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News from NADA

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DETROIT: YOUNG PEOPLE SUCCEED IN NADA ADS TRAINING

Five of the youngest persons ever to complete NADA training did so last month. Their training session was a Detroit curtain-raiser for the 2009 NADA annual conference held in nearby Ann Arbor. A workforce development program for young people created the opportunity.

In a speech following the training event, NADA President Ken Carter characterized the training of youth in acu detox as a sign of how NADA is a tradition of “folk healing”, meant to be passed on through generations of families. In fact, two of the young trainees were grandchildren of 14-year ADS veteran and NADA registered trainer-candidate Pat Borum. The pair remember their grandmother giving them ear seeds and magnets as they were growing up, and both have an interest in addictions treatment.



CHELLFONTE ROBINSON

“In my neighborhood, a lot of youth aren’t as active anymore and a lot of parents aren’t as active with their youth. Maybe one day I can encourage families as a whole to be more positive,” explains Chellfonte Robinson, Pat’s 19-year old granddaughter.

Darlene Owens (see related article, this

page) received one of the first treatments done by Chellfonte’s cousin, Vernard Willis, age 20. Although Vernard had never seen acupuncture needles until the training day, Darlene testified that his treatment helped her to “sleep like a baby” that night. “With acupuncture you get an instant result,” reports YOUNG PEOPLE continues on page 2

DETROIT: STORY OF A SUDDEN PLAN

“Who else can talk to a young person but another young person?” posed Darlene Owens, substance abuse treatment manager for the Southeast Michigan Community Alliance (SEMCA) who, along with NADA president Ken Carter, thought of the idea to train youth in acu detox back in late April. Even though time was short, and the slots for the usual pre-conference ADS training were already full, Darlene and Ken decided it would be worthwhile to try and deliver this innovative training as part of the annual conference. They believed the concept fit well with the theme of the NADA event, “Acu Detox: A Tool for Tough Times”. Their thought was to create a surge in acu detox awareness and interest during the week that NADA was in the Detroit region, an area much in the news lately due to the high impact of the recession.

With only a few weeks to go before the NADA annual conference, there was very little time to organize the training. Lincoln Recovery Center, NADA’s birthplace, came to the rescue by volunteering the services of some of its staff and SUDDEN PLAN continues on page 3

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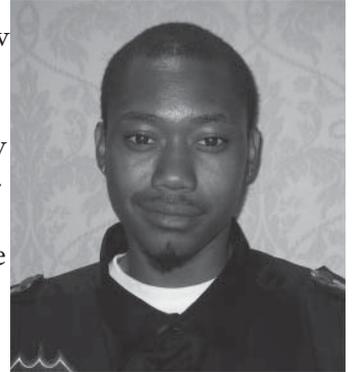
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Chellfonte. "I know that I helped somebody today and that I can help multiple people in one day."

The youth trainees will immediately be using their new acu detox skills as employees of the New Life Project, a NADA training site which offers groups and farming activities for addictions rehabilitation for clients ages 30-60. They receive wages under a program funded by state and federal monies.

Executive director Pam Czuj says 90% of New Life's clients are parents, and "every single one of them has shame about how they've parented." As a 35-year seasoned family social worker, Pam believes there is "something magical about a young person's desire to be helpful." She will be supervising the newly-trained youth, and foresees the inclusion of youth in the agency's service delivery as a component of "making it possible" for clients to be better parents.



VERNARD WILLIS

Vernard, who comes from a family of nurses and is currently studying nursing at community college reported: "Our [NADA] instructor Nancy, she's an LPN, said the treatment that they were giving people helped them out so much that thousands of people kept coming every day." He was referring to Nancy Smalls, who is also a NADA board member and registered trainer and one of the Lincoln Recovery Center folk who assisted with the training. Nancy was joined by longstanding fellow Lincoln trainers Jo Ann Lenney and Carlos Alvarez.

"Once I started treating people in the class, at first I'm thinking the pins were going to hurt them. I thought they were going to say ouch, but they didn't," Vernard reports. "The people, they come in. They get the treatment. They sit for 45 minutes. They were relaxed." Vernard says the training was hands-on, and he describes himself as a hands-on learner. He reports the trainers were patient with him.

"Carlos showed us how you could use the right ear as a clock. Where your shenmen was your 12 o'clock, your lung was your 6 o'clock." Chellfonte

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confesses her own fear of needles, but says that client feedback helped her build confidence. “We had to tell the clients to breathe before we put the needles in. And when they breathed I did it too. It helped me calm down also. It helped me to be comfortable in what I was doing.” She was the former president of her local girl scouts group and trained in conflict resolution in high school. She is currently studying business administration and management. The cousins attend Wayne State Community College, Chellfonte in business administration and Vernard in nursing.

The ADS-trained youth have an interest in addictions counseling. They will be working among five different methadone clinics in Detroit and the surrounding Wayne and Monroe counties, and could be assigned to work in any of several acu detox-utilizing programs in the area. In addition to administering acu detox, the youth will be following counselors around, sitting in on groups and performing clerical work.

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volunteers who took a week out of their lives to work with the trainees. NADA founder Mike Smith advanced funding for travel and incidental expenses. Detroit’s American Indian Health and Family Services (AIHS) center volunteered its community room and the agency’s patients graciously volunteered their ears for the trainees to practice on.

Counting the traditional and long-planned pre-conference ADS training (held this year at Brighton Hospital in Brighton, Michigan) and this special, last-minute version organized at AIHS in Detroit, some 34 new ADSes received their certificates of training during the conference week.

Most of the trainees at the Detroit training needed scholarship help to be able to afford to take the course. NADA pledged to plug any funding gap which, together with the Lincoln and AIHS contributions, made the training possible.

According to Carol Taub, chairperson of the overall 2009 conference, (which was NADA’s 20th consecutive annual gathering) the event succeeded programmatically and fiscally. Attendance by →



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Michigan NADA members was especially high, perhaps due to the pre-conference outreach efforts. These included a week-long outreach trip to many NADA sites in the Detroit region by Ken Carter. Conferees represented 23 states and four Canadian provinces as well as Finland, Germany, Sweden, The Philippines, and the United Kingdom.

Brigid, who is also a registered nurse. “They’ll see it as a very safe place to get to a relaxed state. It will be a way of an entry point, and makes a nice impression on them.”

In addition to the complementary therapies, Daytox’s programming includes psycho-educational groups, individual counseling, and referral. Clients commit to attending eight hours a week and do not have to pay for services. With a total of 20 different groups to choose from, Brigid says her component “takes the highest proportion of client visits.”

The entire complementary therapies program, which includes acu detox and acupuncture, costs \$36,000 Cdn per year. This covers the salaries of two part time acupuncturists (who, in addition to performing acu detox, run each of the complementary groups), the needles, detox tea, food for the nutrition components, marketing, videos for groups, and training allowance for the coordinator. The acu detox/acupuncture component provides 2500-2700 treatments annually, the majority of Daytox’s 3700 client visits. The whole complementary component comprises only 33% of Daytox’s annual budget of \$116,000 Cdn.

When an RAS practitioner applies needles, the client is told what each point is used for. Brigid explains: “I think it deepens the treatment by doing that.” The acupuncturists may also add scalp and arm/leg points. When they put the gold magnets on the back shen men point of the ear, they ask clients to share one healing message or positive affirmation. She sees this as an effective way to combine the “subconscious” bead stimulation and the “conscious” recovery message.

In addition to Daytox, RAS currently holds a pilot acu detox project for youth at RAS’s drop-in STD testing clinic. “A lot of the youth have potential addictions. Acu detox is a way of engaging youth and helping them gain access to services.”

Brigid explains that while RAS doesn’t offer a needle exchange, “harm reduction is part of the spectrum of programs. If you look at the person with an addiction, you want to improve their quality of life.” RAS recently began a new group which allows pre-contemplative clients to talk with a therapist about recovery and helps them access available programs. Clients seen by the clinicians as acutely intoxicated are

PROGRAM FINDS ACU POPULAR, EFFECTIVE AND AFFORDABLE

Five years after its inception, an acu detox program in Richmond, British Columbia reports making a significant impact on client success and being the most popular service offered, while costing the program a fraction of its budget.



Like NADA’s own history, Richmond Addictions Services (RAS) began in the 1970’s out of an effort to meet the needs of the recovery community with few resources or funding, according to George Passmore, director of clinical services. Three members of Alcoholics Anonymous realized that no resources other than AA existed. “They had no capital and the best option they could devise was to begin seeing clients in the garage of one of the men.” George explains.

In 2004, thirty years later, when RAS launched a six-week holistic day program, they modeled it after similar NADA programs in nearby Vancouver, BC. Operating under the name “Daytox”, acupuncturists Brigid Ting and Nancy Yerby-Cameron teamed up to run the acu detox groups, recovery yoga and tai chi, a healing energies group, and western and eastern cooking classes.

“RAS was funded originally just for detox. Now it’s a little broader in terms of all clients who basically have an addiction” such as gambling and smoking, in addition to mental health problems, says

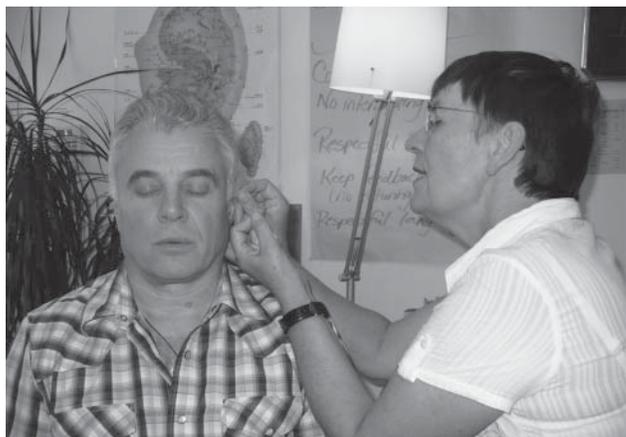
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“Yes, you are going to study better in the middle of the night if you take one of these medications. The problem is a certain percentage of people become addicted to them, and some have toxic effects.”

Nora Volkow, director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, on the growing fad for misuse of anti-ADHD medications by non-diagnosed individuals.

not offered acupuncture.

With annual expenses of \$2.2 million Cdn, RAS is funded by Richmond Health Services, the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, and by the City of Richmond. RAS is also funded by, and



BRIGID TING AND PATIENT

is a non-profit within, Vancouver Coastal Health. RAS sees 800 unique clients per year and employs 24 staff.

In the future, Brigid says, RAS may explore enrolling in British Columbia's new subsidized acupuncture program for low-income families through the Medical Services Plan (MSP). Brigid describes it as “an encouraging, emerging trend towards recognizing acupuncture as part of the health care system” and estimates that one-third of their clients may be eligible. MSP pays \$23 Cdn per acupuncture session. If explored, MSP could well cover RAS's group acupuncture sessions, which cost RAS \$7-9 Cdn per person. Brigid compares the value of their group treatments to the average local acupuncturist charges of \$60 Cdn per individual session.

As far as outcomes, Brigid reports that “RAS did a survey and looked at admissions for addiction

clients for hospital visits. Out of all the services, the Daytox makes the greatest impact on reducing inpatient hospital admissions services. And of course hospital admits are quite a bit more expensive than community-based services.” (This survey was held after the first year of Daytox, back in 2004.)

Brigid notes that RAS will only hire acupuncturists who have NADA training. “I think that it takes a certain orientation from the acupuncturist to be open to treating mental health. There's many concurrent things going on.” She emphasizes the importance of the “group Qi,” as opposed to individual acupuncture treatments, in creating a healing environment to confront the social stigma of addiction. “The difference is in a diagnostic process and with the 5NP; you're really not going into a diagnostic process. You're doing a treatment around balance and harmony.”

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MARYLANDER OFFERS TRAINING TRACK FOR SUPERVISORS OF ADSes

The demand for qualified ADS supervisors in Maryland has sparked a project to offer ADS supervisor training. According to NADA registered trainer Cara Michele Nether, her organization Ear Acupuncture Resources (EAR) provides a resource to improve performance of licensed acupuncturists in their role as supervisors of ADS-trained clinicians. Cara Michele observes that education for NADA supervisors has previously been limited. Till now, she observes, would-be supervisors could only learn from hit or miss opportunities with registered trainers at annual conferences or informal calls to the NADA office or to NADA founder Michael Smith at Lincoln Recovery Center.

She has pointed out that while the need exists for competent ADS supervisors, currently there is no requirement for such acupuncturists who supervise ADSes to have knowledge of substance use disorder programs or supervisory skills. (See her guest editorial: "Acupuncturist Supervision: The Next Step" in *Guidepoints*, March 2009).



CARA MICHELE NETHER

E.A.R.'s ADS supervisor training aims to empower prospective acupuncturists with "information needed to be clear communicators and proactive thinkers," according to the website www.earacupunctureresources.com. "[The training] put structure to stuff I knew but needed to know more about" says acupuncturist Maureen Gary, who attended an ADS supervisor training last year. Maureen says this training was particularly helpful for recent acupuncture graduates who had never set up to supervise a program on their own.

Maureen has been a supervisor for three years, and currently supervises two outpatient clinics in the Baltimore area. She also provides acupuncture at a dual diagnosis program. Until Cara Michele helped explain Maryland state regulations, Maureen didn't understand why staff at the dual diagnosis program couldn't be trained as ADSes. "It helped clear up some of the ways of reading the state regulations because everyone interprets them differently."

NADA OFFICE NEEDS NEW HOME

Since the current holder of the contract for provision of the NADA Office services will be retiring at the end of 2009, the NADA Board is seeking a new contract provider. Potential contractors who believe they can meet the following general qualifications may ask to receive the Information and Application Packet for Prospective Contractors by sending an email request to nadaoffice@acudetox.com.

General Qualifications:

- A. Thorough understanding of the NADA mission and familiarity with the culture and history of contemporary clinical practice in behavioral medicine, with emphasis on treatment of addictions.
- B. Commitment to increasing NADA membership via grassroots community organizing and outreach.
- C. Proven ability to perform the technical functions required – Bookkeeping, data base, newsletter production, electronic communications, correspondence, member records management.
- D. Stable financial history.
- E. Possession of all necessary licenses to operate in the specific intended NADA Office locale.
- F. Proven ability to operate a small business entity that generates consistent, positive cash flow.

A prospective contract provider may be either a for-profit or non-profit entity. Organizations currently utilizing NADA technology in the treatment of addictions or other behavioral health problems, and/or providing NADA training, are encouraged to apply. NADA encourages creativity in how prospective providers propose to organize the delivery of services and staffing arrangements. Maximum use of electronic and internet technology in carrying out the functions is encouraged.

Cara Michele says acu detox supervisors and programs don't always know how to deal with common clinical problems that arise, as well as basic blood borne pathogens precautions and risk management. She equips participants with a list of 15 group session rules, a supervising checklist, consent forms and advertising flyers. As supervision is a potential source of income for acupuncturists, she teaches them how to set fees, how frequently to visit programs, and how to take advantage of resources. In addition, they learn how to support the ADS staff with improving needling technique and client interactions. She charges \$150 for the training, which offers continuing education credit hours.

E.A.R. also offers program development training. This is a free, interactive discussion for acupuncturists who want to set up programs in settings that can't utilize ADSes. Some of the topics discussed are foundational principals of NADA style, and the value of non-verbal treatments. According to Cara Michele, programs also struggle to know how to expand. She teaches the acupuncturist to support program growth, how to write a grant, create a proposal, and the nuts and bolts of professional standards, treatment costs and mental health nomenclature.

Cara Michele says her mission is to educate mental health programs on the uses of acu detox. As an acu detox teacher at Tai Sophia Institute for the Healing Arts, she learned that there were only a few NADA trainers in Maryland. As part of a senior project, her students created a database of all addiction treatment programs in the state and mailed an information notice to every program within a 20 mile radius. The purpose was "to let them know about our acu detox information session." The mailing cost \$100, and seven people from four programs responded. As part two of the project, the students have begun calling all the programs in the state to see if they are using acu detox in their programs. "The goal is to learn if they are in need of support and if they are not, we are willing to give them information on the benefits of utilizing acu detox."

Basic ADS training is another aspect of E.A.R.'s business activity. Cara Michele promotes acu detox as a way for programs to improve retention rates and staff productivity, and decrease operations costs and staff burnout. She is currently training nine counselors from Bon Secours Hospital's treatment programs. Cara Michele claims, "This will be the first hospital in Maryland to have ADSes providing treatment."

She charges \$450 per ADS candidate, which covers NADA training, certificate and application fee, training supplies (including ear models and manuals) and Maryland licensure application fees. In addition, she processes their applications and offers ongoing email, telephone and online support. "It doesn't help to get people excited and then to let the ball drop because they aren't being taken care of." She charges programs \$700 for at least seven on-site visits for practical supervision. In 2008, she estimates assisting 25-30 programs with training and consultation.

Cara Michele and her business partner Lisa Keys offer free presentations for staff of treatment organizations interested in acu detox. She finds the *Points To Change* video to be the best way to begin a session for this audience. "It's a very useful video because it helps to set the context for people who are new to acu detox. This video gets the job done. The part that gets them the most is the clients' experience. That really hits home." Cara Michele gives the organizational representatives an information packet and briefly explains the history of acupuncture and NADA. She explains how having the acu detox capability can help their bottom line of cutting costs. The representatives then receive a demonstration treatment. "When they actually experience [acu detox], then they see first hand how it is going to benefit their clients."

While Cara Michele is willing to travel to programs for free presentations, she says a more sustainable model will be holding presentations at her wellness center which is also the home of Women in Wellness, her private acupuncture practice. Cara Michele became an ADS in 2004, and a registered trainer in 2006. She has a background as a crisis counselor and has helped set up several addiction treatment programs. Contact: *Cara Michele Nether, Women in Wellness, 1014 Dulaney Valley Rd., Towson MD 21204. (443)527-8425. Info@cmnether.com*

BEYOND THE BASICS: NADA LEADERS FIGHT UNJUST DEATH PENALTY

A NADA board member appears prominently in a new book about the injustice of the capital punishment system. Sheila Murphy of Chicago encountered NADA originally in her role as a drug court judge. After her retirement from the bench, Sheila expanded her involvement in social reform activities. This led to her being recruited by friends of a Texas death row inmate, Dominique Green, condemned for an alleged crime committed at age 18.



Sheila accepted the task of filing Dominique's final appeals against the death sentence. The relationship between current convict and former judge, according to the new book's author Thomas Cahill, grew into a powerful spiritual experience for both parties. Cahill, whose several

Sheila Murphy

best sellers include *How the Irish Saved Civilization*, notes Sheila's willingness to enter the onerous battle for Dominique despite the obvious attractions of a "leisurely retirement". As he writes: "Sheila forged ahead instinctively, as she often had in the course of her life."

The book, titled *A Saint on Death Row*, recounts how the bizarrely cruel Texas death machinery finally had its way with Dominique. Yet how he conducted himself, learning forgiveness and teaching it to others, left a lasting impression far beyond the walls of his solitary confinement cell.

Sheila was not the only influential personality drawn to protest the injustice of executing someone for a teen age crime. Among others was Bishop Desmond Tutu, who made the long journey to meet Dominique and give his blessing in person. Still another was NADA founder Michael O. Smith. A close ally of Sheila's via engagement in the drug court movement, Mike answered her request to conduct a psychiatric assessment of Dominique.

Due to Mike's status as a medical practitioner, he was allowed to actually touch Dominique during the assessment interview. According to Sheila, Mike was one of only two outsiders permitted to have physical contact with Dominique during the length of his 10 years on death row.

According to Sheila, she hoped testimony from Mike could help get a review of Dominique's case. He had psychiatric experience with criminals from his work at the Rikers Island penal facility in New York, and would be a credible expert witness. While Mike's assessment found that Dominique would not be a danger to the public if allowed to live, the Texas system disallowed any such input due to it being offered "too late" in the processing of the case.

Cahill T, *A Saint on Death Row: The Story of Dominique Green*. 145 p, 5 x 8 inch format. ISBN 978-0-385-52019-5

ADS TRAINING MARKETED ON WEB

Persons looking for detailed information on training opportunities for acupuncture detoxification specialists can now find it on the web sites of two established NADA training sites.

Homeward Bound in Dallas, Texas, is a multi-

modality treatment facility with regularly scheduled sessions that offer both the didactic and clinical portions of the basic NADA training. Trainees have the opportunity to work in the program clinics where they see a variety of patients. Successful completers are qualified to receive the official NADA certificate of ADS training. For details, go to <http://www.homewardboundinc.org/education.html>

Brighton Hospital in Brighton, Michigan, the second-oldest continuously operating treatment center in the USA, has dedicated a room specifically equipped for acu detox treatment. Regularly scheduled ADS trainings take trainees through the didactic portion of the NADA protocol basic course. The hospital's web site page about the NADA training features videos. To view, go to: <http://www.brightonhospital.org/TreatmentPrograms/ear-auricular-acupuncture-training.aspx>

ACU PLAYED A ROLE IN PIONEER RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PROJECT

A major NADA ally in California is the author of a new book on her experiences trying new rehabilitation methods, including acu detox, to help people jailed for violent crimes return successfully to the free world. Using the concept of "restorative justice", Sunny Schwartz worked with a reform-minded sheriff to create RSVP (for Resolve to Stop the Violence Project) at San Francisco County's Jail #7 in San Bruno.



SUNNY SCHWARTZ

Sunny, originally trained as a lawyer, tells of her two-decade effort in *Dreams From the Monster Factory: A Tale of Prison, Redemption and One Woman's Fight to Restore Justice to All*. Her book formed the basis of a major article by noted social critic Helen Epstein in the June 11, 2009 issue of one of the world's most prestigious literary/political journals, *The New York Review of Books*.

Epstein explains that while alleviating poverty and racism "in the starkly inequitable world outside" must underlie an effective remedy for violent crime, huge changes in penal methods, such as Sunny's RSVP, can play a major role as well.

Along with offering the prisoners theater, guided meditation, yoga, and peer education, Sunny's project obtained the services of the Acupuncture Recovery Treatment Services group of San Francisco NADA activists to provide a regular schedule of group treatments. The book explains the aim of all these alternative techniques was towards "softening these men rather than hardening them, getting them to feel rather than ignore the pain they'd caused".

Although the acupuncture part of the RSVP project was a casualty of budget cuts in 2004-5, Sunny felt the technique had important benefits and intends to restore it when possible. As she wrote to *Guidepoints* recently: "Acupuncture brought enormous health and dignity and peace to the jail community--In addition to seeing a reduction in pill call requests--the acupuncture circle has always been a peaceful, safe and important program that also contributed to the success of our programs as it allowed student-prisoners receptivity to our relapse prevention, violence prevention and education programs."

Early on in the history of RSVP, Sunny

herself took the acupuncture detoxification specialist training from registered trainer Muin Daly.

Schwartz, S., *Dreams From the Monster Factory: A tale of Prison, Redemption and Oe Woman's Fight to Restore Justice to All*, 224 p, ISBN-10:1416569812

DALAI LAMA HONORS FRIEND OF NADA

The Dalai Lama gave an "Unsung Hero of Compassion Award" to Ed Blackburn of Portland,



ED BLACKBURN AND FRIEND
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Oregon, a key player in how NADA's concepts have spread geographically over the past decades. Ed heard back in the 1980's about NADA founder Michael

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Smith's early work with acupuncture at New York's Lincoln Hospital, and invited him to visit Portland. At that time Ed worked for the city's mayor as a crime prevention specialist. He wondered if some improvement in methods of treating addiction might be a helpful tool in his work.

Mike's visit eventually led to a major adoption of NADA methods by the city's principal addictions provider, Central City Concern (CCC) where Ed is now the executive director and which continues pervasive use of acupuncture within its various components.

Ed was one of the 49 individuals honored at a San Francisco ceremony in April. According to a CCC press release, the honorees – 25 women and 24 men ranging in age from 12 to 77, came from 13 countries and a variety of ethnicities, cultures, religions and backgrounds. Each person was honored for service to the disenfranchised of the world and for his or her work to improve communities through their personal efforts.

NADA's Mission

The National Acupuncture Detoxification Association is an educational, not for profit, tax-exempt corporation supporting education and training in a specific auricular acupuncture protocol within comprehensive addiction treatment programs to relieve suffering during detoxification, prevent relapse and support recovery. NADA strives to make acupuncture-based, barrier-free addiction treatment accessible to all communities and to ensure its integration with other treatment modalities.

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NEW BOARD MEMBERS

FILL OFFICER SLOTS

The offices of Secretary and Treasurer on the NADA board of directors have been taken by newly elected board members. Though both Carolyn Reuben of Sacramento, taking over Secretary, and Katurah Bryant of New Haven, handling the Treasurer job, have been active in NADA for many years, each is new to service on the Board.

Carolyn succeeds Mark Farrington of Charlottesville, whose regular term has finished, and Katurah Bryant is stepping in for David Eisen of Portland who has recently resigned.

Besides the specific duties of their offices, the occupants of both positions also serve on the board's executive committee. They attend the monthly teleconferences of the main board, and in between may spend several hours per month on their specific official duties as well as service on various committees.

Some board committees also welcome service by NADA members who are not currently on the board. Persons interested in NADA committee work should contact the board Secretary.

Another new board member, Michele Gaiennie of New Orleans, is serving as co-chair of the 2010 conference committee.

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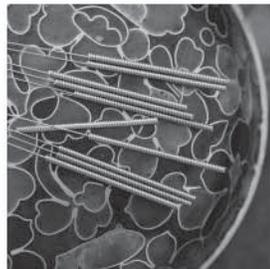
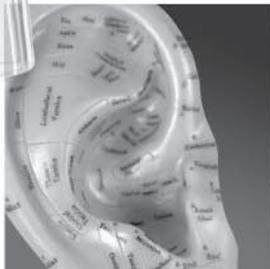
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Though he does not need one himself for mobility, Dr. Zibin Guo has developed a wheelchair version of Tai Chi, shown here in a demonstration for a group in China. He is a medical anthropologist and head of the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga department of sociology, anthropology, and geography, where he is currently conducting a study to explore the potential benefits for people with ambulatory disability.

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