



NEWSLETTER

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The Illinois Council on Continuing Higher Education (ICCHE) is a comprehensive organization of continuing higher education representing all regions of the state of Illinois.

Founded in 1975, ICCHE is the only organization in Illinois whose members include two- and four-year colleges and universities, both public and private.

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Planning Well Underway for

ICCHE's 43rd Annual Conference

"Learning to Change" is the theme of ICCHE's 43rd annual conference, which will be held February 7–9, 2018 and will again be co-sponsored by ACHE-Great Lakes.

Dr. Betty Vandebosch, President of Kaplan University, will present the keynote address, "Why Change in Higher Education Is So Hard & What To Do About It." Kaplan's acquisition by Purdue University to evolve into Purdue's online unit, is only the most recent of many rapid changes Kaplan University has undertaken.

President Vandebosch has observed that a completely successful change effort is elusive and that there are clear change response patterns based on

individuals' motivations and needs that may present obstacles. Using David McClelland's "Need Theory," she will demonstrate how needs for achievement, power and affiliation should be considered when developing any change plan. To do so, she will draw on Kaplan University's change experiences with competency-based education, a new learning management system, and the creation of a culture of research-driven decision-making.

The conference planning committee, chaired by Vice-President Donna Gardner Liljegren, **seeks proposals by October 20, 2017 for 45-minute breakout sessions** that will "examine all aspects of continuing

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear ICCHE Members,

I am honored and enthusiastic to serve as your President of the Illinois Council on Continuing Higher Education (ICCHE). I cannot thank you enough for providing this wonderful opportunity to offer leadership to an association that members are so passionate about. I do not take this position for granted as it allows me the opportunity to give back to an industry that has offered me limitless possibilities.

I'd like to take the opportunity to recognize and thank each of you for your contributions. Each board member, executive committee and general member is important to the smooth and effective functioning of our council. Part of what makes ICCHE successful is the council's ability to function as a team, help each other and contribute to the overall accomplishments. I look forward to continuing to work with each of you throughout the remaining year of my term.

Sincerely,

Kelly Lapetino
Prairie State College
2017 ICCHE President



Kelly Lapetino, ICCHE President



Research & Scholarship Committee Chair Omer Pamukcu encourages you to apply for the **Charles V. Evans Research Grant**, designed to promote research being conducted and published related to continuing higher education in Illinois. Awards are made in amounts up to \$2,000, based on recommendations made by a committee consisting of two representatives each from community colleges, public 4-year institutions, and private 4-year institutions.

Applications for the next award of this grant are due January 15, 2018. Visit the Charles V. Evans Research Grant [webpage](#) for a copy of the application guidelines. For more information, email [Dr. Pamukcu](#) or call him at (847) 285-2665.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE STATE



Dominican University

Monica Halloran accepted the newly-created position of Manager of Student Support Services for the College of Applied Social Science at Dominican University as of August 1, 2017.

Eastern Illinois University

Carrie Johnson, Director of B.A. in General Studies, Educational Attainment and Outreach, presented "Connecting Adult Learners Through Social Media" at the Adult Higher Education Alliance Conference in Orlando in March of 2017.

University of Illinois at Chicago

ICCHE Past President Gayla Stoner, currently Executive Director of UIC Extended Campus, will be leaving Illinois shortly to begin a new role on September 16 as Associate Provost for Extended Learning & Outreach at Central Washington University. Gayla's impact on continuing education has been felt across the state. In addition to her 2 ½ years at UIC and her years of service to ICCHE, she spent 17 years at SIUC, finishing there as the Director of Extended Campus. We thank her for her dedicated service and wish her well in her new role. Read more via [CWU's press release](#).

Janette Salamanca Maldonado will be serving as the Interim Executive Director of UIC Extended Campus. **Sean Boettcher** began a new role as Associate Director of Marketing & Recruitment within that unit on May 1, 2017. They are pleased to unveil a new online program partnership, too:

[Pharmacoepidemiology Certificate](#).

University of Illinois Springfield

Over the summer, the **Illinois Online Network** faculty development program moved to the [Center for Online Learning, Research and Service](#) (COLRS) at the University of Illinois Springfield (UIS). They would value your input and feedback as they move forward. Please contact [Dr. Vickie Cook](#) or [Emily Boles](#) with any questions, comments, or concerns.

To learn more about ION and its move to UIS, check out the August 2017 edition of the ION Connection newsletter (<https://goo.gl/XXHszR>). Registration for the Fall 2017 term is open. View the [ION Course Schedule](#).

Layne Morsch, a Senior Faculty Research Fellow with COLRS, recently presented on InterInstitutional Chemistry Communication Practice at the American Chemical Society National Meeting. Professor Morsch received a **Charles Evans Research Grant** at the 2017 ICCHE Annual Conference and will be presenting his research at the International Society for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning in October and at the ICCHE Annual Conference in February.

REACH/ICCHE Professional Development

By Tim Panfil

For a second consecutive year, ICCHE joined forces with [Resources for the Education of Adults in the Chicago Area](#) (REACH) to co-host their annual professional development day and adult learner scholarship luncheon. The June 8, 2017 event was hosted by Northern Illinois University at their Hoffman Estates campus. “Emotional Intelligence in the Workplace” was the theme for the day.

The day began with a continental breakfast and networking, plus the opportunity for members to have free portraits taken for their LinkedIn page or other uses by board member **Tim Panfil**. REACH president, **Frank Provenzano** of Herzing University, welcomed members and guests and provided an overview of the day. The first speaker was National Louis University faculty member, **Dr. Sheila Yarbrough**, who provided an introduction to the concept of emotional intelligence.

Emotional intelligence or “EI,” is the capability of individuals to recognize their own and other people's emotions, discern between different feelings and label them appropriately, use emotional information to guide thinking and behavior, and manage and/or adjust emotions to adapt to environments or achieve one's goals. Much of what we know about EI can be traced back to research done by EI guru, Dr. Daniel Goleman. His 1995 book on the topic was on the *NY Times* best seller list for a year and a half. Dr. Yarbrough concluded her session with an individual assessment tool whereby one could gauge one's own level of EI.



Dr. Sheila Yarbrough, National Louis University

Joe Balistreri, CEO of the [Liataud Institute](#) at the University of Illinois at Chicago, then conducted a group exercise designed to determine characteristics of highly effective workplaces with a focus on college admission offices. Afterwards he presented an overview of the various programs and services offered by the Liataud Institute whose goals are to help boost synergy among coworkers so as to improve bottom line results quickly by creating self-managed constructive cultures based on trust.



Joe Balistreri shares Liataud Institute research

Lunch included presentations of the Carolyn Cooney “REACH Your Goals” scholarships. Four extremely worthy adult learners each received \$1,500

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ICCHE/ACHE Conference—cont'd

Learning to Change



higher education and the role that learning plays in both personal and organizational change and ask: How do we help learners change their lives as we manage the changes required to serve our missions?”

See suggested topics and submission details at: <https://www.icche.org/conference/call-for-presentations>

For questions about the program, contact Donna Gardner Liljegren at dliljegren@aurora.edu or (630) 947-8914.

The committee is also seeking additional exhibitors and conference sponsors. If you work with a vendor for whom ICCHE/ACHE members might be a good target audience, please contact Stacey Rucker at srucker@sandburg.edu or (309) 341-5330.

See you in Chicago!

REACH/ICCHE Professional Development (cont'd)

scholarships to be applied toward tuition at their institution. Recipients included **Sara Niedrich**, a culinary student pursuing an associate's degree at Joliet Junior College, **Kesha Henderson**, pursuing her bachelor's degree in social work at Aurora University, **Jennifer Heimer**, pursuing her degree in legal studies at Loyola University Chicago, and **Vania Marie Baltzar**, who is pursuing a bachelor's degree in nursing at Resurrection University.

The afternoon session, “Building Trust,” was co-presented by **Dr. John Palmer** and **Ellie DeSanto**, both faculty members at Argosy University in Chicago. The day concluded with the annual REACH raffles to generate funds for the scholarship program. Special thanks to event sponsors which included [Iron Brand Marketing](#), [Liberty Creative Solutions](#), and [The Rally Point Program](#).

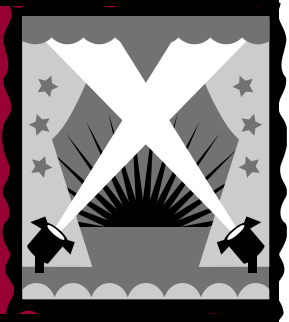


Jubilant REACH Scholarship winners (L-R): Jennifer Heimer, Vania Marie Baltzar, and Kesha Henderson

SPOTLIGHT:

ICCHE President Kelly Lapetino

By Teri Karpman



After a few years away, the ICCHE SPOTLIGHT is back! Recently I was able to catch up with current ICCHE President Kelly Lapetino to learn a bit more about her and her interests. Kelly is the Dean of Corporate and Continuing Education at Prairie State College and has an impressive and varied career path.

How and when did you get involved with ICCHE?

After hearing a former colleague speak highly about ICCHE, it prompted me to inquire more. Of course, the pronunciation of the acronym ICCHE (“itchy”) naturally raises an eyebrow and captures your attention. She encouraged me to become a member in 2014. After taking on several leadership positions, ICCHE has granted me the opportunity to assume the role of President and learn from its fine members over the past three years. I look forward to continuing to learn and grow with each of you.

What do you see as your most important initiative in your presidency?

The future of ICCHE rests on our strong members. Membership recruitment and involvement remains the most important factors affecting our future. ICCHE currently has 28 member institutions consisting of 158 members and growing. If you know of other institutions or individuals who would benefit from ICCHE, please share your positive experiences with them.

ICCHE also offers a wide range of leadership and committee roles. If you are a member seeking personal and professional growth, I would encourage you to join a committee. Committees are an easy way to get involved in planning events and initiatives and are a great way for the council to tap into potential leaders for the future.

Tell us a bit about your career path and what you are doing for Prairie State College.

I will try and respond to this question in fewer than 200 words. I am a first generation college graduate and observed a strong work ethic at a young age. After completing two years at Joliet Junior College, I transferred to Northern Illinois University where I obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. From there I launched my career in the staffing industry where I gained a desire to pursue a career in workforce development. The desire stemmed from an interest to help provide individuals with the resources and education to meet employer’s needs. Over the past twelve years, I have been blessed with the opportunity to serve in a variety of leadership roles within higher education. While roles and responsibilities have changed, the focus on strengthening our current and future workforce has always been at the forefront. Each of my positions has provided the opportunity to work with key constituents in workforce development, employers, educators and students. I later obtained a Master of Science degree in Training and Development from the University of St. Francis. Currently I serve as Dean of Corporate and Continuing Education at Prairie State College. In this capacity, I provide leadership in developing and implementing educational programs that respond to the changing workforce environment. 198 words, not bad but it won’t meet Twitter standards!

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SPOTLIGHT: Kelly Lapetino—cont'd

You have worked with business & education organizations. What is the key to working with different groups?

The most successful organizations, professionals, and governing boards understand that being able to work well with others is critical in today's increasingly diverse workforce. Through my experience in working with both business and education organizations, I have found several best practices for success. These include being able to:

- Plan, assign and coordinate programs and activities to enhance relationships between management and employees
- Analyze training needs to design and implement workforce development programs
- Work collaboratively to ensure delivery of excellent service and achieving strong outcomes for students and employers/partners
- Provide timely and sound advice to clients to achieve good working relationships

What is the best advice for people looking to succeed in their current career or when starting a new career?

A few pieces of advice for individuals looking to succeed in a new or existing career include:

Surround yourself with excellence, both in people and in thought.

Believe in yourself and your ability to succeed.

Network and establish relationships.

I would encourage individuals within ICCHE to reach out to other members and introduce yourself. Send an introductory email, connect with them on LinkedIn and/or attend the upcoming annual conference. Don't wait for opportunities to come to you, get out there and make it happen!

What book are you reading now?

For professional development, I am currently reading *Start With Why*. I also started reading *The Kite Runner* over an extended weekend this summer, which reminds me to pick that up again!

What is something people would be surprised to know about you?

I'm not sure if this is something people would be surprised by, but I don't seek out the spotlight. This may be one of the reasons why Teri had to be persistent to secure this SPOTLIGHT interview with me. I believe it's important to work for a cause and not for applause and don't seek to be the center of attention. Although the spotlight has found me on several occasions from being pulled on stage during Blue Man Group along with a Second City performance.

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MEMBERSHIP:

If you are not already a member, consider [joining ICCHE today!](#)

The \$125 annual fee includes membership for an institutional representative and up to nine additional professionals from the same institution. Or, for an annual institutional fee of \$200, 11–20 professional staff from the institution can be members and enjoy all the benefits!

We're on the Web!
www.icche.org

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ICCHE Listserv

To send a message to all the people subscribed to the ICCHE Membership list, send an email to:

icchemembers@googlegroups.com

Note: You must be listed as a member of ICCHE in order to use the listserv.

ICCHE Haiku Corner

Inspired by the [IT professionals who rendered various computer error messages into Haiku](#), this new feature encourages ICCHE members to tap their creativity while reflecting on continuing education.

SIUC shone

When the eclipse brought darkness.

See you in seven.

-HWS

Learning to learn. Fun.

Lifelong learning for all. Wise.

Making this happen. Us.

-Monica Halloran

Send your 5/7/5 syllable wit and wisdom on continuing education to hwschnadt@ucenter.org for future issues.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

October 23–25, 79th Annual ACHE Conference
(Portland, OR)

See <https://www.acheinc.org/>

December ICCHE Board meeting
(TBD)

February 7–9, ICCHE's 43rd Annual Conference in
2018 Chicago



COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/INPUT??

Suggestions for changes? Want to be a roving reporter and/or join the fun?

Please let us know your thoughts about the ICCHE e-newsletter! How can it be improved? What types of information would you like to see included? Please forward comments or questions about this e-newsletter, and/or information for future issues to the attention of:

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