

# **EASTERN ACPE REGIONAL MINI-NEWSLETTER**

March 17, 2004

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## 1. ANCIENT YELLOW CARD FIND SHOWS ST. PATRICK TOOK CPE

In an unbelievable stroke of luck a team of pastoral researchers led by Larry VandeCreek has found in the ACPE file cabinet bottom drawer an ancient yellow card proving that St. Patrick took CPE. The record indicates that he was the first international student, and trained at Bellevue in NYC (yet another coup for the Eastern Region) in the summer of 431. The supervisor's initials are blurred, but are likely those of Glendon Jantzi or James Jeffrey.

## 2. ExNE ANNUAL CONFERENCE BEST-RATE DEADLINE NEARS

The ExNE Annual Conference hotel room rate of \$103 plus tax, single or double, must be "locked in" by April 10. Call your reservation in to Holiday Inn by the Bay, Portland, Maine, at 1-800-345-5070. Also, the conference registration rate of \$100 (includes Wednesday evening reception and two continental breakfasts) is available until April 30 (\$150 thereafter). Download the registration form from [www.eneacpe.org](http://www.eneacpe.org) and send it to Bill Gaventia with your check. The conference theme is *At the Heart of Our Stories* and features Arthur Frank, Ph.D. and Anne Underwood, Esq.

## 3. ACPE IDENTITY QUESTION

An ACPE task force has begun reviewing region-to-national financial relationships toward coherence in policy and procedure. Lack of clarity about our ACPE identity has contributed to the confusion. Are we an association divided into regions or a federation of regions forming an association? Please share your thoughts with our Board Reps Harlan Ratmeyer and Cornel Rempel prior to the Board of Representatives meeting April 22-24.

## 4. FALL CERTIFICATION DEADLINES PUBLISHED

Certification Committee Chair Ted Trout-Landen has published fall certification deadlines, as follows: Declaration of intent to meet Committee and fee (payable to Eastern Region, ACPE) to Eastern Region Certification Chair, postmarked by **July 16, 2004**. (Must be hard copy via US Postal Service; no fax, e-mail or phone calls.)

Materials in the hands of Presenter and Subcommittee Members, **August 20, 2004**.

Eastern Region Certification Committee Meeting, Tuscarora Inn, Mt. Bethel PA, **September 22-24, 2004**. (Please note change of both locale and dates from previously published planning calendar.)

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## 5. JOHN VALENTINO TO STAY ON AT LEHIGH VALLEY HOSPITAL

John Valentino, ACPE Supervisor and Interim Coordinator of Pastoral Education at Lehigh Valley Hospital in Allentown PA since August 2003, will begin as Coordinator on April 1. Please welcome him at his office e-mail address, [William.J.Valentino@lvh.com](mailto:William.J.Valentino@lvh.com)

Oh yes, a Very Happy Saint Patrick's Day to ye!

Jack O'Gleason, RD and Interim Editor

P.S. The bi-regional website [www.eneacpe.org](http://www.eneacpe.org) may be a bit behind schedule. Webmaster John Teer is recuperating from surgery on both knees and would welcome your good wishes at [john.teer@valleybaptist.net](mailto:john.teer@valleybaptist.net)