

## EAST CENTRAL REGION, ACPE

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### RIDGES & HOLLERS AND ANNUAL REPORT

The substance of this article is my annual report for the 2007-08 year. We have just completed an exciting and snowy conference at Hueston Woods. The year has been full, challenging and exciting. As projected at our last February meeting, I did retire from my duties at the First Presbyterian Church of Columbus, IN. in April. This cleared my calendar making it easier to accomplish visits to five of our centers during the rest of the year. I have just signed on for a short term appointment as CPE Manager for St. Vincent Hospital during the search process for **Frank Impicciche's** replacement.

The eighth world congress of the International Congress of Pastoral Care and Counseling was held in Kryzowa, Poland in August. **Ted Hodge** from our region attended as our official ACPE delegate. My wife, **Donna**, and I attended because a long standing interest in the international pastoral care movement. The theme of this gathering was "TREASURE IN EARTHEN VESSELS: Care of Souls Facing Fragility and Destruction – Individual and Systemic Perspectives." We learned a lot and made many new friends among representatives of fifty nations.

Our Fall conference in Akron went well and the facility seemed well suited for our needs. Thanks go to **Dennis Kenny**, our plenary leader, **Lin Barnett**, local arrangements and the program planning committee members, **Connie Bonner** and **Sergei Petrov**.

Then it was off to Dallas for the ACPE conference, which was special for several reasons. ACPE leadership gathered a day early for a very helpful diversity training workshop. **Mary Burks-Price** was up there taking minutes as ACPE Secretary and **Bill Scrivener** was installed as our new ACPE President. **Frank Woggon** was certified ACPE Supervisor and **Donald Chase** was certified Associate Supervisor. Bob Nace and Hugh Maddy, two old friends, were honored with the Distinguished Service awards.

I have devoted considerable time to our Peer Review process – with a lot of help from Joan Lyke. I am happy to report that we are very nearly 100% in terms of compliance with only two supervisors presently being referred to the certification committee. I hope the task will become less time consuming next year.

The North Central Region sponsored a Summit on Supervisory Education which was sufficiently successful that initiative emerged to call for a mini-Summit earlier this month (February). Our region was well represented both in terms of making a contribution and in terms of bringing some good stuff back to the region. I'd like to thank **Ann Letson**, **Walter Jackson**, **Bill Scrivener**, and **Mary Burks-Price** for making the Summit; and **Bill Scrivener**, **Beth Newton-Watson**, **Amy Greene**, and **Karl VanHarn** who attended the mini-Summit. While attention to our Supervisory CPE process is important and necessary, there was some added urgency to these events resulting from the upcoming revision of ACPE Standards and Manuals. Several committees and commissions are experiencing the pressure to have desired changes ready before work begins on the new publication for 2010.

There have been changes of note in the region: **Dennis Kenny** and **Sue Beverly**, ACPE Supervisors have returned to our region. **Marla Coulter-McDonald** moved from St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis to Christ Hospital in Cincinnati. **Rhonda Gilligan-Gillespie** has moved from Upper Valley in Troy, OH to St. Vincent Hospital. **Amy Greene**, ACPE Supervisor, and **Satoe Soga**, Supervisory Candidate, have joined us at the Cleveland Clinic. **Frank Impicciche** has moved from St. Vincent Hospital to Clarian Health in Indianapolis, leaving a vacancy at St. Vincent. **Barbara Means** is moving to Boise, Idaho, leaving a vacancy at Community Hospital in Indianapolis. **Frank Woggon** and **Ruth Alpers** were certified ACPE Supervisors. **Joe Roberts** and **Donald Chase** were certified Associate Supervisors. And, we were sorry to lose a historic center when Upper Valley Medical Center in Troy, OH decided to close their program.

We've had some sorrow and sickness. **Jack Shepherd's** wife, **Rose**, died. **Joan Lyke's** father, brother and sister-in-law died. **Carol Green's** mother and grandmother have died. **Powell Royster** died. **Ron Morgan's** wife, **Jane** died.

**Ted Hodge** lost a sister. **Jan Cox-Gedmark** lost her father. **Wade Rowatt** lost his mother-in-law and aunt. We have folk facing serious illness and surgery. **Dennis Kenny** and **Martha Amman** both had joint replacements. **Gene Reddel** was diagnosed with a quite rare form of cancer earlier this year. **Susan Kyser** is back among us following her treatments for cancer. **Daryl Hanson's** wife, **Mary**, faced serious health problems and **Bob McGeeney's** fiancé has been gravely ill. **Stan Mullin** underwent surgery for prostate cancer.

Last month I attended my fourth RD's convocation in San Diego. We had a full agenda and worked our way through it. We enjoyed having **John Moody** with us as the new Regional Director for the Pacific Region and **Bill Scrivener** as our new ACPE President. We addressed concerns including the new complaint process, ethics questions, the new fund raising campaign, variations among the regions about fees and operating styles, and other developments. We also enjoyed good fellowship and sunshine.

Regarding the new pilot project in ethics in which ACPE and APC are working together to resolve complaints, **Carl Buxo** and **Yoke Lye Lim** completed the training program to serve in the new process which began last month. Two other significant developments on the national level this year was the implementation of online student unit reporting, and the creation of the ACPE Foundation. We are looking forward to receiving more information on the various ways this will allow us to support the mission of ACPE as we move into the future.

Getting our ECR web site functioning in a way we find useful and interesting has become a chronic problem. The person we thought we had lined up earlier in the year is no longer available. We are now in conversation with another possible webmaster. I am hoping we can get this resolved -- soon!

The Administrative Council asked me to prepare periodic reviews on my activities as Regional Director this year. Keeping such records is not one of my favorite things. I understand the Council has found it helpful in gaining a broader understanding of the RD's work for the region. I discovered that while the position is described as one day/week, or 52 days, I actually spent something more than 70 days at my tasks. I don't believe this number represented a significant increase in my RD activities -- it was just the first time I had tracked these activities in any detail. This may be a matter of concern for the *position description* going forward.

We continue to enjoy the benefits of good leadership in our region. **Joan Lyke** has managed to keep our office in great order in spite of a loss-filled and challenging year. **Elizabeth Price** has done an admirable job as our chairperson which included a couple of fairly urgent, unanticipated challenges. **Carol Green** and **Frank Impicicche** have represented us well on the ACPE Board. **Connie Bonner** has picked up the Accreditation ball and hardly missed a beat in the transition from **Rhonda Gilligan-Gillespie's** leadership. **Beth Newton Watson** and **Ann Letson** have continued to provide strong leadership as co-chairs of Certification. **Bob Uken** continues to keep a close eye on our finances. **Lin Barnett** and the Nominating Committee have been hard at work. And, **Carl Buxo** has completed two terms on the Professional Ethics Commission. On behalf of the region, I want to say a big thank you to all our officers and committee members for another good year in the East Central Region.

Respectfully submitted, *Cal Brand* ©

**NEW WEB - SITE AND WEB MANAGER!!!!**  
**Jihey Esther Roach**  
**[www.eastcentralacpe.org](http://www.eastcentralacpe.org)**

Approximately two days before our regional conference, we received word from Jihey Esther Roach that she may be interested in managing our web-site. After taking a few days to consider the option and explore the web-site, we are **very happy to report that Esther has agreed to serve as our new web-manager. Our new web-site address is: [www.eastcentralacpe.org](http://www.eastcentralacpe.org).** Esther is a CPE student in the Detroit area and manages other web-sites. Esther has made some initial changes and we will begin to see a new look emerge as she works to improve the site and provide information to the region. Esther invites you to send your comments and suggestions to her at [jestherroach@yahoo.com](mailto:jestherroach@yahoo.com). Esther expressed a desire, energy and interest in managing the web-site and we are delighted that she has made such a positive difference in a few short weeks! We look forward to the opportunity to use the web-site to communicate with members of the region and others that may visit our site for information. Join us in welcoming Esther!

#### **PASTORAL CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS**

**Joan Lyke** reported that her mother took a turn major turn for the worse and she in TN trying to make arrangements to transfer her mom to a nursing home in Michigan where she will be closer to family. Joan took some of her regional work

with her and will try to respond to requests from members of the region as her schedule and emotional being will allow. Remember to keep her and her family in your prayers.

**Stan Jones** is undergoing treatment for an illness while continuing to work. Prayers are with him for a full recovery.

### JOB/EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- Tara Hornbecker, ACPE Seminary Representative for Bethany Seminary in Richmond, IN is seeking placement for a low vision student that needs to do a unit of CPE as faculty determined that CPE would benefit the student before his year-long congregational placement. Please contact Tara directly if you have an opening in your summer program – [hornbta@bethanyseminary.edu](mailto:hornbta@bethanyseminary.edu)

### ACCREDITATION NEWS/NOTES AND DEADLINES FOR 10 YEAR REVIEWS, SITE VISITS, ETC.

**CONNIE BONNER**

**New Policies:** As of December 2007 every center is to add the new policies regarding Ethics Complaints and Process, Educational Complaints, and Complaints against the Accreditation Commission to their student handbooks. More clarity regarding integrating the new policies and the new standards 305.2 (amended) and 308.9 (added) will be forthcoming after the national meeting in Memphis.

- Satellite Materials (see pages 32-34 in the Accreditation Manual) needs to be in at least **30 days before beginning a program at the satellite center** and that a provisional letter must be received from the Accreditation Chair **prior to recruiting students**.

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](mailto:connie_bonner@mhsnr.org)

### CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE DEADLINES

The next opportunity to meet the ECR Certification Committee will be at the Fall Regional Conference in September 2008, New Harmony, IN, Thursday, September 11, 2008.

- Application to meet a committee along with the certification fee must be postmarked by Tuesday, July 29, 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 Thursday, August 21, 2008.

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

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

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 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  
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**DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER**

The deadline for the April 2008 Newsletter is: Friday, March 28, 2008. Send electronic copy to: [hjoanlyke@yahoo.com](mailto:hjoanlyke@yahoo.com) or by regular mail: 7672 Cottonwood Lane, Dexter MI 48130. For more information contact: 734-426-5099

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