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RIDGES AND HOLLERS

By the time you are reading this, I will probably be in San Diego, God-willing. This will be my fourth year to participate in the Regional Directors Convocation. This year will be special because Donna is going with me. She is hoping for sunny days to sit around and get some rest and relaxation.

While the gathered Regional Directors don't technically do any ACPE business, we do share information, compare methods of regional function, offer feedback and opinion on issues facing ACPE, gather information to bring back to our regions, build collegiality and enjoy good fellowship. It always seems like we have more time than we need, but we never seem to get done by time for adjournment. Some of the issues we will look at this year include: Strategic Planning Initiatives, updates and progress report; Development and Fund-raising/Campaign Cabinet updates; SCC '09 Conference; Joint Professional Ethics Project and handling complaints (with Anne Underwood consulting), Supervisory Education Revisioning Committee report and future work; proposed Accreditation changes; Fee schedules (regional variances); and update on fine-tuning the on-line student unit report process.

The feedback received so far on the on-line student unit reporting process has been very favorable. If you have comments on how this is working in your center, please let me know or email Vida Dedinas directly at vida@ACPE.edu.

Closer to home, we are gearing up for our annual meeting at Hueston Woods. If you have not taken care of your registration and reservation, do so as soon as possible. Mail or e-mail your registration to Joan Lyke and call the lodge directly at 1-513-664-3500 (Mention ECR/ACPE for the conference room rate of \$104.50 SGL/DBL). You may have noticed some changes in the flow of our conference schedule. The plenaries were shifted to Friday afternoon and Saturday morning to accommodate Dr. Cooper-White's request.

Dr. Pamela Cooper-White will lead three plenary sessions: "Inter-subjectivity and Use of the Self in Pastoral Counseling," "Use of the Self in Pastoral Psychological Assessment and Theological Reflection: The Case of "Linda", and "Use of the Self in Pastoral Psychotherapy: The Case of "Sara." Dr. Cooper-White will assume the position of Professor of Pastoral Theology, Care, and Counseling at Columbia Theological Seminary in Atlanta.

She is currently professor of pastoral theology at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, and recipient of the American Association of Pastoral Counselors' 2005 national "Distinguished Achievement in Research and Writing" award. She holds two Ph.D.s, from Harvard University and from the Institute for Clinical Social Work in Chicago, and is the author of Many Voices: Pastoral Psychotherapy and Theology in Relational Perspective (Fortress, 2006), Shared Wisdom: Use of the Self in Pastoral Care and Counseling (Fortress, 2004); The Cry of Tamar: Violence Against Women and the Church's Response (Fortress, 1995). She also has authored a small-group resource book titled Women Healing and Empowering, which was

commissioned by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America in 2000.

Finally, it is not too soon to get your plans made to attend this year's Racial, Ethnic, Multicultural Invitational. The dates have been moved from February to April to coordinate with the ACPE Spring Leadership Conference – both events will be held in Memphis, TN. Information is available at the ACPE web site. Our region enjoyed many positive comments about the R.E.M. Invitational we hosted last February in Indianapolis. Let's keep the good spirit growing.

I would like to share a couple of pastoral care concerns. As I write this article, Joan Lyke is back in Tennessee attending her mother who was hospitalized soon after Christmas. Also, Dennis Kenny is recuperating from hip surgery. Please keep them in your prayers. Peace, Cal ☺

PASTORAL CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

Jan Cox-Gedmark's father and Wade Rowatt's mother-in-law died recently. Remember their families in this time of loss.

We celebrate with Laurie Hearn! She just received official word that all three of her papers passed!

Congratulations to Linda Reid Teele, Clinical Member from New Albany, OH on her retirement effective Dec 13. She is looking forward to having the opportunity to rest, take care of immediate family members and exploring opportunities for ministry closer to home.

Stan Mullin wanted to let the region know that he is grateful for the prayers, cards and letters he received during his recovery from surgery. He felt very enriched by the concern expressed by his colleagues.

Bob Uken reported that he and his wife are celebrating the addition of 2 new grand children: Marcos Robert, 8 lbs 6 oz born 10/10/07 and Kate Jillann, 8 lbs 7 oz born 11/25/07. Congratulations!

ECR RESEARCH GRANT UPDATE FROM YOKELYE LIM

The ECR research grant that I received in the fall of 2007 has eased the task of obtaining several books without borrowing, rather, purchasing and using them freely. This research is a joint-participation with several theologians, clinicians and educators in contributing to this book-formation, "Women Out of Order: Multicultural Issues in Pastoral Care of Women." Editors are: Jeanne Stevenson Moessner and Teresa Snorton.

After spending many hours from 5:00 a.m. to 6:30 a.m. almost daily, over the course of several months, the first draft is nearly completed! Looking forward: this book will be a very valuable resource for clinical pastoral education and other fields in actualizing a universal commitment to provide inclusive and critical multicultural awareness and skills. If you would like more information on the project you may contact me at <yylim@clarian.org>

FROM THE DESK OF ACCREDITATION CHAIRPERSON-2007 ANNUAL REPORTS DUE - JANUARY 15, 2008

Connie Bonner reminds all the Supervisors that the Annual Center Reports are due no later than January 15. Centers reporting after that deadline will be charged a late fee (\$50 for reports received after January 15 through February 15; and \$75 fee for reports received after February 15).

To ensure that you are using the most recent Annual Report form – download the document from the ACPE web site – look under Accreditation Commission. Make sure both the supervisor and Chairperson of the Professional Advisory Group sign your report. Send to: The Rev. Connie Bonner, CPE Supervisor, Pastoral Care Department, St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center, 2213 Cherry St., Toledo OH 43608. (Phone: 419-251-8609); (Fax: 419-251-0890); E-mail: connie_bonner@mhsnr.org

JOB/EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- **Vernon McNear <MCNEARV@SLRMC.ORG>** is seeking a full-time position as a Clinical Pastoral Education Supervisor. I was certified as an ACPE Associate Supervisor at the recent ACPE conference in Dallas Texas. My supervisory position is no longer available here at St. Luke's in Boise Idaho. I am a Board Certified Chaplain with the APC and endorsed for specialized ministry by the Reformed Church in America. Prior to my CPE, I was a pastor in the Midwest for over ten years and then the Minister of Congregational Life in a large church in Idaho for another eight years. Please contact me if you would like more information.

DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER

The deadline for the February 2008 Newsletter is: **Thursday, January 31, 2007**. Send electronic copy to: hjoanlyke@yahoo.com or by regular mail: 7672 Cottonwood Lane, Dexter MI 48130. For more information contact: 734-426-5099

CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE DEADLINES

The next opportunity to meet the ECR Certification Committee will be Thursday, February 21, 2008, at the Hueston Woods State Park Lodge, College Corner, OH.

- Application to meet a committee along with the certification fee must be postmarked by Tuesday, January 8, 2008 to: The Rev. Beth Newton Watson, Director, Spiritual Care & Chaplaincy Services, Clarian West Medical Center, 1111 N. Ronald Reagan Parkway, Avon IN 46123
- Materials to committee members must be postmarked by Tuesday, ~~January 22, 2008~~. FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2008.

Questions regarding regional Certification to: Beth Newton Watson, Certification Co-Chair 317-217-3192; bwatson@clarian.org

Questions/inquiries regarding the National Certification Commission to: Ann Letson, Certification Co-Chair 502-636-8085; ann.letson@nortonhealthcare.org

ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE REQUESTS – DEADLINES FOR 10-YEAR REVIEWS, SITE VISITS, ETC.

For 10 year reviews and any other Accreditation Site Visit requests (e.g., Satellite to Accredited Center) the last day on which the site team may visit to get materials to the national meetings: June 20, 2008 for Fall 2008 National Review

- August 15, 2008 for Review at January 28, 2009 National Meeting (the next national meeting will then be in October 2009).

Questions regarding Accreditation Issues Contact: The Rev. Connie Bonner, CPE Supervisor, Pastoral Care Department, St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center, 2213 Cherry St., Toledo OH 43608. (Phone: 419-251-8609); (Fax: 419-251-0890); E-mail: connie_bonner@mhsnr.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **02/22-23/08**- ECR Spring meeting, Hueston Woods State Park Lodge, College Corner, OH.
- **03/06-12/08**-APC Annual Conference, Westin Convention Center, Pittsburgh, PA.
- **03/30-04/03/08**-ACPE Spring Leadership Meeting, Memphis, TN
- **04/02-05/08**-REM Invitational, Memphis, TN
- **04/05-08/08**-NACC Annual Conference, Indianapolis, IN
- **04/9-12/08**-CAPPE Annual Conference, Laurel Point Inn, Victoria, British Columbia
- **09/12-13/08**-ECR Fall meeting, Harmony, IN. – Elizabeth Price, Program Chair
- **10/22-25/08**-ACPE Annual Conference, Richmond, VA

**SUPERVISORY EDUCATION
IN THE REGION**

Associate Supervisors

Ruth Alpers
Don Chase
Joe Roberts

Supervisory Candidates

Jose Albovias
Bill Foster
Susan Harthon
Laurie Hearn
Vickie Johnson
Wayne McKenney
Frank Nation
Jon Paulus
Yerachmiel Rabin
Sarah Reed
Mark Scheffers
Satoe Soga
Kurt Stutz
Jim Wright

OFFICERS OF THE REGION

D. Calvert Brand, Director
Elizabeth Price, Chair
Karl Van Harn, Chair Elect
Connie Bonner, Accreditation
Carol Reynolds Green, Board of Reps
Frank Impicciche, Board of Reps
Bob Uken, Budget & Investment
Ann Letson, Certification Co-Chair
[National]
Beth Newton Watson, Certification Co-Chair
[Regional]
Martha Amann, Clinical Members
Stan Mullin, Clinical Members
Lin Barnett, Nominations
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WEB MANAGER- NEWS ON THE WAY

Elizabeth Price announces that Jo Manns has volunteered to take on the challenge of the regional website. She has been working with Fred Madren and more details will be provided in the very near future.

<http://www.ecracpe.org>

**East Central Region, ACPE
General Business Meeting Minutes
September 28, 2007**

Call to Order: at 2:05 PM by Elizabeth Price, Chair

Concerns and Joys: Elizabeth Price

• **Concerns:**

Hal Royster; In memoriam

Carol Green's mother, Joan Lyke's father, brother and sister-in-law

Gene Reddel and Stan Mullin

• **Joys:**

Rhonda Gilligan-Gillespie is going to St. Vincent's in Indianapolis

Frank's daughter's award: a writing prize

Welcome Susan

Silence observed in thought and prayer of those above.

Minutes: 2/27/07

MSP that the minutes of the ECR business meeting on February 27, 2007 be approved as distributed.

Regional Director: Cal Brand

[The report was included in its entirety in the October 2007 Newsletter].

Cal reported visiting 4 centers since the first of the year.

He retired as pastor of the 1st Presbyterian Church in Columbus, IN April 11

Change coming on reporting complaints.

Teresa Snorton has returned after sabbatical.

Peer Review: reports to be sent to Joan Lyke.

North Central Region Conference on Supervisory CPE: ECR persons attended extensively. See North Central Region's web page for further details.

Research Fund: \$500 grant to Yoke Lye Lim; for research on a chapter of a book focusing on women in ministry.

8th World Conference of Pastoral Care and Counseling: Ted Hodge was the official ACPE representative.

Joe Roberts: certified as an Associate Supervisor.

Don Chase and Bill Foster received approval of their theory papers. Don and Frank Woggon are on the docket at Dallas.

Certification: Beth Newton Watson

- Consultation for Readiness - 3 received consultation for readiness; Karen Francis, Peggy Matacale and Jo Olson
- Extension of Candidacy - 2 were granted Candidacy extensions: Jose Albovias and Jim Wright
- Candidacy - 2 granted: Frank Nation and Sarah Reed; 2 denied

Accreditation: Rhonda Gilligan-Gillespie

Changes coming soon in accreditation processes.

Thanks to Bonnie Woods for major assistance during the past year.

10 yr. Accreditation continuation: St. Vincent Healthcare, Indianapolis, IN, no notations.

Veterans Administration Medical Center, Pittsburgh, PA: recommend for full accreditation.

Spiritual Care and Education Center, Toledo, OH: postponed until February committee meeting; revised response to Site Team Report due by December 31, 2007.

E-mail votes on 3 centers

Postponed Review: 5 year, Clarian Health Partners

5 year, Detroit Medical Center

5 year, Howard Regional Health System

Withdrawal: Upper Valley Medical Center, Troy, Ohio.

Satellite: Community Health as satellite of Clarian Health Partners, Indianapolis, IN

Supervisory CPE added: Deaconess Hospital, Evansville, Indiana.

Proposing changing the accreditation fee from services provided to a flat fee schedule [See Finance Report-below].

Stipend for Accreditation Committee chair is being recommended.

Finance: Bob Uken

Positive Report on Budget expenditures

MSP that East Central Region approve a stipend for the Accreditation Committee chair in the amount of \$5,000 per year to begin in January 2008. One abstention: Connie Bonner.

For Information: The following will be presented in February 2008 for information and in September 2008 for action: *"Beginning in FY 2009, the Accreditation Committee is recommending an annual fee of \$250 from each center. The Accreditation fee will be invoiced along with the Annual Regional Fee of \$250."*

Centers for which this is a hardship can apply to the Accreditation chair for consideration of relief from this fee.

Nominations: Lin Barnett

Lin referred people to the roster for vacancies that need to be filled. He encouraged everyone to send any nominations to his attention prior to the February meeting.

A strong compliment from RANC was passed along for Daryl Hanson's work concerning nomination processes.

Standards: Karl VanHarn

Peer Review Guidelines are included in the conference registration packet. First, a reminder that peer review is a standard for maintaining credentials as an ACPE Supervisor. If anyone does not have peer review after five (5) years, he or she will be referred to the regional Certification Committee.

Complaint Procedures: ACPE has a gap in its Standards regarding complaints, not of a professional ethics nature, but of an educational nature. There is a study document on the ACPE web site that outlines an educational complaint policy. The study document will be voted on by the Board next month and become an interim version of the Standards effective when Centers receive this interim version. If passed at National Conference in Dallas, it will be effective January 2008.

Program Success standards are being pushed by federal Department of Education; being discussed and negotiated at national level.

Core values as an Association: Gord Hilsman, of the Pacific Region, has written an article in the ACPE News about our core values. One purpose of this article is to elicit feedback about our core values as an association.

Board of Reps: Frank Impicciche

Items to be reported later in conference at National panel time

Clinical Members: Martha Amann

Study of why clinical members continue.

REM-Maria Coulter-McDonald

2008 REM Invitational XXI, "Chaos or Community: Where Do We Go From Here?" - April 2-5, 2008, Memphis, TN.

Supervisory Certification Revisioning Committee: Bill Scrivener

The study document will be presented in Dallas and voted on by Board and shared with membership meeting for amendment and review.

It would:

Make changes effective in 2010.

Set essential elements of Supervisory curriculums.

Set what Supervisors will teach, but not how.

Utilize regional certification committees to be formally accepted into the process of teaching Supervisory CPE

Restructure and use support teams.

Strengthen theory paper development process.

The Regions need to find ways to engage the membership in discussion of the issues in the study document.

Web master: Elizabeth Price

Elizabeth will take on this task with help from one of her staff members for the time being.

The FY 2007 budget included an honorarium for a web master of \$100 per month. Staff will receive the honorarium for the last quarter of this year.

Research Team: Elizabeth Price

Need volunteers to create guidelines for reviewing grant requests.

Admin Council approved a \$500 grant request from Yoke Lye Lim for research on a chapter of a book focusing on women in ministry.

Accreditation: Connie Bonner

Addendum: In order to meet National ACPE deadlines, the Accreditation Committee is exploring moving committee meeting to another date other than Fall Regional meeting.

Announcements:

- **RANC:** Ted Hodge has been elected as new chair.

- **Fall 2008**
The ECR Regional Fall Meeting will be held at New Harmony Inn in southwest Indiana. Denise Massey will be the keynote speaker on "Power of Story to Change Lives".
- **Hueston Woods:**
The ECR Winter Meeting will feature "Shared Wisdom", by Pamela Copper Rice.

Adjourn: with prayer by Sergei Petrov.

Respectfully submitted,

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