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EAST CENTRAL REGION, ACPE

**INDIANA, KENTUCKY, MICHIGAN, OHIO
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Regional Director's Annual Report

[As presented at the February Regional Meeting]. The philosophy of the East Central Region with regard to leadership has been to create the minimum structure necessary to support the essential tasks of the Centers in the process of conducting Level One and Level Two CPE as a method of educating persons for ministry, and also conducting Supervisory CPE to facilitate the training of new Supervisors to propagate our unique expression of ministry and education. An additional goal is to support and nurture all members of the region in a way consistent with our tradition and the notions of pastoral care that we believe are beneficial to all persons.

It is to this end that we continue to take seriously the tasks of certification and accreditation, and maintain committees who undertake this work voluntarily and with dedication. It is also to this end that we meet twice each year as a region, not only to do these tasks, but also to provide opportunities for enrichment of mind and spirit, and to be mutually supportive.

Right Down the Middle

It is astonishing how typical the East Central Region is of ACPE as an organization. If you take the total number of almost every category in ACPE and divide it by nine (the number of regions) you come up with a number that is almost exactly the total of that category in the ECR. Here is the evidence:

	TOTAL NUMBER IN ACPE	AVERAGE PER REGION	EAST CENTRAL REGION
Active Supervisors	560	62.2	60
Associate Supervisors	62	6.8	7
Clinical Members	602	66.8	67
Centers	350	38.9	39

We are the region located in the center of the country and reflecting more accurately than any other the exact proportions of the organization as a whole. One might say we are the quintessential region.

The Uniqueness of the Region

However, there are also ways in which we are also unique. I believe that we are a unique region in our long tradition of welcoming and providing care for our students and our clinical members. One of the evidences of the effectiveness of our "in care" practice with students at all levels is the absence of complaints over the past decade. A number of students have contacted the regional office to talk with me about their experiences in CPE that have been problematic in some way. Most of these students want to be heard, and to know that what they feel and say about their experience matters to the organization. I believe that the level of professionalism and competence of our supervisors in the East Central Region is also a major reason for this good record. You are to be commended for this achievement.

We are also unique in our tradition of encouraging inter-organization meetings. For years, our region was the key entity in keeping alive the Pastoral Care Associates, a federation of Pastoral Care, Education and Counseling organizations in the Midwest who met jointly. These joint meetings were efficient and often enriching as they both reduced the number of meetings many of us were attending and also provided a venue where we could interact with persons in related organizations for a rich exchange of ideas. Since the demise of this federation, we have continued to promote our joint meetings with other cognate groups wherever possible. Our coming September meeting may be a joint meeting, if it can be worked out. Many of our members continue to be committed to this tradition of collegiality.

The Supervisory Pipeline

We currently have about a dozen Supervisors in Training in the East Central Region. We continue to have success with our students seeking Candidacy and eventually Associate status. The Chair of Certification will report the names of those meeting committees and the outcomes. Again at this meeting, as in the past two years, we have set aside time for SITs to meet and reflect with Supervisors on their process. We are also pleased to have Joan Hemenway to lead us in reflection on the use of Group Process in CPE.

Pittsburgh is Here

Our region has been eagerly anticipating the opportunity to host all ACPE in Pittsburgh. It has been an exciting experience to see this meeting grow from a date on the horizon, more than two years away, to a theme, and now to an enfolded reality. In two months we will be gathering at the Hilton Hotel at the Point in Pittsburgh. I cannot say enough about the work done by the planning committee.

Finally, our region continues to honor and value the presence of Clinical Members in our midst, and to appreciate their contribution to our regional life. Although not large in numbers, they are a vital part of the region. In the past, Ray Dice, a clinical member, served with distinction as our Regional Chair. In the present, Kim Barnett, also a clinical member, has begun a term as the chair of Accreditation to the East Central Region.

East Central Region is alive and well and looking forward. It has been a privilege to serve you in the capacity of Regional Director again this year.

B. Frank Ciampa

Announcements:

- Welcome to **Mike Oskin**, who recently began as Supervisor at Grant/Riverside Hospital in Columbus, OH. Mike moved to our region from the Southeastern Region.

Pastoral Concerns:

- **Bill Scrivener's** mother, Helen Scrivener, died February 11. Our prayers are with Bill and his loved ones during this time of loss. [Bill is a supervisor at Children's Hospital Medical Center, Cincinnati, OH.]

Learning Opportunities:

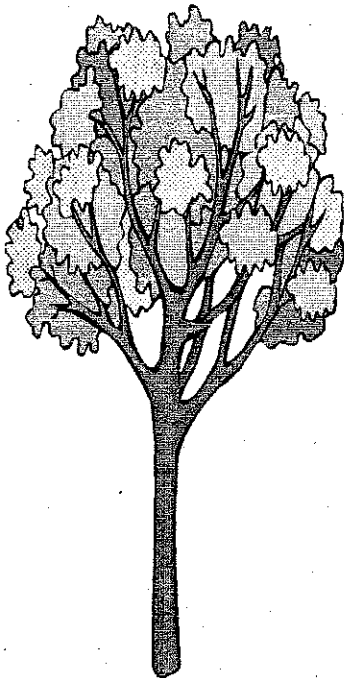
- The Wayne E. Oates Institute presents an online conference "Receiving the Gifts of Aging" April 8-19, 2002. The conference may be accessed from anywhere at your convenience over the Internet. The conference is designed to provide a constructive format for addressing spiritual, mental and physical health issues of Senior Adults as they, their families, and their communities encounter new challenges in the aging process. For registration information visit the Wayne E. Oates website www.oates.org or call: 502-459-2370.

Job Opportunities

- The Lafayette Indiana Region is seeking a Catholic Chaplain (those currently in the process of certification will be considered) to serve as Regional Director, Mission Integration and Pastoral Care. This is a new position designed to assist four senior living communities with implementation of Mission Integration Teams,

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(ACPE, APC, NACC)

SEPTEMBER 20-21, 2002
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PLENARY SPEAKER

Dr. David Steere

Workshop Presentations on:

Educational Groups
Clinical Populations
Community Groups

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(Save the date - more details to follow)

Professional Ethics Commission Report
Hueston Woods, February, 2002

1. There is a need for Centers to write some kind of Code of Ethics for students who are not ACPE members. There are some "principles" to follow on the website. An outline follows:

"APPENDIX 9

Sample Policy and Procedure: Standard 223.7 and Section 100

ETHICAL CONDUCT

CENTER, SYSTEM or INSTITUTION NAME

PURPOSE

To describe expectations of professional and ethical conduct for participants in an ACPE accredited program of CPE.

POLICY

All CPE faculty and students in programs, of CPE at [*Center, or System Name*] are expected to uphold and abide by the Code of Professional Ethics as detailed in ACPE Standard Section 100.


PROCEDURE

A copy of ACPE Standard Section 100 will be included in the Student Handbook [*Orientation Manual*] and given to each student during orientation."

2. Centers offering Supervisory CPE need to add to the curriculum (if they have not already done so) components on organizational and professional ethics. The Commission will be happy for samples that we can share.
3. There are several cases under review in the organization presently. (None in our Region that I know of). Also, the Commission acted as a Hearing Panel in the fall regarding a case against a national entity.
4. The Commission will welcome volunteers who would like to be trained as Panelists in the future. (I had my initiation by fire in Atlanta) The Commission often has to scramble, as John Weagraf currently has, to get a Panel together when a case comes up. I'd like to encourage our members to contact me if they need consultation.

One of the expectations of PEC Reps is to do some educating in the Region. So, I'll want the input of Regional Director Frank and others about that. Anne Underwood is going to present the program in the North Central Region this fall. She is ready and willing to do that in other Regions as well.

Respectfully Submitted,



D. Carl Buxo.

Pastoral Care Services and Departments. Other qualifications include experience in Health Care and in Mission and Values Implementation. Contact: Jeanette Arthur, Corporate Director Mission and Pastoral Care, The Franciscan Sisters of Chicago Service Corporation, 1055 W. 175th Suite 202, Homewood, IL 60430; (Telephone 708/647-3126) E-Mail Jarthur@franciscanservices.com

Calendar of Events

- April 24-27, 2002, ACPE Conference, Hilton Hotel, Pittsburgh, PA.
- September 20-21, 2002 Pastoral Care Associates Meeting, Brown County Inn, Nashville, IN.

Information for the April Newsletter must be received by March 25, 2002. Send to: Regional Business Office, 7672 Cottonwood Lane, Dexter, MI. 48130 Telephone: 1/800-336-5099; or E-mail lykbyl@aol.com

Supervisory Education in the Region

Supervisory Candidates

Ruth Alpers
Carrie Culleen
Jim Mitchell
Jon Paulus
Tim Waits
Pat Shelden-Ward
Yoshiya Togami

Officers of the Region

Frank Ciampa, Director
Mary Altenbaumer, Certification
Kim Barnett, Accreditation/Clinical Members
Alan Bowman, Board of Reps
Urias Beverly, Nominations
Billie Beverly, Secretary
Carl Buxo, REM & Professional Ethics
Larry Gray, Budget & Investment
Carol Green, Board of Reps
Ted Hodge, Chair
Robert Leas, History
Jeannette Lucas, Standards
Kathy Nininger, Chair Elect
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