From the President
by William Horgan

This message is short because it’s summer!

For most, classes are over and evaluations of this past year will soon start. CAAHEP has just started looking at our evaluations of the Annual Meeting as well as the “Teaching the Unthinkable” Emergency Preparedness Workshop. At a quick glance, it appears both meetings were well received. One point jumps off the paper and that is, those in attendance who do not normally attend the CAAHEP Annual Meeting said great things about both meetings.

I would like to suggest that you invite your friends, whether in the CAAHEP family or not, to come to our next Annual Meeting in San Antonio (April 2009) or our next Emergency Preparedness Workshop in Orlando in November.

Your evaluations have made our meetings better and this July the Board will go over all of the evaluations in depth so we can offer an even better meeting next year.

Don’t forget to take time for yourself and enjoy this summer.

“Focus on the Future” looked bright!

As President Horgan notes in his column, evaluations from the recent CAAHEP Annual Meeting in Las Vegas were very positive.

Under the unifying theme of “Focus on the Future,” we heard about the future of quality assurance from Judith Eaton, President of the Council for Higher Education Accreditation; a report on the Spellings Commission on the Future of Higher Education; an update on the future of the efforts to reauthorize the Higher Education Act; and two marvelous sessions on “Generation NeXt” (sometimes called the Millenials) by Dr. Mark Taylor.

During the annual business meeting of the Commission we heard from Molly Marko, the Commissioner who represents recent graduates about her survey of student attitudes toward certification and we received an update on the ambitious plan to reorganize the DOD sponsored allied health programs from DOD representatives, Marcia Waldgeir and Karen Natkin.

And, yes, we also enjoyed a wonderful concert by Elvis!!

Mark your calendar!!

CAAHEP’s 15th Annual Meeting will be at the historic Hotel Menger in San Antonio, Texas April 19-20, 2009

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June 2008

10: Committee on Accreditation of Specialist in Blood Bank Technology Schools, Conference Call

11: Committee on Accreditation—Polysomnographic Technology, Baltimore, MD

July 2008

8: Committee on Accreditation of Specialist in Blood Bank Technology Schools, Conference Call

9-13: Committee on Accreditation for Respiratory Care, Phoenix, AZ

16-17: Accreditation Review Committee - Medical Illustration, Indianapolis, IN

24-25: CAAHEP BOARD OF DIRECTORS, DENVER, CO

25-26: CAAHEP COA SUMMER WORKSHOP, DENVER, CO

31-Aug 2: Joint Review Committee-Diagnostic Medical Sonography, St. Paul, MN

August 2008

12: Committee on Accreditation of Specialist in Blood Bank Technology Schools, Conference Call

September 2008

9: Committee on Accreditation of Specialist in Blood Bank Technology Schools, Conference Call

9-10: Committee on Accreditation—Emergency Medical Services Professions, St. Louis, MO

9-10: National Commission on Orthotics and Prosthetics Education, Chicago, IL

11-13: Accreditation Review Committee - Surgical Technology, Denver, CO

19: CAAHEP BOARD OF DIRECTORS, Conference Call

October 2008

3: Committee on Accreditation of Specialist in Blood Bank Technology Schools, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

17-19: CAAHEP BOARD OF DIRECTORS, TAMPA, FL

18-19: Accreditation Review Committee - Anesthesiologist Assistant, Orlando, FL

28: CoA - Electroneurodiagnostic Technology, Conference Call

November 2008

7: Committee on Accreditation - Emergency Medical Services Professions, Conference Call

9: Cytotechnology Programs Review Committee, Orlando, FL

11: Committee on Accreditation of Specialist in Blood Bank Technology Schools, Conference Call

12: Accreditation Committee - Perfusion Education, Conference Call

20: CoA - Electroneurodiagnostic Technology, Conference Call

21: CAAHEP BOARD OF DIRECTORS, Conference Call

January 2009

15-16: CAAHEP BOARD OF DIRECTORS, St. Pete Beach

16-17: CAAHEP LEADERSHIP MEETING, St. Pete Beach

March 2009

11-14: Accreditation Review Committee - Surgical Technology, San Diego, CA

April 2009

17-18: CAAHEP BOARD OF DIRECTORS, San Antonio, TX

19-20: CAAHEP ANNUAL MEETING, San Antonio, TX

If you have any additions, deletions or changes for the calendar please contact CAAHEP at 727-210-2350 or lorna@caahep.org.
## Accreditation Actions - March 14, 2008

### Diagnostic Medical Sonographer

**Initial**
- St. Anthony Medical Center - Cardiac, Crown Point, IN (Certificate)
- Bunker Hill Community College - Cardiac, Boston, MA (Associate)
- St Francis Hospital and Medical Center-Hartford - Cardiac, Hartford, CT (Certificate)
- University of Kansas Medical Center - General Concentration, Kansas City, KS (Certificate)
- University of Kansas Medical Center - Vascular, Kansas City, KS (Certificate)

**Continuing**
- Elkhart General Hospital - Elkhart, IN (Certificate)
- Emergency Training Associates/Greater Minnesota Paramedic Consortium - Fergus Falls, MN (Certificate)
- Inver Hills Community College - Inver Grove Heights, MN (Certificate)
- Ivy Tech Community College - Evansville - Evansville, IN (Associate)
- Jones County Junior College - Ellisville, MS (Associate)
- Lone Star College - North Harris - Houston, TX (Certificate, Associate)
- Loudoun County Department of Fire-Rescue - Leesburg, VA (Certificate)
- Manatee Technical Institute - Bradenton, FL (Diploma)
- Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College - Perkinston, MS (Associate)
- Montana State University Billings - Billings, MT (Associate)
- National College of Technical Instruction- Santa Barbara - Buellton, CA (Certificate)
- National College of Technical Instruction-Roseville - Roseville, CA (Certificate, Associate)
- National Park Community College - Hot Springs, AR (Associate)
- New York Methodist Hospital - Brooklyn, NY (Certificate)
- Northwest Arkansas Community College - Bentonville, AR (Associate)
- Northwest Regional Training Center - Vancouver, WA (Certificate, Associate)
- South Central College - North Mankato, MN (Associate)
- Southwest Arkansas Technical Institute - Hot Springs, AR (Certificate)
- Ulster County Community College - Stone Ridge, NY (Certificate, Associate)
- University of Arkansas - Monticello Campus - Monticello, AR (Certificate)
- University of Washington - Seattle, WA (Certificate)
- Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine - Richmond, VA (Baccalaureate)

**Withdraw**
- South Suburban College - General, South Holland, IL (Certificate)

### Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic

**Initial**
- Bismarck State College/F-M Ambulance Service - Bismarck, ND (Associate)
- Brookhaven College - Farmers Branch, TX (Certificate, Associate)
- University of Arkansas Community College At Hope - Hope, AR (Certificate, Associate)

**Continuing**
- Arkansas Northeastern College - Blytheville, AR (Diploma)
- Arkansas State University - Marked Tree, AR (Diploma)
- Arkansas Valley Technical Institute - Ozark, AR (Certificate)
- Brazosport College - Lake Jackson, TX (Associate)
- City College of San Francisco - San Francisco, CA (Certificate)
- Coffeyville Community College - Coffeyville, KS (Associate)
- Community College of Aurora - Denver, CO (Certificate)
- Community College of Baltimore County - Essex Campus - Baltimore, MD (Associate)
- East Arkansas Community College - Forrest City, AR (Certificate, Associate)
- Elkhart General Hospital - Elkhart, IN (Certificate)
- Emergency Training Associates/Greater Minnesota Paramedic Consortium - Fergus Falls, MN (Certificate)
- Inver Hills Community College - Inver Grove Heights, MN (Certificate)
- Ivy Tech Community College - Evansville - Evansville, IN (Associate)
- Jones County Junior College - Ellisville, MS (Associate)
- Lone Star College - North Harris - Houston, TX (Certificate, Associate)
- Loudoun County Department of Fire-Rescue - Leesburg, VA (Certificate)
- Manatee Technical Institute - Bradenton, FL (Diploma)
- Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College - Perkinston, MS (Associate)
- Montana State University Billings - Billings, MT (Associate)
- National College of Technical Instruction- Santa Barbara - Buellton, CA (Certificate)
- Northwest Arkansas Community College - Bentonville, AR (Associate)
- Northwest Regional Training Center - Vancouver, WA (Certificate, Associate)
- South Central College - North Mankato, MN (Associate)
- Southwest Arkansas Technical Institute - Hot Springs, AR (Certificate)
- Ulster County Community College - Stone Ridge, NY (Certificate, Associate)
- University of Arkansas - Monticello Campus - Monticello, AR (Certificate)
- University of Washington - Seattle, WA (Certificate)
- Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine - Richmond, VA (Baccalaureate)

### Exercise Science

**Initial**
- Indiana University of Pennsylvania - Indiana, PA (Baccalaureate)

### Medical Assistant

**Initial**
- Career Technical College - Associate Degree, Shreveport, LA (Associate)
- Craven Community College - New Bern, NC (Diploma)
- Indiana Business College- Northwest Campus (Indianapolis) - Indianapolis, IN (Associate)
- Lanier Technical College - Winder, GA (Diploma)
- McCann School of Business and Technology-Hazelton - Hazelton, PA (Certificate)
- McCann School of Business and Technology-Pottsville - Pottsville, PA (Certificate)
- McCann School of Business and Technology-Scranton - Scranton, PA (Certificate)
- McCann School of Business and Technology-Sunbury - Sunbury, PA (Certificate)
- Northwest State Community College - Archbold, OH (Associate)
- Rasmussen College-Brooklyn Park—Brooklyn Park, MN (Associate)
- Rasmussen College-Mankato - Mankato, MN (Associate)
- Rasmussen College-St. Cloud - Medical Assistant - Associate Degree, St. Cloud, MN (Associate)
Perfusionist

Continuing
Quinnipiac University - Hamden, CT (Certificate, Masters)

Polysomnographic Technologist

Initial
Mercy College of Health Sciences - Des Moines, IA (Certificate)

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Cardiovascular Technologist

Initial
Spokane Community College - Non-Invasive Peripheral Vascular, Spokane, WA (Associate)

Continuing
Geisinger Health System - Invasive Cardiology, Danville, PA (Diploma)
Northland Community and Technical College - Invasive Cardiology, East Grand Forks, MN (Associate)

Cytotechnologist

Withdraw
St Johns Riverside Hospital - Yonkers, NY (Certificate)

Diagnostic Medical Sonographer

Initial
Collins Career Center - Chesapeake - General Concentration, Chesapeake, OH (Certificate)
Collins Career Center - Chesapeake - Vascular, Chesapeake, OH (Certificate)
Community College of Rhode Island - General Concentration, Warwick, RI (Associate)
Community College of Rhode Island - Cardiac, Warwick, RI (Associate)
Community College of Rhode Island - Vascular, Warwick, RI (Associate)
Grand Valley State University - General Concentration, Grand Rapids, MI (Baccalaureate)
Grand Valley State University - Cardiac, Grand Rapids, MI (Baccalaureate)
Grand Valley State University - Vascular, Grand Rapids, MI (Baccalaureate)
University of Arkansas Fort Smith - General Concentration, Fort Smith, AR (Baccalaureate)

Continuing
Arkansas State University - General Concentration, Jonesboro, AR (Baccalaureate)
Dona Ana Community College - General Concentration, Las Cruces, NM (Certificate)
Harrisburg Area Community College-Harrisburg Campus - General Concentration, Harrisburg, PA (Associate)
Moore Norman Technology Center - General Concentration, Norman, OK (Diploma)
Northwestern Memorial Hospital - General Concentration, Chicago, IL (Certificate)

Electroneurodiagnostic Technologist

Initial
Harcum College - Bryn Mawr, PA (Diploma, Associate)

Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic

Initial
Community Health Network - Indianapolis, IN (Certificate)
Goshen Medical Center - Goshen, IN (Certificate)
Indiana University School of Medicine - Indianapolis, IN (Associate)
Ivy Tech Community College-Bloomington - Bloomington, IN (Associate)
St. Vincent's Indianapolis Hospital EMS Program - Indianapolis, IN (Certificate)

Medical Assistant

Continuing
Appalachian Technical College - Jasper, GA (Diploma)
Atlanta Technical College - Atlanta, GA (Diploma)
Benjamin Franklin Career and Technical Education Center - Kanawa County Schools - Dunbar, WV (Certificate)
Cabarrus College of Health Sciences - Concord, NC (Diploma)
Carteret Community College - Morehead City, NC (Diploma)
Central Carolina Technical College - Sumter, SC (Diploma)
Central Pennsylvania College - Summerdale, PA (Associate)
College of Southern Nevada - Las Vegas, NV (Certificate)
Davenport University- Lansing - Lansing, MI (Associate)
East San Gabriel Valley ROP and Technical Center - West Covina, CA (Certificate)
First Coast Technical Institute - St Augustine, FL (Certificate)
Heald College - Honolulu, HI (Associate)
Indian River Community College - Fort Pierce, FL (Certificate)
Ivy Tech Community College - Evansville, IN (Certificate)
Lake Area Technical Institute - Watertown, SD (Associate)
Lake Area Technical Institute - Watertown, SD (Diploma)
Miller-Motte College - Wilmington, NC (Associate)
Miller-Motte Technical College- Clarksville - Clarksville, TN (Associate)
Mount Aloysius College - Cresson, PA (Associate)
Ohio University - Lancaster, OH (Associate)
Spokane Community College - Spokane, WA (Certificate)
Tri County Community College - Murphy, NC (Associate)

Polysomnographic Technologist

Initial
Moraine Valley Community College - Palos Hills, IL (Certificate)
**Respiratory Therapy**

**Continuing**
- Hudson Valley Community College - Troy, NY (Associate)
- Midlands Technical College - Columbia, SC (Associate)
- Millersville University of Pennsylvania - Millersville, PA (Baccalaureate)
- Northland Community and Technical College - East Grand Forks, MN (Certificate, Associate)
- Orangeburg Calhoun Technical College - Orangeburg, SC (Associate)
- Our Lady of Holy Cross/Alton Ochsner Medical Foundation - Entry Level - New Orleans, LA (Associate)
- Our Lady of Holy Cross/Alton Ochsner Medical Foundation - Advanced Level - New Orleans, LA (Baccalaureate)
- USAF School of Health Care Sciences / 882 Training Group - Entry Level - Sheppard AFB, TX (Associate)

**Initial**
- Ivy Tech Community College, Central Indiana Region - Advanced Level - Indianapolis, IN (Certificate)
- Northern Kentucky University - Advanced Level - Highland Heights, KY (Certificate)
- Pima Medical Institute-Albuquerque - Advanced Level - Albuquerque, NM (Associate)
- San Joaquin Valley College- Rancho Cordova - Advanced Level - Rancho Cordova, CA (Associate)
- USAF School of Health Care Sciences / 882 Training Group - Advanced Level - Sheppard AFB, TX (Associate)

**Probation**
- Bergen Community College - Advanced Level -Paramus, NJ (Associate)
- California College San Diego - Advanced Level -San Diego, CA (Associate)
- Dona Ana Community College - Advanced Level - Las Cruces, NM (Associate)
- Grossmont College - Advanced Level - El Cajon, CA (Associate)
- Kirkwood Community College - Advanced Level - Cedar Rapids, IA (Associate)
- North Shore Community College - Advanced Level -Danvers, MA (Associate)
- Northern Essex Community College - Advanced Level -Lawrence, MA (Associate)
- Okefenokee Technical College - Advanced Level -Waycross, GA (Associate)
- Pima Community College-Tucson - Advanced Level -Tucson, AZ (Associate)
- Seattle Central Community College - Advanced Level -Seattle, WA (Associate)
- Tacoma Community College - Advanced Level -Tacoma, WA (Associate)
- Temple College - Advanced Level -Temple, TX (Associate)
- University of Alabama at Birmingham - Advanced Level -Birmingham, AL (Baccalaureate)
- University of Hartford - Advanced Level - West Hartford, CT (Certificate, Baccalaureate)
- University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey-Stratford(South) - Advanced Level -Newark, NJ (Associate)
- Wallace State College - Advanced Level -Hanceville, AL (Associate)
- West Virginia Northern Community College - Advanced Level -Wheeling, WV (Associate)

**Surgical Assistant**

**Initial**
- Macomb Community College - Warren, MI (Certificate)
- University of Cincinnati, Clermont College - Batavia, OH (Certificate)

**Surgical Technologist**

**Initial**
- Aurora Healthcare - Milwaukee, WI (Certificate)
- Brown Mackie College - Merrillville, IN (Associate)
- Lackawanna College - Scranton, PA (Certificate)
- National College-Lexington - Lexington, KY (Associate)
- Pittsburgh Technical Institute - Oakdale, PA (Associate)
- Sanford Brown Institute-North Loop - Houston, TX (Certificate)
- Tomball College - Tomball, TX (Certificate)
- Virginia Career Institute - Virginia Beach, VA (Diploma)

**Continuing**
- Bronx Lebanon Hospital Center - New York, NY (Certificate)
- Career Colleges of America - South Gate - South Gate, CA (Diploma)
- Career Colleges of America-San Bernadino - San Bernadino, CA (Certificate)
- Central Florida Community College - Ocala, FL (Certificate)
- College of DuPage - Glen Ellyn, IL (Certificate, Associate)
- Glendale Career College - Oceanside Campus - Oceanside, CA (Diploma)
- Lamson College - Tempe, AZ (Diploma, Associate)
- Miller-Motte Technical College- Charleston - N. Charleston, SC (Associate)
- Mt Hood Community College - Gresham, OR (Associate)
- Pearl River Comm College - Hattiesburg, MS (Associate)
- Platt College- Tulsa -Tulsa, OK (Certificate)
- Virginia College at Austin - Austin, TX (Associate)

**Probation**
- Everest College-Thornton - Thornton, CO (Associate)

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**CAAHEP Recognizes Exceptional Service**

During the 2008 Annual Meeting CAAHEP’s President, Bill Horgan presented the 2008 Exceptional Service Award to Janet Ghigo. Janet has been a Commissioner from CAAHEP’s earliest days. She is currently the chair of the Committee on Accreditation for Education in Electroneurodiagnostic Technology and, in addition to her service on several other CAAHEP committees and task forces, she served two terms on the CAAHEP Board of Directors as well as a term as CAAHEP’s Secretary.
TEACHING THE UNTHINKABLE
Incorporating Emergency Preparedness into the Curriculum: Thinking about what to teach, and how to teach it to health science students

TEACHING THE UNTHINKABLE is a workshop created by CAAHEP especially for Program Directors, Faculty and Administrators of Health Science Education Programs. It’s an opportunity to catch up with the latest developments in emergency preparedness and, especially, to think carefully about how to teach about emergency preparedness. Attendees will learn from experts and work with fellow attendees to consider educational options. This intensive event helps attendees develop a new network of colleagues, provides some curriculum maps to this field, offers a look at new accreditation language, includes a copy of the first and only textbook in this emerging field, and suggests ways to access local and Internet resources.

Here’s what some of our attendees at the Las Vegas workshop had to say:

“This workshop was well done; provided practical examples for implementation at the local level. Also provided ample networking opportunities.”

“I really enjoyed this meeting. It was full of information that can be integrated into the curriculum. I feel it is very important to have our Allied Health Professions have this training.”

“Emergency Preparedness is a current topic which needs your attention.”

“I highly recommend attending the workshop if you never thought about preparing for an emergency for your family this workshop will change your mind. It will not scare, it will demonstrate how everyone needs to be prepared. Starting with your family and then learning how you can help if a disaster occurs in your area.”

“The workshop was outstanding. The speakers were experts in their fields and the topics were captivating. I left the conference with great confidence that I would be able to implement this training in my institution.”

“Thank you for the great workshop. It really got me motivated to set up the course and disaster scenario. This is something that has been in the back of our minds for a long time.”

Are you convinced yet? Then plan to join us in Orlando, Florida beginning on Friday, November 7th at 3:00 pm and wrapping up by 3:00 pm on Saturday, November 8th.

- Keynote Session: Why Teach Health Professionals about Emergency Preparedness? (What’s It Got To Do With Me?)
- Examples of existing training efforts including the American Medical Association's National Disaster Life Support Program and other curricula being developed.
- Time and opportunities for questions, for sharing with colleagues and experts, and for debating issues during roundtable discussions.

The fee for this workshop is $169 which includes a copy of the first (and at this moment only) textbook for health science programs on this topic: Emergency Preparedness for Health Professionals. If you are affiliated with a CAAHEP-accredited program the fee is $139.

Go to www.caahep.org for hotel and registration details.
Program Directors: Have you completed your AMA Survey?

The AMA reports that approximately 900 programs have completed the 2008 Survey of Health Professions Education Programs, which went online in May. But the response rate for CAAHEP programs isn’t very good — less than 15% as we go to press.

This survey data will appear in the 2008-2009 editions of the Health Care Careers Directory and Health Professions Education Data Book. If you want the information on your program to be accurate in this publication, you MUST complete the survey.

If you have not yet completed the survey, contact Dorothy Grant-Bryant at dorothy.grant-bryant@ama-assn.org or call (312) 464-4936 for login information.

NOTE: Respondents to this year’s survey will be entered in monthly drawings to win a complimentary copy of The Art of JAMA (list price $70), with full-color reproductions of a wide range of art from the world’s finest museums.

Congratulations to Simone Alter-Muri, EdD, director of the art therapy program at Springfield College (MA), the winner of the first drawing for the 2008 survey.

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WASC to Host Assessment Retreats

The Western Association of Schools and Colleges has announced two dates/locations for their “Level I Assessment Retreat.” These retreat-style workshops are designed to support campuses as they address growing demands for assessment, accountability, and the use of evidence in decision-making. The workshop will look at defining purposes, developing goals and learning outcomes, choosing methods for collection of evidence, establishing criteria, analyzing student work and improving curriculum and pedagogy. Level I is intended for institutions or programs in the early stages of implementing assessment. This workshop will be held September 25-27 in Emeryville, CA and January 29-31 in Honolulu.

The Level II workshop will be held in Irvine, CA on October 16-18. This workshop is designed for those campuses that have broad assessment systems in place and that have had experience closing the loop based on assessment findings. This workshop provides specific support for the goals of participating teams.

They will begin accepting applications in July, so contact Julie Kotovsky if you are interested. She can be reached at jkotovsky@wascsenior.org.
Commissioners Elect Board Members, Approve New Sponsoring Organization

The CAAHEP Annual Meeting featured lots of terrific programming and many opportunities for networking (we even networked with Elvis!). But, as always, there also was a business meeting of Commissioners where important information was shared and decisions were made.

President Bill Horgan reported that we continue to make progress on our shift to a truly outcomes-based accrediting body, even as we continue to face challenges in making that shift. Executive Director Kathy Megivern reported that the federal contract on Emergency Preparedness had ended effective March 30, 2008 and the evaluation given to our performance by the project officer was excellent. Treasurer Dan Points reported that CAAHEP remains financially sound.

A proposed Bylaws amendment was approved. The new language clarifies the nature and purpose of Associate Membership Organizations in CAAHEP.

Elections were held and three individuals were elected to the Board of Directors—congratulations to Gregory Frazer, Nancy Smith and Kerry Weinberg. Also re-elected to the Nominating and Elections Committee were Anne Loochtan and Linda Van Scoder.

And last, but definitely not least, the Commission voted to approve a new sponsoring organization. Our CoA for Electroneurodiagnostic Technology has added the American Academy of Neurology as CAAHEP’s newest sponsoring organization.

The Board voted to re-elect the officers for another term, so congratulations also go out to President Bill Horgan, Vice President LaCheeta McPherson, Treasurer Dan Points and Secretary Nancy Smith.