



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

2007 promises to be a tremendous year for ACHE of North Texas! Last year our chapter evolved into one of the premier ACHE chapters in the country. Membership in the chapter grew to 800 members, making ACHE of North Texas one of the largest chapters in the country. The monthly "Breakfast with the CEO" series is regarded as best practice for linking senior executives with early and mid careerists. The chapter received full-chartered status in November of 2006, achieving national certification that our local ACHE organization is committed to excellence by providing valuable educational, career development services, and networking opportunities.

With this momentum, the 2007 Board is excited and committed to bringing valuable and highly effective programs and services to the North Texas membership. You can expect Category I educational programs with nationally recognized speakers and educators, as well as frequent networking opportunities to meet and talk with senior level executives representing the prominent healthcare networks and independent facilities in North Texas. The ever-popular "Breakfast with the CEO" will be returning. This program provides a forum whereby prominent healthcare leaders discuss leadership and describe the future of healthcare in the North Texas region and beyond. Finally, the highly successful Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament is scheduled for this fall. The tournament continues to provide valuable resources through gracious sponsorship support, as well as providing the funding for educational programs and Congress scholarships for our membership.

On a final and important note, I wish to extend our heart-felt appreciation to Paula Zulacki, FACHE for simultaneously serving as our chapter President and Regent during 2006. In large part, the recognition and achievement the chapter received this last year was due to Paula's tireless and relentless work and leadership. Truly, it is an exciting time for ACHE of North Texas as we pursue excellence to become a dynamic professional organization for the healthcare leaders of North Texas.

Warmest Regards,

John G. Hill
2007 President, ACHE of North Texas

UPCOMING EVENTS AND PROGRAMS
MARK YOUR CALENDARS...NOW!

March 1, 2007

General Membership Meeting

Topic: Hospital-Physician Alignment, featuring Frank D. Kittredge, Jr. The event will take place at Las Colinas Country Club, 5:30 -8:30pm

March 19-22, 2007

Congress on Healthcare Leadership—New Orleans

Congress offers sessions on the hottest topics, access to top leaders in the field and the opportunity to meet and learn from peers—while providing you with new information and strategies to address your greatest challenges. Visit www.ache.org for a brochure and registration details!

April 19, 2007

ACHE of North Texas Networking Opportunity

Come join us for our next scheduled Networking Opportunity! The event will be hosted by John G. Self, President Elect and CEO/Founder, JohnMarch Partners, Inc. JohnMarch Partners will also be sponsoring the event at the Republic Building in Dallas. Details on the event will follow.

Come network and meet some of our members!

ACHE of North Texas would like to congratulate our local chapter members who recently earned the status of Fellow from the American College of Healthcare Executives.

- Oscar Amparan, FACHE
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Scott Landrum, FACHE

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Karen Mallett, FACHE
L Gail Maxwell, FACHE
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Nancy Mecodangelo, FACHE
Barry Mousa, FACHE
Steven Newton, FACHE
Michael Norrick, FACHE
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Stephen Summers, FACHE
Stanley Tatum, FACHE
Jack Tinsley, FACHE
Troy Villarreal, FACHE
Steven Whitson, FACHE
Charles Williams, FACHE
Craig York, FACHE

Check us out on the web

Visit our updated website for details and information regarding the chapter
http://northtexas.ache.org

Do you want to be more involved in the chapter?

Become a committee member

ACHE of North Texas Committees

- Communications Membership
Education and Programming Networking & Sponsorship

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Regent Elections

In the fall months of 2006, ACHE held elections for the Regent position to encompass a new combined territory of Northeast Texas. This new area includes the Greater Dallas-Fort Worth area, along with counties reaching the Oklahoma border to the Arkansas line, south to the Corsicana area and west to the Palo Pinto line. There will be approximately 1000-1200 affiliates in this new territory. The new Regent will serve as a liaison to two ACHE chapters: ACHE of North Texas and the East Texas ACHE Forum.

Please join us in congratulating:

Britt R. Berrett, FACHE

President and Chief Executive Officer
Medical City and Medical City Children's Hospital

Britt will serve a three-year term (2007-2010), commencing on March 16, 2007. He will be formally inducted into his Regent position at the Council of Regent's Meeting.

Membership Updates

Are you interested in learning more about the chapter's newest **Ambassador program**?

The Ambassador will serve as an ACHE representative within their respective organizations and will actively promote ACHE and educate health care executives about the value of both local and national membership.

Click on the Membership tab on our website to learn more about this great opportunity!

Dues Reminder

Please make sure you keep your membership active! Visit www.ache.org or contact Courtney Grimes at 972-719-4900 if you have any questions.

Evening Networking Events

Our first networking event was a great success and turn out! The event took place at the Rawlings All-American Grille in Arlington and hosted by Scott Schmidly. Thank you again to Medical Center of Arlington for sponsoring our first event!

*Please join 3 very distinguished "John's" for the next scheduled networking events!

April 19th - John Self, CEO, JohnMarch Partners, Inc

May 17th - John Hauptert, COO, Parkland

July 19th - John Hill, COO, Medical City Dallas

For those who are unable to attend our evening events, keep a look out for announcements on the Breakfast with the CEO Series coming soon!



Fellow Advancement Updates

To assist affiliates in the North Texas area, ACHE of North Texas will be sponsoring Advancement study sessions throughout the year, depending on demand. A full-day session was held on January 27, 2007, with six participants. Another full-day session will be considered for the April/May timeframe. Let us know if you are interested in attending! This full day course will review the material that is most likely to be on the Board of Governors' Examination. We also review the application process. If you are interested in attending an advancement session, please contact Paula M. Zalucki, FACHE, Advancement Chair at 817-431-3442 or email pzalucki@salusstrategy.com.

ACHE of North Texas Scholarships

Based on the outstanding sponsorship commitments from the 2006 Annual Golf Tournament, ACHE of North Texas was able to award \$10,000 in scholarship and travel assistance to 6 chapter affiliates. These funds will enable chapter affiliates to attend the 2007 Congress on Healthcare Leadership in New Orleans. Awards were granted based on financial need among students, affiliates in job transition or employed in situations without employer-based travel funds. Awardees have demonstrated a commitment to a career in healthcare administration, and have been active in ACHE of North Texas chapter activities.

Once again, thank you to all of the Golf & Education sponsors and participants for making this possible!