### **SOCIAL WORK CLUB**

The Social Work Club contributes greatly to the community with such activities as apple picking and donating the apples to local food pantries, winter clothing drives for area homeless shelters, and in Spring 2018 a service trip to the Catskill Animal Sanctuary.

Do you remember the Social Work Club and the many events and activities each year?









#### SCHOLARSHIP EVERY DOLLAR HELPS A FUTURE STUDENT!

To make a contribution to the endowed Social Work Scholarship, contact the Development Office at 518-783-2432, or atdevelopment@siena.edu. Contributions can also be sent by mail: Siena College Development Office, 515 Loudon Rd., Loudonville, NY 12211. (Please reference 'Social Work scholarship' on your check).



## **CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2018**



Front row (left to right):
Angelica Capellan, Logan
Audi, Amelia O'Rourke, Kyla
Loucks, Samantha Urbino,
Alexandra Vincent,
Kelsie Lenney
Back row (left to right):
Sarah Gugliuzza, Danielle
Ashworth, Carolyn Gatti, Erin
Dempsey, Alexandra Schell,
Amber Osterhoudt, Danielle
Wright, Samantha Mabee,
Caitlin Meindl, Erin VanAller

## **CLASSROOM EXCELLENCE!**

Dr. Cynthia Bott receives the 2018 Siena College School of Liberal Arts Teaching Scholar Award for a tenure-tracking faculty member. This award reflects classroom excellence as well as longer term community-based research she has done on food insecurity, and for the social work education community on examining activism in social work education. Congratulations CB!





# COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Community Partners make for a strong BSW experience for our students in the classroom and in the community



#### **COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**

A heartfelt thank you to all of our guest speakers, junior internship supervisors, senior field placement educators, connections with the New York State Social Work Education Association and NASW- NYS Chapter, advisory board members, and alumni who participate in projects, assignments and other aspects of our programs. We cannot do it without you. Thank you for partnering with us and sharing your time, experiences, knowledge, and leadership.

We give back to the community through service projects, student and faculty community research projects, supporting annual walks for different causes, legislative advocacy for a variety of issues, and social work club activities to benefit our Capital Region neighbors. Engaging in service and advocacy projects helps to prepare our students for the dynamic world of social work!



# THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION AND THE ANNUAL WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S

Our current junior class, as part of the Community Organizing course, continue the tradition of fund-raising, raising public awareness, recruiting volunteers and participating in the Walk. Siena alum Elizabeth Smith-Boivin is the Executive Director and CEO of the Alzheimer's Association of Northeastern NY. Maura Fleming, '15 alum completed her internship at the Association and was hired after graduation, working there for a number of years and helping our students with the Walk.

Alumni do you remember participating in these events?



# JOSEPH'S HOUSE ANNUAL WINTER WALK FOR THE HOMELESS

We have lost track of the years that Siena social work students have participated in this Walk. Joseph's House and Shelter remains one of our longest standing partners for a range of learning activities including junior internships, senior field placements and community projects. Kevin O'Connor, CEO of the organization has been an adjunct instructor, a visiting professor and a past member of our advisory board. Some of our students have worked at Joseph's House upon graduation. The experience of some of our seniors in their field placement at Joseph's House has led them to spend their social work careers serving those who are homeless in various locations through the country.



#### **ADVISORY BOARD**

The Advisory Board is comprised of students, alumni, and community members whose input and assistance are important to the Program. The Board takes on various projects aimed at enriching students' experience in the Program. Current projects include a mentoring program and an increased technological presence. Interested in serving as a voting member or as part of a particular committee or project? Reach out to Robin (contact info below)!



#### **INTERNSHIPS**

We are always looking for quality, dynamic internship experiences for our students. If you have an interest in hosting a junior for 50 hours (1 semester) or a senior for 400 hours (2 semesters), or you just want to learn more:

Contact: Robin MacHattie, Administrative Coordinator @ 518-783-4123 rmachattie@siena.edu