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Certification for HTSM Practitioners

From the ISHA newsletter article by
Linda Smith, Founder:

*I don't mind telling you this is an answer to prayer and to dreams! Healing Touch Certification has agreed to accept our program as a unique and separate program for certification. **What that means is students who complete the Advanced HTSM program can apply to Healing Touch Certification and become a HTSM-CP. That's a Healing Touch Spiritual Ministry certified practitioner. When will all this come about? I anticipate that we will be ready to accept applications by November 1st of this year. Each application will be reviewed by a two-person team who will make sure that you have met all of the criteria for certification.***

UPDATE: The Chairperson and vice chairperson have been named, the teams formed, and the first packets reviewed! Two of our HTET folks are involved: Kate Petree is on one team and Margaret Leslie is vice chairman of the HTSM certification Board.



*The HTET Board of
Directors wishes you and
yours a happy and safe
holiday season.*

Healing Touch Program Conference Updates

By Mary Ann Geoffrey, RN, HTCP/I

Attending the Healing Touch Program Conference (August 1-3, 2008) in Denver, Colorado, I was overjoyed about the "heart and spirit" of the conference. Sixty instructor attended the Instructor Conference and there were 175 participants from all over the country at the "Joining Hearts: Joining Voices" conference.

I have 3 conference CD's which I am making available on a "loaner" basis:

Building a Healing Touch Practice

by Lauri Pointer & Sharon Robbins:

This tape is a "must listen to" and a "how to" develop your Healing Touch practice & business. Great information is shared. Learn from those who have walked the path before you.

Integration of Jean Watson's Caritas Theory by Sheila Lewis

Jean Watson's Caritas Model compliments the Healing Touch philosophy. More information will be forthcoming from the Healing Touch program about the integration of her theory with H.T. All professional have a theoretical framework.

Watson's Caritas process includes:
Practicing loving kindness, being authentically present, cultivating one's own spiritual practices, developing an authentic caring relationship, being totally present, creating a healing environment, holding an intentional, caring consciousness of touching and working with the embodied spirit of another, opening and attending to spiritual, mysterious, and unknown existential dimensions of life-death-suffering, and "allowing for a miracle".

Expanding & Deepening Your Healing Touch Practice through Chi Kung & the Divine Feminine

by Darmaris Jarboux

Darmaris was a dynamic presenter. Her information was excellent. In addition, she led a very effective heart centered meditation which complemented the theme of the conference.

There were many other excellent presenters at the conference. These presenters used a lot of visual aids:

Ines Hoster, MS, HTCP/I gave an excellent presentation of "The Efficacy of Healing Touch Treatments" documented with Thermography. The documentation included breast cancer detection.

Sue Hovland's Anatomy for Healers program. ([www. Anatomy for healers.com](http://www.Anatomyforhealers.com)) packed a lot of information in her dynamic presentation about the heart and brain.

Sharon Robbins gave updated information about HTPA.

Healing Touch Professional Association is planning to add benefits as the organization grows:

Mentorship education/support program
Group Liability and Health Insurance
National group advertising
Continued expansion of research resources. Support for Healing Touch private practice development

Most heart felt moment at the conference was the presentation of Janet Mentgen's life.

Visuals/pictures of awesome memories of the start-up of the Healing Touch Program were heart felt by all.

In addition, Lisa Gordon, CEO of the Healing Touch Program and Cynthia Hutchison, Program Director gave encouraging information about the future of the Healing Touch Program.

The Bridge at Rockwood

*A participant's account
by Marty Elmer*

On November 14th our Healing Touch East Tennessee group was again represented at the Health Fair at The Bridge at Rockwood.



HTET display board

Carol Gardner and Marty Elmer were our representatives this year as contact Margaret Leslie had a Spiritual Ministry Workshop at her home that day.

First off rain threatened...then fog occurred...I got lost and met a few local people who helped me find Carol and the rest home.

Carol was already set up amidst probably 20 other Holistic and alternative medical services....even the State Patrol was there giving out information.

Anyway-we were soon giving treatments ... the scudder as an introduction. We relaxed a lot of folks. Fellow medical persons, employees and some of the patients.

All seemed to get results. Several ladies mentioned being very relaxed and sleepy. Others just felt better and had enjoyed the treatment.

One man wasn't sure about the treatment but I asked if I could just share some energy with him and he looked at me sort of long faced and said "ok", so I placed hands on him and said a brief prayer for him and let that be it...I said "that's it" and he looked at me and grinned. Shortly thereafter a caregiver came to take him to lunch. Wish we could have done more.

We had several people who were there last year and were eager to get a treatment. "loved it", etc.

We were busy all the time we were there and still treating a couple of people when the other tables had packed up. I think we could have serviced all day. But, after that workout we were eager to go home. Till next time.



The pictures included with this report come from Sean O'Malley. Sean is the young man Marty is working on. Marty brazenly asked him if he would send her some pictures that he was taking of the Health Fair...he graciously said yes and did so...Sean is Marketing Associate with Signature Health Care Consulting Services, LLC. Our Thanks Sean and yes we will keep up the good works.

HELPING TVUUC MEMBERS HEAL

In the aftermath of the tragic shootings at the Tennessee Valley Universal Universalist Church last July, several members of our HT and HTSM community helped out grieving and traumatized members of the congregation. More than 96 Healing Touch sessions were given by the following practitioners: Lynn Anderson, Lisa Johnson, Marty Elmer, Carol Gardner, Mary Ann Geoffrey, Lisa Johnson, Sharon Koeth, Kathryn Kutschera, Margaret Lesch, Margaret Leslie, Ginny Murley, Kate Petree, Brenda Rasch, Sharon Rasch, Barbara Rose, Linda Sharp, and Edee Webb.

Grier Novinger who helped us coordinate the sessions at TVUUC asked us to share her gratitude for the HTET practitioners who had volunteered on the four Mondays. She had published the following in the TVUUC Newsletter:

“Monday afternoon and evening was a huge success. So many thanks to the Healing Touch professionals who gave their time to help us. Every slot was spoken for and there were a few people who came without an appointment. I, for one, slept better Monday night than I had in weeks.”
“THANKS TO ALL OF YOU!”

[*Note from Margaret Leslie*] I would also like to express gratitude for those who volunteered and those who came forward to help coordinate after my accident. I believe we all felt it was a great honor to be allowed in the space of the healing process of so many.



Ribbon Cutting in Morristown

Edee Webb in conjunction with the Morristown Chamber of Congress celebrates the opening of her newly remodeled office. Edee is a graduate of the University of Tennessee with a BS in Psychology and Secondary Education. She has a long standing commitment to Mind-Body-Spirit healing. Active in All Saints Episcopal Church, she is focused on whole person healing. She is an instructor for the Institute of Spiritual Healing and Aromatherapy, located in Arvada, CO. Edee also teaches classes in Aromatherapy at Rose Center to increase the awareness of the natural healing abilities available to our community.



Edee Webb (3rd from left) at the Ribbon Cutting

Thank You to My HT Family!



Many, many thanks for the incredible outpouring of concern, love and healing during my recovery from my accident in August! I have never in my life received so many cards! I know the Light from your many long distance healings made a difference. Special thanks to Kate and Linda who took over the many jobs related to a bedridden patient as well as those concerning HT & HTSM. I couldn't have made it without them (neither could have Vaughn). I don't know that I had ever before had nine days without leaving my house!

Also thank you for the surprise at the last HTET meeting. That was so sweet of you all to 'gift' me with such a powerful crystal! It sits in my office to help me heal and as a reminder of the fantastic HT community that has grown over the years. It is sending healing energy to me constantly as you all energized it so beautifully.

I am recovering well according to the doctor—not as fast as this gal thought—but then part of the message was probably: *slow down!* I have regained a lot of the use of my hand and truly feel blessed to have had so few problems. And I certainly am blessed to have a HT/HTSM family!

NEW OFFICERS

HTET 2009 Officer and Board member elections will be held at the December 4th meeting/party.

Several of the 2008 officers will remain as terms of office are 2 years.

The nominating committee will propose a slate of officers for your approval. Nominations can also be made and are encouraged from the floor.

ATTENTION CHTP'S

DON'T FORGET!!! December 31st 2008 is the deadline to be grandfathered into the Healing Touch Program certification process at no cost. This is for existing CHTPs who also wish to be certified with the Healing Touch Program as an HTCP.

Instructions on how to register before December 31st can be found at www.healingtouchprogram.com



A Glance at the Past & Marching into 2009

by Rev. Mary Ann Geoffrey, RN, HTCP/I President HTET

Reflecting on 2008 I observed the great deal of effort the members and friends of the organization put into promoting Healing Touch, helping the community with complimentary Healing Touch session and educating the public about the benefits of energy healing.

Below is a list of the accomplishments by this small and mighty volunteer organization. Many seeds have been planted. As an organization we look forward to the benefits and fruits of our labors and hopefully make a deeper heartfelt impact on our community in the year 2009.

2008 Remembering the Past

Joyce Beckley, membership chairperson reports:

April - Presented overview of HT to the Greeneville "Newcomer's Club" (approx. 40 people)

June - Coordinated an "Intro to HT" class in Greenville with Margaret Leslie & Linda Sharp

Aug - Applied for HT Certification with HTI Application.

Joyce also created the 2008 membership survey to help us go forward. The results will be discussed in membership meetings to assist in planning.

Marty Elmer, treasurer reports:

April 26 - Pellissippi State Earth Fare - Carol Gardner, Rocky Collins, Becky Rhines, Mellen Campion, Marty Elmer. and her most helpful husband Elden

November - Roane County Health Fair - Carol Gardner & Marty did H.T. on many. This group provided H.T. to participants, and also education & distribution of literature to the community.

Marty Elmer, artist created the beautiful Healing Touch logo., putting into form the creative idea of Edee Webb, first president of HTET.

Margaret Lesch, HTET historian reports: about the activities of herself, Lynn Anderson and Caroline Munday. (Lynn recently completed HT Level 2 through HTI and Caroline completed Level 1 through HTP.

March 12- Did a H.T. Presentation for about 100 people at the BWXTY-12 plant:
April 18 - provided two presentations on energy medicine & healing sessions at the Ft. Sander's Women's Wellness Retreat in Townsend,

April 27 - provided an evening of Pampering at a church in Morristown

May - provided presentations on energy healing at the Wellness Community

Margaret Lesch is busy at work creating the HTET Historian Book. Awesome!

Margaret Leslie reports: about the activities of herself, Sharon Koeth, Rocky Collins, Kate Petree, Linda Sharp and Edee Webb.

January - Linda Sharp, Sharon Koeth, Rocky Collins, Margaret Leslie completed HTSM Advanced Practice

Feb./March - Nursing Symposium in Morristown Edee, Kate, Linda & Margaret
June - HT presentation to massage class at Roane State with Margaret, instructor and Linda and Kate assisting.

September - HT presentation to Hospice group in Morristown Margaret, Edee, Linda & Kate

October - Kate Petree completed Instructor training and named ISHA's newest instructor of HTSM 101, 102 & 503 (Raindrop) Kate taught her first class in November. Awesome achievement. Congratulations Kate.

ISHA - 16 classes of HTSM & CCA have been held in the Knoxville area.

HTP Level 1 taught by Vicky Slater

On the "Light Side"

Wellness Fest - World's Fair Park Knoxville: Linda Sharp and Kate Petree armed with HT display boards discovered a noisy rock band and a climbing wall next to the assigned booth. These wise women packed up their gear and headed for home after deciding it would be a bit difficult to do HT to "loud rock music". A big "A" for effort.

August - Tennessee Valley Universal Universalist church TVUUC

Thanks Margaret Leslie for the invitation for HTET practitioners to provide Healing Touch to those affected by the tragic shooting at the church. Thanks to Lynn Anderson, Marty Elmer, Carol Gardner, Mary Ann Geoffrey, Sharon Koeth, Kathy Kutchera, Ginny Murley, Margaret Leslie, Margaret Lesch, Kate Petree, Brenda Rasch, Sharon Rasch, Barbara Rose, Linda Sharp, Edee Webb, for providing caring and compassionate care to those in need for 4 consecutive weeks. Those who received Healing Touch expressed their appreciation.

Other Items

November - Tennessee Valley Nursing Oncology Conference

Lynn Anderson, Mary Ann Geoffrey, Margaret Leslie, Caroline Munday, Kate Petree,

Barbara Rose, Linda Sharp, Edee Webb - display booth, HT sessions, passed out literature and HTET sticky notes as a promotional item.

September Spa Day - hosted by Mary Ann Geoffrey

Level 1, October 2008 taught by Mary Ann

Edee Webb - Ribbon Cutting Ceremony with the Morristown Chamber of Conference - in conjunction with celebrating the opening of her new remodeled office. Congratulations!

Website & Secretary: Becky Rhines uses her incredible talent to create and update. She is a great blessing to all of us and kept a record of all our meetings.

Newsletter editor : Mellen Champion, - thanks for the outstanding job. Your efforts are reflected in the outstanding newsletters you produced.

Vice President: Linda Sharp - much appreciation for much behind the scenes efforts and leading the Board meetings in my absence. Great job.

Treasurer: Marty Elmer - excellent services in the treasury department. And thanks to her husband Elden for all his help. (Thanks Elden for carrying those heavy massage tables)

Membership Chairperson: Joyce Beckley - thanks for keeping tract of us & creative ideas.

Board Members & Large: Edee Webb & Margaret Leslie - thanks for all of your hard work and support.

Historian: Margaret Lesch who is creating a history book of HTET events. Her enthusiasm for the project is wonderful and appreciated.

Sharon Koeth - Great friend of HTET. Special thanks to Sharon for her "communication skills and efforts" on behalf of HTET. You are appreciated. We couldn't do it without you.

Interesting topics were included at our meetings:

Qi Gong (Becky Rhines) Healing Touch Spiritual Ministry (Kate Petree), Healing Touch in India, (Kate Petree & Margaret Leslie) Barbara Brennen energy healing (Sandra Smith), Neuro-Associative conditioning (Mary Ann Geoffrey) Emotional Freedom Technique (Marty Elmer) Special thanks to Sandra Smith, M.S. - Valley Health Studios for showing us the Brennen way.

Fun Items - We have HTET logo shirts, tote bags and a banner. Thanks to Edee Webb for our glamorous look. Also our HTET name badges add to a professionalism when we meet the public/community.

Thanks to all for the all the work done in 2008 and hope I didn't miss listing someone. If so let me know and information will get in the next newsletter.

A Look Into the Future - 2009

Interest/ideas have been expressed to have more business information, how to develop a client base, guest speakers with helpful topics and more effective communication to members and perspective members. Hopefully more people will get involved & volunteer for 2009. It is your organization and it can't be done without your help. Wishing you blessings and happiness.

February 26 meeting @ 6 pm Church of the Good Samaritan - Knoxville Karen Drobot, LMT and HR Block representative - guest presenter

A great start for 2009 with benefits of business ownership and get those tax questions answered. Thanks for Kate Petree for inviting Karen to present at our meeting.

Mark your Calendar for 2009 Thursday meetings @ Church of the Good Samaritan 6 pm-----Feb.26, April 30 June 25, August 27, Oct.