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NOLA Network News

This letter was written by Ted Quant, Kathleen McGraw, Michael Kane, the co-facilitators of the March 2-3 workshop to the teacher and counselor participants.

Thanks for all your hard work in the 2 day workshop. Every time Ted, Kathleen, and I facilitate this workshop we are honored by your commitment and learn so much from you. You, 16 people, are now added to an ever-expanding network of 150+ people in the metro NOLA area who are actively engaged in the resilience and recovery process.

In addition to your GFSC certificate you will receive the Tulane certificate which is required for those seeking CEU credit.

We have an interesting cross-section group, many of whom are experienced in trauma work, comprising both public, private charter, and special theme schools and independent entities in the metro area: International School of Louisiana, Alice Harte Charter, Loyola, Edna Karr High, St James High School, Grace King, Bonnabel, St. Scholastica Academy, Algiers Charter Schools, Metropolitan Human Services District, Pope John Paul II High, The Grief Resource Center, Tulane University Children's Health Project, Easter Seals Society. What a network!

We take you seriously when you say you want to help heal the community and strengthen school-

community relations. Many of you had a personal mission to take the workshop and share key parts with your faculties, with your counseling duties, with community groups, and notably, with the training of other crisis volunteers in the community. A couple of you are interested in becoming course facilitators and we will follow up with you within the next couple of weeks. Please also indicate that interest when you register as a GFSC volunteer on the website. If you are to use the workshop in your school, please note that the GFSC website has a materials and permissions request form.

If you want mentors from our local facilitator network (NOLANetwork) or to participate in other facilitator, teambuilding, conflict resolution, diversity or systems training, or to conduct the workshop in your area with a group you have already identified, please contact Ted Quant at the Loyola University Twomey Center for Peace Through Justice, 861-5831; Kathleen McGraw, MSW, LPC, 504-836-3883, or Mike Kane, 504-895-4479 (w). 504-450-0326 (c), michael2@tulane.edu.

Loyola's Twomey Center is acting as the center/clearinghouse for the NOLANetwork. The network is a collaboration of Tulane School of Continuing Studies, Southern University School of Social Work, Loyola University Twomey Center, Facilitative Leader Institute, Turning Point Partners, and Shell E&P in New Orleans together with several independent practitioners. The network expands each time you become active.

Two exciting local developments: We are close to having a Mennonite volunteer on board as a coordinator for maintaining contact with the network, and we have received a small grant from the Mennonite Central Committee to conduct workshops at the Ashe Cultural Center in Central City. We will keep you posted and we

"We strongly recommend that you sign up at the GFSC website, www.globalfacilitators.org, and register as a volunteer. The advantages are the newsletter, continued growth as a facilitator volunteer in the Mentored Pathways™ process and skilled coaching as you multiply your efforts in your schools and community, and connect to an international network of practitioners of the workshop. You can see how others have used the same material to heal their worlds."

TQ, KM, MK

look forward to hearing from you about how you have applied the workshop in your own setting.

We look forward to telling our readers how you are building community resilience and self-reliance within your community, agency or organization. Write to us at info@globalfacilitators.org to share your work!

If you'd like to help GFSC continue to build community resilience and self-reliance, as we are doing in New Orleans, Los Angeles and Australia, click on our [donation page](#) or mail a check to
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**To all our Aussie Friends
Australia workshops:
28-29 May and 31 May-1 June 2007
Melbourne**

**Facilitative Disaster & Crisis Intervention
Workshop for experienced facilitators**

More details to follow soon. If you are interested in participating in one of these workshops and subsequently volunteering to bring these tools and techniques back to your community, agency or organization, contact Viv McWaters, viv@thereef.com.au.



Workshop Interest in Houston, TX

We have received several requests for a DCI Train the Trainer workshop for facilitators in the Houston, TX area. If you are interested in participating, please send an email to David Johnson at davidjohnsonshell@yahoo.com and we will contact you directly.



GFSC DCI Workshop, Arizona, Jan. 2006

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Other Professional Development Opportunities

From time to time, we will share information about other, non-GFSC, professional development opportunities that might be of interest to our volunteers.

Introduction to Change Management

The Change Facilitation Associates Network, Amauta International, LLC and The Change Handbook announce their first **Introduction to Change Management** training in the United States, **April 19-20, 2007** at the Process Work Institute in Portland, Oregon.

This two-day workshop offers an overview of Change Management theories, some basic tools to explore the field of Change Management and further develop your capacity as a Change Management facilitator and a Manager of Change.

This workshop will be co-facilitated by 3 internationally recognized Change Management Facilitators:

Peggy Holman, editor and main author of The Change Handbook, and a pioneer of Open Space Technology;

Holger Nauheimer, a management consultant, international trainer and Director of Change Facilitation. He is the author of the Change Management Tool Book.

Gilbert Brenson-Lazan, president of Amauta International, LLC; past president of GFSC and author, specializing in crisis and change intervention, leadership, and chaotic self-organizing development.

For more information and registration, go to http://www.change-management-toolbook.com/about/training_icm_us.html.

Improve Your Website & Help GFSC Too!

Here's an easy, cost-effective way to improve your communications and support GFSC programs at the same time. By signing up using the link on the GFSC web site (<http://www.hotconference.com/GFSC/partners1.php>), 25% of your Kiosk-Hot Conference fees are donated to GFSC.

Hot Conference and Kiosk have 35 years of experience, operating in more than 119 countries. They host our website and provide a variety of internet tools. With Hot Conference we can communicate with our volunteers throughout the world.

If you host a website, want to reduce your long distance phone charges and/or improve communications consider Kiosk and Hot Conference.

Sharing GFSC Materials

We continue develop new materials, as well as refine our existing materials. We want to know about and share how our materials are being used. So, if you are using or planning to use GFSC materials, be sure to complete and send us the [permission request form](#). If you are getting paid for your work (i.e., for profit), then you pay a token fee back to GFSC to support the organization. If you are not getting paid (i.e., you are volunteering your time), you do not have to pay the Use of Materials fee to GFSC. In either case, please complete the permission to use GFSC materials form. Thanks!

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Ximena Combariza for Spanish translations of our newsletters.

Gracias, Ximena!

