Greetings from the executive committee of the Commission of Professors of Adult Education (CPAE)! We are pleased to bring you the Spring issue of the CPAE newsletter. In it you will find information about the CPAE, including listings of executive committee members. Special Interest Group (SIG) chairs and their contact information is also included. If you are new to CPAE or you would like to get more involved, please consider joining and becoming actively involved with one of the SIGs. At our Denver conference last year, we had an excellent program and member participation was stronger than in the past couple of years; thanks to the efforts of our program planners—Lilian Hill and Rosemary Closson. This year, Lilian continues as program planner, and she is joined by Colleen Aalsburg Wiessner, one of our newly elected executive committee members. Please give them your support as they ask you for your suggestions and for your help. What was most encouraging about last year’s sessions was the level of participation by both junior and senior professors. I hope we will have a repeat of that this year.

The AAACE board is busy preparing for this year’s conference in Cleveland, and we on the commission are doing the same. A main issue we had to decide was the registration fee that we could charge for the post-conference activities to at least break even. I thank all of you who shared your ideas about what was reasonable for faculty and students. Taking into consideration the comments of the voting members of the commission, the executive committee decided to keep the faculty registration fee at $80 and to charge a $25 student fee. We are aware that this may create a hardship for a few students, but we were encouraged by programs and individuals who were willing to support their students by paying the $25 fee. To further encourage participation, AAACE is again offering a two-day reduced conference rate. This year’s CPAE conference will take place on Thursday, November 5 and Friday, November 6, with the business meeting on November 5. Please visit the AAACE website (www.aaace.org) for the call for proposals, lodging, and registration information for both the AAACE and CPAE conferences.

The AAACE website continues to be a work-in-progress, and the integration of CPAE with that website has not yet been accomplished. The AAACE website is now hosted by Memberclicks, and the board’s intent is to have all the commissions linked to the AAACE site. Once that is completed, we will be able to access the CPAE membership database, which would be updated on a regular basis. The list would represent current members of the commission. We continue to thank Lee Pierce, Membership Committee Chair, for his longstanding work on keeping the membership database current.

In what has become a tradition for CPAE, we will hold our midyear meeting at AERC in Chicago on Friday, May 29 from 12:30–1:45. For those of you who will be attending AERC, I hope you will join us. An agenda for the meeting will be sent over the listserv. I welcome your suggestions for discussion topics. Please forward them to malfred@tamu.edu. See you at AERC in Chicago.

Sincerely,

Mary V. Alfred
Chair, CPAE
More information about opportunities in the MS in Adult Education/HRD program at Fordham University may be found at http://www.fordham.edu/gse/aded (please copy and paste this URL to get access to this site) or via email at adultedhrd@fordham.edu

**New Hires**

**Dr. Steve J. Rios**, who earned his Doctorate in Adult Education and Human Resource Development from Florida International University in December 2008, has joined the Florida Atlantic University College of Education faculty as a visiting assistant professor. Dr. Rios most recently directed a county-wide professional development program that trained hundreds of K-12 and postsecondary educators about the educational needs of foster children. Prior to leaving Palm Beach County to complete his doctorate, Dr. Rios worked as a program evaluator in the Department of Research and Evaluation with Palm Beach County Public Schools.

Dr. Rios’ research interests include using emerging technology to support higher education instruction, vulnerable yet academically successful young adults, and university-school district partnership for improvement of adult and community education programs.

**Dr. Melanie S. Jones** was hired as an assistant professor of adult and higher education at Morehead State University, Morehead, KY.
The CPAE Standards have been published and available as a PDF at the CPAE website under the “Membership” tab. See http://205.241.44.17/cpae/membership.htm

Mark H. Rossman was a member of AEAUSA/AAACE from 1969-2006 and a member of CPAE from 1974-2006. He received emeritus professor status from Capella University. He can be contacted at mark.rossman@capella.edu.

Kudos

Gretchen T. Bersch was inducted into the International Adult and Continuing Education Hall of Fame in December 2008. The ceremony was in conjunction with the regional UNESCO Confintea VI conference in Budapest, Hungary. See the website for all 2008 inductees: http://www.halloffame.outreach.ou.edu/hall2008.html

Sharan B. Merriam and Rosemary S. Caffarella received the 2009 Malcolm Knowles Memorial Self-Directed Learning Award at the 23rd annual International Society for Self-Directed Learning Conference on February 5, 2009.

The Adult Education Research Conference (AERC) will be held in Chicago, IL. It is sponsored by National-Louis University. Preconferences will be held on May 27, 2009. The conference is from May 28-30. See the website for details: http://www.nl.edu/aerc/preconf.cfm

The Western Region Research Conference on the Education of Adults will be held from October 23-25, 2009 at Western Washington University in Bellingham, WA. See the website for details: http://www.wwu.edu/wrrcea/

Call for Proposals

Adult Higher Education Alliance: Please join us in Chicago October 6-9, 2009 for our annual conference. For additional information and program proposals, please go to http://www.ahea.org/conference/annual.htm or e-mail ahea@hotmail.com

Proposals deadline: May 15, 2009

The American Association for Adult and Continuing Education Conference (AAACE) will be held in Cleveland, Ohio, November 3-6, 2009. Proposal information is available at http://www.aaace.org/mc/page.do?sitePagId=86732

Proposal deadline: May 15, 2009
Articles and Book Chapters


**Books**


Released in December 2008, the issue contains Editor’s notes (Dirkx), The meaning and role of emotions in adult learning (Dirkx), Adults in programs for the “academically underprepared” (Isserlis), Emotional challenges of adult learners in higher education (Kasworm), Adult learning and the emotional self in virtual online contexts (Smith), Fostering awareness of diversity and multiculturalism in adult and higher education (Baumgartner and Johnson-Bailey), Adult learning in the workplace: Emotion work of emotion learning? (Bierema), Powerful feelings: Exploring the affective domain of informal and arts-based learning (Lawrence), Teaching and emotions in a nonformal educational setting (Taylor), and The emotional self in adult learning (Clark and Dirkx).


Victor C. X. Wang announces the anticipated publication of the following two volume book: *The handbook of research on e-learning applications for career and technical education: Technologies for vocational training*, published by IGI Global, will be available in May 2009. See the website for details: http://www.igi-global.com/reference/details.asp?ID=34396

A second text by Victor C. X. Wang, *International Journal of Adult Vocational Education and Technology (IJAVET)*, will be available in 2010. See the website for details: http://www.igi-global.com/journals/details.asp?ID=32914
2009 Cyril O. Houle Award for Outstanding Literature in Adult Education

Nominations are invited for the 2009 Cyril O. Houle World Award. This award was established in 1981 to honor the scholarship and memory of Cyril O. Houle, professor of adult education at the University of Chicago. It is given annually by the American Association for Adult and Continuing Education (AAACE) for a book published in English in the previous year that reflects universal concerns of adult educators. Nominated works should exemplify outstanding literature in adult education.

Eligibility

1. The work was published in 2008.
2. Single or jointly authored books are eligible. Compiled or edited books are not eligible.
3. Nominee must be able to accept the award personally at the AAACE Conference.
4. A publication may not be nominated for both the Houle and Okes Awards.
5. The winning nominee must be a member of AAACE.

Criteria—Books nominated must:

1. Be written in English
2. Reflect the universal concerns of adult educators
3. Be relevant to adult educators in more than one country
4. Exemplify high standards of scholarship
5. Be well organized and well written
6. Contribute significantly to the advancement of adult education as a unified field of study and practice.

Nominations Cover Sheet

1. Award identification: Identify the nominations by typing at the top of the page: “AAACE National Awards Nomination: Houle Award for Outstanding Literature.”
2. Book information: Name of book, year published, publisher, publisher’s address.
3. Author(s) information: Name, job title, organization, address, phone number, fax, and e-mail address.
4. Nominator information: Name, job title, organization, address, phone number, fax, and e-mail address.
5. Signature: Nominators must sign and date the cover letter.

Nominated book:

1. Nominations must include five (5) copies of the nominated book.
2. Send all information and books to the Chair, Houle Award Selection Committee at the address below, to arrive by June 15, 2009.

Selection Process:

The AAACE Awards Committee works with the Commission of Professors of Adult Education (CPAE) to provide general oversight for the Houle Award process. The Houle Selection Committee consists of five CPAE/AAACE members. When possible, the most recent recipient(s) of the Houle Award are asked to act as Chair or Co-Chairs of the committee for the following year. The committee may choose not to make the award at its discretion.

Mail Nominations to Chair, Houle Award Selection Committee, AAACE, 10111 Martin Luther King, Jr. Hwy, Suite 200 C, Bowie, MD 20720.

Nominations must be received by June 15, 2009.
CPAE Special Interest Group (SIG) Sessions

You are invited to submit proposals for SIG Sessions at this year’s CPAE conference with the AAACE Conference in Cleveland, OH, November 1-6. The CPAE Conference will begin in the afternoon, Thursday, November 5 with the SIG Sessions scheduled in the morning and afternoon on Friday, November 6.

Submitting a Proposal

The proposals should be sent directly to the chair of the relevant SIG listed below. If you would like to propose a session for consideration, please send a 250-word proposal abstract via e-mail directly to the Chair or Co-Chairs of the SIG. See the list of SIG Chairs/Co-Chairs on page 8.

A proposed session may include a panel of colleagues with short presentations and a period of discussion or other individual or multiple presenter formats. Each SIG will have approximately a 1.5 hour session timeframe. Questions regarding the SIGs should be directed to the SIG chair or co-chairs. The deadline for submitting proposals to the SIG Chair or Co-Chairs is Friday, May 22, 2009.

Your 250-word proposal for a SIG Session should:

• Present a clearly identified perspective related to the SIG;
• Indicate how this perspective may be useful in adult education theory and/or practice;
• Identify how it contributes to our professional discourse at CPAE;
• Describe the proposed presentation, content, and degree of audience participation;
• Include names and contact information of all presenters if proposing a panel or group presentation.

Please e-mail session proposals directly to the Chair or Co-Chairs, as listed below for the specific Special Interest Groups.

Selection of Sessions

The selection will not be a blind review process, so your name and contact information should be included. Please include the names and contact information of all presenters if proposing a panel or group presentation.

The SIG Chairs will respond directly to you no later than Friday, August 28th, 2009. They may combine ideas and proposals from presenters for the final content and format of the session. SIG Chairs/Co-Chairs are responsible for submitting their program to the CPAE Program Co-Chairs (Hill & Aalsburg Wiessner) by September 18, 2009.

Questions

Questions regarding the SIGs should be directed toward the relevant Chair/Co-Chairs. General questions for the CPAE Conference 2008 should be directed to the Program Co-Chairs, Lilian H. Hill at lilian.hill@usm.edu or Colleen Aalsburg Wiesnner at colleen.wiesnner@ncsu.edu

More information about the AAACE conference is available at: http://www.aaace.org/
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