childhood Annual Conference</i> [Contact: (407) 628-3602].	Chicago, Illinois
March 4-6, 1999	<i>KDEC (Kansas Division for Early Childhood) Annual Conference.</i> [Contact Person: Esther Kottwitz (785) 865-0022].	Lawrence

For more information on any of the above, please check the Conference Bulletin Board in your area.