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MI Chapter Newsletter

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Chapter News

UPCOMING EVENTS!!!

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SAVE THE DATE – MAY 26, 2010
MICHIGAN CHAPTER BUSINESS MEETING AND
EDUCATION DAY – FOX RUN, NOVI, MI

ACHCA SECOND ANNUAL DISTRICT THREE MEETING
MARCH 3-5, 2010 RISING SUN, INDIANA

ACHCA 2010 ANNUAL CONVOCATION & EXPOSITION
MAY 14-18, 2010 PHILADELPHIA, PA

VISIT THE NATIONAL AND OUR CHAPTER WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION

www.miachca.org

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Message from the Chapter President

Dear Michigan Chapter Members

Michigan Chapter and Aging Services of Michigan

We are excited to let you know that our chapter has partnered with Aging Services of Michigan to assist us with services to our members. Specifically, we will be working with ASM staff to help us with our member communication, educational events/conferences and administrative tasks. Our goal is to streamline our processes and services to our members. As most of you know, last year, at the ASM Finance and Reimbursement Conference, our Chapter sponsored a session. We were given the opportunity to talk about ACHCA at the beginning of the session. I want to thank Dave Herbal and his staff for making this a reality for us. Our board has been working to make this a reality for many months.

Charlene Kawchak-Belitsky

*"ACHCA IS FOR ANYONE
WHO IS INTERESTED IN
PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE-
EXCELLENCE THAT IS
ATTAINABLE NOT ONLY
THROUGH MEMBER BENEFITS
SUCH AS SUPERIOR
EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITES
AND SUPPORTIVE
NETWORKING, BUT ALSO BY
CHOOSING TO BE PART OF AN
ORGANIZATION WHOSE
MEMBERS WANT TO MAKE A
DIFFERENCE IN LONG TERM
CARE."*

*Orlando J. Bisbano, Jr., CNHA,
Fellow Administrator*

Chapter News and Updates

Dave Herbal, Charlene Kawchak-Belitsky and Kevin Evans display MI-ACHCA Chapter Award for NALE Program. At the 2009 National Convocation in Providence, Rhode Island, our Michigan Chapter Received an Award for our NALE program. In this picture, Dave, Charlene and Kevin display the award back in Michigan.



NEW ADMINISTRATOR LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE (NALE)

Jean Landreville

The Michigan Chapter is piloting a leadership development opportunity to newly licensed nursing home administrators. The New Administrator Leadership Experience (NALE) program prepares candidates for leadership positions in the field of aging services. Participants in this 20 day program will receive an individualized plan tailored to take in consideration past work experience, leadership level and career path objectives.

The participants complete 5 site rotations and obtain a certificate of completion from the Michigan Chapter Board of directors. We will keep you updated on the progress of this pilot program.

NURSING HOME ADMINSTRATOR EXAMINATION PREPARATION CLASSES CONTINUE

We are off to a great start for 2010. These Michigan Chapter sponsored classes have been offered for many over the years and continue yearly with excellent and increasing participation. 2010 classes and registration are all done now on line at: www.miachca.org (click on the education tab)

Our Michigan Chapter is pleased to continue to offer these classes as part of our Chapter Mission. Many thanks to Kevin Evans as he continues to prepare and conduct these classes with professionalism and sense of humor that is hard to beat! We continue to receive encouraging remarks from the class participants. From a recent test taker – "I took your reviews August 2009. Between chairing a national conference, working and the holidays, I just took the Federal exam 1/12 and the State exam 1/21 and passed them both the first time. Your review is a must! You focus the material and make it manageable."

"I passed both tests the first time. A lot of the reason was your classes. Thank you! Your examples and perspective helped me to know what to expect."

Email from August 2009 student.

"Thanks for the tips on self-management – you were right about the National test too!"

Email from June 2009 student