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PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE....

A message from Walter Schott, President of the International Conference of Police Chaplains.



Two separate ICPC events took place in January, 2005. Both occurrences were very significant in nature, but very unlike the other.

The first occurrence took place in San Antonio, Texas, January 12-14 where the ICPC Executive Committee met for its midwinter business session. This 3 day meeting primarily dealt with reports, unfinished and new business. The committee is made up of the ICPC President, Walter Schott; President Elect, Craig Hungler, Vice President, Wesley McDuffie; Secretary, Rickey Hargrave, Chief Financial Officer, Bob Cornelius; and Past President, Dan Nolte. Dr. Chuck Lorrain, Executive Director, represents the Destin Staff on the committee. It is a joy and privilege to be part of a leadership team that is proficient, visionary and committed to the ideals and purposes of the ICPC. Our business sessions are more than perfunctory. There are times when this body has to deal with some very challenging issues, while other matters can be dealt with in a more routine manner. Sometimes there is lengthy discussion, debate and even strong disagreement among the members of this committee. However, there is never a lack of consideration for, "what is in the best interest of the total body or the 'whole' of ICPC." There is a strong spirit of unity and team togetherness among the members of the Executive Committee. During one of the business sessions, we heard a report from Richard Hobbs, chairperson of the local ATS committee. He presented an outline of the program for the upcoming ATS. It is going to be another outstanding week of great training and quality gatherings. It will all take place at the beautiful Crowne Plaza Riverwalk Hotel in downtown San Antonio, July 11-15, 2005.

The second event in January was the weeklong ICPC Western Caribbean Cruise. 39 people from different parts of the country came together in Houston to sail the high seas to Cozumel, Roatan, Belize and Cancun. This remarkable experience was the ultimate of any vacation. It provided a wonderful opportunity for fellowship, bonding and a deeper appreciation for each other. [see page 12] Many of you have asked, "When will the next ICPC cruise be scheduled?" The 2006 cruise is in the preliminary stages. Our destination will be Alaska, with the departure point taking place in Seattle. As soon as more specific information becomes available, it will be passed along to you. So, get ready and come along on a cruise that will take us to one of the most beautiful and exotic vacation spots in the world!

No matter where our journeys take us, we recognize our role as a police chaplain. God enables us to fulfill that role as we avail ourselves to any given need or crisis. May we allow God to further unite us in the bond of love, preparedness and service, in order that we will continue to be a vital force in bringing a ministry of peace, healing and hope.

President Walt

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Greetings from
our Executive
Director.....



Many people have expressed gratitude at where the ICPC is going. We really believe that the fruit of so many prayers is being realized. One thing we have been praying for is true unity in our organization. Praying has been the easy part. The hard part is to have people "walk" in unity. We have a very diverse group of individuals, faiths, denominations, and nationalities. Unfortunately, to walk in unity as a group is difficult sometimes because only an individual or small group usually sets the course. When you have so many differences, opinions, even agendas, it takes love, kindness, tolerance, patience, and oh yeah—did I mention LOVE, to get through. So as we focus on our mission to serve those beneath the badge, please help bring us together!

CHIT-CHAT

A Members Forum

Prayer: The Most Precious of Gifts

Congratulations!

Congratulations are in order to ICPC's newest life member:

Chaplain Ron Mayer
#85

Way to go Ron!

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If you would like to know more about life membership, contact the Destin office .

As men and women who serve our people through the church and through policing, prayer is, or should be a vital part of your lives. Little is as important as a life of prayer. Our law enforcement people appreciate our prayers at all times, especially when there is injury or death.

How important is the ICPC prayer chain to you? I was looking over our membership and find we have somewhere around 2,800 members. This is wonderful. But, we have only about 35 willing to be part of this extremely important unseen ministry to law enforcement.

What I am asking is two-fold: first, become a participant in the prayer chain and second; make sure all

injuries, deaths, illnesses, etc., are reported to me so we can activate the prayer chain. When I mention this I am including the families of law enforcement as well. Theirs is a very tough job watching the son/daughter, husband/wife go off to face who knows what. Being a member requires that you report any such activities to me and be willing to forward on to others the requests that I send out. It is a simple ministry, but it is a heart-warming outreach. Please be a volunteer in this ministry. I thank you.

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Do you know how to determine if a person has had a stroke?

Sometimes symptoms of a stroke are difficult to identify.

Unfortunately, the lack of awareness spells disaster. The stroke victim may suffer brain damage when people nearby fail to recognize the symptoms of a stroke. Now doctors say a bystander can recognize a stroke by asking three simple questions:

- *Ask the individual to smile.
- *Ask him or her to raise both arms.
- *Ask the person to speak a simple sentence.

If he or she has trouble with any of these tasks, call 9-1-1 immediately and describe the symptoms to the dispatcher.

After discovering that a group of non-medical volunteers could identify facial weakness, arm weakness and speech problems, researchers urged the general public to learn the three questions. They presented their conclusions at the American Stroke Association's annual meeting last February. Widespread use of this test could result in prompt diagnosis and treatment of the stroke and prevent brain damage.

Pass it on!

A Chaplain's Ministry after the Beslan School Massacre—Russia

By: Chaplain Gary Malkus
San Bernardino Sheriff's Department

times those who are working in these environments are left



Beslan School in
Beslan, Russia

I found my thoughts heavy as the plane slowly descended onto the icy runway in Vladikavkaz. My heart stirred with familiar emotion as I stepped off of the airplane into freezing temperatures of this foreign country. My emotions were mixed with much anticipation of the ministry before me. I remember the same emotions as I was flying toward New York in September of 2001. I found myself unable to imagine the pain the people of this city have had to endure with so many suffering immeasurable grief.

The sight of the destruction was almost overwhelming and grabbed at my heart. The terrorists were driven by the darkest evil reeking complete havoc in this community. I continued to pray for God to direct my every step to those hurting family members He wanted me to comfort. He was faithful and He divinely set His appointments. I was able to talk with, pray with, and simply physically embrace folks who were in need of God's comfort.

I was privileged to meet Marina, whose daughter Tamarice was killed in the siege and whose other daughter Amaka was permanently injured by losing one eye. What a sweet woman, but completely stricken with grief over Tamarice being killed. I was able to spend a considerable amount of time sharing with her and encouraging her as she faces the challenges of moving forward without her daughter. God was and will continue to be faithful to Marina and her family in the days ahead. I am so glad to have been able to encourage her with the comfort of God's presence in her darkest hours.

There have been many people and organizations who traveled to Beslan since the massacre. Many have reached out to the hurting members of the community. However, before my departure, the Lord put it on my heart to focus my ministry toward the law enforcement officers who worked this horrific event. Many

out of the loop when it comes to counseling and comfort. So, I prayed for God to open up an opportunity to be used in some way to minister to those in law enforcement affected by this tragedy. God answered my prayer.

My driver, while in Beslan, was also a divine appointment. I shared my desire to minister to law enforcement with him and he looked at me with a big smile. He told me that he teaches a Home Fellowship in his home each week and three of the people who attend are police officers. It was through this conversation I ended up at my driver's house for dinner in the company of these three police officers. These men are all part of the Special Forces Team which made the entry into the gymnasium at School #1. We ate and during our discussion I shared the vision the Lord had given to ministering to the law enforcement people of Beslan. One of the men told me he had been praying for two years for God to send a Christian police officer to his city to speak to the officers he worked with because they would not listen to him. He looked straight at me with his finger pointed and said, "You are the answer to that prayer". He then told me to show up at his police station in the morning and he would set it up for me to talk with his team members.

I went back to my hotel room that night and prayed throughout the night for God to use this great opportunity. Sleep was not accomplished, but I believe through my prayers and the prayers of many at home God was going to penetrate the walls of Russian bureaucracy and hearts would be changed eternally. I arrived at the police station in the morning with the peace of God knowing He had good things in store for the day. I waited in a training room as twenty-two Special Forces Team members filed in to listen to this American Pastor/Deputy Sheriff speak. I stood before these curious eyes as one of the



Graves of the children killed in the massacre

Christian cops introduced me to his team. Then he turned to me and in a commanding voice said, "Preach!"

Also, I was given the opportunity to minister to the team members by debriefing them about the incident. This was truly a divine appointment to be with these men on this day. What a horrible

three days it was as these men sought a way to rescue those
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November 2, 2004 started much the same way most days start with the exception of the Presidential election.

A Chaplain for Mom

By: Chaplain Bill Colonna
Carson City Sheriffs Office, NV

assistance. One turned me down, but the other lady started to

I have been a Chaplain with the Carson City Sheriff Office in Nevada for a year and a half, I live in neighboring Washoe County.

I was on call that day, that second day in November, and not much happened all day. It was very quiet to the point that I knew something was going to happen.

The time is 18:15 and my wife is at work. I am in uniform waiting for my parents to come home (they live next door to us). When I want to go into the S.O. or do a late night ride along, my Mother would watch our 10-year old son.

At 18:18, I received a call from my sister-in-law, "Bill, you need to get to the end of the road where the highway meets-- Dad and Mom were just in an accident; it looks really bad-- mom isn't conscious." My brother and his wife live next door to us and were on their way to a Bible study when they witnessed the accident. I can't explain why, but somehow I knew that my mother was dead! I explained to my son that

I had been called out to an accident. I didn't go into detail as to who was involved, etc. (he understands what I do and has seen me called out many times). I called my wife and told her about the call, that I thought mom was dead and to get home right away.

I arrive on the scene at 18:22. They just got my mother out of the car and she is laid out on the road. The car is totaled. They were broad sided at 60 mph. I walk over to my father and made sure that he is ok. As I approached, the paramedics pronounce that my Mother..... She's dead! (Later we find out she was knocked out and her aorta was severed by the seat belt; she died within 10 seconds). Dad loses it, my brother and his wife are comforting him. Immediately, I fall back on my training as a Chaplain. I approach the trooper in charge of the accident investigation and introduce myself to him as the son of the deceased and a Chaplain out of Carson City. If I could be of any assistance, just ask. I immediately get on the phone with our Pastor (Mom and Dad attended the same church as us), told him what happened and that Dad needed him there. I call family members to let them know what happened. This way a support group would be in place when Dad needed them. I also called my oldest brother who was in town to let him know what had happened and to get home right away.

When I had finished making my calls, I was asked by the trooper in charge if I would go and speak with the witnesses as they were having a difficult time dealing with the fact that they just handled a dead body. I agreed and went over to where they were and introduced myself, I asked if I could be of any

unload. There were a lot of tears as I explained that it was her time to go home with the Lord. She asked how I could be so calm and what about the family? What about the family indeed! I pointed to my brother who was standing with his arms around Dad and said they will be ok. She said again "how can you be sure what the family feels." I then explained to her that "yes, I am a chaplain, but that woman on the ground is my mother. She looked at me, her jaw dropped and said "how are you holding it together?" I then told her about the hope promised in the Bible that gives me faith. She asked if we could pray and then we ended our conversation.

I checked with my Dad to make sure he was ok. We talked for a few minutes. As we were talking, a truck pulled up and broke through the police line weaving in and out of traffic driving erratically and almost hitting 2 deputies. He was pulled over and found to be under the influence of drugs and alcohol and taken into custody. It turns out that the man arrested was a friend of the driver involved in the accident and was coming to pick him up. Another trooper asked if I would talk with the man that hit my parents.

He was having a very difficult time dealing with the accident and his friend being arrested. I cleared it with the lead investigator telling him again that I was also the son of the deceased, he said "please do what you can." I went up to the man involved and introduced myself as a Chaplain and asked if I could be of any assistance. He told me his name was Walter and that he had never been in an accident before. He kept saying "what is the family going to do, please tell them that I am sorry." I started to calm him down and explain that "they (the family) would be ok and let's focus on you." He said "how can you be so sure that they will be ok", all the time looking over at the covered body of my mother. I told him "Walter, I know that they don't hold it against you. This is an accident not an "on purpose." She is home with the Lord; it was her time to go. Please don't worry about them." Tears welling up in his eyes, he looked at my shoes and said "I don't believe it, how can you be so sure?" I said this is how I know, you see that lady lying on the ground? That's my mother, I am the family and I don't hold it against you. He looked me in the eyes for the first time, tears flowing and said "I am so sorry." I replied, "I forgive you, don't beat yourself up any more." Then a wonderful thing happened. He opened up and said "I have never been in an accident before in my life why did it have to happen?" What will you do?" "What will your family do?" "How can you forgive me?" I put my arm around him and said "we will go on, life continues even after death." Sure, we will hurt for a while, we will cry, get sad, and get mad. It's all a part of grieving and healing, but we will ultimately move on. We can forgive you because Christ forgave us." "Can I pray with you?" He said "yes" and we prayed for quite some time. After, his ride showed up and he went off.

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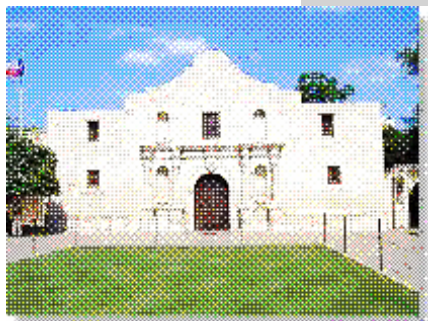


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Spouse Fee:	\$25.00	
Additional banquet ticket:	\$28.00	
Late registration fee (after June 15, 2005)	\$25.00	

¹One banquet ticket included with registration

Register on-line at the ICPC website: icpc4cops.org

Children & Trauma

By: Chaplain Carol Elms

Children are often the neglected victims of trauma. Sometimes adults hope to protect children by minimizing or denying the effects of trauma. Other times, adults are so traumatized themselves that they are unable to respond to the needs of children. Chaplains can provide the emotional and spiritual support for children as well as adults during traumatic events.

It may appear that children are not affected because they quickly return to play. Play for a child is work! They learn through play. Play will also reflect the child's thoughts, concerns and fears. The younger the child, the more likely a child will use play to communicate. Children will have varying abilities to understand and respond to trauma based on their developmental age and life experiences. It is essential to understand the developmental stages of childhood in order to support children and meet their needs.

Preschool children are egocentric. The world revolves around them. Therefore, they think that they are the cause of everything, good or bad. *"Mommy and Daddy got a divorce because I was bad."* *"The hurricane blew my home apart because I did not take care of my toys."* Preschoolers are concrete thinkers. *"The wind and rain destroyed my home."* So the next time it rains and the wind blows, they expect homes to be destroyed.

As children mature, they have more life experiences to rely on. They also begin to think more abstractly. This enables elementary children to think differently about events. Death becomes real, permanent! They are capable of understanding the true reasons for trauma. *"My brother was killed by a drunk driver"* instead of thinking the brother is missing because the sibling wished the rival brother would simply disappear.

Adolescents may be especially challenging. It is a time of great transition without the additional stress of trauma. Teens seek independence. They are creating their own identities, which is an important step in becoming a mature adult. This may present a barrier in receiving assistance in overcoming traumatic event. It is natural for them to turn to their peers for answers and support as they search for meaning in the events occurring around them. Adolescents need reassurance that they will find their own personal answers with the help of their friends, family and perhaps professional assistance.

How can chaplains respond in supporting children in trauma? Chaplains should respond by observing, listening, reflecting, exploring and referring.

Children and teens will exhibit how they feel and think through their behavior even before they will know what they want and need. Through observation, you will gain insight into how the child thinks and feels as well as how the child copes. You will also discover ways to connect with the child. Remember to meet the child where the child is, on the child's level not the adult's.

Listen carefully and with respect. Children want to be heard. When they are able to trust you, they will talk. Children need a sense of privacy in order to communicate openly and honestly. It is important to create an environment where you remain visible to other adults for safety, yet be able to talk so the child's privacy is protected. It is essential to remember that parents remain the primary caregiver. Even when they are not capable of caring for children, the parents must be aware and give consent to your support. The objective is to make children and their families stronger.

Reflect what the child is saying. This is accomplished simply by repeating a few words exactly as the child has said them. *"Daddy died."* *"The wind blew your house down."* If the child states a feeling, reflect that feeling, adding nothing to it. *"You are mad!"* *"You're scared!!"* Repeating the words exactly validates the child and gives power to what a child says, which helps them cope with overwhelming situations.

Explore how the child is feeling. Ask the child, *"What are you feeling?"* rather than assuming you know. Explore to discover what the child knows about the traumatic event. By asking open ended questions you can determine if a child has accurate information or misinformation. Misinformation needs to be corrected. This is the time for a chaplain to begin to speak. Reassure a child that he or she did not cause a divorce. Explain that the hurricane blew houses down because of the rain and high winds, not because a child had not taken care of toys. Books are a good resource in correcting misconceptions. They reinforce accurate information visually and concretely. They can also validate the feelings a child may be experiencing. Books can bring comfort and reassure children that others have similar experiences and feelings. Your local librarian will be helpful in researching and selecting the appropriate books. Explore the child's faith. Children will ask the questions. *"Why is my daddy in heaven?"* *"Where is heaven?"* *"Why did God make the rain?"* *"Tell God to stop the wind!"* Now the child is ready to explore and expand his or her belief system. This is the time to help the child, spiritually.

Know when the situation is beyond your knowledge and abilities. Seek professional assistance, when needed. Refer the

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Professional Development

child and family to a competent therapist. It is wise to have a readily available list of professional counselors to assist the family.

It is not our job as chaplains to solve the problem. By giving solutions, we deprive victims of finding the best solution for themselves. Chaplains need to listen to feelings, give guidance and let children and families find the solutions.

POTENTIAL STRESS REACTIONS FOR CHILDREN AFTER TRAUMA

Stress reactions may occur immediately or over a period of time. Children may also revisit the trauma as they mature and enter the next stage of development. If reactions are too painful or remain too powerful for an extended period, seek professional assistance. The trauma may be too powerful for the child to manage.

AGE	COGNITIVE	PHYSICAL	EMOTIONAL	BEHAVIORAL	SPIRITUAL
Birth to 2 years	Confusion Decrease in Exploration & curiosity Regression in Speech development	Growth slowdown Delayed milestones Change in appetite Digestive problems Sleep disturbances	High anxiety levels Agitation/irritability Increase in crying & change in tone Increased fear Depression	Appears apathetic Overly quiet Excessively clingy Anxious Attachment Biting Throwing	No information available
Preschool 3 to 5 years	Shorter attention span Confusion regarding event Locations Sequencing Death	Loss of appetite Overeating Bowel/bladder problems Sleep disturbances Illnesses	General fearfulness Nervousness Anxiety Irritability Fearful of reminders Anger Rejection	Bedwetting Thumb sucking Nightmares Repetitive play reenacting trauma Anxious Attachment Aggression Disobedience Withdrawing	Trusting parents for care & security Believing that God will care & protect
Elementary 5 to 11 years	Confusion regarding event Inability to concentrate Nightmares	Headaches Digestive problems Itching Sleep disturbances Fatigue Hyper vigilance	Fear of recurrence Wanting to be cared for (fed, dressed) School phobia Aggression Over concern for family safety Denial	Clinging Resumption of past habits Repetitive talking Reenacting the incident Disobedience Drop in school performance	Questioning why God did this or allowed this Believing that God will care & protect
Adolescence 12 to 18 years	Suppresses thoughts to avoid confronting Trauma Self-judgment about their own behavior Disturbed thinking Poor concentration Nightmares	Psychosomatic illnesses Eating/sleeping disorders Fatigue Shock symptoms Fainting Grinding of teeth Weakness	Anger Fear Uncertainty Betrayal Euphoria Suspicious Guarded Apprehension Feeling overwhelmed Irritability Agitation	May become more childlike May choose to move into the adult world Rebellious Alcohol & drug abuse Withdrawal Startle reflex intensified Antisocial acts	Increasing belief in God Giving symbolic meaning to pre-disaster events as omens Assigning symbolic reasons to post-disaster survival Believing God is not in control Believing God doesn't care

Resources to Use with Children in Trauma Death: The Dougy Center www.dougy.org.
 Me, Too, & Company www.oregonhospice.org/metoo_and_company.htm

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A message from Stu Nelson
Director of Fundraising and Marketing



“Would You Consider Running the Race”

Many of you know me well enough to know that I'm a dreamer. In whatever capacity God has privileged me to serve, I've always loved the “dream,” and the fun of reaching for it. As a police officer, my dream was to be a good cop and put bad guys in jail; as a Personal Services Officer, my dream was to develop and put in place the best of a chaplain ministry; as a member of ICPC staff, my dream is to continually expand the opportunities within ICPC and reach for new ones. The Prophet Isaiah tells me that “those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength...they shall run and not be weary.” [40.31]. The author of Hebrews tells me to “run with perseverance the race marked out for us.” [12.1]. So my dream for the ICPC is to take a “run” and persevere in that race in the months ahead. My goal as your Director of Fundraising and Marketing is to accomplish the following with your help:

- * to develop 200 new giving “units” not yet supporting the ministry of ICPC
- * to ask these new giving units to give \$200 to the ICPC ministry over the coming year
- * to accomplish this “race,” within the next 200 days...beginning at the time you receive this publication concluding during the month of September.

Can I ask for your “perseverance” in helping me accomplish this goal. Here are a few ideas I'm dreaming about: First, how about your places of worship? Do they have a budget item that could support ICPC yearly for \$200? Second, how about the departments you serve with? Is there any way, since they appreciate your work among them, they could take seized funds and use \$200 a year to support the greater chaplain ministry of ICPC? Third, many of you are participants in community service organizations such as Optimist, etc. and might well be privileged to give \$200 a year to helping the ICPC cause.

As Chaplains we are “Ambassadors of Reconciliation” of God's love and mercy. We minister not only to those in law enforcement and their families, but reach out into our communities to offer the compassion of a loving God. So I challenge you to “run this race” with me and together we can reach the goal of 200 new giving units, each giving \$200 a year to ICPC and accomplish this within 200 days.

I have the best information on ICPC and it's extended ministry and I would be happy to send to you with personal letters or whatever you desire that can help us reach our goal.

From the desk of Stu Nelson, I remain your friend and best supporter...

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What They Remember—

People will forget what you did, people will forget what you said,
but they won't forget the way you made them feel.

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On the International Scene



Ambassador: “An authorized agent or messenger”. Yes, you can be an ambassador...for the ICPC. Many of our members will be traveling to another country or countries in the coming months and years and have a desire to do more than be a tourist. At our last ICPC Executive Committee Board Meeting, I shared my vision for a program of **ICPC Ambassadors**, duly appointed to share the mission and ministry of the ICPC wherever they travel.

To walk into a police station in a foreign country, without an “Ambassador’s Portfolio” is a hard thing for some of us. The ICPC Destin office is ready to solve that moment of awkwardness. If you will notify the Destin office of where you will be traveling they will prepare an official letter of introduction of you as an ICPC member and “official representative” to the agency to be visited. Along with your letter you will be mailed a packet of materials to take with you for distribution. May I recommend that you take along some department memorabilia as well.

Traveling soon? Let the Destin office know and accept an assignment as an **ICPC Ambassador**...with portfolio!

—Dan Nolta
ICPC International Liaison

BLACKETOR ICPC SCHOLARSHIP FUND

At the 2001 I.C.P.C. Annual Training Seminar, South Bend, Indiana, The Blacketor I.C.P.C. Scholarship Fund was established with an original endowment of \$50,000 by Dr. Paul G. Blacketor and his wife, Sandra M. Blacketor.

The purpose of the Blacketor I.C.P.C Scholarship Fund is to provide financial assistance to Police Chaplains seeking training under the auspices of the International Conference of Police Chaplains (ICPC).

ICPC Life Members, in a luncheon meeting at South Bend, voted to support the Scholarship Fund. Since that date 19 Life Members have contributed, with four making contributions each year. The average contribution has been \$100.00 with one member contributing \$1,000.00 and one member contributing \$500.00. Many thanks to one and all. We continue to need financial help to provide training for our Chaplains. The Scholarship Fund is currently engaged in a capital campaign to raise funds. The future looks bright.

The training level of Chaplains clearly indicates a need for an aggressive scholarship training program, for example, (Best statistics available as of 9/24/04) indicate 62 % with less than Basic Level Training.

Chaplains	Vol/Part Time	Full time	Liaison Officers	
	93.02%	3.87%	2.16%	
Training Level	Less than Basic	Basic	Senior	Master
	61.78%	26.36%	7.79%	4.06%

Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) Certified - Advanced Level 8.4%

Scholarship recipients are selected by a Committee elected by the various constituent bodies within ICPC on a rotating basis. Scholarships are awarded to : African-American, Protestant, Catholic, Canadian, Hispanic, Jewish, and International on a rotating basis.

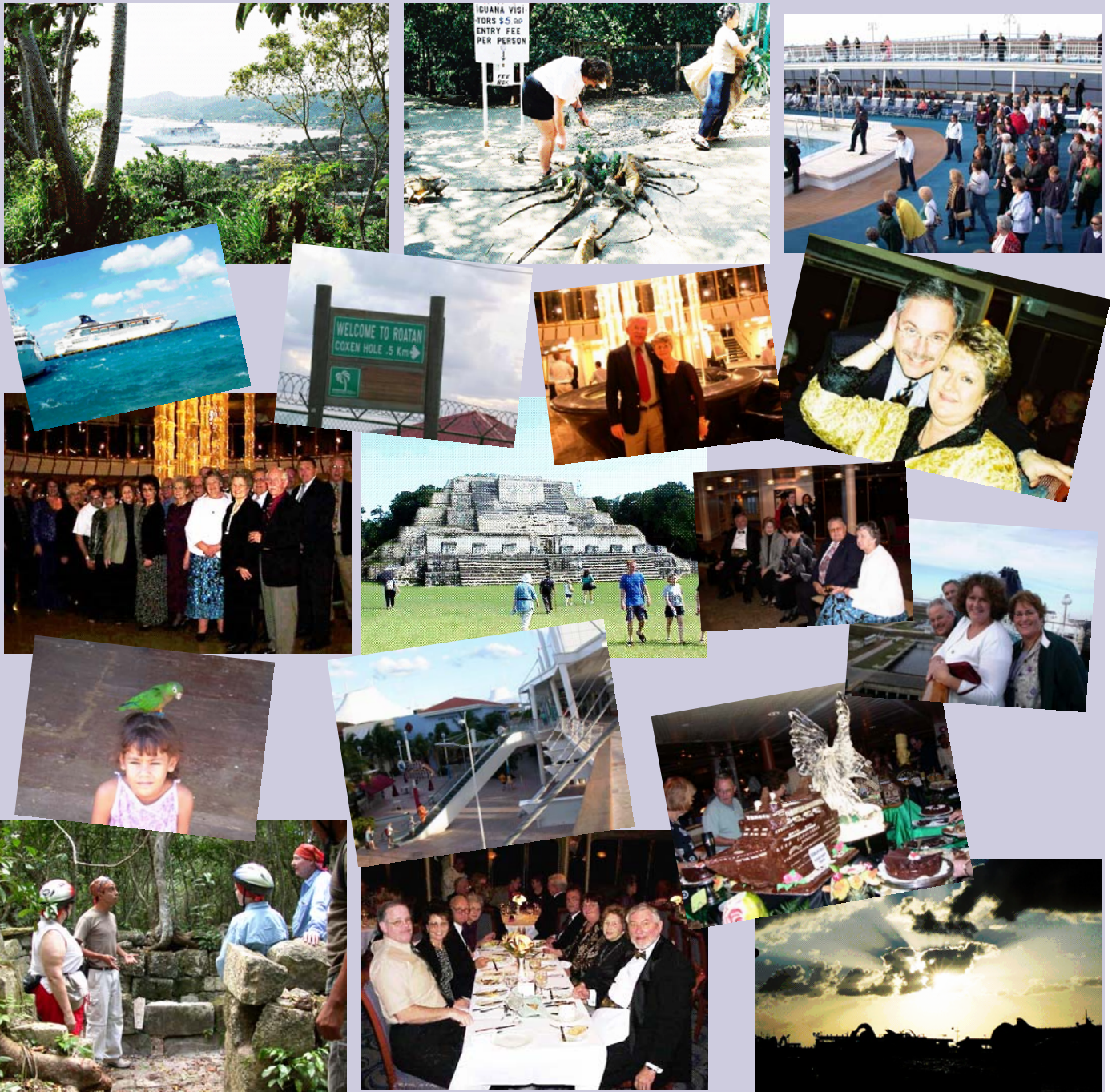
We hope to be able to award fourteen or more Scholarship each year in the future. *The 2006 Scholarship will be awarded to a Hispanic Chaplain.* A copy of the Scholarship application will be available in the June 2005 issue of the ICPC Journal.

The Scholarship Selection Committee has the following members:
Canada - vacant; Roman Catholic – Robert Iaquinto; Protestant - Lars Williamson;

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ICPC Cruise 2005

January 15-22, 2005 saw 39 individuals take the first ICPC cruise. Departing from Houston, TX, the ship had ports-of-call at Cozumel, Roatan, Belize, and Cancun. Enjoy the memories and look for our next trip!!



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taken hostage. What horrific images to have to sort through as they recovered the bodies of those killed. Thank God that in the face of anything He offers His healing comfort not only to these men but to all those anguishing. God truly is faithful to heal.

I will continue to pray for the families of Beslan. Also, I am committed to praying for the police officers as they now live in their new relationship with the Lord. I want to encourage you to join me in continuing to pray for the healing of this tiny farming community. Finally, I want to thank you for praying for my trip, I could sense the powerful presence of God as I moved from place to place. Your prayers kept me from discouragement in the face of many obstacles. All glory belongs to God.



Chaplain Gary Malkus with members of the Beslan Special Forces Team

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I went up to the trooper in charge and brought him up to speed on the conversations I had just completed. He thanked me for the work I had done and that he knew it must have been very difficult for me, but there wasn't another Chaplain available. I told him "It was an honor to be able to help."

If the truth is known it was a tremendous learning experience for me to be able to work my mother's accident scene. I was later able to minister to my father, brothers and sister-in-law. After the Coroner arrived on the scene at 20:20, I went home. Now I was faced with the difficult job of telling my son that he just lost his grandmother. When I walked in the house with my wife I called my son into the living room sat him down and started off with "you know that I was called out for an accident, it involved an older couple and the lady died. She was an older woman, 71, she had 3 kids and 6 grandkids and 3 great grandchildren. She was loved by all her family. She was very close to the youngest grandson (my son) and this is going to hit him very hard, what advice would you give that boy who is the same age as you?" Dominick looked at me and said, "I would tell him to talk to his dad about how he feels and to pray." With that said I looked at him and said "I want to pray with you, but first I need to tell you something. The lady that died was Grandma." He looked at me with disbelief, tears filling his eyes, he didn't say a word, he just looked at me. I told him I was sorry and I wasn't lying. I wish I was, but it was true. With that he started to cry and cry. My wife Shelly and I held him and prayed together.

Book Report

We often hear from chaplains a desire to purchase books that would help them in their ministry, but they need recommendations. The following books would be great in any chaplain's library!

1. **"Shots Fired, Shots Forgiven—The Steve Watt Story"** By Jim Geeting ISBN 1-932172-10-6

Shots Fired, Shots Forgiven is the compelling story of Trooper Steve Watt who was shot by a bank robber fleeing from Colorado to Wyoming. After years of bitterness and hatred toward the man who tried to kill him, Steve Watt found a new life in God that brought forgiveness and friendship toward Mark Farnham, the man who shot him five times.

2. **"A Clinical Guide to the Treatment of the Human Stress Response"** By Dr. George Everly ISBN 0-306-43068-1

A Clinical Guide to the Treatment of the Human Stress Response fills the need for an updated and integrated treatment of the subject for practicing clinicians and students. The book is designed to be a comprehensive guide to the clinically relevant physiology and treatment of the human stress response.

3. **"Under the Headset: Surviving Dispatcher Stress"** By Richard Behr ISBN 0-9661970-4-6

This book is an excellent resource on the stress of being a dispatcher. Written by a dispatcher critical incident stress instructor, it includes information on the stress process, identifying stressors, and coping with stress. This book also includes information on humor and inspiration. Stories of survival written by dispatchers who have lived through the stress of critical incidents, are provided.

4. **"Picking Up the Pieces—Responding to School Crisis"** By Mary Schoenfeldt [Obtained at Chevron Publishing]

This book is based upon the lessons learned from hundreds of schools and thousands of people who have experienced crises. It provided a roadmap through the unknown territory of response. The author has taken 15 different events that may affect a school community and has outlined specific plans and considerations for each one.

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We talked for hours until he was too tired to stay awake. The next day I received a call from Master Chaplain Paul Crooks, a friend of mine, who is a Chaplain with D.P.S. (Highway Patrol). He heard what had happened and wanted to know if there was anything he could do. Although I thought I could handle it on my own, he would not let me. Paul kept bugging me until I sat down with him and debriefed; boy was it needed! Here I was dealing with my wife who was heart broken, my son that was extremely close to his grandmother, and my father who lost the woman he was married to for 51 years, and let's not forget the loss of my mother. Paul was a tremendous help and support. Just having someone that understood the job and had a compassionate ear was more than enough. We talked almost every day for the next two weeks. You never know where you are going to be "ministered" from.

It was a difficult yet educational time. It was an experience that I would never change. Some of the things I learned were "I can do all things through Christ?" Training is important, but experience is the best educator and don't turn away from those that want to help. We all need to be ministered to--especially the ministers.

I am writing this because I was encouraged by my Chief, Chief Deputy Bev Moltz with the Carson City Sheriff's Office. She said "I bet there aren't many chaplains that have an experience like yours. You need to write an article." As I thought about what she said, I realized she was right and maybe it could help someone somewhere someday. Sheriff Ken Furlong also with the Carson City S.O., used the incident as an example to the department personnel of having to do a job even in a difficult time.

November 2, is over. Our lives are changed, and for the better. I think it was a tough ride, but one I wouldn't change for anything. I am glad I was able to be Mom's Chaplain.





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