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Save the Date!
*Celebration of 30 Years of Service
October 14, 2018, 5:00 PM
Aloha Moana Hotel*



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PACIFIC HEALTH MINISTRY

Providing Spiritual Care and Education



2018 Extended Online CPE Students

2nd row: left to right: Keith B, Timothy G, Keith G, John H, Shane D; 1st row: Preston L, Juan D, & Sarah J



2018 Summer CPE Students

2nd row (top): Stephen, Kazunori, Beth, Alice, Eeseese; 1st row: Julie & Dario

Message From the Executive Director ...

*"Community is, first of all, a quality of the heart. It grows from the spiritual knowledge that we are alive not for ourselves but for one another."
(Henri Nouwen)*

Those of us residing here in the Hawaiian Islands bear witness to the truth in the words cited above. In the last few months our diverse communities have joined together as we repeatedly faced a multitude of natural disasters. Here in the middle of the Pacific we are interdependent; it is therefore essential that we care for one another. As Chaplains we are right in the midst of the chaos and tragedies, providing compassionate relationship-centered spiritual care.

I am excited that 15 new Chaplaincy students have followed their calling this Spring/Summer to engage in this ministry. In February of this year we launched our first tri-island, long distance, six-months Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) unit with guest ACPE Certified Educator, the Rev. Dr. Earl Cooper. In June, we began an intensive three-month CPE internship training on Oahu. The first lesson in Chaplaincy is to get ourselves out of the way in order to uncover our gifts; develop them; and then use these gifts to serve others. I am deeply moved when I see how our new chaplaincy students and CPE residents reveal their deep passion to serve others. This year Pacific Health Ministry is celebrating 30 years of service within the community.

With Aloha and prayers, Rev. Anke Flohr

Greetings from the Board of Directors

This has literally been a season of fire and flood, with so many families traumatically impacted across our State, north to south. I'm reminded of the strong bonds that Pacific Health Ministry, its Staff, and our Board maintain at so many levels in this community. Rev. Anke Flohr, our Executive Director, and Reverend Kaitlin McCallister, 2017 PHM graduate and now Priest-in-Charge of The Church of the Holy Apostle in Hilo, responded as members of the Disaster Spiritual Care Response Team supporting the Big Island residents evacuated out of harm's way from the Kilauea eruption. A long serving and vital Board member, Mrs. Alice Tucker, returned home one day last month to find her house had indeed been in the direct path of the recent flood devastating East Honolulu, and in her own inimitable way, found the strength to voice the needs of her neighborhood as a whole as she managed her own immediate impacts.

First and last, PHM's mission is one of *Service* – to the patients and families cared for by the healthcare institutions in which we're privileged to serve, to the interdisciplinary teams with whom our Chaplains collaborate, and to the Residents, Students and Volunteers we are mentoring to work in the unique healthcare setting. These latest disasters highlight PHM's ongoing commitment to honor its place as an interconnected link within the community *at large*. I am so very proud to play a role in support of PHM's work, and appeal again for your help. There are many ways to express your support, all very much appreciated: Individual donations or ongoing gifts, and/or attendance at our upcoming **30th Anniversary celebration dinner, to be held on Sunday, 14 Oct 2018, at the Ala Moana Hotel** – save the date! Thank you, as always.

With Grateful Hands Together, Mernie



Mernie Miyasato-Crawford,

PHM Board of Directors President

Pacific Health Ministry is going DIGITAL!

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Board Member Honored

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Oahu Jewish Ohana



Left to Right: Rev. Dr. John Moody,
Alice Tucker, and Rev. Anke Flohr

Congratulations, Alice!

Pacific Health Ministry Board Member, Alice Tucker was honored on May 22, 2018 by the Rotary Club of Honolulu as a "Rotary Treasure." She was acknowledged for her service with more than 20 community organizations. PHM is one of those! Alice has served on the PHM Board for two decades and was President for 12 of those years. Alice is certainly a "Treasure" for PHM and all who know her.

2018 IVAT Award for Chaplain

On April 19, 2018, the Rev. Al Miles was honored with the **Loretta "Deliana" Fuddy Lifetime Achievement Award** at the 15th International Hawai'i Summit on Preventing, Assessing & Treating Trauma Across the Lifespan. IVAT stands for Institute on Violence, Abuse and Trauma.

This award is presented to a professional who has devoted their career to advocating for victims of violence and has been tireless in his or her efforts in making a difference in the community by bringing awareness to the problem, by advocating for the rights and caring of those in need, and by demonstrating wisdom, compassion, and dedication. Rev. Miles has served with PHM for 25 years and serves as the Hospital Ministry Coordinator and Lead Chaplain at Queen's Medical Center where he mentors a continuous stream of chaplain students.



Rev. Al Miles,
PHM Chaplain
celebrating 25 years of
service

In Loving Memory ...

Our Colleague and Friend, Professor Reverend Fritz Fritschel

Written by Rev. Al Miles

For the last 17 years of his life, Fritz Fritschel and I spent hours listening to each other's stories. We were two spiritual leaders who shared a love of breakfast; radical thought; and of laughter—especially at life's many absurdities. We also provided hours of support to one another as cancer survivors who baffled prognosticators by continuing our journeys far longer than clinical research predicted. Here's what my dear friend, "Professor" Fritz, wrote about the importance of listening.



Rev. Miles &
Rev. Fritschel
(at event in 2016;
Rev. Fritschel as a special
guest speaker)

"Over the years I continued to be awed by the stories surrounding terminal patients' experiences. It seemed that the best thing was to listen in such a way as to elicit more expressions of feelings. I consider such listening to be close to divine empathy. Listening is more than just hearing the words that may be spoken. It is being attentive to the unspoken subtext as well. It is being willing to enter into the corridors and closets that may be rusted over with layers of denial and regret. It is listening to the silences of mystery and memory that hover around a bed. It is listening to the breathing, the sighs, the glances and furrowed brows of patient and family. It is being willing to take a stance like the psalmist's vision of a divine presence that will not be turned away."

2018 Staff

Reverend Anke Flohr
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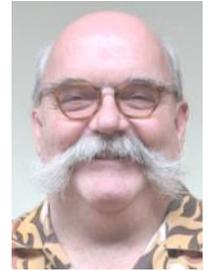
Chaplain Sarah Rentzel Jones
Wilcox Medical Center

Welcome to our New Chaplains

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Serving at Kaiser Permanente Moanalua Medical Center

Leavitt Thomas grew up on the coast of Maine. But he always dreamt of living in Hawaii, the state where he now has resided for more than 30 years. In 1992, he began taking Pacific Health Ministry's (PHM) Beginner and Intermediate Lay-Chaplain Visitation training. He then enrolled in four Extended Units of Clinical Pastoral Education from 2000-2003. He became a Licensed Unity Teacher in 2010, and an ordained Unity Minister in 2017. Leavitt now serves with PHM as a Staff Chaplain at Kaiser Permanente Moanalua Medical Center.



Rev. Leavitt Thomas

Serving at Queen's Medical Center - Punchbowl

In January of this year, Rev. Mossholder relocated from the Great Northwest to Hawaii. He is a Board Certified Chaplain who served for eight years as Hospice Chaplain in Washington State. Chaplain David wrote "I am so blessed to once again be serving with PHM, the agency where I received my CPE training from 2003-2005. Over the past few months I have begun to find myself alive again. The sunshine and surf have been good for my soul. So has serving with PHM at The Queen's Medical Center with our Chaplain Residents and Rev. Al Miles. This is meaningful ministry and the opportunity to invest in those learning this profession is a truly life-giving work."



Rev. David Mossholder

In the Media .. (view at www.phmhawaii.org—News)

National Advance Care Planning Week

April 16-22, 2018

Rev. Ruth Peterson, serving as Chaplain at Pohai Nani Retirement Community, was interviewed on HPR Public Radio in conjunction with National Advance Care Planning Week. She encouraged listeners to prepare their documents when they are in good health because it allows them to think through what their wishes are regarding health care before times of crises.



Chaplain Ruth and Pohai Nani resident
Meg Schoenborn with Leya
her pet dog

National Women's Health Week

May 13—19, 2018

PHM Chaplain Bora Kim was interviewed by MidWeek newspaper on her role in supporting women's health during this week of national recognition. She has served for the past three years at Kapi'olani Medical Center for Women and Children. To see the interview, please go to our website at www.phmhawaii.org under PHM in the News.



Chaplain Bora Kim

Chaplains Bless Surgical Robot Ursula



Left to right: Pacific Health Ministry
Chaplains Phyllis Hormann and Leavitt Thomas

Pacific Health Ministry Chaplains serving at Kaiser Permanente Moanalua Medical Center recently blessed a new *da Vinci* surgical system. The robot, named Ursula by her surgical team, enables surgeons to perform operations through a few small incisions by magnifying the vision system that offers a three-dimensional, high-definition view inside patients' bodies. Ursula will be used for Urology cases and will eventually expand to Gynecological cases. Typically, PHM Chaplains are asked to administer room and unit blessings, as well as blessing the hands and hearts of staff. This was the first equipment blessing performed at Kaiser. **This event was aired in the morning and evening news on KGM B.**