



Capital Chapter of AHDH

2009 Highlights

Meetings/educational events held

- 2 general membership meetings: January 17 and November 14.
- 1 on-site tour of the Scott & White/Temple College Clinical Simulation Center in Temple, TX.
- Half-day symposium on May 16 in conjunction with *National MT Week*.
- Annual symposium on September 19 with welcome reception on September 18.
- 11 BOD meetings (2 in-person meetings & 9 conference calls).

Continuing Education Credits (CEC)

- A total of 13 continuing education credits were offered during the year.

Membership

- 17 new members joined the Capital Chapter in 2009 (15 joined in 2008).
- Current membership is 44.

Capital Chapter Treasury

Current treasury balance is \$4435.93 as of November 14. (The balance in January was \$4934.19.)

Audit of Treasury

An audit of the 2008 treasury/financial records was completed.

Fundraiser

The sale of the fly-thru window magnets begun in October 2007 was wrapped up in May.

Secretary

Rachel Recher-Evans served as Secretary until February 15 when she moved to Michigan. Monica Crocker, CMT, served as Secretary until July 6. Jo Ann Kilsby, CMT, RHIT, AHDH-F, served as Secretary for the remainder of 2009.

Policies and Procedures updated

The Board reviewed, updated, and added to the Policies and Procedure of the Chapter.

Members earned credentials

One chapter member earned the CMT credential in 2009: Christy Cole, RHIA, CMT. (In addition, Kathy Muelker, CMT, earned this credential on December 31, 2008, after the annual reporting for the year 2008.)

Marketing/Communication/Publicity

- The 2-year subscription continued through IX Web Hosting for a domain and website for the Capital Chapter: www.capitalchapter.org
Kathy Muelker, CMT, created the website and continued to serve as webmaster to keep the content updated.
- *Capital Chat* was published and distributed electronically in March. Kathy Muelker, CMT, served as the newsletter editor and articles were contributed by members.
- The Capital Chapter was featured in the “Component Spotlight” section of the March 2009 issue of Plexus magazine.
- Business card magnets were created with the 2009 Capital Chapter meeting schedule. These were distributed to meeting attendees, members, and prospective members.
- Capital Chapter brochures were mailed to prospective members.
- Email announcements were created using Constant Contact and Microsoft Outlook.
- All meetings and events were posted on the AHDI website (calendar of events)
- The Capital Chapter is on facebook, currently with 131 members.
- Pictures of our meetings and events are posted for viewing (free) and anyone can add comments: <http://ahdifun.shutterfly.com>

CMT/RMT reimbursement program

The Capital Chapter continued a program to encourage members to get credentialed. This program reimburses eligible members who pass the CMT or RMT exam a portion of their exam fee (\$40 for CMT, \$25 for RMT). The program supports AHDI Mission Possible Initiative #4—awareness of/promoting credentialing.

Career Connections Seminar in Killeen

Marilyn Campbell, CMT, Monica Crocker, CMT, and Kathy Muelker, CMT, participated in this event on March 13 sponsored by the Fort Hood Army Community Service Employment Readiness Branch and Workforce Solutions of Central Texas. They shared information with attendees who were interested in learning more about a career in medical transcription. This is in support of AHDI Mission Possible Initiative #9—military spouse initiative.

AHDI 31st Annual Convention & Expo (ACE) in Nashville, TN (July 29 – August 1):

- Six Capital Chapter members attended: Gloria Hamiter, CMT, Margaret Hulsey, Kathy Muelker, CMT, Elaine Olson, CMT, AHDI-F, Brenda Stone, CMT, and Karen Webb.
- The Capital Chapter served as a component contributor for the welcome reception.
- At the Integrity Awards, the Capital Chapter was an award nominee for the Membership Impact award. Kathy Muelker, CMT, was an award nominee in 2 categories: Member of the Year and Advocate of the Year. Kathy was inducted into the Hall of Fame.

National Medical Transcriptionist Week/Half-Day Symposium

A half-day symposium was held May 16 at Seton Medical Center in conjunction with National Medical Transcriptionist Week (May 18-24). There were 28 attendees.

- MedNotes sponsored the event.
- A super low registration fee of only \$10 was offered to everyone.
- 3 CECs were provided.
- The used book sale generated income of \$128.50.

Annual Symposium

The Capital Chapter held a very successful symposium on September 19 at the Wingate Williamson Conference Center in Round Rock.

- Speakers included AHDI President Elect Barb Marques, CMT, AHDI-F, Barb Adler, CMT, AHDI-F, and Debbie Bright-Chunn, RHIT, CMT, AHDI-F, our AHDI Board Partner.
- There were 65 attendees at the Saturday symposium.
- There were 47 attendees at the welcome reception Friday evening.
- Attendees donated \$188 to the AHDI Power of 10 campaign, which was matched by the Chapter treasury for a total amount sent to AHDI of \$376. The Power of 10 campaign is a year-long effort by AHDI to raise \$10 from 10,000 MTs by 2010 to support the association's advocacy efforts in Washington, D.C.
- Sponsors were MedNotes, SpeedType, TranscriptionGear.com, InterFix, and DictationStore.com

Election of 2009 Officers

The Capital Chapter is pleased to announce the 2010 officers. The new officers to be installed at the Annual Business Meeting on November 14 are:

President: Kathy Muelker, CMT

President Elect: Christy Cole, RHIA, CMT

Secretary: Suzanne Taubert, CMT, AHDI-F

Treasurer: Bobbie Hart

Chapter Representative to TAHDI: Christy Cole, RHIA, CMT

Immediate Past President: Barbara Rasmussen, CMT

Thank you to the 2009 Capital Chapter officers and members who generously gave their time and shared their skills and knowledge to help make 2009 a very successful and memorable year!

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