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1. PORTLAND REGISTRATIONS STRONG

Registrations for the ACPE Annual Conference in Portland, Maine had reached 383 by October 16, with an all-time high of 113 for the Women in ACPE Luncheon and a possibly record-breaking 69 persons signed up for the Peace Walk. The Agazarian pre-conference workshop has 100 participants and is now closed. However, it is certainly not too late for you to complete your arrangements to be a part of this vital gathering of the ACPE community. Go to the www.acpe.edu website for details.

2. PEOPLE NEWS

Naomi Kalish's third daughter Talia arrived on October 12. Joanne Martindale travels to Kuwait early in November, and then to Camp Spiker in Iraq for the remainder of her year in ministry as an activated Army National Guard chaplain. That site comes under mortar attack each day. Please join her in her prayers for safety. Prayers are also in order for Will Sieburg, who will have surgery in November. Joan Murray is leaving HCC and Memorial Sloan-Kettering to become Pastoral Care Coordinator for Children's Health of Atlanta, to begin in late November.

3. POSITIONS OPEN

Supervisors are sought at Yale-New Haven (contact Peg Lewis at 203-688-215) and at Philhaven (fax resumes to CEO at 717-270-2456). Part-time and per-diem hospice chaplains are needed in Philadelphia at Life Choice (contact Millicent Wess at 215-557-7300) and in the Trenton area at Compassionate Care (contact Bob Legato at 609-410-9821). The Life Choice position will work into full-time. A stipended residency slot is open beginning November 22 at Hershey Medical Center. Contact Angie Van Hise at 717-531-8177.

4. NEW CERTIFICATION DEADLINES

Persons wishing to meet with the regional Certification Committee meeting at Mt. Bethel, PA March 2-4, 2005 must declare their intent in writing to Chair Ted Trout-Landen at WellSpan Health, 1001 S. George St., York PA 17405 with the appropriate fee (\$150 for Readiness and \$200 for all others) payable to the Eastern ACPE Region and postmarked no later than December 17, 2004. Materials are to be in the hands of the Presenter and Subcommittee Members by January 28, 2005.

5. SEMINAR ON SUPERVISION A SUCCESS

The Buffalo supervisory group hosted the Seminar on Supervision at Stony Point NY on October 17-18, with 35 participants and a presentation on a 7-step process for integrating theory. Tyler Dudley coordinated this semi-annual event. The next SOS will be April 17-18, 2005 at Stony Point.

6. REM SCHOLARSHIP REMINDER

Supervisors, have you informed your students of their eligibility for a maximum of \$200 in scholarship help for travel expenses to the REM Conference in Miami, Florida February 3-5, 2005? Contact John Pumphrey at 215-456-8979.

7. NEWSLETTER SURVEY RESULTS

Seven respondents to the survey question about preference for the electronic newsletter vis-à-vis hard copy voted for the electronic version without qualification. Eight voted for some combination of both electronic and hard copy. No one voted for hard copy only.