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"GROWING BETTER TOGETHER"

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Special points of interest:

- New Committee members
- New feature article about Auxiliary Officers
- Auxiliary Song Lyrics

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SERVING WITH GLADNESS IN SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

The International Conference of Police Chaplains gathered for the Annual Training Seminar (ATS) in Sacramento, California, July 12–16, 2010 at the beautiful Doubletree Hotel.

The Auxiliary quickly jumped into the many activities planned for them by the Host Committee. Working out of the Terrace/Garden Room, devotions were held each morning before activities began. What a wonderful Welcome Tea we experienced with our fun "Beach Ball" get acquainted game. Tuesday activities included the Governor's Mansion and Old Sacramento Tour with everyone returning in time for choir practice. Wednesday included a self-defense class and an evening Memorial Service held in the Grand Ballroom. In case you didn't get enough shopping, the group headed over to the Arden Mall before rushing back to be at the closing of the Silent Auction. Many thanks go to the Auxiliary Choir for the time and effort they put forth to entertain the banquet audience on Thursday evening. Their performance is always a highlight of the banquet and very much appreciated by all that attend. The Auxiliary's new officers were sworn in by President Cyndee Thomas and our congratulations go out to each of them. Farewell breakfast is always bittersweet. Time to say goodbye to new friends and old, with promises of staying in touch and hopes of seeing each other at the next ATS.

Our youth were well taken care

of this year with water park fun, Sutter's Fort, the Horn Blower Cruise and the Jelly Belly Factory Tour (can't help but wish the Auxiliary could have attended with them!!!)

Many thanks go out to Brenda Pierce whose term of office ended at this ATS. Brenda has done a wonderful job coordinating auxiliary members who live in many areas and only see each other once a year. Her grace and presence are a wonderful asset to the Auxiliary. And what would we do without her wonderful musical talent. Thank you again Brenda!

Our new officers will continue to "Serve With Gladness" as they work together as a team for the next two years. President Donna Riddle, as well as the rest of her Board are ready to step up and continue the commitment to the ICPC Auxiliary. Many hours were spent by President Donna and President Elect Karen Dixon with the Jamaica Host Committee for next year's ATS. We look forward to seeing each of you next year in Montego Bay, Jamaica, July 11-15, 2011.

On a side note: It's interesting to remember that it was at the 1989 Sacramento Annual Training Seminar that the dream of the Auxiliary first came into being. We are thankful that 21 years ago, a group of dedicated spouses of chaplains came together with an idea that would become a reality in 1990 in Mobile, Ala-

bama. Many thanks go out to that original committee but especially to Margaret Price, spouse of John A. (Jack) Price. Margaret, who has been unable to attend the ATS for several years, passed away after our ATS this year and went to her heavenly home. Our condolences go out to her family and to the many I.C.P.C. members and auxiliary members whose lives she touched.

Jamaica ATS 2011
Rest, Recharge and
Receive ...
a Chaplain's
Therapy
Ya Mon ... the ICPC
is going to be in
beautiful Montego
Bay, Jamaica, for its
2011 Annual Train-
ing Seminar -- so
now is the time to
start making prepa-
rations!!

2011 ATS
in Montego Bay,
Jamaica -
July 11-15, 2011

**A passport is
required!**

PRAYER REQUESTS

Manila Sanders reports that her daughter-in-law, Rebekah's mother, Kaye, had a six hour surgery on Tuesday, October 12 at Mayo Clinic. The surgeons removed tumors from her lungs and her heart. She will then go home to Nebraska for 2 months to recover from the surgery. Please pray for Manila's family during this difficult time.



Congratulations to Rickey and Julie Hargrave on the birth of their twin granddaughters, Marlo and Mallory on September 26th. Blessings to all of your family on these new additions in your lives.

LETTER FROM THE ICPC AUXILIARY PRESIDENT—DONNA RIDDLE

What a wonderful experience the ATS was this year! Our chaplain's received excellent trainings, we had great times of fellowship together, and shopping right across the street! I want to again thank Sandy for all her time and effort for the Auxiliary events.

The safety awareness training was very helpful. I have found myself just yelling from time to

time "Get away from me".

As we look forward to next year, your Auxiliary officers want to plan our times together in Jamaica to be encouraging and empowering. If you have suggestions or ideas for future workshops, please contact me. We already have some ideas for sharing times and will be setting a schedule that will allow for plenty of "free time".

I want to say thank you to all of you for your encouragement to me as I begin my service to you as the Auxiliary President. My prayer is that together we will continue to grow not only the Auxiliary but also each other over the next two years.

Moving Forward Together,
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A FAREWELL NOTE FROM PAST PRESIDENT BRENDA PIERCE



TAKE HEART

Look for God's opened arms as they are ever extended before us, as He assures us we are His.

Sometimes I wonder how He could ever use me. There always seems to be so much polishing left to do in my character... and that's when I remember the saint's of old, and I realize I can take heart, because if God can use Joseph, David, Moses, Rahab, the Samaritan woman, etc... I mean they weren't perfect either. God had to work with them too. Just as He has to work with us. He had to forgive so much... and He still does.

Just as God was tolerant with His people in the bible He is tolerant with His people today. Not that I am comparing myself with the holy ones of old, but surely we can take heart to know that as He loved

and forgave them their many transgressions He will be faithful to do the same for us as He has promised.

As I write these words I am reminded of a single line in a simple song: "He's still working on me, to make me what I ought to be". It helps me to know my perfection, though not real to me yet, will be a breathed reality one day, when eternity comes.

Until that day, I hope I get to spend more time with you guys... that I have come to know and cherish as my companions and characters of heart along the way.

2 Corinthians 4:7-18

MEET YOUR ICPC OFFICERS—A NEW FEATURE COLUMN

The ICPC Auxiliary President who was sworn in at the Banquet at the 2010 ATS is Donna Riddle, or "Sis" to her brothers! Donna is married to Erick and they live in Fort Wayne, Indiana. They have been married for 30 wonderful years and have a dog.

Donna has been attending International Conference of Police Chaplain's Annual Training Seminars for eleven years and she says her favorite memories from ATS's are the Memorial Services.

Donna has two favorite bible verses: Philippians 4:8 and Colossians 2:2. She likes these because she says "It's all about encouragement!!!"

Donna also enjoys beading and creating jewelry to match an outfit or making gifts for family and friends.

A special message from Donna: "The ICPC Auxiliary has helped me to minister to my Chaplain Spouse. The times of sharing and training that I have received at ATS and RTS has enriched my life. Thank you to each of you, who over the years have taken me under wing."



President Donna Riddle

AUXILIARY CHOIR WOWS THE AUDIENCE AT ATS BANQUET!



Give a Little Whistle

When you get in trouble and you don't know right from wrong
Give a little whistle (whistle) 2x's
When you meet temptation and the urge is very strong
Give a little whistle (whistle) 2x's

Not just a little squeak, pucker up and blow
And if your whistle's weak, yell "CYNDEE THOMAS".
Take the straight and narrow path and if you start to slide,
Give a little whistle (whistle) 2x's
And always let your conscience be your guide.

Greeting old friends, making new friends, having lots of fun
Give a little whistle (whistle) 2x's
All the chaplains rush to classes learning what to do
Give a little whistle (whistle) 2x's

Warm chocolate chip cookies, Monday Night Mixer
And the silent auction - "Time, all pencils down!"
Lots of eating, lots of shopping, buying souvenirs
Give a little whistle (whistle) 2x's
And always let your conscience be your guide.

Meet us in Jamaica (Yah Mon) 2x's
And let the fun start over once again

AUXILIARY OFFICERS SWORN IN AT THURSDAY NIGHT BANQUET

Cyndee Thomas, President of the I.C.P.C. swore in the new auxiliary officers at the banquet Thursday evening. The new officers are (from left to right):

Karen Dixon—President Elect, Manila Sanders—Treasurer, Donna Riddle—President, Ronda Hendricks—Vice President, and Marlene Fiers—Secretary. Congratulations to the new officers. God bless you for the work you do for Auxiliary.



Silent Auction Results

The numbers are in:

154 silent auction items

\$2,219 collected from sales

Thanks to everyone who contributed and purchased and supported the I.C.P.C. Auxiliary at their silent auction.

Thanks to Wendy Hardgrove for her assistance in the Silent Auction this year.

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If you have any stories, ideas, thoughts or prayers that you would like to contribute to the newsletter, please let me know. You can contact me by email, phone and my home address is 2654 Love Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43221. I welcome your suggestions and help.

This newsletter will no longer be mailed to Auxiliary members. We are going "paperless" in order to save our organization money and to be more environmentally friendly. If you know of auxiliary members in your region who may not be receiving the email notification that the newsletter has been posted on the ICPC website, please let them know and ask them to send me their email address so that I will be able to notify them in the future.

Elected Officers

President – Donna Riddle
President Elect – Karen Dixon
Vice – President – Ronda Hendricks
Secretary – Marlene Fiers
Treasurer – Manila Sanders

Standing Committees: Advisory Committee

Brenda Pierce
Sharon Yarborough
Sue Lovin

Finance Committee

Manila Sanders
Rene Olthoff
Judy McMurray
Diane Harris
Additional Member to be determined

Nominating Committee

Brenda Pierce
Ute Horn
Kathy Hungler

Other Committees:

Silent Auction - LaDeana Jenkins
Membership Directory - Mary Kassel
Newsletter/Communication - Kathy Hungler
By-Laws - Wendy Hardgrove
Music - Jan Congram, Robbie Bourne, Brenda Pierce

Programs:

Prayer Partner – Ronda Hendricks
E-mail Prayer Chains – Jan Congram
Circle of Grace – Beth LaMott
Mentoring – Robbi Bourne

A Letter from the Editor

As a family, we recently received the news that a close friend had lost his 26 year old son. There are no words to express the sorrow that you feel for the family. But I do know the first thing Craig and I wanted to do was call our children. We wanted to HEAR their voices. It wasn't enough to send them an email, or text them. We needed to hear their voices. Even better to see their faces and hold them. Because nothing beats personal interaction with a person to know and see what they are feeling. Explaining our feelings to our 21 and 26 year old children who live in a technological world opened their eyes also. So they took it one step further.

Zack came home from school to spend real time with us. And Megan came home from a trip so she could spend time with the whole family.

Please don't get me wrong. Technology is a wonderful thing. And we are blessed to have the opportunities that we do. I just want to encourage you to reach out to a friend by phone or in person. We are all so busy these days that we forget to take the time to do that. Maybe that is why I love ATS time so much. To be able to sit with a friend, hold their hand, look in their eyes and share your lives with each other. There is nothing that can compare to that. I'm trying to reach out to you as best I can with our newsletter. But if you EVER need

to talk, pick up the phone. I'll always take the time to listen.

Love,

Kathy

"God didn't promise days without pain, joy without sorrow, or sun without rain. But, God did promise strength for the day, comfort for tears and light for the way. And for those who believe in His Kingdom of love, He answers their faith with the peace from above."

An excerpt from the memorial service of Matthew Mattmiller, September 12, 2010