

# SPRING CONFERENCE

Wednesday March 7th, 2012 *Agenda*

## LOGGING IN TO TODAYS KIDS

*Registration & Refreshments*  
8:30-9:00 AM

*Conference* 9:00 AM Sessions Begin\*

**9:00-10:15** Keynote:.. Gary Johnson, Ph.D., LP, LMFT  
"iBrain; The Effect of Technology on Brain  
Development, Function, and Social Interaction"

**10:15-10:30**..... Break

### **10:30-12:15pm Breakout Session I**

**Breakout A:** Gary Johnson, Ph.D., LP, LMFT  
*ADHD; A New Decade*

**Breakout B:** Kari Fletcher, ABD, MSW, LICSW  
*Working With Military Families*

**Breakout C:** Lynn Stansberry-Brusnahan, Ph.D.  
*Social Skills Interventions and Technology*

**12:15-1:15** ..... Lunch provided  
(vegetarian option available)

**1:15-1:30** – MSSWA President address/door prizes  
Tammie Knick

**1:30-3:30** .....**Breakout Session II**  
15 minute break TBD

**Breakout D:** ..... Sumi Mukherjee  
*A Life Interrupted-(bullying)*

**Breakout E:** ..... Kendra Garrett, DSW,  
*Ethical Issues in School Social  
Work Record Keeping*

**Breakout F:** ..... Kari Fletcher:  
*Working with Military Families*

**3:30-3:45**..... Wrap-up, CEU's, door prizes,  
& Evaluations

5.25 CEU hours have been applied for to the  
MN Board of Social Work for March 7, 2012

\*Please note that Pre-registration is required.

## HOTEL & CONFERENCE

### *Information*

#### *Conference Information*

**Minnesota Department of Education**  
Conference Center "A" 1500 Highway 36 West  
Roseville, MN 55113-4266 (651) 582-8200  
Directions to MDE: [www.education.state.mn.us/mde](http://www.education.state.mn.us/mde)  
**Sign in at MDE security desk (required)**

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Take the Hamline Ave. exit and turn right  
(Commerce St.). Go one block west.  
Follow parking signs.

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Take the Hamline Ave. exit and turn left on Hamline.  
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St. Go one block west. Follow parking signs.

#### *Hotel Information*

**Radisson Hotel Roseville**  
2540 Cleveland Ave. North, Roseville MN 56113  
Phone: 1 (866) 444-6835  
Contact Radisson directly (Reserved under MSSWA)  
Room Block cost is \$ 89.00 + tax (held until 3/1/12)

#### *Conference Questions?*

**Contact:** Kim Anderson - 507-379-5061

**Contact:** Annette Kleinschrodt - 507-444-8215

**Contact:** Molly Norris - 507-207-4233

FOR MORE INFORMATION please visit:  
[www.msswa.org](http://www.msswa.org)

#### *Registration & Payment*

**Send Registration & Payment to:**

Kelly Jensen  
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St. Peter, MN 56082

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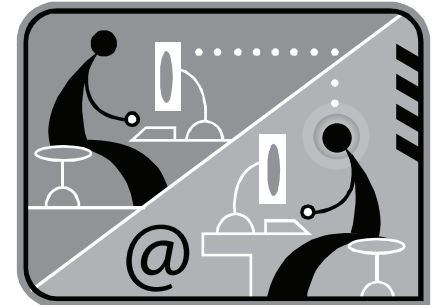
# MSSWA & MDE

MINNESOTA SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKERS ASSOCIATION

## 2012 Spring Conference

*Minnesota  
Department  
of Education*

## LOGGING IN TO TODAYS KIDS



*Join us for six opportunities  
to fine tune or  
expand your knowledge!*

Wednesday, March 7, 2012

Registration Begins at 8:30 AM

*Minnesota Department of  
Education Roseville*  
1500 Highway 36 West | Roseville, MN 55113

# Spring 2012 Conference REGISTRATION FORM

MSSWA Member .....	\$60
Non-Member – Includes MSSWA Membership. . .	\$125
Student rate .....	\$25
After February 17th add late fee .....	\$20
MSSWA Membership .....	\$65
Total Enclosed .....	\$ _____

Reservations due by and no refunds given after Feb. 24th, 2012

**Please send payment along with this Registration Form.**

Make checks payable to MSSWA and send to:

**Kelly Jensen • St. Peter High School  
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Special Requests (hearing impaired, etc)

**Check which sessions you will attend:**

- Breakout A  Breakout B  Breakout C  
 Breakout D  Breakout E  Breakout F

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 Be included in a drawing for a Free  
MSSWA membership by registering before February 14th.

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## Speaker Information

**Gary Johnson, Ph.D., LP, LMFT**, specializes in the evaluation and treatment of adults and children with attention and learning disorders. Gary frequently speaks at conferences, schools and professional organizations about the diagnosis and treatment of attention problems. He is a national consultant for Fortune 100 Companies, using brain-based techniques for enhancing employee performance. Gary has received extensive training in ADHD including study through Harvard Medical School with Ned Hallowell, M.D. and John Ratey, M.D., authors of Driven to Distraction. He is a student of Daniel Amen, M.D.'s research and follows many of Amen's principles in his practice.

**Dr Lynn Stansberry –Brusnahan, Ph.D.**, is the parent of a young adult with autism. Her Ph.D. is from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee where she specialized in Exceptional Education. As an Assistant Professor at the University of St. Thomas in Minnesota, she teaches in autism spectrum disorders certificate and master's program. Lynn is Past President of the Autism Society of Southeastern Wisconsin, on the Autism Society of Wisconsin Board, and on the /Autism Society of America National Board.

**Kari Fletcher, ABD, MSW, LICSW:** Kari is an assistant professor at the School of Social Work, St. Catherine University and The University of St. Thomas and a doctoral candidate at Smith College School for Social Work.

**Sumi Mukherjee,** Author of the book, "A Life Interrupted," Sumi, at 34 years of age greatly enjoys being a mentor for children as well as working with kids in a professional setting. Over the years, he has taken college courses in psychology, criminal justice, sociology and child care. He is also expanding his budding career as a writer, and as of January 2011 has completed the manuscript for his second book. Sumi was born in Calgary, Canada, and grew up in Minnesota.

**Kendra Garrett, D.S.W.**, is an associate professor in the School of Social Work, College of St. Catherine and University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, MN. Her clinical experience is in school social work in Colorado, Maryland, and the District of Columbia, and she teaches courses in social work with groups, social work research, and school social work. She supervised and consulted for the school social work department in Independent School District 196 in Rosemont, MN. Her research interests are in school social work, group work, practice evaluation, bullying and school violence, and spirituality.

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**Keynote:** Gary Johnson, Ph.D., LP, LMFT

**iBrain: The Effect of Technology on Brain Development, Function, and Social Interaction**

Mr. Johnson will present the expanding body of research findings that early and excessive electronic stimulation may not only affect brain functioning, but may actually change physiological development of the brain. Increased aggression, mood problems, disrupted sleep patterns, poor social skills, disorganized thinking, increased agitation and irritability, family conflict, inattentiveness, distractibility, and even increased rates of ADHD and autism are possible results. Specific examples of "brain enhancing" and "brain limiting" technology, as well as specific guidelines, will be offered.

**Breakout A:** Gary Johnson, Ph.D., LP, LMFT

**ADHD: A New Decade.** ADHD is increasingly recognized as both pervasive and complex. This session will describe substantial diagnostic changes that are proposed for the upcoming DSM-V, as well as alarming evidence that points to a more complex, multifaceted disorder which requires an updated evidence-based approach. Comorbidity of ADD and ASD, in addition to effective treatments that address a wide variety of medical, social, and behavioral concerns will be discussed.

**Breakout B and F:** Kari Fletcher, ABD, MSW, LICSW;

Working with Military families. Kari will present her findings from her dissertation "How do Minnesota School Social Workers Identify the Continued Needs for Support among children from National Guard families?" Kari interviewed school social workers, school counselors, principals and teachers from various locations throughout the state who had worked directly with children as well as National Guard personnel who work with children and families. She will also share results from a survey given to Minnesota school social workers.

**Breakout C:** Lynn Stansberry-Brusnahan Ph.D.;

Lynn has a wealth of information, is engaging, and includes the audience while she shares a variety of different strategies in working with children who have social skill deficits. She will focus on how technology can be used for interventions in teaching skills and strategies in our work with children.

**Breakout D:** Sumi Mukherjee; "A Life Interrupted;"

Sumi has two decades worth of painfully acquired expertise in dealing with anxiety, bullying, depression and Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder. He is no longer defined by these issues and will share his own personal experience on how he overcame and how we can be proactive in the prevention of bullying within our schools.

**Breakout E:** Kendra Garrett Ph.D.;

Kendra will present information on federal laws on data privacy and school records (FERPA and HIPPA), MN standards for social work records, and the MN Department of Education ruling on school social work records. Case examples will be provided for discussion that highlight some of the challenges for documentation of practice when clients are minors. 2 CEU's in ethics.