Tasmanian Association for Hospice & Palliative Care

State Conference
Stanley Burbury Theatre University of Tasmania
Saturday 11 & Sunday 12 October 2008

Words Mere Words

(William Shakespeare)

Good communication in all its forms is an essential component of Palliative Care. The narrative of one’s journey through life to death is an individual experience and is the basis of all Palliative Care interaction. We need to ensure that “her story” and “his story” are not just confined to reaching a medical diagnosis but are used to craft a human interaction that respects the story and is not seen as “words mere words.”

Call for Abstracts and Registration

Invitation

The Tasmanian Association for Hospice and Palliative Care (TAHPC) invites you to Hobart in October for the 3rd State Palliative Care Conference. The theme of the conference “Words, Mere Words” will look at the challenges in ensuring good communication in Palliative Care. People from all areas of health are welcome to come and hear invited speakers from different backgrounds, and to discuss ways in which we can all improve our skills in the use of words.

Noni Morse
President
TAHPC

Call for Abstracts

• 20 minute oral presentation
• Workshop (advise the preferred amount of time)
• Poster

Please send a 200 word abstract to penny@cdesign.com.au by Friday 25 July 2008. You will be contacted by a committee member and acceptance will be confirmed by Friday 8 August 2008.

Convening Committee

• Sheila Campbell
• Paul Dunne
• Jane Jupe
• Jennifer Lowns

President TAHPC: Noni Morse

World Hospice Day
11 October 2008
TAHPC State Conference Convenor
Dr Paul Dunne, AM
AM, MB BS, FRACGP, FAFPHM, FChPM, Palliative Care Service, Hobart, TAS
Paul Dunne is the Medical Director of the Palliative Care Service. In addition he is the Tasmanian delegate on Palliative Care Australia Council and was previously the Vice President. Paul was awarded an Order of Australia (AM) in 2006 for services to Palliative Medicine. He was the convenor of the National Palliative Care Conference in 2001.

Official Opening
Mr David Roberts, Secretary
Department of Health and Human Services, Tasmania

Keynote Speakers
Dr Frank Brennan
Illawarra Palliative Care Service, NSW
Frank Brennan is a Palliative Care Physician who works in Sydney. He has an interest in all aspects of Palliative Care including the interface of the discipline with the humanities and the law.

Over the past few years he has been writing narratives drawn from his work that have been broadcast on ABC Radio and published in medical journals and the mainstream press. He is also a lawyer and has published on pain management, palliative care and human rights.

Assoc. Professor Peter Martin
MB BCh BAO, PGDipPM, MMed, FChPM Palliative Medicine Physician
Clinical Associate Professor, Melbourne University, Dept of Medicine; Senior Lecturer, School of Medicine, Flinders University
Peter graduated from Queen's, Belfast in 1987. In 2000 he completed his Masters of Medicine at Melbourne University with a thesis on medical informatics. Previous posts have included a consultant post with Southern Health & South East Palliative Care, Clinical Director of Palliative Care at St Vincent's & Eastern Health as well as Macmillan Consultant in Palliative Medicine in the UK. He is currently Regional Clinical Director of Palliative Care at Barwon Health.

Peter's research interests include multi-modality & multi-disciplinary approach to Cancer Anorexia Cachexia Syndrome and how medical informatics can improve outcomes in Palliative Care practice. He continues his commitment to communication skills training with the Cancer Council's VCCCP program.

Invited Speakers
Professor Michael Ashby
MBBS (Lond) MD (Adel) MRCP (UK) FRCP FRACP FChPM FFFP ANZCA.
Director of Palliative Care, Royal Hobart Hospital; Consultant Physician, Palliative Care, Community Health Services, Department of Health and Human Services, Tasmania; Professor of Palliative Care, School of Medicine, Faculty of Health Science, University of Tasmania.

Michael Ashby commenced his present position in Hobart in January 2007. Previously he has held joint clinical, academic and managerial positions at St Vincent's Hospital and the University of Melbourne (2005–6), McCulloch House, Monash Medical Centre and Monash University, Clayton, Victoria (1995–2004), and the Royal Adelaide Hospital and Mary Potter Hospice, Calvary Hospital, Adelaide (1989–1994). He graduated from St Bartholomew's Hospital, London University in 1979, and trained in medicine, radiation and clinical oncology at Addenbrooke's Hospital (Cambridge), the Royal Marsden Hospital (London), Institut Curie (Paris) and Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute (Melbourne). He is past President of the Australia and New Zealand Society for Palliative Medicine (ANZSPM) and immediate past Chairman of the Chapter of Palliative Medicine at the Royal Australasian College of Physicians. He was awarded the 2006 Bethlehem Griffiths Research Foundation medal for research in palliative care.

Professor Ashby's research interests include pharmacological management of pain and symptoms; and law, ethics and the use of the humanities as they apply to care and decision-making at the end of life. Professor Ashby's educational responsibilities are specialist Palliative Medicine training and supervision and undergraduate medical education.

Sharon Andrews-Hall
Sharon is a Registered Nurse with a clinical background in aged care and Palliative Care services. She completed a Bachelor of Nursing (University of Tasmania) in 2000 and honours in 2002. In 2003 Sharon managed a Registered Nurse Re-Entry Program –Aged Care, funded by the DoHA and practised as a clinical nurse educator (Southern Cross Care Tas.) Sharon commenced her PhD in 2005 and is investigating how the practices of aged care staff can be developed around a palliative approach within a dementia special care unit. She has a keen interest in action research, practice development, and the translation of evidence-based research into practice settings.

Sheila Campbell
Ms Sheila Campbell is the Nurse Unit Manager of the J.W. Whittle Palliative Care Unit located at the Repatriation Centre in Hobart. Sheila trained at the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading, in the United Kingdom and registered as a nurse in 1987. Sheila has since completed tertiary studies receiving post graduate diplomas in Advanced Nursing (Cancer) and Health Services Management.

Sheila developed an interest in Palliative Care through her work in oncology, and has a wide range of experience and skill in these areas. Over the last 15 years Sheila has expanded her knowledge through working in the public and private sector, and in the inpatient and community setting.

Sheila describes the last 2 ½ years on Whittle Unit as a career highlight, due largely to the support of a committed team and the “home” environment that the 10-bed Unit provides patients, their families and staff.
Reverend Eric Cave

The Reverend Eric Cave has been engaged in ministry for over thirty years, twenty as chaplain at the RHH and seven at the Palliative Care Unit where he provides spiritual care and also bereavement follow-up. For the past fifteen years he has been engaged in training chaplains and pastoral carers in Tasmania. Eric is currently a member of the Executive of the Victoria & Tasmania Association for Supervised Pastoral Education, President of the Australia & New Zealand Association and National Secretary of the Australian College of Chaplains. Over the last few years he has become increasingly interested in issues surrounding the spiritual well-being of patients who use the services of Palliative Care.

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Jenny Fuller

Jenny Fuller grew up and attended school in Launceston before studying at the University of Tasmania where she completed a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1980, majoring in psychology and sociology. After graduation she worked in the welfare sector – with young unemployed people, and later in women’s refuges.

She lived in the UK for 9 years, where she had many fill-in jobs in hospitality, management and as a teacher-aide, as well as pursuing further study.

Jenny returned to Tasmania in 1994 and was employed as Coordinator for the Hospice Care Association of Southern Tasmania Inc. She has responsibility for the training, support and coordination of around 100 volunteers. Hospice Care has a strong culture of education, service development and improvement, and this suits Jenny’s need for new challenges and interests.

Jenny’s other interests are gardening, theatre and movie-going, travel, reading, walking and conservation.

Gayle Hazelwood

Born in Kent, England, Gayle Hazelwood began her career as a Registered Nurse in 1994. She specialised in ENT with an interest in head and neck oncology and hospice work. Later whilst working in Radiology she became aware of Speech Pathology whilst assisting in performing a videofluoroscopy of swallow.

By combining all her interests in communication, anatomy and pathology with a sense of humour, speech pathology was a natural progression. Qualifying in 2001, Gayle managed to combine her nursing and speech pathology skills in a community team which specialised in care for individuals with progressive neurological conditions, particularly MND and MS.

Prior to leaving the UK she was a Consultant Speech Pathologist at Newham (North-East London) Community Rehabilitation Team. Gayle currently works in the Community Allied Health Services at Davey Street in Hobart, Tasmania.

Fiona Jones

Fiona is a Social Worker who has worked in diverse fields including Child Protection, Community Rural Health, Aged Care, Oncology, and Palliative Care. Fiona took leave from her position as Specialist Palliative Care Social Worker with the Community Palliative Care Service South, to work as a Project Officer with the Palliative Care Service, developing and trialling a Bereavement Support Group Program across the state.

Linda Jaffray

Linda has a Bachelor of Social Work and has worked in the Palliative Care Service in the north west since 1999. She is a mother of two small children and currently working in the Palliative Care Service in a part-time capacity focusing on the activities of education, group work and service development. Linda has a strong interest in, and commitment to, supporting people who are living with a life-limiting illness and working through bereavement using creative methods.

Provisional Program overview

Saturday 11 October 2008
0900 – 1630
Includes:
Official Opening and Welcome
Exhibition
Keynote and Plenary sessions
Concurrent and Workshop sessions
Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea
Optional dinner at the Waterline, Fisherman’s Wharf

Sunday 12 October 2008
0830 – 1330
Exhibition
Keynote and Plenary sessions
Concurrent and Workshop sessions
Morning tea and lunch

The TAHPC Annual General Meeting will be held during the conference
Please check the website for Program updates

Personal Information
Title: [✓] Prof. [✓] A/Prof. [✓] Dr. [✓] Mr. [✓] Mrs. [✓] Ms. [✓] Miss
Family Name: ________________________________________
Given Name: _________________________________________
(These details will be used to generate your name badge)
Organisation: _________________________________________
Position: ____________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________
Suburb: ___________________ Town/State: _______________
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Mobile: _____________________________________________
Email: ______________________________________________

Special Requirements
Please advise specific dietary or medical requirements:
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Registration Fees
Member: $110 Concession/Volunteer: $85
Non-member: $140
Please add $20 to each category after Friday 22 August 2008

Payment Policy and Summary
All payments must be received prior to Friday 3 October 2008
Registration Fee: $ _________________
Accommodation pre-payment: $ _________________
Total $ __________________

Payment Options
Credit Card Payment
[✓] Visa [✓] MasterCard [✓] Diners [✓] American Express
Card No: _____________________________________________
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Signature: _____________________________________________
Amount: _____________________________________________

Cheque Payment
Please forward your cheque to Conference Design (TAHPC) with the completed registration form.

EFT
Please advise by email (info@cdesign.com.au) if you are paying by EFT
BSB: 017 324
Account No: 1085 82575
Account Name: Conference Design Conference Account
Bank: ANZ, Sandy Bay Branch
Swift Code: ANZBAU3M

The Waterline Restaurant (Blue Skies)
Saturday 11 October 2008
A booking has been made at The Waterline. Please indicate if you will participate. An a la carte menu and cash bar will be available and costs will be the responsibility of the individual – it is anticipated the cost will be in the vicinity of $55.00 per person. There are limited spaces available so please book early to avoid disappointment.
I will be attending [✓] yes [✓] no
Number of people attending ______________

Motel 429, Sandy Bay Road, Sandy Bay
[✓] $120 Single/double
[✓] $125 Twin
[✓] Family (up to 4 people) $125 (for 2)
   Additional people $20 per person per night
   (please check with Conference Design for availability)
[✓] $145 Deluxe – double
[✓] $160 Deluxe – Waterview

Grosvenor Court, Regent Street, Sandy Bay (self catering)
[✓] $124 Single/double
[✓] $194 Two bedroom (up to four people)

Booking details
Check In Date: __________________________
Check Out Date: _______________________
Sharing with:___________________________
Please provide credit card details or full payment.

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