

Voice of the Lakes

Letter from the President

Lisa Gallagher

Dear Colleagues,

I enjoyed seeing many of you at the GLR Conference earlier this spring. The conference was wonderful, and we had a record-setting attendance! Many thanks and congratulations go to Melaine Pohlman, Nancy Swanson, and Victoria Storm for all of their hard work as the 2014 Conference Co-Chairs. They also had many wonderful committee chairs and members that also helped to make the conference a huge success, so kudos to all involved! From the Institutes, to the CMTEs, to the concurrent sessions, to the Keynote Speaker, and everything else in between there were a lot of opportunities for learning. In addition, we were able to honor three of our own for all of their hard work. Congratulations to Melaine Pohlman, Sheri Robb, and Ronna Kaplan on the receipt of the 2014 GLR awards!

Other exciting news from the spring that many of you are already aware of is our new logo and our brand new website! The website is very exciting, more user friendly, more informative, and it has a members only section. Many thanks go to Julie Palmieri and her committee on the new website, logo, and endless possibilities.

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Letter from the President (continued)

Please read the Officer Reports within this issue of the *Voice of the Lakes* for important information and updates. Your Executive Committee, Appointed Officers, and Committee Chairs worked very hard and accomplished a lot of business during the conference. Even though Bill Hogan, our Strategic Planning Consultant, was unable to join us we were able to continue with the strategic planning process, and I am very pleased with the progress that was made. In addition to the news from each of our Officers, it was very interesting and exciting to hear about all of the wonderful things that each of our state organizations is doing. We are so lucky to have such a strong region. I appreciate all that everyone gives to this organization. I have also had the pleasure to be in communication with the other Regional Presidents, and it is a great way for us to support each other, while sharing information and ideas with each other.

If you have any questions, suggestions, or concerns please feel free to contact me. I am always open to hearing from you and am happy to provide support, help, and representation as needed. My email is shamrocks@stratos.net, and my phone number is 216-570-6300.

Best wishes,

Lisa Gallagher, MA, MT-BC President, GLR of AMTA



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President's Report

Lisa Gallagher

My goals as President are to continue with the Strategic Planning process; and to have a new user-friendly website that offers new things to Members and addresses our Strategic Planning initiatives. Over the past several months I have encouraged the GLR Executive Board to use Dropbox to share reports and other information. This has been extremely helpful and easy to use; especially as we conduct business via email and conference call. I have also met with other regional presidents via phone, email, and BigTent.com. Through this communication we are able to support each other, share documents and ideas, and address concerns that affect all of the regions. I also had frequent contact with the 2014 GLR conference planners. I answered questions, phone calls, and emails regarding GLR business; and I also responded to questions and communicated with the AMTA Board of Directors, President, and Executive Director as needed.

Accomplishments and Updates:

- Many thanks to Larisa McHugh and Tracy Richardson with their assistance over the past several months! Due to my medical issues they were a fabulous support and help to me.
- Julie Palmieri and her committee worked hard on our brand new website which is wonderful, and about which we have received many wonderful comments! In addition, Larisa McHugh, Julie, and their committee we also have a brand new logo!
- This year at GLR we recognized Augsburg College, University of Dayton, and Western Illinois University for 40 years of educating future music therapists! In addition, we were pleased to recognize Milwaukee County Behavioral Health for 60 years of having a music therapy internship!
- This year at the luncheon we added a brief memorial component to recognize those from our region who have passed away in the last year. They include Christine Henes (March 7, 1952 Dec. 10, 2013); Nancy Lloyd (May 3, 1945 August 29, 2013); and Marcia Wunderlich (March 4, 1944 May 14, 2013). This is something that we will continue to do in years to come. Many thanks to Laura Pawuk, Carolyn Koebel, and David Melbye for making this so special.
- We have a new Editor: Andy Panayides. Todd Schwartzberg and Andy are working together during this transition period. Many thanks to Todd for all of his years of service, and welcome Andy!
- I have also worked closely with the 2014 GLR Conference Co-Chairs, the Vice President, and the Vice President-Elect to create conference policies that will provide standardization and make it easier for future conference planners.
- The Executive Committee continued working on Strategic Planning, and a lot of progress has been made. We will continue developing and working on our plan over the next year.

Respectfully submitted, Lisa M. Gallagher, MA, MT-BC President, GLR of AMTA

Immediate Past President Report

Tracy Richardson

The duties of the Immediate Past President include:

- Act as parliamentarian for the Executive Committee (EC) meetings
- Chair the Nominating Committee for elections
- Update the Officer handbook

In addition, the requests for Membership Support come to me for consideration by the EC.

Action Items:

1. Membership Support:

Historically, these funds were earmarked to assist members who were experiencing financial hardships with payment of AMTA dues. The EC decided at this conference that we should also make funds available to support continuing education opportunities for those persons needing assistance. I will develop an application form and will put it on the GLR website later this year.

2. Elections:

This summer we need to hold elections for our incoming officers who will take office at the conclusion of the 2015 GLR conference, and serve through the 2017 GLR conference. I serve as chair of the Nominating Committee (made up of State Presidents), and asked them for nominations for the offices below. We also took nominations from the floor at the 2nd GLR business meeting in Rosemont, IL. We will hold our election in the next couple of months via survey monkey.

Slate of Nominations:

President-Elect: Debbie Bates

Vice President-Elect: Melaine Pohlman, Jan Schreibman

Treasurer: Stephanie Harris

Secretary: Amy Foley, Carissa Herhuth, Lindsey Holmes

Reminder:

At the conclusion of the 2015 GLR conference the current President-Elect, Larisa McHugh, will become President and the current Vice President-Elect, Rebecca Findley, will become Vice President.

3. Thanks to Angie Snell who is continuing her work on the updating of the Officer handbook!

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Richardson, Ph.D., MT-BC

Immediate Past President, GLR of AMTA

President Elect's Report

Larisa McHugh

The responsibilities of the President Elect include acting as chairperson of the Awards Committee, reviewing the Bylaws and proposing revisions as needed, and receiving and reviewing applications for Special Projects.

Awards – Each year the GLR presents the following awards; Honorary Life for long time dedication to the field of music therapy, Scholarly Activity for significant contributions to the knowledge base of the profession, and Service for outstanding service to the region. This year's award recipients are: Ronna Kaplan, Honorary Life; Dr. Sheri Robb, Scholarly Activity; and Melaine Pohlman, Service. Congratulations to the 2014 GLR Awards recipients!

Bylaws- no changes at this time

Special Projects – we have two types of Special Projects: the MUSE Fund (MUsical instruments and supporting materials, clinical Services and Education) and the Research Fund. Application and descriptions of the funds are on the website and included in the Voice of the Lakes.

Both awards were approved following the AMTA conference –

MUSE FUND PROJECT:

• Awarded to Susan Bock to support a new music therapy program for patients with eating disorders. RESEARCH FUND PROJECT:

Awarded to Debbie Bates

Title of Project: A Grounded Theory Exploration Music Therapy and Quality of Life for Hospitalized Adults

Nominations for 2015 awards and Special Project applications are welcome! Please check the website for more information or feel free to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

Larisa McHugh, MA, MT-BC

President Elect, GLR of AMTA

Vice President Elect Report

Rebecca Findley

I continue to work with Bonnie Jean Barczak and our local conference co-chairs to help plan and prepare for our GLR conferences. My goal is to meet with Bonnie Jean in the next few months to review and compile policies for regional conferences, as well as update the timelines for the local committees.

I look forward to continuing to learn and serve in this position.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Findley, M.M., MT-BC

Vice President-Elect, GLR of AMTA

Illinois State Report

Jenni Rook

IAMT has a total of 87 members: 78 professionals, 2 students, 5 interns and 2 student clubs. Illinois music therapists had the option to take advantage of auto-renewal this year. Following a product fundraising hiatus, IAMT decided to sell "Music Therapy Rocks!" key chains for \$2 at the GLR conference and raised \$130. We are discussing the potential of having these available for purchase online.

We had a great turnout for the September CMTE we offered in collaboration with the Illinois Art Therapy Association at Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago. Seventeen music therapists and 22 art therapists came out for this event which focused on communication, collaboration, and considerations for when and how to incorporate art or music into your clinical practice. We are planning to hold our next CMTE in May in Springfield, IL, and it will be on Ethics in Music Therapy.

The Task Force for State Recognition of Music Therapy planned to host an advocacy event at GLR and invited over 150 professionals and legislators from around the state to attend a day of the conference and an advocacy breakfast. None of the guests decided to attend, so the breakfast was canceled. However, the task force is still pleased with the effort and awareness that was gained from sending out the invitations. A new member survey was conducted to gather data regarding current practices and trends within the state. This data resulted in the creation of a new fact sheet for members to utilize for advocacy efforts.

The IAMT Facebook group has been modified to include only IAMT members. The reason for this shift is to create a group where IAMT members can seek support from their professional peers; share ideas, interventions and resources; and stay informed on what is happening in Illinois. A separate public IAMT Facebook page will be created for non-IAMT members to follow where information can publicly be shared. There has also been discussion of creating a Pinterest page for IAMT where approved articles, research, and resources will be publicly posted. We will be attending the Illinois Music Educators Conference January 28-31, 2015 in Peoria order to promote awareness of music therapy as a career option for music students.

On February 28th we held a student retreat at ISU focused on preparing students for internship. Twenty-four students were in attendance. The presenters included: Kim Peyton-Reyes, from Helping Hand; and Cindy Ropp and Emily Mulis from ISU. The day was broken into four parts, and it ended with a student meeting. A student scholarship was awarded at the GLR conference to the student club, Crescendo, from ISU for the advocacy video they created.

Illinois State Report (continued)

There are currently 8 active National Roster internship sites in Illinois which include the following: Advocate Hope Children's Hospital, Lurie Children's Hospital, Lutheran General Hospital, Giant Steps, Helping Hand Center, Northshore University Health System, Season's Hospice & Palliative Care of IL, and Institute for Therapy through the Arts. There are two facilities currently going through the application process to become AMTA national roster internship sites, and the clinical training committee chair has been offering assistance and support to these music therapists. The committee is also working on creating a list of music therapists that are taking practicum students and/or allowing job shadowing in the greater Chicago area. All national roster internship sites in Illinois have supplied their internship start dates which are currently saved on the Google drive for future reference.

The first newsletter of 2014 was sent out via the IAMT Google Group on February 18th. The newsletter was re-formatted for a cleaner, more readable layout. The spring edition of the newsletter will be sent out in mid-May. Submissions are currently being accepted for the Member Spotlight, especially for those in the middle/southern parts of the state. This year the newsletter will also feature one student from each of the schools with music therapy programs.

IAMT gave two awards at the GLR conference. Bruce Prueter from WIU received the Honorary Life Member Award, and Dan Kuhn, LCSW, the Dementia Educator at Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care received the Advocacy Award. The winners will be featured on our website.

Respectfully submitted,
Jenni Rook, MT-BC, LCPC
IAMT President



Indiana State Report

Lindsey Wright

Membership

The Association for Indiana Music Therapy currently has 79 members for the calendar year.

Past Meetings

On November 9, 2013, we offered 3 free CMTEs in Fishers, IN to AIMT members entitled "Working Under the Waiver, Ethically" which was presented by Lindsey Wright, MT-BC. Stacey Clevenger, MA also spoke about "Art in Music Therapy" to the 30 people in attendance. On January 25th, despite a bad winter storm, we had 27 people in attendance at IPFW in Fort Wayne, IN for a CMTE with Dr. John Carpente. This presentation was entitled, "The Individual Music-Centered Assessment Profile for Neurodevelopmental Disorders (IMCAP-ND): New Developments in Developmental Relationship-Based Assessment in Music Therapy" which allowed participants to learn about and practice using the new assessment tool and participate in Dr. Carpente's research. AIMT is selling the remaining Individual Music-Centered Assessment Profiles for Neurodevelopmental Disorders and Manual (IMCAP-ND) by John Carpente for \$40.60. Itemized: the Manual and Assessment Profile are \$35, and the Flat Rate Postage is \$5.60. These can be purchased on-line on the AIMT website.

Upcoming Events

The AIMT meeting for Fall 2014 will be held at the Fishers Library in Fishers, IN. Details will be posted on the AIMT website and Facebook page once they are finalized. Additionally, there will be a social event scheduled this summer by Jennifer Whitlow, AIMT's public relations chair, so look for details on the website and Facebook!

Clinical Training

AIMT awarded the student scholarship to Heather Rhoda during the Indiana state meeting at GLR. This is intended to aid students who might need financial assistance during their internship. The scholarship is available to any student in an Indiana music therapy program. Indiana currently has five approved and active national roster internship sites: Bi-County Services, Opportunities for Positive Growth, Meaningful Day Services, Season's Hospice, and State of the Heart Hospice. In addition, our state has four institutions educating future music therapists: Saint Mary of the Woods College, Indiana University Purdue University -Indianapolis, Indiana University Purdue University-Fort Wayne, and University of Evansville.

Advocacy Efforts

AIMT, Purdue School of Engineering and Technology at IUPUI, and The Autism Society of Indiana sponsored *Indy Sings! A Music Therapy Experience*. Caitlin Krater and Amanda Henley attending Darcy Walworth and Suzanne Hanser's *Autism Speaks and Sings!* session that introduced a prototype of the concert to be shared in other communities. The goal was to enlighten the autism community in Indianapolis about the benefits of music therapy. The original prototype was expanded to include local music therapists and companies that provide music therapy services. Through social media, *Indy Sings!* was able to connect with relevant local organizations like BACA, the ARC of Indiana, The Musical Artist, Radio Free Indy, Autism Resource Network of Indiana, Very Special Arts of Indiana, and Indiana Youth Leadership Forum. The concert was held on March 16, 2014 in the Riley Children's Hospital Auditorium. Twenty families RSVP'd for the concert out of a possible 25 for capacity. The NPR Affiliate in Bloomington, IN also

Indiana State Report (continued)

attended the event, interviewed several music therapists, and made an audio recording of the entire concert. The story will be published and aired soon! *Indy Sings!* hopes to do this type of event again in the future. See the website at Indysings.weebly.com, which has received a total of 450 page visits in just 3 months.

Website

Over the past several months, the AIMT website has undergone a complete redesign in an effort to make it more user-friendly both for the public and for the current/future webmaster. This redesign was completed by our current webmaster, Morgan Sparks. Any job postings, music therapy events, or announcements can be forwarded to webmaster@indianamusictherapists.com. Morgan is also compiling a list of all agencies/ private practices in Indiana that provide music therapy services. This list will be used for the 'Find a Music Therapist' section on the website and will be available to the public. If your company would like to be listed, please email Morgan with the company name, the contact person responsible for new intakes, counties served, and population(s). Morgan is also continuing to work on the "Members Only" area of the website. The Membership Directory will be available under this section. If you have any suggestions on what you would like to see in the "Members Only" area or if you have any trouble accessing this area, please contact the webmaster. Additionally, AIMT is working to create a way to register and pay membership dues, CMTE's, etc. online. A Stripe account has been set up, and the hope is to email invoices once a member has registered. Members will be able to pay online directly from the invoice, or they may print out the invoice and send payment via mail.

Respectfully Submitted, Lindsey Wright, MT-BC President - Association for Indiana Music Therapy

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Michigan State Report

Julie A. Palmieri

Fall 2013 MMT Workshop Wrap-Up

* In October MMT held a workshop on ethics in Grand Rapids, and we were hosted by the Franciscan Life Process Center. Many thanks to all who attended!

Spring 2014 MMT Workshop

Please save the date of <u>May 31, 2014</u> to join Michigan Music Therapists for their Annual Spring Conference at Eastern Michigan University in the Alexander Building. Denise Travis, MM, MT-BC will be presenting on Autism and Music Therapy - Making Connections: Connecting Audiation, Music Learning Theory, Interdisciplinary Collaboration, and Music Therapy Styles.

Membership

Our membership drive ended on <u>March 31, 2014</u>. Those who joined by March 31st were entered in a drawing for a free 2014 MMT workshop. Thank you so much to all who have joined so far! If you haven't joined yet, please download our membership form here: www.mmtonline.org/join-mmt.

Honorary Life Membership

It is with great pride to announce that Sister Mary Margaret Delaski, FSE, MA, MT-BC has been named an Honorary Life Member for MMT. The Honorary Life Membership recognizes distinguished service in the field of music therapy within the state of Michigan. MMT extends heartfelt gratitude for the contributions of Sister Mary Margaret, who has worked over 30+ years in the music therapy field; has trained countless interns; and has shared her strong faith, her work ethic, and her unending support and love for the field of music therapy.

Michigan Music Therapy Task Force

The task force has been hard at work this winter, building an information and fact sheet based on survey information gathered last fall. The information sheet was available for viewing at the Exhibit Booth and at the state meeting at the GLR Conference. Thank you to Kellee Hansen, Bernadette Skodack, and the rest of the task force for all of the hard work so far.

Michigan State Report (continued)

Michigan Music Therapy Week

* During the week of April 21-25, 2014, the state of Michigan celebrated Music Therapy Week.

MMT Website

Please continue to follow us online at http://www.mmtonline.org!

Respectfully submitted,
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Minnesota State Report

Peter Meyer

State Conferences Held in 2013:

- Dr. James Gardner presented a 6 hour CMTE on Brain Tuning (April 2013)
- Sharon Boyle presented a 5 hour CMTE on Vocal Improvisation and Health Care (Oct. 2013). This conference was free to our membership to give back and to honor our members.

We also hosted an Ethics CMTE with Debbie Bates early in May.

Since acquiring 501c3 status this past fall we have been seeking out opportunities to be more involved with the community as music therapists. We are working to revise our mission statement and other formalities in order to better achieve work with grants, etc.

We are increasing ways to give back to members and offer scholarship opportunities. Some of these include:

- Free CMTE/conference scholarships for GLR, national, and state conferences
- Intern stipends (increased amount this year, continues to be given 2 times a year)
- Stipend/scholarship for AMTA dues this year

Licensure for MT made several hearings. It was pulled from the bill this round due to being a high fee for music therapists to pay. It will be continued to address in future years, and more work will be done by the task force to initiate this effort.

GLR 2015 will be hosted in Minneapolis at the Depot Hotel April 8-12. Committees have been formed, and the Co-Chairs are working with them to continue to work on planning for next year's events.

Respectfully submitted, Peter Meyer, M.A., MT-BC MTAM President

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Ohio State Report

Tanya Corso

AOMT election results:

• President: Tanya Corso

Vice President: Lindsey Holmes
Secretary: Alejandra Ferrar
Treasurer: Stephanie Morris

Liz Woolley, MT-BC, is the new Editor for "The Octavist".

Molly Guinan from the University of Dayton is the new Student Representative.

AOMT Intern Scholarship was awarded to Brittany Barko from Mercyhurst University who is interning at University Hospitals in Cleveland.

The Delaina Hodgson Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Kayleigh Thomas from Ohio University and who recently finished her internship at Nationwide Children's Hospital.

The Task Force continues to work with legislators and have a bill drafted for licensure. They recently held a series of Question and Answer sessions around the state for Ohio Music Therapists related to the proposed bill and the process moving forward. The Task Force has also been recently contacted by the Buckeye Art Therapy Association and is in conversations with them regarding their licensure journey and to explore the possibility of working together.

AOMT remains financially sound.

Ohio has 11 active national roster internship sites.

Our Find a Therapist section is now up and running on the AOMT Website: www.aomt.org.

Thank you to Dorie Phillips, Jen Ortiz, Brittany Scheer, and Sarah Chappell for their service to AOMT!

Respectfully submitted, Tanya Corso, MT-BC AOMT President

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Student Affairs Advisory Board Report

Jeffrey Wolfe

- 1) Members of the GLR AMTAS plan to keep MY Musicians as the regional project for the upcoming year. Other future goals for the incoming board include advocacy and a videoconference for all of the colleges in the GLR region.
- 2) At national conference AMTAS chose GLR-AMTAS for the Regional Project Scholarship. AMTAS gave GLR-AMTAS \$400 to fund the My Musicians Grant.
- 3) This year's regional project was the "Making Young Musicians Grant" or MY Musicians. The grant is designed to provide \$400 dollars in funding to a music program in need. This year's grant was awarded to Hamilton J. Robichaud High School in Michigan. This school was chosen based on their needs and their passion and dedication to keep the music program in their high school.
- 4) GLR AMTAS purchased "Ask Me About Music Therapy" tote bags and music therapy key chains. These are long-term fundraising items that will be sold at regional conference for as long as they last. Leftover t-shirts from last year's conference are still available for purchase.
- 5) GLR AMTAS hosted *Passages* 2014 on Thursday, March 28th, from 1:00-5:00. *Passages* featured student presentations on research, the Jamaica Field Service Project, how to present on music therapy, NICU music therapy techniques, effective student organization skills, the use of songs to create meaningful moments, and a keynote presentation by Jennifer Jones.
- 6) The new GLR AMTAS Executive Board members were elected into office on March 29th, 2014 including Dan Bressler, Wiley Smith, Ellen Antes, Izzy Branch, Rachel Pinto, and Donovon Thakur.

President-Elect Hannah Gadzinski of Baldwin Wallace University began the role of President at the conclusion of the 2014 GLR-AMTA conference. A big thank you goes to Melissa Neitzel, Melanie Brison, Adrienne Boni, Kelly Ryan, Jen Lind, and Jason McGlynn for all of their hard work on the 2013-2014 GLR AMTAS Executive Board. They successfully met their *Regional Project Goal* by awarding their MY musicians grant, facilitated the most well attended GLR AMTAS *Passages conference*, and implemented policies and plans to create a more sustainable GLR AMTAS organization.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hannah Gadzinski GLR AMTAS President Jeffrey Wolfe, MT-BC SAAB Advisor

Website Report

Julie A. Palmieri

Planning for the Great Lakes Region website (<u>www.glr-amta.org</u>) began at the 2013 GLR Conference and continued throughout the fall and winter. The website was launched on March 8, 2014.

Steps taken to build the GLR website:

- 1. Performed a content analysis of other AMTA regions and their websites.
- 2. Put together a project summary, defined our business objectives and goals, and outlined our target audiences (primary and secondary).
- 3. Developed a Content Map, which laid out the content that was needed.
- 4. Transferred hosting companies from GoDaddy.com to Powweb.com to save money and for ease of use.
- 5. Worked with the website committee in gathering information, content (i.e. biographies, frequently asked questions, images, etc.).
- 6. Constructed the framework of the website and decided on the overall look and feel for it.
- 7. Implemented content gathered from the website committee.
- 8. Optimized our social media account on Facebook and created an account on Twitter.
- 9. Worked with a graphic designer in developing a new logo.
- 10. Had the logo approved; and implemented it onto the website, in social media, and within important documents located on the website.
- 11. Launched website on March 8, 2014.
- 12. Sent an announcement to GLR Members on March 21, 2014 and emailed Members Only password to Members on March 26, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Palmieri, MMT, MT-BC

GLR Website Coordinator

Please visit <u>www.glr-amta.org</u> to see all of the features and resources for students and professionals.

Social Media accounts for the Great Lakes Region:

Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/GLR.AMTA

Twitter: http://www.twitter.com/GLRAMTA

Academic Program Approval Committee Report Lalene Kay

Issues under discussion during Nov 2013 annual meeting:

- NASM relationship to the approval and re-approval process
- Online/distance learning programs clarification and interpreting policy
- Masters programs now and looking ahead
- Aligning committee forms re-approval bachelors and masters forms and with those for new undergraduate and graduate programs
- Working with AMTA to identify committee members to consult with schools requesting support/ advice as they build, develop or research feasibility of a new or existing MT program

Continuing Activities:

- There are approximately 12 new or re-approval programs currently in process of review.
- On or about June 1, 2014 the committee anticipates new re-approval applications from 11 different schools.

Actions taken:

• The APAC recommended re-approval of 14 degree programs, representing 10 different colleges/ universities, and one new online Masters program, to the AMTA Executive Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Lalene DyShere Kay, M.M., ACC, MT-BC

Great Lakes Region Representative to the APAC

Affiliate Relations Report

Rebecca Findley

The Affiliate Relations Committee (ARC) continues to build connections with other professional organizations and shares information regarding those organizations with the membership.

The ARC is on hold in regards to our competition between regions to see who can get the most presentations at non-music therapy conferences. We are currently awaiting approval for this to begin from the AMTA Board of Directors.

In addition, if you publish in affiliated journals or present at non-music therapy conferences, we would like to know that too.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Findley, M.M., MT-BC

GLR Affiliate Relations Representative

Continuing Education Committee Report

Nichole Durni

Since the last official meeting of the Great Lakes Region in Columbus, Ohio during the spring 2013, the region has co-sponsored 12 CMTE courses, making another **93 CMTE credits** under the GLR provider number. The CMTEs are as follows:

Wisconsin Hill Day Workshop presented by Nancy A. Dexter-Schabow, MMT, MT-BC, WMTR for 6 CMTE credits. This CMTE was sponsored by the Wisconsin Chapter for Music Therapy in cooperation with the GLR-AMTA – April 17, 2013.

Creativity and Self Care presented by Kathy Murphy, PhD, LCAT, LPC, MT-BC for 3 CMTE credits. This CMTE was sponsored by the Association for Indiana Music Therapy in cooperation with the GLR-AMTA – April 20, 2013.

From Chaos to Community: Early Childhood Groups for Young Children with Autism presented by Beth Schwartz, LCAT, MT-BC for 4 CMTE credits. This CMTE was sponsored by the Association for Indiana Music Therapy in cooperation with the GLR-AMTA – April 20, 2013.

Get Hip, Get Happy, Get Uke: Ukulele Primer for the Community presented by Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer for 5 CMTE credits. This CMTE was sponsored by the Beck Center for the Arts Creative Arts Therapies Department in cooperation with the GLR-AMTA – June 8, 2013.

What Happens in Cyberspace, Stays in Cyberspace: Ethical Dilemmas in Technology presented by Debbie Bates, MMT, MT-BC for 5 CMTE credits. This CMTE was sponsored by the Association of Ohio Music Therapists in cooperation with the GLR-AMTA – August 3, 2013.

Looking for a New Leader? It's You! presented by Barbara Reuer, PhD, MT-BC for 15 CMTE credits. This CMTE was sponsored by the Wisconsin Chapter for Music Therapy in cooperation with the GLR-AMTA – September 14 & 15, 2013.

Music Therapy in the Treatment of Acquired Speech Disorders: Scientific and Clinical Applications presented by Dwyer Conklyn, MM, MT-BC for 5 CMTE credits. This CMTE was sponsored by the Association of Ohio Music Therapists in cooperation with the GLR-AMTA – October 4, 2013.

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Music, Mind and Medicine: Creativity and Consciousness in Clinical Care presented by Ed Roth, Ed Sarath, Roberta Justice, Charles Limb, John Iversen, Petr Janata, Kamal Chemali, & Regina Carter for 15 CMTE credits. This CMTE was sponsored by Western Michigan University in cooperation with the GLR-AMTA – October 9 & 10, 2013.

The Individual Music-Centered Assessment Profile for Neurodevelopmental Disorders (IMCAP-ND): New Developments in Developmental Relationship-based Assessment in Music Therapy presented by John A. Carpente, PhD, MT-BC, LCAT, DIR for 8 CMTE credits. This CMTE was sponsored by the Association for Indiana Music Therapy in cooperation with the GLR-AMTA – January 25, 2014.

Humanities-Based Perspectives on Music Therapy Theory, Practice, and Research presented by Brian Abrams, Ph.D., MT-BC, LPC, LCAT for 6 CMTE credits. This CMTE was sponsored by Saint Mary of the Woods College in cooperation with the GLR-AMTA – February 1, 2014.

Medical Music Therapy presented by Soozie Cotter-Schaufele, MA, MT-BC & Louise Dimiceli-Mitran, MA, LCPC, MT-BC for 16 CMTE credits. This CMTE was sponsored by Alverno College in cooperation with the GLR-AMTA – February 15 & 16, 2014.

Investing In Our Careers Through Self Care presented by Brenna Beecroft MT-BC, WMTR; Elizabeth Pupeter MT-BC; Gypsi Kernats LMT, ADMT; Carina Zinda; Ryan Toshner CK-FMS, RKC/SFG II for 5 CMTE credits. This CMTE was sponsored by the Wisconsin Chapter for Music Therapy in cooperation with the GLR-AMTA – February 22, 2014.

As the GLR Continuing Education Chair I attend meetings at conferences, I serve as proctor for various CMTE sessions, and I assist the conference chairs in preparations for the regional conference. For information concerning offering an approved CMTE with GLR please contact Nikki Durni at nikkidurni29@gmail.com or 608-723-2113 ext 137 or 608-386-8028(cell).

Respectfully submitted,
Nichole Durni, MT-BC
GLR Continuing Education Committee Chair

Professional Advocacy Committee Report

Leslie Henry

The Professional Advocacy Committee continues to educate our membership with evaluating appropriate and inappropriate representations of music therapy, and we presented a concurrent session at the 2013 AMTA conference.

The committee continues to assist members as requested with misrepresentation issues. We request members to continue to communicate with the regional representative when they have responded to an occurrence of misrepresentation.

During the national conference the committee developed a Google Doc reporting tool to track cases and responses for misrepresentation issues.

The committee conducted a CMTE FREE session at AMTA national conference: *Using the Music Therapy Clinical Self-Assessment Guide*.

Please feel free to contact me with questions at lahenry@tds.net.

Respectfully,

Leslie Henry, MT-BC

GLR Representative to the Professional Advocacy Committee

Special Target Populations Committee Report Lee Anna Rasar

The Special Target Populations Committee hosted Networking sessions on Friday, Nov. 22, 2013 at the AMTA conference in Jacksonville. Thanks to Twitter and Facebook advertisements ,people were present even prior to the end of the Business Meeting.

Please continue to join in networking with music therapists and share your ideas. We would love to have this content for each population/setting, along with any other ideas that you have for what networking structures would be supportive for you:

- List of music therapists working with each population
- Mentors for music therapists working with each population
- Speakers to represent music therapists working with each population
- Newsletter for music therapists working with each population
- Information from clients and significant others related to music therapy with each population
- Helpful resources for music therapists working with each population
 - Bibliography, discography, videography, web links
- Government relations issues of special importance to each population
- Continuing Education opportunities for each population:
 - Specialty trainings
 - Upcoming conferences for attendance or for proposals for a music therapist to present
- International involvement with each population
- Grant resources
- Facebook and Twitter groups
- Listing of conference sessions related to each population/setting (helpful for CMTE credits)

Here are the different populations/settings represented:

Addictions/Mental Health/Forensics Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

Autism Spectrum Disorder Medical
Consultant/Private Practice Pediatrics

Early Childhood Physical Disabilities
Educational Settings – Public Schools Hearing Impairment
Gerontology Visual Impairment

Hospice/Palliative Care Trauma
Infants Wellness

Special Target Populations Committee Report (continued)

GOAL:

To provide coordination for networking opportunities among practitioners of special target populations, between committees, and with professionals in related fields.

TASKS:

- 1. To develop resources and structures to support music therapists working with special target populations. The new website offers accessibility to further develop and disseminate resources to support music therapists.
- We discussed using social media as a means of community building for music therapists working with specific populations.
 - Facebook closed group with moderator and user agreement
 - Explore safe guards for user agreement and conditions
- 2. To host an unopposed round table with cash luncheon at the national conference to further expand the development of special target population sub-groups.
- Our committee hosted the Networking Sessions at the Jacksonville AMTA National Conference.
- Networking sessions were held at the MAR, NER, and SER Regional Conferences.
- 3. To inform AMTA members of the work of this committee via regional and national publications, as well as on the Members Only section of the AMTA web site.

This work is ongoing and is done through our committee's reports to our respective regions, the submission of this report for publication on the website, and announcements on the AMTA website.

Future Ideas for Committee:

Council Coordinator Andrew Knight asked for brainstorming ideas and met with us about suggestions.

Recommendations - Improve ability to access and increase use of resources by:

- Members
- Prospective Students
- Consumers (Physicians, Related Professionals, Employers)
- Caregivers and Families
- Potential Donors
- Funding Sources

We continue to note the need for updated fact sheets and bibliographies to represent the current state of the field for all populations listed in the Standards of Practice.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Anna Rasar, MME, MT-BC GLR Representative to the Special Target Populations Committee