Much to celebrate during Social Work Month:

Proud to be licensed!

During Social Work Month (March), ASWB made available a picture frame with the phrase “Proud of my social work license” for use on Facebook profile photos, and 10,500 social workers used it on their Facebook page, resulting in 35,000 views of ASWB’s page.

Published!

As part of the celebration of Social Work Month, the New Social Worker magazine website published articles by ASWB President TIM BROWN and CEO MARY JO MONAHAN on the role of social work regulation and licensure in providing a foundation for client advocacy and social justice through its public protection mission.

Out and about!

In late February (a bit ahead of other activities) ASWB CEO MARY JO MONAHAN was a keynote speaker at the NASW-Idaho chapter’s Legislative Education and Advocacy Day (LEAD). Her two topics were "Social Workers. Leaders. Advocates. Champions" and "Protecting the Public Through Prudent Practice."


ASWB exhibited at the Baccalaureate Program Directors (BPD) annual conference in Atlanta, Georgia, and presented sessions to students and faculty on ASWB’s Path to Licensure program, which helps strengthen knowledge of professional regulation and its connection to public protection and social work values and ethics.

A great honor

ASWB CEO MARY JO MONAHAN was honored to be selected as the 2018 Joan Greenstone lecturer at Loyola University School of Social Work and the Institute for Clinical Social Work to speak about social work regulation as a foundation for social justice. While at Loyola, she also was interviewed for an episode of the Social Work Podcast by Loyola associate professor of social work and host JONATHAN SINGER, Ph.D., LCSW (air date to be determined).

First class!

Congratulations to the first class to complete New Board Member Training (NBMT) in 2018. Held in March in Little Rock, Arkansas, NBMT trained 17 board members from 12 jurisdictions, including five members from Canadian provinces.

Condolences

ASWB sends condolences to ANGELINA-MARIE SANTOS CRUZ of Guam whose father died while she was attending ASWB New Board Member Training in Little Rock, Arkansas.
Happy 50th, NABSW!

ASWB delivered good wishes to the National Association of Black Social Workers (NABSW) in a proclamation honoring the association for celebrating its 50th year in 2018. Immediate Past President M. JENISE COMER of Missouri and Director at Large JOYCE BELL (MD) made the presentation at the association’s annual conference in San Diego, California. ASWB recognized NABSW’s proud history and groundbreaking initiatives to advance social justice and culturally relevant social work practice, among other contributions. ASWB has been proud to be a valued collaborator with NABSW since 1996.

ASWB placed two ads in the annual conference souvenir journal and JENISE and JOYCE presented a workshop “ASWB Fulfills the Dream of Competent Practice for African Americans” and raffled two exam guides to workshop attendees.

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It’s a blast!

New building update: While preparing to put in the sewer lines, contractors at ASWB’s new headquarters site ran into 800 linear feet of solid rock that had to be removed before pipe could be laid. Blasting equipment appeared on the site in short order, and the job was done over two days with fire marshals on site to ensure safety.

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