



ARKANSAS HEALTH EXECUTIVES FORUM MAY 2010

CHAPTER NEWS

I am proud to announce that the Arkansas Health Executives Forum was awarded a Chapter of Distinction at the American College of Healthcare Executives Congress held earlier this year. We were one of only five organizations nationwide to earn this award.

At our recent AHEF meeting in Little Rock, we were pleased to welcome Mr. Roby Brock as our guest speaker. Roby is the executive producer and host of Talk Business and editor-in-chief of Talk Business Quarterly. He spoke about the new political landscape, both in Arkansas and in Washington, Medicaid issues and the recently completed session of the Arkansas General Assembly.

Nominations are now open for the ACHE Regent Awards. A brochure on the award criteria is available on the AHEF website. Nominations for the Early Career, Senior Level Healthcare Executive as well as the C. E. Melville Young Administrator of the Year Awards are due to the Arkansas Hospital Association by August 6. We have many individuals in Arkansas worthy of these awards, and we encourage you to consider nominating someone from your organization.

EDUCATIONAL OFFERINGS

- **The next AHEF meeting is the summer Leadership Forum held in Branson MO June 16-18.**
- Following that will be the AHA Annual Meeting and Trade show October 6-8. Details on these EVENTS can be found on the AHA website at www.arkhospitals.org.

Greg Crain, FACHE
AHEF President

REGENT'S MESSAGE

I want to first of all congratulate all the members, those who advanced to Fellow and those who recertified. New Fellows this year include:

Brian Barnett, FACHE
Lee Frazier, FACHE
Cynthia Holland, FACHE
Henry Matlock Jr., FACHE
Jonathan Vitiello, FACHE
Keith Owen, FACHE

Sandra Bowen, FACHE
Susan Greenwood, FACHE
Eben Howard, PhD, FACHE
Paul Storey, FACHE
Steven Webb, FACHE

Please join me in congratulating these new Fellows when you see them. Total ACHE membership is approximately 8,402 Fellows and 18,681 members.

I want to thank Brian Barnett, FACHE and Michael Givens, FACHE for visiting Harding University undergraduates and Brian Barnett for visiting with the students at UAMS College of Public Health.

This past year I was pleased to provide two tuition waivers for those in need. I have two waivers this year that may be used for the 2011 Congress, two day seminars at ACHE clusters, ACHE webinars, online seminars and the online tutorial for the BoG exam. Priority for these waivers are given to those who are currently out of work and need financial support to advance and take advantage of these learning and networking opportunities.

If any of you would like to be a part of the Regents Advisory Council, I would ask that you contact me. I will be making appointments to the RAC for the coming year before June 1. The Regents Advisory Council serve in several capacities; providing information and feedback to the National office and providing assistance with Regent responsibilities such as school visits and input on candidates for the Regent awards.

The Board of Governors Exam Fee Waiver Promotion is from March 1 to June 30, 2010. Members who apply for the FACHE credential between these dates must submit their completed Fellow application and \$250 application fee during the promotion period. Pending application approval, ACHE will waive the \$200 Board of Governors Exam Fee. All follow-up materials (i.e., references) must be submitted by August 31, 2010 to receive the waiver. You can find more information at ache.org/FACHE.

It is a privilege to serve you as your Regent and I want you to know I am available to be of assistance to you.

Phillip K. Gilmore, FACHE
ACHE Regent for Arkansas

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

As part of our commitment to make our members aware of career opportunities, the Arkansas Hospital Association has dedicated a webpage for announcements of job openings in our state and nearby. If you become aware of new positions, please send the information directly to Amber Estrada at the Arkansas Hospital Association (astrada@arkhospitals.org). Please put "AHEF Website" in the subject line. The web address is <http://arkhospitals.org/AHEF/employment.htm>.



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