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when she was alive, that perhaps even in death, she could continue giving. The next morning, the family signed the consent forms. (see "Healing Moments" on page 2 for more about Mary's life and family.)

"It is important to involve as many family members in the process as possible," said Chaplain Hirsch. "It can be too much of a burden for one person to carry forever." She recommends to families that they actually all sign the organ donation consent forms.

A short while after Mary's death, Jerry received a letter from the NYODN informing him that Mary's right kidney went to a 39 year old man, her left kidney to a 62-year-old man, and her liver to a 62-year-old man. Parts of her bones, heart, and pancreas were also used for transplant and research.

"Assisting families to make decisions they need to make," said the Rev. Jacobs, "and be at peace with their decisions, is one of the blessings and grace-filled opportunities that I experience as a chaplain."

End-of-Life Decisions

Organ donation goes hand-in-hand with other end-of-life decisions, such as advance directives like those listed below. The New York State Health Care Proxy form has recently been revised to include a place to document wishes regarding organ donation.

- **Health Care Proxy** — lets individuals name someone else to make decisions about their medical care — including decisions about life support and artificial nutrition and hydration (which cannot be removed if the individual has not specifically written that on their Proxy Form) — if they can no longer speak for themselves. It becomes effective any time they are unable to make their own medical decisions.
- **Living Will** — states the kind of medical care an individual wants (or does not want) to receive if they become unable to make their own decisions— such as artificial hydration and nutrition and life support. Living Wills alone are not effective in New York State, though they can serve as clear and convincing evidence of a patient's wishes in court or to a Bioethics Committee at a hospital.
- **Organ Donation** — Patients can use a health care proxy form, a uniform donor card (or one like it), or their NYS driver's license to document their wishes regarding organ donation.
- **Do Not Resuscitate (DNR)** order is a request not to have cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) if the heart stops or if a patient stops breathing. This can be expressed to a Health Care Proxy or directly to a physician, who will place an order in the medical record.

Chaplain Jacobs suggests that the best time for people to consider end-of-life issues is when they are well. "The greatest gift you can give your family is to let them know your wishes," she said. "Otherwise a family might spend the rest of their lives wondering if they did the right thing."

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A post-doctoral research program and pioneering research in patient satisfaction receive substantial support

The John Templeton Foundation and the Arthur Vining Davis Foundations have awarded The HealthCare Chaplaincy substantial grants for the development of two exciting new pastoral research initiatives. "These dynamic research programs will provide the field of pastoral care with information that will prove extremely useful for the future of the profession," said the Rev. Dr. Walter J. Smith, The Chaplaincy's CEO. "We are very grateful to these two leading foundations for their support of this critically important work."

A Post-Doctoral Research Program

The John Templeton foundation has awarded The Chaplaincy a \$299,000 grant for the development and implementation of a post-doctoral research program in the field of spirituality and health. Under the new three-year program—the first of its kind—two post-doctoral research fellows will work under the supervision of The HealthCare Chaplaincy's experienced pastoral researchers, and in conjunction with chaplains and other healthcare professionals in The Chaplaincy's partner institutions.



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First Scientific Assessment Instruments to Measure Patient Satisfaction with Spiritual Care

ARTHUR VINING DAVIS FOUNDATIONS Through a \$200,000 grant from the Arthur Vining Davis Foundations, The Chaplaincy's researchers will develop the next generation of scientific assessment instruments to quantify patients' and families' satisfaction with the spiritual component of their healthcare. Until now, satisfaction with spiritual care has often been measured by a few questions on a general patient satisfaction survey.

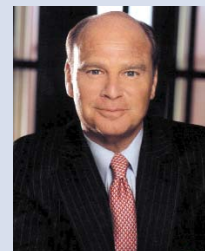
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Bruce J. Klatsky and Fifteen Patient Care Professionals to be Honored at *Wholeness of Life* Awards Dinner

Carolyn and John Twiname Receive Special Award for Twenty Years of Service

Bruce J. Klatsky, chairman and chief executive officer of Phillips-Van Heusen Corporation—one of the world's largest apparel and footwear companies—will receive The Chaplaincy's 2003 *Wholeness of Life* award at a benefit to be held on November 13th at Cipriani 42nd Street in New York City.

The award is presented annually to a community leader who demonstrates a concern for the whole person—body, mind, and spirit. Mr. Klatsky is a member of the boards of directors of Human Rights Watch, Business for Social Responsibility, and Thirteen/WNET; he is also a trustee of Case Western Reserve University; and served on President Clinton's White House Apparel Task Force, which addressed working conditions around the globe.



Bruce J. Klatsky

Fifteen patient care professionals from The Chaplaincy's partner healthcare institutions will also be honored at the event, Nominated by their peers, these individuals have shown an extraordinary commitment to caring for the spiritual and emotional needs of patients and family members.

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In two concrete images Dante Alighieri hears how he will be cast out of his beloved Firenze and experience exile.

An ancestral spirit admonishes: "Tu proverai sì come sa di sale / lo pane altrui, e come è duro calle /

lo scendere e 'l salir per l'altrui scale." [You will know the unpleasant taste of others' bread—how salty it is—and realize how hard it is for one who goes up and down others' stairways.] (*La Divina Comedia—Paradiso, Canto XVII*) This woeful prediction underscores the pain of separation from simple and familiar things. Banished to Ravenna, Dante would endure the barbarism of consuming salted bread and the ignominy of continually entering and leaving a home that is not his own.

Rustic bread in 14th century Florence was prepared—as it still is today—without the addition of salt. Although a student of regional Italian cookery, I can offer no plausible interpretation that explains why Florentines omit salt from their bread preparation, and why this custom has been maintained. Might it be that the rest of their diet is so rich and seasoned, their wines so full and fruity, and their sauces so varied that their bread can afford to be bland? Whatever the explanation, the omission of salt from bread remains a proud and curious oddity among many Tuscan bakers.

A life-threatening illness, a seriously debilitating injury or disease, or the functional losses associated with normal aging can create their own form of exile. They require adjustments to living in unfamiliar places. Chaplains know what it is like to eat "salty bread." We have assisted people who have been forced by illness, disability, or aging to mount and descend strange stairways. Because chaplains have been there so many times with people in need, we know experientially how much our presence and our compassionate ministry matter.

However, the profession of chaplaincy is facing its own exile in the continuing transformation of health-care. No longer is it sufficient simply to testify that

“Time spent on unfamiliar stairways breeds friendship among strangers, each trying to find their way.”

professional spiritual care makes a difference in the lives of patients, family members, or hospital staff. Healthcare administrators are demanding more than anecdotal reports about the value of chaplaincy care in order to justify in their budgets the costs of continuing to provide these services.

The Arthur Vining Davis Foundations, understanding the requirements on both sides of the equation, have committed to help. Their grant to The

Healing Moments



Enduring Gifts

Mary Harlow's life was exuberant. Much-loved, she continually gave of herself to family and friends. Even after her death at age 46, she continued to give — through strong memories that helped her husband and family come to a serious decision; and through an opportunity that personally touched the Rev. Martha Jacobs as well. We hope Mary Harlow's story, told in the words of her husband, Jerry, her daughter, Jackie, and Chaplain Jacobs, then chaplain at New York United Hospital, will inspire you, too. (For more, see page 6).

■ Spiritual Comfort

Jerry Harlow remembers Mary's passing.

When the surgeon told me it was time to think about organ donation, I was shocked. I went home and called all my relatives to let them know that Mary was not doing well, and then came back to the hospital.

Martha (Chaplain Jacobs) came in and sat with me; she really comforted me spiritually. I was uncomfortable about organ donation and asked her what she thought, from a spiritual perspective. She was by my side spiritually and emotionally through the whole decision. She's a wonderful woman. She sat the whole family down and helped us reach our decision to go ahead with donation. Then, at Martha's suggestion, we all shared our memories of Mary. It was very healing.

When it came time to plan the funeral service, asking Martha to officiate seemed like the perfect choice. She said she'd be honored. She

Chaplaincy Briefs

The Rev. Arlinda Derrick honored the completion of the new altar at the Rehab Institute of New York at Florence Nightingale Health Center with a solemn dedication service.

The Rev. George Handzo (The HealthCare Chaplaincy) led the "laying on of hands" ceremony during that service.

Al-Hajji Imam Yusuf H. Hasan (Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center) spoke to the Council of Pakistani Organizations in Brooklyn on "Stress Management in the Islamic Community." **Imam Ramadan Zakat** (supervisory resident) assisted.

The Rev. Peggy Muncie (Beth Israel Medical Center) conducted the closing ceremony at the 7th annual Cancer Survivors Day for the Continuum Cancer Centers held at the Phillips Ambulatory Care Center.

The Rev. Dr. Joan Murray (Memorial Sloan-Kettering cancer Center) has been elected to a second term as chair of the Standards, Education, and Research Council and member of the Board of the Association of Professional Chaplains.



Rabbi Abraham Twerski, M.D., Sr. Oettinger, and C. Ronald MacKenzie, M.D., Associate Attending at HSS

Sr. Margaret Oettinger, Rabbi Ralph Kreger, and the Pastoral Care & Education Advisory Committee of Hospital for Special Surgery celebrated their second Spirituality Forum with over 200 attendees. The speaker was the renowned author and lecturer, Rabbi Abraham Twerski, M.D.

Rabbi Stephen Roberts (Beth Israel Medical Center), **Dr. Kevin Flannelly** (The HealthCare Chaplaincy), and **The Rev. Dr. Andrew Weaver** (The HealthCare Chaplaincy), collaborated with Dr. Charles Figley in writing an article entitled "Compassion Fatigue Among Chaplains, Clergy and Other

Respondents after September 11th," which was accepted for publication in *The Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease*.

The Rev. Paul Steinke (NYU Medical Center) was the keynote speaker for the North Carolina Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America at two disaster awareness conferences. His presentation was entitled "Theological and Pastoral Response to Terror."

Rabbi Shira Stern (The HealthCare Chaplaincy) gave the opening lecture to the newly formed Jewish Healing Center of Somerset and Hunterdon counties (NJ). Her talk, "The Power and the Responsibility of Doing God's Work: Bikkur Holim (Visiting the Sick) for People who Already Do," coincided with the 20th anniversary of her ordination.

Rabbi Bonita E. Taylor delivered the Invocation at the Fordham Graduate School of Business graduation.

The Rev. Jo Clare Wilson (Griffin Hospital) and **The Rev. George Handzo** (The HealthCare Chaplaincy) have just published a chapter called: "Spirituality: Inner Resources for Healing" in a book focused on the Planetree Alliance philosophy entitled *Putting Patients First*.

The HealthCare Chaplaincy is pleased to announce that the following members of the clinical staff have achieved certification as a CPE supervisor by the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education:

The Rev. Carlos Alejandro
The Rev. Johnny Bush
The Rev. Trudi Hirsch
The Rev. Dr. Yvonne Valeris

The Rev. Connie Bonner, a supervisory resident at The Chaplaincy, has been certified as an associate supervisor.

A testament to the hard work and specialized skills of these chaplains and their teachers, this certification will enable them to supervise others who are learning the art and science of pastoral care.

We congratulate them!

The Chaplaincy's Meditative Space: Emet

Top Honors from Art in America

The Chaplaincy's *Meditative Space: Emet* (right), designed by renowned artist Tobi Kahn, has been selected by the prestigious *Art in America* magazine as one of 2002's most important public art spaces in the United States. The meditation room on the fourth floor at 315 East 62nd Street in Manhattan is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.



Helping Families Talk about Organ Donation

Chaplains help facilitate important conversations about end-of-life decisions

This article was written in conjunction with the Rev. Martha Jacobs

It's natural for us to believe that our loved ones will always be with us. But sometimes life hands us a terrible blow. And sometimes, even when we think we're prepared for a loved one's passing, we realize there are difficult questions left unanswered.

Jerry was still in shock after finding his wife, Mary, unconscious on their bedroom floor. He had called 911, and was now at the hospital preparing to hear the worst news he could ever imagine—that his wife was brain dead.

The Rev. Martha Jacobs, then director of pastoral care at New York United Hospital, found Jerry was sitting by Mary's bedside, staring at the machinery keeping his 46-year-old wife of 25 years alive. As he and Chaplain Jacobs talked, Jerry described his life with Mary and how caring and giving she had been to him and his daughter, who Mary had raised as her own.

Jerry asked Chaplain Jacobs what she thought about organ

donation. He said a doctor had mentioned it to him the night before and he thought it was not a good idea but wanted to know what she thought, as a "religious" person.

Health & Healing

Questions: A Chaplain's Role

As pastoral caregivers in healthcare facilities, chaplains are often present with patients and families as they confront the challenge of accepting death. As part of their role, they help facilitate conversations and contemplation of the many questions that arise during that time—Who would you entrust to be your Proxy and make the decisions for you? Would you want everything done for you, no matter what the outcome? If there was no reasonable expectation you would recover, would you want nothing done, except comfort care? Would you want to have your organs donated? (See box on page 8 for more information.)

"Families need help even beginning to think about these issues," said Chaplain Jacobs. She and other chaplains are clear that it is not a chaplain's role to guide patients and families to any decision, but rather to help them reach their own conclusions.

"A question is never just a question," said the Rev. Dr. John Bucchino, director of pastoral care at Lenox Hill Hospital. "When a patient or family member asks what we think about organ donation, what they're really saying is, 'I'm frightened,' or 'I'm anxious,' or 'I'm lonely.' For chaplains, that is not a time to give direction, but rather to explore issues of family, or grief, of support from their own religious community. And then, if they really want to know what I think, I can give them my perspective, and tell them that's what's right for me, but may not be right for them," he said.

Organ Donation is a difficult subject. "Often the younger members of a family will be more open to the idea of donation," said the Rev. Trudi Hirsch, staff chaplain at Beth Israel Medical Center, Singer Division, "whereas older members may have concerns regarding religious traditions or even superstitions." She said that chaplains are sometimes called as an authority on different faith traditions' perspectives on donation. "Everyone has a different way of honoring their own faith tradition," she said, "and sometimes, through conversation, families can reach a conclusion they all feel comfortable with." The New York Organ Donor Network (NYODN) provides to hospitals clinicians who are trained to discuss the possibility of donation with families. In a compassionate manner, these professionals present families with the facts about donation, dispelling any myths and preconceived notions about the process. (For more facts about organ donation, visit www.nyodn.org)

Consulting with Hospital Staff

Staff members also need guidance in talking to patients about such difficult issues. While it is really the role of the organ donor network to broach the subject of organ donation, sometimes the topic will come up between patients and their treatment team. Chaplain Bucchino recalls a panel discussion his department held for the medical staff. "The chaplains gave a presentation about organ donation from the perspective of the Muslim, Catholic, Jewish and Protestant faith traditions," he said. "We didn't get many formal questions about the presentation, but afterwards, informally, many of the doctors asked us how to talk to patients about organ donation during such a traumatic time." Chaplain Bucchino's advice to the medical staff was not to be afraid to have the conversation. "I tell them that they don't have to have all the answers. They can encourage patients to ask more questions, such as, 'What does my family think?' or 'Would my religion support organ donation?' And they can always refer the patient to a chaplain. This gives them confidence; they know they have 'back-up,'" he said.

Conversation, decisions, and healing

Later that day, Mary was declared brain dead. Her family and friends asked Chaplain Jacobs to talk more with them about organ donation. "I showed them a sign that was in our Unit about a 20 year old who had died three weeks before, and how five of his organs had gone to help people all over the country," she said. Through the process of talking, Jerry became more comfortable with the idea of organ donation. The NY Organ Donor Network came and outlined the facts for the family. Jerry and his daughter decided that since Mary was such a giving person

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LIFTING THE Spirit

HealthCare Chaplaincy will assist professional chaplaincy in the pursuit of its special mission and provide healthcare systems management with representative and reliable data. At the same time, the John Templeton Foundation has pledged to help us recruit and educate post-doctoral research fellows who are interested in studying the growing field of multifaith pastoral care. Through this program and the research it will generate, our knowledge about the relationship between spirituality and health will deepen; future findings will no doubt shape the way chaplains are educated.

Thus, the profession of chaplaincy, facing apparent exile from a past where value was nominally unquestioned, has now been offered helping hands by these two important foundations. Time spent on unfamiliar stairways breeds friendship among strangers, each trying to find their way. The result? A deepened understanding of chaplaincy's value, and some very useful dialogue about our future.

Exile, *modo Dante*, or a brand new day? Salty bread may prove to be not so barbaric after all.

Dr. J. Smith, A.J.

related stories my family and friends shared with her, and made us all laugh as we cried.

■ "Mom will be with You"

At Mary's funeral service her daughter, Jackie, shared reflections.

I have shed many tears these past few days, but have more often found myself smiling when I thought of [my mom.] She had so much joy...she truly celebrated life's luxuries—cheese, soft down pillows, sparkly jewelry, ...hugs and kisses, giggling, ice cream....I think the best way we can keep her spirit close to us is to accept that child-like joy into our hearts, and then show it to the rest of the world. Sing a song at the top of your lungs, watch a movie five times in a row, dance around the house..., eat something sinful..., make friends with a stranger,...Mom will be with you.

A Post-Doctoral Research Program (Continued from page 1)

"This is a win-win situation," said the Rev. Dr. Andrew Weaver, The Chaplaincy's director of pastoral research. "These post-doctoral students will be able to advance their careers by designing, conducting, and publishing quality research in The HealthCare Chaplaincy's supportive environment, and the profession of chaplaincy will gain several trained researchers. Ultimately, patients and their families will benefit from the continued provision and enhancement of professional spiritual care when they are sick or grieving."

The program is designed to ensure that the post-doctoral fellows will have opportunities to expand their background knowledge, technical training, and contacts so they can work as independent scientists conducting NIH-level research on religion/spirituality and health.

"This initiative will help ensure a successor generation of qualified and dedicated researchers in this specialty area," said Father Smith, "by associating them early in their professional careers with a distinguished team of pastoral care clinicians and scholars."

Patient Satisfaction Assessment Instruments (Continued from page 1)

These new survey tools—one for patients' satisfaction and one for families'—will specifically focus on spiritual care, and will provide more detailed information about its relationship to healing and wellness.

"These instruments will empower local chaplains by helping them to demonstrate the effectiveness of their work to the healthcare community," said the Rev. Dr. Andrew Weaver, The Chaplaincy's director of pastoral research. He and other Chaplaincy researchers will design and test the instruments over the next two years, and will disseminate the scales for use nationwide.

"Through these new research tools," said Father Smith, "we will be in a position to understand better the role that professional spiritual care plays within the economy of healthcare."

Wholeness of Life Awards Dinner (Continued from page 1)

In a special tribute, The Chaplaincy will present *Wholeness of Life* awards to the Rev. John D. and Carolyn Twiname, its former co-presidents and current life trustees. Through their remarkable vision and unflagging spirit, The Twinames were instrumental in creating the platform for The Chaplaincy as the multifaith center for pastoral care, education, and research it is today.



The Rev. John D. and Carolyn Twiname

■ Finding God's Grace in Tragedy: A Chaplain's Reflection *Chaplain Jacobs shares her thoughts about Mary's experience.*

Memories of a loved one who has died can be painful for us initially. But I believe that memories are a wonderful gift that God has given us...When we talk about the person who has died, it often helps us to begin our grieving and our healing. At the same time, the healing that takes place can have an effect far beyond what we might conceive. In Mary's case, aspects of her life continue, not only through her memories, but through the gift of her organs. And for me, personally, Mary's experience provided a great revelation. For years, I have not been sure whether or not I wanted to donate my organs upon my death. Helping this family reach their decision to donate Mary's organs helped me to think through how important it is for others to have a chance at life when my life is over. This is a personal decision for everyone; mine came when I least expected it.

New Trustees

The HealthCare Chaplaincy is pleased to announce the election of seven new members to its board of trustees. Diverse in age, ethnicity, and professional expertise, these extraordinary individuals share a deep commitment to The Chaplaincy's multifaceted mission of providing compassionate spiritual care to those who are suffering.



Imam Abdush-Shahid with his wife, Bonifacia

Imam Luqman Abdush-Shahid has been a leading activist within the Harlem community for the past 20 years in the areas of housing, education, and human services. He is assistant to Imam Izak-El Mu'eed Pasha, a former Chaplaincy trustee, at the historical Masjid Malcolm Shabazz in Harlem, and director of community outreach programs for the NYC Department of Corrections. Imam Luqman has over twenty-five years of ministerial and administrative experience with inmates, patients, and staff in the New York State and City correctional systems and hospitals.



Julie Cho (right) with Chaplain Arlinda Derrick

Julie P. Cho is a dentist in the practice of Helibut, Rosenman, and Radin, P.C. in New York, with a concentration in restorative and cosmetic dentistry. Dr. Cho completed her residency in general practice dentistry at Mount Sinai Hospital. She has presented on cosmetic dentistry at the Penn Club of NYC and is a lecturer for new mothers on pediatric dentistry at the Sol Goldman YWCA.



Melissa Eisenstat on The Chaplaincy's rooftop

Melissa B. Eisenstat is president of Palladian Research, a successful independent equity research firm. Ms. Eisenstat ranked among the top four stock pickers in the Wall Street Journal All-Star Analyst Survey during her time as managing director and group head of software research for CIBC World Markets. A Wharton graduate with an undergraduate degree in Soviet Studies also from the University of Pennsylvania, she speaks French, Spanish, and some Russian, and has been a performing cellist for 31 years.



Chris Grisanti in The Chaplaincy's meditation room

Christopher C. Grisanti is a founding member of Spears Grisanti & Brown. Mr. Grisanti joined the predecessor firm, Spears, Benzak, Solomon & Farrell, in 1994 as an analyst and in 1997 was named director of research. He specializes in technology and industry. A Harvard graduate and a CFA, Mr. Grisanti is a frequent guest on CNN's Street Sweep. He is director of Good Counsel Homes, Inc., a not-for-profit organization that provides shelter for homeless pregnant women in New York City.



Dr. Irving Hamer

Irving S. Hamer, Jr. Also a Harvard graduate, Dr. Hamer has enjoyed a distinguished career in education, serving as a teacher, a researcher, and an administrator in several schools and the New York City Board of Education and the New York State Education Department. He is a professor of practice at Teachers College at Columbia University, and associate director of its Institute for Urban and Minority Education. He is also president of Hamer-Smith Consulting Services, Inc, a firm specializing in education consultation.



Frank Petrilli with trustee Sherry Jacobson

Frank J. Petrilli is chief executive officer of TD Waterhouse U.S.A., a unit of TD Waterhouse Group, Inc., one of the world's largest online financial services firms. For the past three years, Mr. Petrilli has been named to Institutional Investor's list of the 40 most influential executives in online financial services. A native New Yorker, he is a member of the Board of Trustees for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of New York City, the American Red Cross of New York, and Fordham Preparatory School, his alma mater. In 2002, The Chaplaincy honored Mr. Petrilli with its *Wholeness of Life* community award.



Howard Sharfstein with JIPC director Rabbi Shira Stern

Howard F. Sharfstein joins The Chaplaincy's board with unique experience as chair of its Jewish Institute for Pastoral Care Advisory Board, and a recent graduate of a unit of Clinical Pastoral Education. He is a partner in the law firm of Schulte, Roth & Zabel LLP where he specializes in matters affecting individual clients, including estate and gift planning, domestic relation matters, charitable foundations, and elder law. He is a trustee and member of Central Synagogue, serves the Mental Health Association of New York City as its board chairman, and also serves as a trustee of the Metropolitan Jewish Health System.

Accreditation Renewal Process Completed for Chaplaincy Education Programs

Accreditation {noun} *The granting of approval to an institution by an official review board after the institution has met specific requirements.*

Much has changed at The HealthCare Chaplaincy since 1994, when its education programs were last reviewed by the Association of Clinical Pastoral Education (ACPE), a nationally recognized accrediting agency acknowledged by the U.S. Department of Education. There were seven

CPE supervisors who participated in the self-study process that led to the renewal of accreditation at that time.

"Ten years later, as we face an accreditation review again," said the Rev. Denise Haines, The Chaplaincy's director of education, "we're the same institution, with the same mission, but more complex. Over the last ten



ACPE Accreditation team: the Rev. Robert Lee Grigsby, (East Jefferson, (LA) General Hospital, representing the McFarland Institute); the Rev. Kathleen Ogden Davis (Hartford Hospital); the Rev. Susan L. Asher (Yale New Haven Hospital); Rabbi Julie S. Schwartz (Congregation Temple Emanu-El, Atlanta, GA); and the Rev. Eugene Robinson (Georgia Association for Pastoral Care)

years, we've more than doubled the size of our supervisory staff. We have more programs, and a significantly larger and culturally diverse student body."

"Over the last four years alone we served 389 students from 39 faith groups; many from countries ranging from Australia to Tanzania. Our education program has been enriched by the students we've served, and vice-versa," said the Rev. Haines. In their evaluations of their CPE experience, students cited verbatims, their work with individual supervisors, interpersonal group experiences, opportunity for examining personal growth and pastoral identity, theological reflection, and the quality and challenge of clinical assignments as the most valuable program components.

The formal site evaluation process began in August 2002 and encompassed 12 visits to hospital chaplaincy education sites, con-



Photo Captions

1. The Rev. Arthur Caliendo, senior minister at Marble Collegiate Church, gives the evening's invocation.
2. The Rev. Dr. Walter J. Smith, S.J. presents an award to the Rev. Dr. Sarah Fogg, director of pastoral care at Lawrence Hospital Center, for her 10 years of service to The HealthCare Chaplaincy
3. Life trustee Edee Bjornson with trustee Miriam Moran
4. Life trustee Ralph Price with Sr. Elaine Goodell, staff chaplain at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center
5. Rabbi Charles Rabinowitz, Rabbi Shira Stern, Chaplain Jane Mather, and the Rev. Dan Shenk. (The Rev. Mikulak was ill and unable to attend.)
6. Trustees Carolina Jaramillo-Johnson and Leslie McCall
7. The Rev. Jon Overvold, director of pastoral care at North Shore University Hospital, Dennis Dowling, North Shore's executive director, and Rabbi Rabinowitz
8. The Rev. George Handzo, The Chaplaincy's director of clinical services, with trustees the Rev. Canon George Brandt and Ruth Diefenbach

Chaplaincy Commissions Five New Staff from Varied Backgrounds

The Rev. Dr. Fogg Honored for 10 years of service

"There are many paths to God," said the Rev. Dr. Walter J. Smith, S.J., The HealthCare Chaplaincy's CEO, referring to the range of background and experience of the following new Chaplaincy clinical staff members, commissioned at a ceremony at Marble Collegiate Church on May 13th:

- **Chaplain Jane Mather** (Winthrop-University Hospital) is a Roman Catholic laywoman and mother of six sons from Spokane, Washington who came to New York seeking more diversity in her ministry.
- **The Rev. Lynne Mikulak** (NewYork-Presbyterian) is a minister in the United Church of Christ who has also worked as an award-winning journalist and a social worker.
- **Rabbi Charles Rabinowitz** (North Shore University Hospital) is another former Chaplaincy student; his impressive teaching background includes such subjects such as sociology and homiletics.
- **The Rev. Dan Shenk** (St. Mary's Center) is a Baptist minister reared in Tanzania who was an AIDS advocate in New York in the early days of the pandemic.
- **Rabbi Shira Stern** (The HealthCare Chaplaincy, Jewish Institute for Pastoral Care) is a former HealthCare Chaplaincy student whose commitment to feminism, social justice, and education has made her a national media presence.

The new clinical staff members will serve at The Chaplaincy's partner healthcare institutions, where they will provide pastoral care services to patients, families, and staff.

Each new chaplain was joined at the ceremony by a senior member of the administration of their new healthcare facility, and by a representative of their faith tradition. For bios of each of these new staff members, go to www.healthcarechaplaincy.org.

Recognition of Faithful Service

The Rev. Dr. Sarah Fogg, director of pastoral care at Chaplaincy partner Lawrence Hospital Center, received recognition for 10 years of service to The HealthCare Chaplaincy. "Thanks to The Chaplaincy," she said, "I have colleagues I can meet with, ask how they handled a situation, or cry on their shoulder when things don't go so well...I can't imagine doing my job without them." (For the full text of Dr. Fogg's speech, visit us on the web at www.healthcarechaplaincy.org)

ducted by a total of 15 external reviewers, and culminated in July, 2003 with a two-day visit to The Chaplaincy's administrative and program offices. The site visits were comprised of interviews, data review and analysis, and investigation of the contents of CPE courses. Data presented to the evaluators included detailed ten-year histories of all CPE programs, and summaries of program evaluations provided by students.

"Demonstrating that we meet national standards for maintaining our accreditation was a team effort – supervisors, chaplains, administrators – for which I am deeply thankful," said the Rev. Haines. The Chaplaincy expects to receive formal accreditation approval in April of 2004.

A New Partnership: St. Mary's Center

The HealthCare Chaplaincy is pleased to announce its partnership with St. Mary's Center, the first and only Harlem-based residential healthcare facility for people with AIDS. The Rev. Daniel Shenk, a long-time advocate for people with AIDS (see above), is the facility's new director of pastoral care. Founded in 1992, the 40-bed center offers intensive support for residents, including comprehensive medical care, nutritional counseling, health education, substance abuse counseling, and case management. The Center also offers Adult Day Health Care for people with AIDS who are well enough to remain at home and receive daily medical support in an outpatient setting.