

Congratulations to the new members of the HAPS Board of Directors!

At the annual meeting in Baltimore, I announced the election results for the 2009 Board of Directors. Congratulations to Caryl Tickner, President Elect; Wanda Hargroder, Secretary; Pat Bowne, Central Regional Director; and Craig Clifford, Southern Regional Director. Their biographies are included below. The terms of the new board members begin on July first. Caryl will be serving a three year term on the board: her first year as President Elect, her second year as President, and her third year as Past President. Wanda, Pat, and Craig will each be serving two year terms. They join continuing board members Elizabeth Becker, Treasurer; Amy Way, Eastern Regional Director; Glenn Yoshida, Western Regional Director, Kevin Petti, President, and I. In July, Kevin and I become Past President and President respectively.

A special thank you is due to Elizabeth Hodgson, Steven Kish, and Mary Lou Percy, who also ran for positions on the Board of Directors. They served HAPS generously by agreeing to run this year and will be continuing in leadership positions working on committees and other HAPS projects. Thank you also to Joe Griswold, Tom Lehman, and Christine Eckel, who served on the HAPS nominating committee.

Finally, our outgoing board members, Past President Margaret Weck, Secretary Mark Bolke, Central Regional Director Judi Nath, and Southern Regional Director Mary Lou Percy have earned the organization's gratitude and respect for their work on the Board of Directors. We will miss you!

Sincerely,

John Waters, Ph.D.

HAPS President Elect 2008

President-Elect

Caryl Tickner, M.A. Biology
Stark State College



Imagine joining the faculty at Stark State College (Ohio) with a graduate degree in Ecology, only to be thrust into teaching A&P! Searching for an organization that would help me hone my skills, I stumbled upon the 1992 HAPS conference in San Diego. Not only did I discover an organization that addressed my teaching and learning needs, but one that included a society of nurturing and welcoming people. I knew immediately this was a society in which I wanted to become a long-term, active participant. Since that first conference nearly 20 years ago, the content of the HAPS meetings accompanied by lasting friendships have shaped the way I currently develop and teach a wide variety of anatomy and physiology courses. HAPS also shaped my leadership style, as I became more involved at my college while serving on numerous committees as Chair and finally as the Faculty Association

President. My current interests as a long-time faculty member include teaching and learning styles in the A&P classroom.

HAPS is a society I believe in passionately. The professional skills and valuable network of good friends makes this Society a life-long and interconnected necessity for me. I have served in numerous leadership capacities, including Secretary (1997-1999), Central Region Director (1999-2001), *HAPS-EDucator* editor (1997-1999), *HAPS-EDucator* editorial board (1996-present), and Publications Board Chair (1997-1998). I have co-presented workshops at two HAPS Annual Conferences, co-chaired HAPS' Ohio Membership Committee (1996-1997) and served on a committee to help screen potential management firms during the initial recruitment of a management group. I co-hosted a three day HAPS Regional Conference at Stark State College that drew more than 100 regional instructors.

I have witnessed and been part of the evolution of HAPS with its ups and downs as the Board struggled with challenging financial and strategic decisions. As a result of that evolution and through the hard work and commitment of HAPS members, HAPS has matured into an organization that now extends its influences not only at our educational institutions but also nationally. Yet, as HAPS has grown into a very sophisticated society, it still maintains the qualities that make HAPS unique and appreciated by all of its members - the collegiality which is unequalled.

Many of us who have been involved in HAPS throughout the years have taken periodic breathers from Board and committee activities. Yet many of those same individuals, myself included, are eventually drawn back into increased involvement in HAPS. I am at that juncture now where I am once again ready to serve HAPS in a more directed way as President-Elect. I can help HAPS achieve progress towards its long-term objectives as contained in the May 2007 *HAPS Progress Report and Long Term Plan*. Along with the more "seasoned" members of the Board, I can bring a historical perspective to implementation of strategic goals while incorporating and embracing ideas brought by the newer Board members. Other goals I support include advancing HAPS-I, preserving our financial stability, maintaining our robust relationships with vendors, and cultivating relationships with complementary professional organizations.

Secretary
Wanda Hargroder, Ph.D.
Louisiana State University



“Friendship needs no words” a quote by Dag Hamarshkjold that gives meaning to my relationship with HAPS. As a HAPS member for six years, I have had the pleasure of meeting and getting to know people that share the same level of love and passion for teaching anatomy and physiology that I possess. I have been fortunate to attend HAPS conferences in Philadelphia, St. Louis, Austin, San Diego and New Orleans. At all these events I have found HAPS to be an organization that welcomes people with open arms and supports its members regardless of the level of participation. I find you can be as involved as you want to be and your efforts are recognized and appreciated.

Currently I am serving as HAPS Chair of the Cadaver Use Committee and a member of the HAPS Steering Committee. Last year along with Judy Venuti and Susan VanLoon, I served as co-coordinator for the HAPS Conference in New Orleans. Additionally I assumed the duties of Workshop Committee Chair for the New Orleans Conference (whoever has it this year, you have my prayers). I wrote and had published an article in the HAPS Educator about my establishing a cadaver lab at Louisiana State University. Currently I teach Human Anatomy lecture and am the coordinator for both cadaver and computer-based anatomy labs. I serve as the Director of the Human Movement Internship Program that allows students in Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physician’s Assistant, and Pre-Medicine to shadow a professional for two semesters prior to their attending professional school. As a professor, I have earned the 2003 and 2006 LSU College of Education Excellence in Teaching Award as well as the 2007 Tiger Athletic Foundation Teaching Award.

Should I be elected to serve as Secretary for HAPS, I will commit to serving in this capacity with energy, throw in some humor, and exhibit a willingness to be a valued member of the organization. I will extend to others the hand of friendship that has so often welcomed me in the lobby of hotels on that first day of HAPS registration. Hopefully I can bring some new and bold ideas to the Board that can help make HAPS stronger and more nationally recognized. If elected, my place on the Board of Directors will help me fulfill a professional goal I set just a couple of years ago. Also feel assured that this opportunity will not be wasted. There is a common thread that runs throughout the membership of HAPS and that is the passion for teaching. As a Board member, I promise to keep good teaching techniques a priority and help ensure that our mission resonates within our membership. I am proud to be a HAPSter and ask that you allow me the privilege of serving you as Secretary for the coming year.

Central Regional Director
Pat Bowne, Ph.D.
Alverno College



I've been teaching one-semester A&P and one-semester Pathophysiology at Alverno College since 1986. More recently, I began teaching a graduate Physiology and Pathophysiology course in Alverno's MSN program. I've also taught Introductory Biology for majors and nonmajors, Zoology, Endocrinology, Neuroendocrinology, Exercise Physiology, Comparative Physiology, Coral Reef Biology, and Garbage. My degrees are in Biology (BS), Humanities (BA), Marine Biology (MS) and Zoology (PhD).

Teaching has always been my career goal. I enjoy pulling information together into an organized 'story' that students can follow. I like creating media and teaching aids, and have been writing computer tutorials since 1989. My students and I have created over 40 physiology tutorials, all available on my website. I've published a variety of pieces on teaching and tutorial construction, all of them in teaching-related journals like HAPS-Educator and Bioscene, and have written summaries of update seminars for most of the HAPS conferences I have attended.

I've been a HAPS member for about 8 years, and have come to all but one of the annual conferences since I joined. I've presented at most of them, on topics including: Using quantitative models to teach blood pressure, Cancer as an integrative topic, Designing models of physiological problem-solving, and Collaboration with the nursing department. I've picked up many useful teaching tips at HAPS meetings, and taken the HAPS-I course on Renal Physiology. What I value most in meetings, though, is camaraderie and insight into issues we all struggle with. It's easy to assume that you're alone in your problems. HAPS meetings, and the HAPS listserv, help break down that isolation.

I have an agenda for becoming a member of the Board of Directors; to increase collaboration between HAPS and nursing organizations. Since I began teaching in the MSN program, I've had to work more closely with nurses than ever before. I've attended update seminars in nursing, and have spent part of my sabbatical shadowing nurses and interviewing them about their use of physiology. What has all this taught me?

First, that nursing updates are often exactly the kind of clinical update I need. I want to work towards making those opportunities better known to HAPS members, and if possible to foster relationships that will allow us to attend them at lower costs or relate them to our own meetings.

Second, I know too little about what my nursing students will face in their later courses and as professionals. I run across a new concept every time I dip into the nursing literature – nursing diagnoses, failure to rescue, never events, case maps. I want to make these concepts more accessible to A&P instructors, so they can better present examples of how their nursing students can expect to use A&P.

Through my graduate students, I've become involved with the American Association of Critical Care Nurses and found its president and president-elect very receptive to the idea of working with HAPS. I'll pursue this whether elected or not. Being on the Board of Directors may simply make it easier.

**Southern Regional Director
Craig Clifford, Ph.D.
Northeastern State University**



In my 26th year of college-level teaching, I still marvel at the subject of physiology and the challenge of teaching students what I am so excited about. I earned my masters in zoology and physiology and my Ph.D. in physiology from Louisiana State University. I have taught human anatomy (w/ and w/o cadaver), animal physiology, histology, pathophysiology, invertebrate zoology, endocrinology, parasitology and entomology. Currently I am the only physiologist in a department of 11 faculty. I have been a member of HAPS for at least 18 years and have only missed one annual meeting. I was able to assist with the Ft. Worth meeting of HAPS. I have presented once or twice at a national meeting. It was through my association with HAPS that I was able to publish an introductory A&P lab manual through Saunders. I have reviewed numerous textbooks offering feedback to my colleagues. I served for several years on the HAPS Educator Advisory Board editing, proofing and writing a few submissions. I also served as an early chair on the Animal Use Committee and assisted in assembling a resource list in that area. I assisted in writing a report for an ad hoc committee on why members do not attend annual meetings. I am currently on the Membership Committee which is looking at recruiting and retaining new members for HAPS.

My research activities at the present involve the American burying beetle, an endangered species, with its largest population occurring in Oklahoma.

I am currently the Faculty Council president at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, Oklahoma having also served in that capacity in the early '90s. I served as president for the Oklahoma Academy of Sciences. I was the executive secretary treasurer for the Oklahoma Society of Physiologists. I have also served on the board and as president for Tahlequah Kiwanis Club, the Tahlequah Arts Council and the Tahlequah Community Playhouse. I am also currently serving as the president of the Illinois River BalloonFest, Inc. And most significantly I served for ten years as president of Tahlequah Area Habitat for Humanity, Inc.

HAPS has been the most significant professional organization in my career. My regular attendance at national meetings is not only an indication that I like to have a good time but also that I value the personal and professional friendships that I have made through HAPS. The workshops, the update seminars, the hands-on learning, the conversations in the hall and on the buses have all influenced my teaching and personal life. As the Southern Regional Director I will use whatever resources that the organization has to spread the good news of HAPS to potential members in the region. HAPS has already started to see the attrition of retiring members and needs new blood to grow and continue to be an advocate for quality anatomy and physiology education.