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## THE SPIRIT WILL CONTINUE AT THE 27TH ANNUAL

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The 26<sup>th</sup> Annual FSAS has ended on a very successful note with over 260 attendees. The Board of Directors wishes to thank everyone who participated in this year's school to make it a wonderful experience. The excellent presenters, trainers and support of all participants are what make this experience so memorable and rejuvenating. Already, the plans are in motion for the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual FSAS and "School on the Road" in March. The student evaluations will be tabulated and all written comments recorded for our review as we begin the planning for how the spirit will continue being enhanced during the upcoming year.

We are extremely excited to move forward with interesting challenges identified in the field of addictions. Pain Management, prescription medication abuse, how to integrate all knowledge gained into diverse therapeutic approaches with our clients, as well as, innovative education and prevention efforts within our local communities. Oh, and did I mention a wrestler may be with us, too? We know the importance of staying on the "cutting edge" of information sharing in order to continue the effective and efficient approaches with personal and professional relationships. FSAS is fortunate and extremely pleased to have Board members who actively participate in diverse educational and training services worldwide. It is their expertise and networking that connects FSAS with the experts to present the "School on the Road" and FSAS each year.

The 2008 FSAS will be July 20 – 24 at University of North Florida's University Center. We challenge each of you to bring another colleague with you next year. The personal and professional enhancement each of us appreciate and seek will be available to anyone who chooses to actively pursue the opportunities available during this unique learning environment. I also want to remind you to regularly check our website ([www.fsas.org](http://www.fsas.org)) for updates. We, again, plan to take FSAS "On the Road" March 11 – 13, 2008 at the Springfield College, Tampa Campus. We owe a great deal of thanks to both UNF (for helping keep facility/meal costs reasonable) and Springfield College (for donating facilities, staff and reasonable meals) for their partnerships in our continued efforts to provide the best addictions educational opportunities in the Southeastern United States. Please stay tuned to future newsletters, website updates, and/or contact any members of the Board for information that might assist you in your ongoing addictions educational needs. Thank you, again, for a successful 2007 FSAS – "The Spirit Continues"!

*Barbara L. Reincke*

FSAS President

### MARK THESE DATES FOR

FSAS  
2008

JULY  
20 - 24

UNF  
JACKSONVILLE  
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[www.fsas.org](http://www.fsas.org)  
starting  
November 2007

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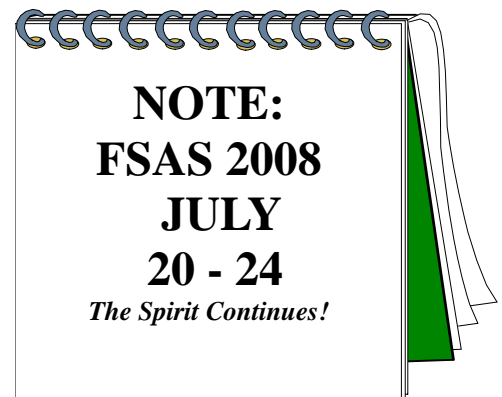
**TO:** Florida School of Addictions Studies Students  
**FROM:** The FSAS Board of Directors  
**SUBJECT:** **2008 PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR AWARD NOMINATIONS**  
**DATE:** August 1, 2007

The Florida School of Addictions Studies Board of Directors and all of those associated with the 26th Annual FSAS would like to thank you for your participation in the 2007 FSAS. We hope your experience at the school will expand your skills, and that you left with a renewed spirit to returned to your workplace with excitement from classes taken and will share this information with colleagues. We also want you to **plan now to attend next year's FSAS scheduled for July 20-24, 2008!**

The prestigious annual "Professional of the Year" award is changing the deadline for nomination for the 2008 award. To allow for additional publicity, nominations are due no later than Tuesday, November 6, 2007. We request that students begin thinking of worthy candidates as they network in the next few months. If you know of someone that meets the criteria for this prestigious award, we encourage you to submit the nomination and the additional requested documents no later than Tuesday, November 6, 2007. The POY criteria and nomination form are included with this EXTRA edition of the FSAS newsletter, *A Letter of Substance*.

The selection decision for the 2008 POY will be moved up to the December, 2007 Board of Directors meeting, and the recipient will be announced in the Spring issue of the newsletter and will have their photograph and biography published in the brochure and newsletter distributed at the 27th Annual FSAS. We truly hope you will be encouraged to continue networking with your fellow colleagues and will begin thinking about that person you believe should receive the 2008 Professional of the Year award.

FSAS will continue to provide our FSAS "On the Road" mini-school in the Spring of 2008 in the Tampa Bay area. Please visit our website often at [www.fsas.org](http://www.fsas.org) throughout the year for regular updates.



**PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR AWARD**

**27<sup>th</sup> Annual Florida School of Addictions Studies  
July 20 through July 24, 2008, University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL**

Since 1983, the Florida School of Addictions Studies, Inc., has annually recognized an outstanding professional in the field of substance abuse treatment and/or prevention. This effort is to promulgate a feeling that the student body is very important to the leaders, supporters, and sponsors of the School. Nominations for this prestigious award are encouraged from any and all interested parties, including the FSAS Board or Directors and the FSAS Membership Committee; however, current/former members of the FSAS Board of Directors are not eligible for this award.

**Former award recipients** are: Jean Mosier '83, Jerry Kinzler '84, Ruther Carter '85, Pam Petersen '86, Agnes Furey '87, Brenda Dillon '88, Jay Schrader '89, Ray Roberts '90, Ann Bidby '91, Elizabeth Broughton '93, George Dewiliby '94, George Myers '95, Rene' Plummer '96, Susan Bridges-Tomkins '97, Jonathan Lofgren '98, Ronda Kay Zucco '99, Kay Doughty '00, Clarissa Hersey '01, Jerry Wilson '02, Emilie Lewis '03, Nancy Greenwald '04, Sally Strong '05, James Bowden '06, and Richard Sell '07.

**AWARD INCLUDES:**

- \$500 cash award
- Complimentary registration to the July 20-24, 2008 FSAS
- Recognition in the FSAS Newsletter and at the School
- Plaque proclaiming their achievement

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**

A person who has worked in the addictions field for a minimum of five (5) years

**For those professionals working in the trenches who provides direct services to consumers and have consistently contributed to the field of substance abuse, having distinguished his/her self beyond the requirements of their position and demonstrated excellence in the field.**

Available to attend the **2008 School July 20 through July 24, 2008**

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**DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED:**

Complete Nomination form and nominator's letter setting forth justification for the nominee's selection as Professional of the Year

Current Resume of the person being nominated for Professional of the Year

Two (2) letters of recommendation from nominee's colleagues, peers, supervisors, clients, or informed others who can attest to nominee's achievements.

**Completed nomination form, nominator's letter and 2 letters of recommendation should be sent to the Chair of the Scholarship and Awards Committee at:**

**FSAS Scholarship Chair  
1725 Art Museum Drive  
Jacksonville, FL 32207**

**Telephone: 1-888-933-FSAS**

**E-Mail: [fsas@nefsc.org](mailto:fsas@nefsc.org)**

**Web Site: [www.fsas.org](http://www.fsas.org)**

**DEADLINE:** Nomination form, nominator's letter, resume & 2 letters of recommendation must be received no later than the close of business on **by Tuesday, November 6, 2007.**

**NOTE:** Winner must furnish a 5-inch by 7-inch or larger photograph suitable for reproduction. The recipient shall bear the expense of transportation, lodging, and any meals not furnished at the school.

**NOMINATION FORM**  
**FSAS Professional of Year 2008**  
**Sunday July 20, 2008 through Thursday July 24, 2008**  
**University of North Florida**  
**12000 Alumni Drive**  
**Jacksonville, Florida**

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- Available to attend the **2008 School July 20 through July 24, 2008**
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**NOMINEE Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Degrees, licenses, certifications and dates received: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Employers' address: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor's name: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Supervisor's Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominator's Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominator's**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Nominator will furnish nomination letter that will include** your reasons for nominating this person for Professional of the Year and include examples of accomplishments that advance the field of substance abuse treatment or prevention, the major contributions above and beyond his/her regular job requirements, exemplary work accomplished during the past year, recognition or awards received to date, and other relevant information concerning achievements or qualifications.

**Mail nomination form, nomination letter, resume, and 2 letters of recommendation from other individuals to:**

Florida School of Addictions Studies, Scholarship Chairperson  
1725 Art Museum Drive  
Jacksonville, FL 32207

Telephone: 1-888-933-FSAS  
**E-mail: [fsas@nefsc.org](mailto:fsas@nefsc.org)**  
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**Do you have suggestions for trainers or training topics you would like to see at the Florida School of Addictions Studies during our March 11-13, 2008 “On the Road” mini-school or at the 27th Annual FSAS July 20-24, 2008?**

**Please send your suggestions along with relevant contact information to [fsas@nefsc.org](mailto:fsas@nefsc.org) no later than September 1, 2008.**



## **FSAS MAILING LIST & CONTACT INFORMATION**

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