We celebrate *Women’s History Month* at RC48!

- **Women in Rehabilitation.** Program records show that the first two women RC students graduated from ESU in 1969. At the conclusion of the first decade of the program, roughly 28% of graduates were women, jumping to 65% in the following decade and peaking at 92% in the decade after. In the next decade, the percentage dropped to 79%. That averages to about 60% women graduates over the life of the program, to date. At present, of 29 RC master’s students enrolled (14 online; 15 on-campus), 76% are women.

- **March is Developmental Disability Awareness Month.** Right here in Kansas, Interhab is the oldest and largest network of providers to persons with developmental disability. Make plans to attend Interhab’s annual Power Up! conference at Wichita, October 14th-16th, 2015.

- **IARP Academic Advisory Council.** Katrina Miller has been appointed to the International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals (IARP) Academic Advisory Council. The Council was developed in response to a dramatic increase in total student membership over the last 18 months, from fewer than 50 student members to over 700.

- **Call for Papers.** IARP is currently seeking proposals for the 2015 Annual Conference at New Orleans in October. Practical case examples are requested for an audience of forensic rehabilitation experts, life care planners, case managers, disability managers, and vocational experts. Proposals are due March 25th.

- **CE Students Rock It!** Counselor Education faculty and a number of master’s students attended the annual Kansas Counseling Association Spring Convention at Wichita in early March. We congratulate CE graduate student Dani Clenney for placing first at the Lloyd Stone Symposium. Dani’s research poster addressed reduction of chronic pain through creating art. Second place went to Rachel Peterson of ESU; third to Kelsey Brush & Tara Chumley of KU. Save the date for the 2016 convention: March 4th-6th, at Topeka.

- **Discovery Day.** The 41st Discovery Day will take place Saturday, March 14th on the ESU campus. Featured speakers are Charlie Marshall on the expressive therapies continuum (ETC), and Megan Van Meter on the ETC and neuroscience. The cost is reasonable and CEUs are available. Register today!

- **Immediate Openings in Addictions.** Paul Costigan, Program Director at the Topeka Treatment Center, notifies us of immediate openings for counselors. The Center is an outpatient facility serving persons dependent on narcotics using a multidisciplinary approach. Applicants need the LAC credential. Please call 785.266.4100; or fax or email your resume to: 785-266-4103 or employment@riverwoodgroup.com.

- **Texas Seeking Rehabilitation Professionals.** VRCs needed at Plano, Irving, and College Station; Rehabilitation Services Technicians needed at Plano and Cleburne; Transition Counselors needed at Laredo, Austin, and Houston; and Transitional VRCs needed at Houston and Round Rock. For details on how to apply, please contact Christy Lerche at 512.424.4002 or at Christy.Lerche@dars.state.tx.us.

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