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Things to Do in 2017

- Renew APAI Membership
- Serve on an APAI Committee
- Urge a fellow organization to join APAI
- Make plans to attend the 2018 Chairs Meeting and Annual Training Conference in Incline Village, Nevada April 22–25, 2018

Membership Fees

- Individual - \$65
- Organizational (up to 8 members) - \$375 (9 to 13 members) - \$475 (14 to 20 members) - \$575
- Alumni - \$40
- Associate - \$40
- Student - \$15

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Greetings APAI Members,

I hope this message finds you all doing well as we head into the last quarter of 2017. I'd like to take this opportunity to update you on the progress we have made in implementing the changes to our Constitution and Bylaws that were adopted in Vancouver. As you may recall, world regions were established and those regions where at least three (3) countries are APAI members may be represented on the Executive Committee by a Vice President from that region. I am pleased to inform you that three new Vice Presidents have been appointed to date. Harvey Cenaiko has been appointed to represent Canada. Thando Tsetsewa has been appointed to represent Africa, and Martin Jones has been appointed to represent Europe. We held our first Executive Committee meeting that included the new appointments last month. Our new Vice Presidents were actively engaged in the meeting, and have volunteered their services to our standing committees. Given the time zone differences in the various regions from where the Executive Committee participates, I very much appreciate Martin and Thando committing their personal time to the meeting. As we move forward, we will examine logistics to ensure the continued participation of our world region Vice Presidents in an effort to strengthen and solidify their contributions.

Currently, there are two additional world regions that are eligible to be represented by a Vice President on the Executive Committee. We have three or more member countries in the Caribbean and Asian regions. We encourage these regions to determine and provide their recommendations for a Vice President to Executive Director Monica Morris. I will consider the recommendations and discuss them with the Executive Committee prior to selecting an appointment. We want all of our member countries to play an active role in the future of APAI and firmly believe that representation on the Executive Committee is the means to accomplish that goal.

Regarding our committee work, new chairs have been selected for two of our standing committees. Vice Chair of the Ohio Parole Board Trayce Thalheimer has agreed to take on the role of chair of the Public Relations/Communications Committee. Trayce is replacing Rhode Island Chair Laura Pisaturo who is assuming a different APAI project. Thank you to Laura for her leadership on this committee to date, and to Trayce for agreeing to assume the role. The Public Relations/Communica-

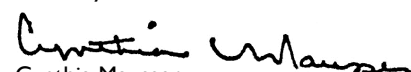
tions Committee is working on a membership brochure and documenting the history of APAI. We look forward to the results of these efforts under Trayce's leadership.

Since Danielle LaCost has been elected to the position of Secretary on the Executive Committee, she needed to relinquish her position as chair of the Professional Development Committee (PDC) to focus on the duties of Secretary. I am pleased to inform you that Jennifer Shaffer, the Executive Director in California, has agreed to the appointment of chair of the PDC. I have no doubt that Jennifer will fill the big shoes left by Danielle. She is already hard at work collaborating with the Nevada host committee to bring to you a dynamic and exciting agenda for the 2018 Annual Training Conference. A heartfelt thanks goes to Danielle for her many years of dedication to the PDC, and to Jennifer for agreeing to take on this leadership role.

Speaking of Danielle, she will continue to manage our mentorship program that has become incorporated into the annual New Chairs' training offered by our partners at the National Institute of Corrections (NIC). This year's training was held during the week of September 18th at NIC's training academy in Aurora, Colorado. I understand that the training was well received by those who participated. I would like to thank our seasoned APAI member Chairs who volunteered to be mentors to those who enrolled in the training. We value the benefits of mentorship and hope to continue partnering with NIC to keep the mentorship components as a part of their annual training. We will also make sure to distribute the dates of next year's NIC-sponsored trainings for new members and new chairs as soon as we are advised of those dates.

And as always, thanks to the entire Executive Committee, our Executive Director Monica Morris and Secretariat Ashley Koonce whose support of me as your President and dedication to APAI make accomplishing our goals possible. Their time and efforts are truly appreciated! I wish you all the best as we head into a new year.

Sincerely,


Cynthia Mausser
APAI President



2018 CONFERENCE PLANNING UNDER WAY

BY: MONICA MORRIS, APAI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As we shared in our last newsletter, as a “Save the Date”, we are well on our way to successfully planning our next APAI Annual Training Conference. Ashley Koonce and I conducted a site visit to the host hotel in September and to say you will not be disappointed would be a understatement! As conference planning begins, I thought it might be of interest to share with you where we are in the process. Our theme for 2018 will be “Best Practices: An Investment in Successful Parole.” This is a result of the hard work of the Professional Development Committee, APAI, and Nevada Host Committee staff. The theme, once created, was approved by your Executive Committee last month. Now the fun begins as we put out our call to presenters, exhibitor/ sponsor packets, work with our chosen hotel and plan, plan, plan. There is a lot of hard work that goes into putting on a conference but well worth the efforts. It is our goal this year to provide you will quality training on a wide range of topics. So as we plan, we need you to do the same. We need all of you to plan on going! So here is all the information you need to get started.

The conference will be April 22-25, 2018 at the Hyatt Regency Lake Tahoe Resort, Spa & Casino. The resort is located in Incline Village Nevada, 111 Country Club Drive. You can reach the Hyatt by calling 775-832-1234 and we encourage you to make your reservations now.

Last year in Vancouver we tried a difference conference layout, combining the awards luncheon with the annual business meeting so we could offer additional training hour on Wednesday morning. We plan to continue this form for 2018 so you will not want to miss the last day of training, along with our tours being offered. So what will you time look like, Sunday the welcome reception, training Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, with an awards luncheon/business meeting on Tuesday and ending with tours Wednesday afternoon. Please, when making your reservations, plan on staying for the whole conference if your time allows. Nevada is excited to host the conference and more details will

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OCTOBER: NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

BY: MONICA MORRIS, APAI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As the Executive Director of APAI, I have some very interesting items come to my attention on a regular basis. For example, The Tennessee Board of Parole, publishes a very informative newsletter, “The Vision and Voice for Victim Services”. As I was reading the newsletter, produced by Tina Fox, Director of Victim Services, I was reminded that October was National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. In honoring the victims of domestic violence in their State, Board Chairman Richard Montgomery, approved October 4th as “Purple with a Purpose Day”. All staff were encouraged to wear purple in observance of domestic violence victims in their state. How cool is that? To top it all off, Tina Fox, was awarded, “Outstanding State Government Official” by the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence. I decided to do some homework on the subject, so I went to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence (NCADV) website, www.ncadv.org, to get some facts. In the United States, an average of 20 people are physically abused by intimate partners every minute. Doing the math,

that means there are 10 million abuse victims annually. Now that should get your attention! According to their website, “Domestic violence is prevalent in every community, and affects all people regardless of age, socio-economic status, sexual orientation, gender, race, religion, or nationality. Physical violence is often accompanied by emotional abusive and controlling behavior as part of a much larger, systematic pattern of dominance and control. Domestic violence can result in physical injury, psychological trauma, and even death. The devastating consequences of domestic violence can cross generations and last a lifetime.”

Domestic violence can even have an economic effect on our society. NCADV states that the victims of abuse lose a total of 8,000,000 million days of paid work each year and that intimate partner violence is estimated to cost the US economy between \$5.8 billion and \$12.6 billion annually.

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CREDIT FOR TIME SPENT ON PAROLE UPON REVOCATION

BY: DAN FETSCO

After spending 10 years with the Wyoming Board of Parole, I had the opportunity to be involved in many parole revocation hearings. As part of those hearings, one of my functions was to review the calculations of “street time” or time spent in the community on supervision for each parolee facing a 2nd and final revocation hearing. Like many releasing authorities, the Wyoming Board has the discretion to either credit the time spent on parole or not. However, the Wyoming law contains a preference for denying street time credit to parolees.

Under Wyoming statute § 7-13-404, when “computing the remainder of the sentence to be served by a parole violator, no credit shall be given against his original sentence for any portion of the time between his release on parole and his return to the institution unless the board directs otherwise.” The practical effect of this provision is that, Wyoming parolees, often do not receive any credit for time spent on supervision. While the denial of all street time is certainly justified in many cases, I have observed cases where the

individual panel did not credit a parolee with portions of time spent on supervision that were completed successfully, even in cases where the eventual violations leading to revocation were neither violent nor did they result in new criminal charges.

As part of a recent criminal justice reform movement in Wyoming, the Board agreed to support legislation that would have altered our statutory presumption with regard to time spent on supervision for parolees. The new statutory language would have provided that except in cases of absconsion or a new felony conviction, credit for time spent on parole supervision would have been deducted from the parolee’s sentence, unless the Board were to direct otherwise. In reality, the proposed change merely altered the statutory presumption in favor of granting street time, but the Board would have maintained discretion to withhold street time in any case. The proposed change was a small

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: HARVEY CENAIKO

BY: MONICA MORRIS, APAI CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

APAI would like to spotlight the distinguished career of one of our new International Vice Presidents, Harvey Cenaiko. In July of 2009, Harvey was appointed as a full-time member and Chairperson of the Parole Board of Canada.



Before joining the Board in 2008, Mr. Cenaiko served as the Member of the Legislative Assembly (MLA) for Calgary-Buffalo, Government of Alberta, for over 7 years and was Solicitor General and Minister of Public Security for 2. He initiated the establishment of the Alberta Sheriff Division, the Integrated Child Exploitation Unit, the Alberta Law

Enforcement Response Team (ALERT) tackling organized crime, gang and drug enforcement and the Alberta Serious Incident Response Team (ASIRT), responsible for public

oversight in matters of police related serious incidents.

Before entering public office, Mr. Cenaiko enjoyed a distinguished 25-year career as a member of the Calgary Police Service, retiring with the rank of Inspector.

Mr. Cenaiko was awarded a Chief’s Commendation for his undercover police work, a Municipal Service Medal from the City of Calgary, a Long Service Medal from the Government of Alberta, and an Exemplary Service Medal from the Governor General of Canada. Mr. Cenaiko is also a recipient of both the Queen’s Golden and Diamond Jubilee Medals from the Governor General of Canada.

As Chairperson of the Board, Mr. Cenaiko currently serves on a number of committees, which includes the Association of Paroling Authorities International, the Canadian Associa-

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BY: MONICA MORRIS, APAI CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

tion of Chiefs of Police’s Victims of Crime Committee and Heads of Corrections.

During his tenure as the Chairperson and Chief Executive Officer of the Parole Board of Canada, Mr. Cenaiko restructured the Risk Assessment Framework (RAF), streamlined decision making processes and policies, which emphasize evidence based decision models that are balanced, proportionate and fair, supporting the successful and timely reintegration of law-abiding individuals into Canadian communities.

Additionally, Mr. Cenaiko modernized the Board and changed the culture while delivering services to Canadians in a more cost-effective way. He directed and implement-

ed environmentally friendly alternatives to foster the use of technology in all facets of the Board’s work and achieved the ambitious goal of implementing a paperless decision system. Presently Mr. Cenaiko’s priority is leading the Board in responding to the “Calls to Action” following the Truth and Reconciliation Report and to support the government’s commitment to a renewed nation-to-nation relationship between Canada and its Indigenous peoples. He is committed to promoting a positive and healthy workplace through an open, inclusive and respectful environment which reflects the values and diversity of Canada. Welcome to the Executive Committee, we are glad to have you!



National Crime Victims’ Rights Week

April 8-14, 2018



www.VictimsofCrime.org



CONTINUED: 2018 CONFERENCE PLANNING

BY: MONICA MORRIS, APAI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

be forthcoming. Additional information can be found on our website, apaintl.org, under the Conferences and Training tab.

Could this be your state/country in 2019? We are now seeking interested parties to host the 2019 conference. If you are interested in being the host for our 2019 conference please, let Ashley or myself know soon, in that we are anxious to secure a location soon.

Don't miss out, make your reservations today, I promise you a great time, tons of learning opportunities, networking and making contacts with others in your field. As I have shared before, I have been going to APAI conferences for the last 17 years and I have made some lifelong friends I will cherish forever.



CONTINUED: NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

BY: MONICA MORRIS, APAI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

They estimate that 21-60% of victims lost their jobs due to reasons caused from the abuse. I know that all of you working in the criminal justice systems around the world may not be surprised by these facts, but this is a real problem that deserves our attention. As APAI members, let us follow the

lead of Tennessee and commit ourselves and our agencies to bringing attention to this very serious matter in October of 2018. I look forward to working with all of you on your future projects, as we honor and remember the victims of domestic violence.





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BY: DAN FETSCO

chunk of a much broader piece of legislation that was aimed at enacting some level of criminal justice reform in Wyoming. Unfortunately, the legislation did not make it through the last legislative session. Whether a similar bill will be introduced at the next session is an unknown at this point.

Since that time, I have resigned from the Wyoming Board of Parole and have begun teaching criminal justice classes at the University of Wyoming. Happily, I teach a class on Corrections and intend upon remaining a contributing member of APAI. I also plan to stay active in criminal justice reform, and have decided upon writing a research paper that will

delve into the variety of different ways in which releasing authorities deal with time spent on parole supervision when making parole revocation decisions, both in the United States and around the world. If you have time and are interested in assisting me, I would ask that you email me with any information you would like to share regarding your jurisdiction's approach to credit for street time upon parole revocation. References to state and federal statutes, regulations, policies, or anything of similar nature would be much appreciated. I am also interested in any other thoughts or ideas you might have to share on the topic. You can email me at dfetsco@uwyo.edu. Thank you and have a great Fall!

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