



**NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL
ASSOCIATION OF ADVISORS FOR
THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS
(CAAHP)
FALL, 2008**

A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, CHUCK HAUCK

With fall activities in full swing, it's time to both reflect on successes of the past and look forward to future initiatives. It was great to see many of you in Chicago at our National Meeting in June. Thanks go to NAAHP Program Chair Kerry Cheesman and his national meeting planning team, including CAAHP members Judy Baxter and Karen Paulsen, and all of the other members of the team who worked so hard on the meeting.

Thanks, too, to National Executive Director, Susan Maxwell, and the NAAHP staff, who did so much work to help make the event successful. By most accounts the meeting was the "biggest and best" ever.

At the meeting we were very pleased to name the most recent recipients of our Father Joseph Walter Outstanding Advisor Award. This exemplary honor went to C. Larry Sullivan of Avila University and to Karen Paulsen of the University of Illinois. Both Larry and Karen are long-term advisors who have given much to pre-health professions advising, and to their students and colleagues, and it was terrific to be able to recognize them at our CAAHP breakfast meeting.

CAAHP remains strong, both financially and from a membership standpoint. The CAAHP board will be discussing new initiatives at its Fall Board Meeting in Cincinnati this November. We expect to initiate a membership drive to see if we can break the 300-member barrier in the coming year, and we will continue to explore ways in which we can use all of the resources of the organization to support our membership.

One important support for members has been our very successful travel grant program which, combined with the NAAHP travel grants, supported 14 CAAHP members in attending the National Meeting in June. We expect to continue the program for our next regional meeting in April—keep an eye on the CAAHP website (www.caahp.org) for further details. If you have suggestions for ways in which we might use our resources, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I hope to see many of you at the **CAAHP Regional Meeting in Cincinnati from April 16-19**. Please save the dates; more information will be forthcoming on the website. In the meantime, have an enjoyable fall and thank you once again for your commitment to CAAHP!

Best regards,

Chuck Hauck



CAAHP NEWS

✓ **COMMENTS FROM NATIONAL LEADERSHIP**

The CAAHP Annual Business Meeting was held Friday, June 27, 2008 during the NAAHP meeting in Chicago. **Susan Maxwell, Executive Director of the National Association of Advisors for the Health Professions (NAAHP)** <http://www.naahp.org/>, and Lori Provost, current **President of NAAHP** were guests at the meeting.

Susan expressed her pleasure at greeting the CAAHP and officially welcoming us to the 18th national meeting. She praised and thanked Kerry Cheesman as Program Chair and Judith Baxter as coordinator of local arrangements. Judy has set the bar very high for many local arrangers to come. Susan thanked Karen Paulsen for serving on the program committee and Cassandra Flambouras for her efforts in organizing the Silent Auction Benefit. She reported that this meeting was so well received that one school has already offered to sponsor a meal or reception at the next national meeting in 2010 in Atlanta, Georgia. The Atlanta meeting will be June 16-20, 2010 at a Marriott property with Scott Wright as program chair.

Lori expressed her pride in the individuals who are giving so much to make the organization better. She expressed her gratitude for the invitation to make connections with each regional affiliate.

✓ **SAVE THE DATES: UPCOMING MEETINGS**

The CAAHP **Regional Meeting** will be held in **Cincinnati** from **April 16-19, 2009**.

The **19th Meeting** of the **NAAHP** will be held at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis, **Atlanta, Georgia** from **June 16-20, 2010**. Dr. J. Scott Wright, University of Texas, Dallas is the Program Chair. Room Rate: \$155.00 single/double occupancy

✓ **MONEY MATTERS: FROM OUR TREASURER**

The CAAHP Board of Directors approved \$7,500 to support 2008 Travel Grants to the 2008 NAAHP National Meeting in Chicago, IL. We received 13 requests for Travel Grants and awarded 9 grants and expended \$7,000.00.

A financial compilation for CAAHP was completed May 31, 2008 by the Certified Public Accounting Firm of Francis S. Franke & Company P.C.

The board will discuss travel grants for the regional conference and information will be forthcoming.

At this time, the CAAHP is fiscally sound and there are no outstanding expenses.

Best wishes for a joyous holiday season!

Michael Ellison



✓ **RECOGNIZING OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT**

As Chuck Hauck mentioned in his comments above, **C. Larry Sullivan** of Avila University and **Karen Paulsen** of the University of Illinois received the Fr. Joseph I. Walter Award for Outstanding Advising at the CAAHP Board of Directors meeting in June.

Nomination for the Fr. Joseph I Walter Award for Outstanding Advising is open to all members of the CAAHP. If you have someone in mind (including yourself!) who you believe is deserving of this special honor, please submit that name to one of the members of the Board of Directors.

The selection of the recipient of the Fr. Joseph L. Walter Award is based on several criteria. Among them are:

- 1) the creation and development of advising tools (web pages, books, bulletins, handouts, etc.) that are now used by other advisors;
- 2) the sharing of best practices with the advising community;
- 3) the publication of advising articles in *The Advisor* or other journals;
- 4) outstanding research in the area of advising;
- 5) presentations given at national or central meetings of the Association or at other professional conferences;
- 6) mentorship of new advisors;
- 7) the receipt of external funds for new advising projects;
- 8) the creation of external partnerships; and
- 9) letters of recommendation from peers, students, and supervisors.

✓ **SOME FOND FAREWELLS**

Cassandra Flambouras of the University of Chicago and James Foster of the University of Notre attended their final Board of Directors meeting in June at the NAAHP meeting in Chicago. Both Cassie and Jim have given much of their time to CAAHP efforts, with Cassie as the chair of Mentoring and Membership, and Jim as the head of the Recognition Committee. They have also both been active at our regional and national meetings as organizers and presenters. We know that Cassie and Jim will continue to be active in the organization, and we want them to know how much we've appreciated their service!



Cassie Flambouras



Jim Foster

✓ **NEW MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The membership in attendance at the June CAAHP General Business Meeting in Chicago elected two new members-at-large to the CAAHP Board of Directors.

THE CAAHP BOARD OF DIRECTORS WELCOMES

Heidi Lang, Michigan State University
&
Larry Savett, University of St. Thomas

Larry Savett

Larry practiced primary care internal medicine for 30 years, first in Gloucester, Massachusetts and then in St. Paul, Minnesota. Since 1994, he has taught about the psychological and social dimensions of medicine and the doctor-patient relationship in a course called “The Human Side of Medicine: Learning What It’s Like To Be A Patient and What It’s Like to be Physician,” first at Macalester College and now at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, where he has advised pre-medical and other pre-health professions students. His book, titled the same as his course—for pre-meds and other pre-health professionals, those in medical school and residency, experienced physicians and other health professionals, and patients—was published in 2002.

He has served on the Admissions Committee of the University of Minnesota Medical School, where he taught medical students, interns and residents, and was Clinical Professor of Medicine. He serves on the Publication Committee of NAAHP, and is on the editorial boards of, and a frequent contributor to, *The Advisor*, the journal of NAAHP, and *Creative Nursing*, a journal for nurses. He is a Fellow of the American College of Physicians. He and his wife, Sue, live in St. Paul.

He plays clarinet in the Inver Hills Community Band.



Larry Savett –Sharing his knowledge at the NAAHP meeting in Chicago.



Larry Savett – Solving a puzzling advising problem with a colleague. NAAHP Chicago.

Heidi Lang

This is Heidi Lang's second tour with the board having served from 1998-2001. She says she is thrilled to return to the board as well as to the world of health careers advising. She made the decision to stay home with her two beautiful children while they were young. After six and a half years away, her children are in school full days and the timing was right for her to return to Michigan State University this past January.

Heidi loves the beach, sun, and anything to do with water. Her family discovered the outdoor pool at MSU this summer, and spent many lazy days there this year. She is still recovering from jumping off the 5 meter board

Heidi's children also appreciate that other form of water they have too much of in Michigan - snow! They had another "first" when their family enjoyed snow tubing last winter (See photo below).

Heidi says she's looking forward to being with members of the CAAHP in Cincinnati and hearing about their "firsts" when she does!



Heidi Lang snow tubing with her kids in Michigan.

✓ **SNAP SHOTS FROM THE NAAHP MEETING IN CHICAGO**



Some **BIG** fun was had at the Chicago Field Museum. We got to meet “Sue”.



GREAT meals were consumed. Those were some **BIG** slices of chocolate cake!



BIG ideas and **GREAT** advising tools were shared.



PROFOUND wisdom was imparted.



TOUGH questions were asked and answered.



There was even something **NEW** for the most experienced advisors! Bill Harvey got some great jewelry gifts at an “Island Paradise” party.