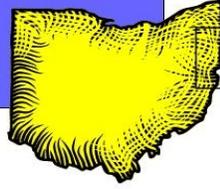


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“CONNECTIONS” newsletter

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**Our new President
Faith Proietti, BCC**



CAO KEEPS MOVING FORWARD

First let me say a sincere *thank you* to all those who attended the Spring Conference at Josephinum in Columbus on May 19th and who participated in the voting of new officers for the next two years. Your participation matters in CAO and provides us with the guidance for where the Chaplains Association of Ohio needs to go.

I want to share my appreciation to all of our past officers. Thanks to **Rob Shores**, President during 2009-2011 for his leadership, humor and endurance. Throughout his term of office he was informed that he had some medical issues that needed serious attention. Although this was a difficult time for Rob, he maintained his role as president and carried us through another term. Special thanks goes to **Kate Valentine**, Regional Chair for the NE and who helped organize our 2010 Fall Conference in Akron, *Continuing the Journey*, with Maggie Callanan. Kate has been a valuable team member of the Executive Committee since its conception. And appreciation goes to **Irv Moore**, our past

Membership Chair who helped to bring in new members and keep track of all information changes of our members. Irv was always a voice of encouragement and honesty.

Next I want to encourage **each member to support CAO in the next year**. These have been very difficult times for everyone. People have lost their jobs, companies have disbanded or out-sourced to a foreign country and many stand in unemployment lines to find work. CAO is an organization that will help reconnect chaplains all over the State of Ohio. We not only provide valuable educational events to accumulate continuing educational credits (CEU’s), we help chaplains know where there are jobs available throughout the state. CAO is an important means to connect and reconnect us as chaplains. The CAO also wants to help chaplains find that safe and relaxed place where they can build relationships of like kind. Many times in our institutions and work places, we are the spiritual leaders to whom everyone else comes for guidance, leadership, support, strength, enlightenment, hope and faith. So where do we go for our own spiritual renewal and engagement? Unless you

have your own network of colleagues and a spiritual director, you are left to your own resources for renewal. That is why CAO is a valuable forum to build relationships with persons who understand pastoral care and chaplaincy. If we continue to build it, they will come...

Lastly, **CAO is seeking to make some much needed changes.** One of my goals as President is to see that we become incorporated before the end of 2011, to protect what we have diligently built over the years. Other goals are to update our present Constitution and By-Laws and to create a helpful, detailed manual for each Regional Chair to help plan a conference. We also want to promote events in the off-season (summer and winter) that could occur in the four regions for fellowship. I want you to know that the CAO is here for you! We want to do and create opportunities that are meaningful to you. So keep in touch with your Regional Chair and let him/her know what your concerns and desires might be.

With warm regard, *Faith*

**M. Karen Ballard, BCC
President-Elect**



PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Board Certified Chaplain, The Association of Professional Chaplains
Fellow, University of Virginia Center for Biomedical Ethics

EDUCATION

Master of Divinity equivalent, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary,
Louisville, KY, 1996
Clinical Pastoral Education, Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA
1988-1989
Master of Church Music, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary,
Louisville, KY, 1980
Bachelor of Arts, Charleston Southern University, Charleston, SC, 1975

EXPERIENCE

Director, Chaplaincy Services, Akron Children's Hospital, Akron, OH,
2003-Present
Staff Chaplain, Children's Hospital of Eastern North Carolina, Greenville,
NC, 1994-2003

Staff Chaplain, Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA, 1989-1994

Chaplain Resident, Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA, 1988-1989

Associate Minister, Lakeside Baptist Church, McMurray, PA, 1980-1988

In my current position, I provide spiritual care for the palliative care patients and families, attend treatment team rounds and participate in treatment planning.

As President-elect, my vision is to strengthen and increase the multifaith, multicultural membership of CAO, to provide continuing education that enhances the competency of our members, and encourage membership in the various national chaplaincy organizations for broader opportunities for advocacy, education and collegiality.

Lois Winnick-Chapman
Secretary



I serve as a chaplain on the staff of Doctors Hospital in Columbus, OH. I hold a bachelor of science degree from The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA, and a masters degree from The Ohio State University in education and Jewish studies. My CPE internship training was at Mt. Carmel West Medical Center, Columbus, and my CPE residency at Riverside Methodist Hospital, Columbus,. I am currently working on a certificate of theology at Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus.

I am affiliated with Congregation Beth Tikvah, a Reform Jewish temple located in Worthington, OH. I currently serve on the ritual, membership, hospitality, and caring community committees. In my years at Beth Tikvah, I have also taught religious school to youth and prepared students for their bar or bat mitzvot. Reform Judaism has a strong tradition of social justice and acceptance of human differences. This tradition has been a source of spiritual and moral inspiration in my chaplaincy.

My CPE background and current chaplaincy post have allowed me to work with staff and patients of diverse socioeconomic, religious and ethnic backgrounds, as well as a variety of medical issues. As a cancer survivor, I know first-hand what it means to face one=s mortality, navigate the medical system, and deal with medical treatments that often seems harsher than the disease. These personal experiences make it a challenge and privilege to serve others.

Vision- I have been a CAO member since its founding in 2007. I was excited at the prospect of being able to interact, learn, and be challenged by my colleagues, and I have not been disappointed. I continue to be grateful to have the opportunity to network and attend quality conferences at a reasonable cost. As the CAO has helped me to grow professionally, I wishto give back by providing my time and efforts to this organization.

Although the CAO is still young in terms of years, we have been together long enough to witness colleagues who have lost their jobs due to the economy and have gone through other significant life changes. It makes the CAO mission of networking, availability as a professional resource, and advancing the knowledge in the field of chaplaincy more important than ever.

BJ Myers-Bradley
Treasurer



I am ordained in the United Church of Christ (1983) and have pastored churches in Florida and Indiana. I completed CPE at: Sarasota Memorial Hospital, Sarasota, FL; Bethesda North Hospital, Cincinnati, OH; and the Hazelden Foundation Residency Program, Center City, MN.

Since 1992 I. have worked at the Louis Stokes VAMC as a clinical chaplain in substance abuse, gambling addiction and PTSD. I have recently been appointed Chief of Chaplain Service. I am a Board Certified Chaplain by the National Association of VA Chaplains.

Here is my report to the CAO membership:
1/5/11 Balance ----- \$13,439.91
1/5-6/10/11 Deposits ----- \$ 6,161.67
Spring Conference Expenditures-----(\$ 3,626.44)
6/10/11 Balance----- \$15,975.14*

*Includes check #1048 for \$2,050.95 for Fall Conference hall rental fee, not yet cashed

**Jon Paulus, BCC
NE Region Chair**



I am a native of Cleveland, OH and a proud graduate of John Marshall High School. I have a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology from Kent State University and a Master of Divinity Degree from Christ Seminary of St. Louis, MO. I am an ordained minister in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. I completed Clinical Pastoral Education training at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation to become a Board Certified Chaplain in the Association of Professional Chaplains.

I began my ministry career at St. John's Lutheran Church in Queen City, MO, and have served congregations, social ministry agencies and hospitals in both Missouri and Ohio. I have professional interests in religious and cultural effects on bioethics, chronic pain, humor as it relates to spirituality and healing, and jazz music groups as paradigms for group process. I am currently pursuing a graduate certificate in Bioethics at Cleveland State University.

In my spare time, I enjoy spending time playing the string bass in a several musical groups, cycling and reading.

Vision- I believe that one of the not-quite-fully-realized potentials of CAO is the ability to network on a local and regional level. I'd like to promote membership in the region and work towards bringing people together, hopefully in face-to-face contexts, for CEU opportunities and also for mutual support and collegiality. We're all pretty busy, and our budgets are limited. I visualize doing some activities that take into account how we can't always get away for a day or two, but we might steal away for an hour or two to learn, share and grow together.

**Kathie Tomazic
NW Region Chair**



I have been a Board Certified Chaplain (NACC) since 1998 and am presently working with Bridge Home Health, Hospice and Palliative Care in Findlay. I was called to chaplaincy after my husband and I moved to Lima, OH in 2003. Previous to our move, I was the Director of Family Ministries for the Catholic Diocese of Lexington, KY and worked with families and parish leaders in Central and Eastern Kentucky, coordinating the training of parish leaders in programs for Marriage Preparation, Sacramental Prep, Divorced and Separated, Bereavement and Family Enrichment. My goal as a Family Minister was to help families in their awareness and understanding of the Domestic Church as the basic foundation of our communities, and the sanctity and holiness of what they do in their everyday lives as families. To me, chaplaincy is Family Ministry where I can help patients and families access their own spiritual gifts as a source of support and comfort in challenging situations.

Personally, I have been married to Toby for 36 years, have 2 sons, Matt and Andy, and five grandchildren. I enjoy reading, movies, crafts, am a novice quilter and I enjoy gardening.

CAO can play an important role in the growth and acceptance of professional chaplains. We can offer a vehicle for networking and be a place where any of us can go to for information and support. It can also be a place where professional chaplains can find support in establishing and maintaining the professional standards that define what we do and what we are about. We can, as an organization, contribute to a clearer understanding of the work of Chaplains to the organizations that employ us and to the people we serve.

Vickie Yoder, BCC
SE Region Rep



I am Staff Chaplain at Ohio Health (Doctors Hospital) in Columbus, Ohio. I attained my Masters Degree in Clinical Pastoral Counseling from Ashland Seminary in 2008 and became a Board Certified Chaplain with APC in 2010. Ordained and credentialed by Mennonite Church USA, I have served as President of the Mennonite Chaplains Association and on the Mennonite Health Assembly Executive Planning Committee. I've been guest speaker for weekend marriage retreats and women conferences. I lead grief support groups in the Columbus area and give seminars on Advance Directives and end of life planning. My workshops also include "Vehicle of Hope" which offers support to individuals facing health, mental and emotional challenges. I am married to Bob, Pastor at Sharon Mennonite Church in Plain City, and greatly enjoys our 6 grandchildren--they teach her the importance of the simple things in life.

Frank McClure, BCC
SW Region Rep



I am a staff chaplain at Bethesda North Hospital (BNH) in Cincinnati. I have worked there since 1998, coordinating a bereavement care program, providing support groups, seminars and individual grief consultation sessions. I am also a faculty member of the BNH Ministry Education Program, and serve as a mentor to the ministry students. From 1996 to 1998, I served as a chaplain with Hospice of Cincinnati. I completed four CPE units through residencies at St. Luke's Methodist Medical Center in Cleveland and at Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus. In 2000, I became board certified by the APC. I received my Master of Divinity degree from Northern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1991. An ordained Baptist minister, I serve on the Executive Committee of the Miami Baptist Association, and am a member of the American Baptist Churches of Ohio Board of Regional Ministries. I am also the founder and leader of the Southwest Ohio American Baptist Chaplains' Fellowship, a group of 30 American Baptist chaplains and pastoral counselors. I reside in Hamilton (north of Cincinnati) with my wife, Rita, who is the Executive Director of the Miami Baptist Association.

Marianne Wilson, BCC
Membership Chair



I am a staff chaplain at Cincinnati Childrens Hospital Medical Center, assigned to the neonatal intensive care unit. A graduate of Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, IL, my ordination is through the United Methodist Church. Currently, I represent clergy in extension ministry on the Executive Board for Ordained Ministry for the West Ohio Conference of the UMC. As a member of the board, I participate in interviewing candidates for ordained ministry. For the past three years, it has been my pleasure to serve as the Ohio state representative to the Association of Professional Chaplains.

At Cincinnati Childrens, I am actively involved in the Diversity Advisory Council and lead the coordination of activities/worship for important religious holidays in the Christian, Muslim, and Jewish traditions. My interests outside of work include playing the harp in an Irish folk music band, hiking in Cincinnati's parks, and reading. I am also the proud owner of two adorable dogs. In April, I became a step-mother to Lexi, 6, and Phoenix, 7, through my marriage to high school physics teacher Randy Wilson.

**Mark English, BCC
Communications Chair**



I came to NW Ohio from Eastern Pennsylvania in 2000, via Lutheran Chaplaincy Service. After serving in long term care through Lutheran Homes Society in Toledo and Sandusky for 8+ years, I now serve 3 days a week with Hospice of NW Ohio and half-time as pastor of a Lutheran Church in McClure.

I'm an ordained ELCA pastor (Mt. Airy '78) and APC Board Certified Chaplain ('93), I've served parishes in PA & OH and hospitals, long term care communities, and hospice. My wife, Jeanne, also an ELCA pastor, is in a parish. We're still married because we've always worked separately! We have 3 kids and a young granddaughter. And an idiot beagle who gives me a reason to walk.

I've been involved in CAO's development since 2004 and served in this post since 2007. Please direct colleagues from all walks of chaplaincy and all denominations to us. Certification not a requirement; we welcome volunteers, as well. Contact info is on p.1. And if you want me to advertise an event or position or a question, send it my way. I'll get out the word

**Spring Conference Summary
Vickie Yoder, Planning Comm. Chair**

Our Spring Conference was held May 19 at the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus. Our theme was *Challenges and Opportunities in Interfaith Spiritual Care*, presented by Dr. Daniel Schipani. Our gathering included

several first-time attendees, as well as dozens of 'veteran' colleagues. We had time for professional and personal discussion, as well as mutual consultation.

In the morning we focused on new directions in interfaith spiritual care in multi-faith settings. A case study was reviewed and presentation given of a four-dimensional framework for analysis of spiritual care-giving situations: 1) Observe/Describe (empirical dimension), 2) Interpret (hermeneutical dimension), 3) Judge (normative dimension), 4) Act (pragmatic-strategic dimension. Core competencies: emerging profile of the wise interfaith spiritual caregiver was reflected on as well. Professional wisdom for quality interfaith care may be viewed as the integration of three interconnected domains: knowing, being and doing; inclusive of the "clinical" (i.e. attitudes, knowledge and skills that define expertise) as well as "ministerial" (i.e. vocational identity) dimensions connoted in professional. Our afternoon session was focused on case studies written by Ohio Chaplains K. Dido Ntonolo, BCC; and Vickie Yoder, BCC.

After lunch we conducted our business meeting, electing new officers, thanking retiring ones and getting updates on/for CAO. All who attended the conference left experiencing the workshop objectives and competencies of being (presence), understanding (knowing), and companioning (doing). Hope to see you at our Fall Retreat!

Fall Conference - November 3, Cincinnati

The CAO fall conference theme is *Integrating Family Systems Theory into Chaplaincy Practice*. Conference speakers are the Rev. Dr. Robert Mathis, Ph.D., and the

Rev. Dr. Orin Newberry, Ph.D. The conference site will be the Crowne Plaza (Blue Ash). <http://www.crowneplaza.com/h/d/cp/1/en/hotel/blhpr/transportation?start=1> Mark the date!

ACPE Articles of the Month

A mine of educational articles on professional chaplaincy from the ACPE Research Network

http://www.acperesearch.net/AOM_index.html

APC & NACC Webinar Recordings

You can find a list of these for purchase at:

www.professionalchaplains.org/APCStore/productslist.aspx?CategoryID=APCRecordings&selection=1

or

<http://www.nacc.org/resources/eevents/>

A question: do any of you already have 1 or more of these recordings? If so, what title(s)?

A 2nd question: would you be willing to rent or loan them out to other chaplains/departments?

Send your responses to Mark English and he'll have possibilities posted under Resources on the website.

Annual Conference Recordings Available

APC <http://www.aven.com/conf.cfm/cid/1175>

NACC <http://www.nacc.org/conference/2011materials.asp>

AAPC <http://aapc.org/content/conference-2011-phoenix-az>

ACPE <http://www.acpe.edu/ConferencesPast.html>

Ed. Note: I could find none for NAJC, CPSP, NIBIC, MCA. If you locate one, pass it along to Mark English.

Early Bird Note

Coming to Cleveland January 15-18, 2012:
National Association of Jewish Chaplains Conference
Chaplains from other traditions may attend sessions.

For job-hunting tips and links to other organizations, see www.chapsohio.org and look under 'Resources.'