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Frank L. DeSario
President

Message from the President



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As the New York Academy of Public Education ends its year, we reflect on and celebrate our accomplishments. The Academy continues to bring our members together as a vibrant and proactive community of educational leaders by offering resources and forums for networking, collegial support, and educational research to promote professional growth and success throughout the year. Dialogue among school and university leaders has been enriched by the presentations of guest speakers at our dinners, such as our recent medalist, Chuck Cahn, CEO, Cahn Medical Technologies, and founder of The Cahn Fellowship Program.

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The Academy is very proud of the 2013 Professional Journal. We thank Dr. John Jangl and Robert Spata, and their peer editors, for taking on the editing of this second issue of the NYAPE Professional Journal. The Academy and the Board members would also like to thank the authors for their time and ideas on key educational topics and issues. Widening the circle of dialogue and expanding our knowledge base promotes leadership on all levels and has provided information and shared opportunities for members in educational leadership in the 21st Century. We recognize the need for leaders to network, exchange ideas, learn from scholarly inquiry, and create partnerships to reduce feelings of isolation and overcome challenges including meeting the Common Core Standards, ensuring that all students are college and career ready, as well as implementing a new teacher evaluation system. Please visit our website at www.nyape.org to read our Professional Journal and Newsletters and additional resources.

It is our hope that our members have been recharged and refreshed through the Academy's endeavors. We will continue to lead in helping our members improve mastery of effective instruction and monitoring of student achievement; and we will continue to demonstrate a "greatness of spirit" in building a professional community of K-12 school leaders, university administrators and supervisors and Academy members. As partners in education we will work together for the betterment of the students we serve.

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Guest Speaker

May 7, 2013

Charles C. Cahn, Jr. CEO and Founder of the Cahn Fellows

Mr. Cahn heads Cahn Medical Technologies, LLC, which invests in and helps develop early stage medical technology companies. Companies include those that provide a product to accelerate wound healing, supply drug-coated envelopes for prevention of infection from the implantation of cardiac devices, analyze drug dosage accuracy for immune-suppressed patients, provide therapy for sepsis, and assess bone strength for the treatment of osteopenia.

Previously, he was Senior Vice President at Sanford C. Bernstein & Co., Inc., an investment research and management company. On the board of directors, Mr. Cahn served as senior managing director of the research business, after being director of research and a securities analyst.

Mr. Cahn established the Cahn Fellows Program in 2002. The Cahn Fellows Program for Distinguished Public School Principals at Teacher College, Columbia University seeks to strengthen public schools by recognizing outstanding principals and aspiring principals and developing their capacity as leaders.

The Program engages principals and aspiring principals in a collaborative network of peers and develops their ability to improve school climate and culture, teacher effectiveness and ultimately student learning and achievement.

He chairs or sits on the boards of companies invested in by Cahn Medical Technologies, the advisory board



Charles C. Cahn, Jr.

of the Sanford C. Bernstein & Co. Center on Leadership and Ethics at the Columbia Business School as well as chairing the board of the Cahn Fellows Program.

Mr. Cahn graduated from Washington and Lee University and holds an M.B.A. from Columbia University.

He resides in New York City and has three children.



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The Academy in History



Carol Russo

continues to provide his expertise and endless energy today. As a teacher, principal and innately endowed leader, he has instructed, mentored and assisted many to pursue and accomplish their dreams.

Bob has worked intensely in advancing the efforts of several Educational organizations. As President Emeritus of The New York City Middle Schools Principals Association and The New York Academy of Public Education, he has been a beacon of light in advancing the purposeful work of these educational organizations.



Robert G. Spata

Bob's extensive experience in many community and outreach programs include Borough Supervisor of NYC Big Apple Games, State Coordinator and Executive Director of The National Association of Secondary School Principals, Co-Founder of Bronx Principals Educational Consortium, Little League Coach of a Major Division, NYPD Anti-Crime, and more.

A historical perspective of the professional lives of our Academy's prestigious leaders gives us insight into The New York Academy's purpose and impact on education these past one hundred years. A name known to all of us is Robert G. Spata.

Bob has contributed extensively to the educational community while in active service for more than thirty years and

During his long term of active service and in his retirement years, Bob has supported the highest principles of universal education and social justice. The many awards and recognition he has so deservedly received are a testament to his outstanding educational career.

Above all, this author can personally attest to Robert Spata's loyalty and commitment, very special qualities second to none.



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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR February 6, 2013 INDUCTEES

Dr. Willena George
Altagracia Santana
Jermaine Garden
Brian O'Connell
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Linda Guarneri
Phyllis Regio
Theodore Rivera
Sabrina Cook
Renee David
Anna Stampfli
David Graeber
Nikole T. Booker
Dr. Rhonda Dawn Farkas
Rajinder Kaur
Everett Hughes

SPOTLIGHTS

Mark Cannizzaro will be honored on May 9th at the St. John's Phi Delta Kappa dinner.

Dr. Michael F. Capobianco is now giving private lessons in Mandarin Chinese. He has developed his own methods for English-speaking students, and also his own system for helping them to learn characters.

Dr. Phillip Composto is being honored for his outstanding contributions to the field of education at the Eighth Annual Leaders in Education Awards Dinner at St. John's University.

Ernest A. Logan has been appointed to the Advisory Board of the Independent Budget Office. He will also be honored at the Labor Luncheon at the SOMOS spring conference on March 23 in Albany. On May 9th he will be honored by Friends of DaCosta Headley at their "Celebrating an Evening with Champions: Honoring the Exemplary Service of Today's Leaders" event.

Bill Moore, 2007 Cahn Fellow, who has acted as Interim Program Director for the past two months, has been appointed Program Director of the Cahn Fellows.

Stephen Rappaport, President Emeritus is being honored at the 2013 National Puerto Rican Day Parade Association Dinner.

Upcoming Events

Board of Directors' Meetings

Tuesday, June 11, 2013

Dinner Meeting Dates

Thursday, October 24, 2013

Wednesday, February 19, 2014

Thursday, May 6, 2014

Dinner Meetings are held at the Princeton Club
15 West 43rd Street (Between 5th and 6th Avenues)



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