

Dear Members,

Summer is here and we have reached the end of the 2014-15 CTACHE Board term. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your president for the last year and a half and I am confident Amanda Frye, your incoming president, will continue to raise the bar for the chapter. I would like to thank the board members for the unwavering commitment to the cause, making this last term one of the best yet by bringing consistent, high quality education events and hosting some of the best social/networking events in Austin. I would also like to thank our volunteers and sponsors, without their support, these events would not be possible.

In reflection, I would like to highlight some of the great things the chapter was able to achieve in the past year and a half:

- The chapter was able to deliver a full year of Category 1 Face-to-Face credits allowing members to pursue their Fellow status in a timely manner.
- The creation of the Local Program Committee allowed the chapter to host several education and social events north of Austin, reaching a population that makes up half of our membership.
- The chapter was awarded a national Innovation Grant and created the first local ACHE chapter smart phone app in the country. The app will allow our members to receive notices and news on future events, as well as register for any upcoming events on the calendar.
- The CTACHE chapter was proud to sign an affiliation agreement with the National Forum for Latino Healthcare Executives bringing additional educational credit opportunities and networking events for both chapters.
- The chapter inherited the long-standing Healthcare Executive Networking events from the Texas Hospital Association and the original founder, John Hilsabeck, providing early/mid careerists with guidance on job searches and career management by some of the best healthcare recruiters in the business.
- The chapter kicked off a focused effort to provide volunteer opportunities for our members who would like to give back to the community by providing meals to the Ronald McDonald House at Dell Children's Medical Center.

Last but not least, I would like to give a heartfelt thank you to our outgoing Regent and Past President of the CTACHE Chapter, Lee Holmes, FACHE, and I would like to welcome our new ACHE Regent, Dr. Michael Nowicki, FACHE. We will be hosting our Chapter Business Meeting and Board Elections in July and I am confident the incoming board will take the chapter to new heights in 2015-16!

Best regards,

Brian Henry, MHA