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Message from the President - “The Recipe”

Recipe for a Good Guardian

- 1 Cup Communication Skills
- 1 Cup Bookkeeping Knowhow
- 2 Cups Patience
- ½ Cup Attention to Detail
- ½ Cup Sense of Humor
- 2 Tablespoons Tears
- Season with equal parts: Experience, Social Work, Banking, and Law
- Let mellow several years to allow ingredients to blend
- Frost liberally with Ethics
- Use as needed to improve the life of an incapacitated person
- Adjust ingredient proportions as new situations arise



Lexie Lamborn is the President of CGC.

I started thinking about the qualities of a good guardian when I was asked to take part in a new university course on guardianship.

Gary Beagle, our Past President, and I are working with teams in Washington State to develop and teach a new Certificate Course in Guardianship at the University of Washington. This 90-hour Guardianship Course will start in September 2008 and finish in March 2009. It will be offered in three sections: 1) Intro and Guardian of Person, 2) Guardian of Estate and 3) Ethics, Constructive Problem Solving and Business Operations. This course will be one of several requirements for all new guardians who want to be certified in Washington.

The team I’m working with is developing the “Guardian of the Person” section and I’m attempting to list the attributes we’d like to find in the ideal guardian. I’m sure there are many more ingredients of an exemplary guardian and I’d like to hear from you with your suggestions.

So, I ask... what else should we look for in a “good guardian” and can we teach it?

Let me know what you think at lexie@lexielamborn.com and I’ll expand the “recipe.”

-Lexie Lamborn, CGC President

Nominate An Individual for the CGC Cornerstone Award

The Center for Guardianship Certification would like to honor those individuals who have made significant contributions to the Center and promote the certification of guardians. CGC seeks nominations for its Cornerstone Award, which will be presented at the National Guardianship Association's Annual Conference.

Nominating Criteria

1. Any CGC or NGA board member or CGC certified guardian may nominate an individual for the Cornerstone Award, but no self-nominations will be permitted.
2. The nominee should have some affiliation with the Center for Guardianship Certification.

The CGC Cornerstone Award Committee will review all nominations. Each nomination must be submitted in writing and include the following:

1. The nominee's name, organization/firm, address, telephone number and email address.
2. Specific examples demonstrating the nominee's leadership within the guardianship community.
(Weighted at 40%)
3. Specific examples of how the nominee promotes certification within the guardianship community.
(Weighted at 40%)
4. A description of how the nominee contributes to the larger guardianship community.
(Weighted at 20%)

Nominations may be sent via fax to 717-238-9985 or via email to customerservice@guardianshipcert.org.

Nominations must be received NO LATER THAN August 31, 2008.

UN Demands Increased Focus on Disabled Children Rights

Many people in the U.S. have blinders on when it comes to the problems of other countries - especially problems that don't affect them or their community. But in the world of guardians and fiduciaries, worldly study of other countries can help better your practice as well as the practice of others.

A recent U.N. study on the institutionalization of children with disabilities in Hungary has cause for concern. The U.N. Committee on the Rights of the Child (CRC) found that over the past few years there have been a high number of institutionalized children in Bulgaria. Much of this institutionalization as well as abuse has been directed towards children with physical and mental disabilities. The lack of federal monitoring by the Bulgarian government resulted in the CRC's recommendation for the government to establish a formal institutional system.

A few of the integral points the CRC made was that Bulgaria redirect materials and resources to make it easier for disabled children to stay with their families. They also want training provided to professional staff and implementation of a data collection system of history and tracking of child movement from facility-to-facility. Last but not least, the CRC also made a stand for the Bulgaria government to explicitly prohibit discrimination on the grounds of disability, especially in the realm of education.

After much study and evaluation the CRC also recommended a formal system of checks and balances to evaluate institutions including the children's quality of life. Finally, the Mental Health Advocacy Center (NHAC), the Bulgarian Helsinki Committee (BHC), and the CRC called upon Bulgaria to ratify the U.N.'s Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, a major treaty which focuses on the rights of children.

Nominate A Master Guardian for Star Achievement Award

Receiving the CGC's Master Guardian certification demonstrates the guardian's knowledge of advanced guardianship concepts and ethics and being on the cutting edge of guardianship issues. CGC seeks nominations for its annual Master Guardian Star Achievement Award, which will be presented at the National Guardianship Association's Annual Conference.

A Master Guardian Star is a Master Guardian and a member of the National Guardianship Association, who also has an affiliation with his/her respective state association. This individual is nominated by peers to be recognized as an example for other guardians.

Nominating Criteria

1. Any NGA member may nominate a Master Guardian, but no self-nominations will be permitted.
2. The nominee must be a Master Guardian.
3. The nominee must be a member of NGA.
4. The nominee should have some affiliation with his/her state association.

The CGC Master Guardian Star Achievement Award Committee will review all nominations. Each nomination must be submitted in writing and include the following:

1. The nominee's name, organization/firm, address, telephone number and email address.
2. Specific examples demonstrating the nominee's leadership within the guardianship community.
(Weighted at 40%)
3. Specific examples on how the nominee exemplifies the NGA Standards of Practice and Model Code of Ethics.
(Weighted at 40%)
4. A description of how the nominee contributes to the larger community.
(Weighted at 20%)

Nominations may be sent via fax to 717-238-9985 or via email to customerservice@guardianshipcert.org.

Nominations must be received NO LATER THAN August 31, 2008.

Master Guardian Star Award Past Recipients

Julia Nack, MG (2007)
Carolyn Little, MG (2006)
Frederick D. Floreth, MG (2005)
Gary Beagle, MG (2004)
Lexie Lamborn, MG (2003)
Colleen Colton (2002)

CGC to Unveil Designation Name Change in October 2008

On October 4, 2008, the Center for Guardianship Certification (CGC) will be updating the name of the current certification designations, Registered Guardian and Master Guardian, to National Certified Guardian (NCG) and National Master Guardian (NMG) respectively.

The CGC Board of Directors made this decision in order to provide clarification for certified guardians and fiduciaries, as well as the court systems, judges, and individuals who employ them in regards to the national certification held. CGC currently provides both state specific examinations for the states of California, Florida, Oregon and Texas and national examinations.

Another reason that the Board voted to change the name of the national certification designations was to clarify that the current Registered Guardian and Master Guardian designations signify more than a registration process. CGC conducts national examinations that require experience and a set of skills to pass. In addition, to remain certified individuals must attend continuing education courses.

The image change is just one attempt to brand the certification process and the organization. CGC will continue to promote a high professional standard by certifying guardians and fiduciaries nationally.

As of October 2008 and moving forward, current Registered Guardians should be reflected as John Smith, National Certified Guardian or as John Smith, NCG. Current Master Guardians should be reflected as John Smith, National Master Guardian or as John Smith, NMG. All current Registered and Master Guardians will be receiving new certificates and verification cards at the time of transition.

From now until October 2008, please continue utilizing your current designation of either Registered Guardian or Master Guardian. However, we ask you to keep this designation name change in mind when printing letterhead, and business cards, and during website redesigns.

Five Counties Chosen as Pilot Locations for Washington's New Office of Public Guardianship

Completing a major milestone in establishing the availability of public guardianship services for citizens in Washington, the new Office of Public Guardianship (OPG) has announced the five counties chosen as pilot program sites to begin offering these critically needed services. Effective June 12, 2008, Clallam, Grays Harbor, Okanogan, Pierce and Spokane counties became the first counties to establish public guardianship services for incapacitated persons in Washington.

Each site will initiate measures to protect the individual rights of low-income incapacitated persons, provide the least restrictive living alternative, provide services based on community collaboration, and comply with all mandates in an effort to improve the quality of life for program clients.

The program was created by the 2007 Legislature with the passage of Senate Bill (SB) 5320. The bill established the Office of Public Guardianship within the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC). The Legislature appropriated \$1.483 million to develop and implement pilot programs in a minimum of two areas, one urban and one rural.

With pilot sites and the public guardians selected, the OPG and the public guardians will work together to develop effective programs and compile and communicate best practices in each community. The OPG, in collaboration with the Washington State Institute of Public Policy, will conduct a study to evaluate services, benefits, costs and savings demonstrated by the pilot public guardian programs.

Master Guardian Study Reveals High Confidence Rate

Sixty-six percent of all the candidates who have taken the Master Guardian exam passed the exam and are now certified Master Guardians (MG). The MG certification is designed to identify those who are not just good guardians, but leaders in the field. Having “MG” after your name should tell judges, attorneys, family members and your community that you:

- can be trusted with the more complex and difficult cases.
- take responsibility for improving the guardianship profession.
- are a good resource for less experienced guardians who need consultation on a knotty problem or mentoring.

A recent poll of both successful and unsuccessful candidates for MG certification showed an overwhelming 91% of respondents said that they took the exam in order to enhance their professional status. Eighty-nine percent of them stated that the MG certification met or exceeded their expectations. When asked what the most important characteristic of a MG should be, 86% said that the MG should be someone to whom others can look for guidance and mentoring because of their experience and knowledge.

MG’s are those who are actively working to improve the image of the guardianship profession. If a guardian is dishonest or incompetent, everyone knows about it; it makes the news. Articles warn of the dangers of guardianship. The ninety-nine percent of all guardians who are doing a good job under sometimes difficult conditions are seldom noted in the headlines. In order to counter these negative images and promote good guardianship, the public needs to be able to look to leaders in the field. They need to know that these leaders are working for better guardianship laws and promoting best practices in the field.

If you are considering becoming a MG, the Center for Guardianship Certification (CGC) wants to make the exam as accessible as possible. You do not have to wait for the annual conference. The test can be given anywhere and anytime a proctor is available, and trained proctors are available nationwide. If privacy is important to you, please be assured that all results are kept confidential. In fact, only you and the four people you use as a reference even need to know you have applied.

As of July 31, 2008, 44 individuals in 17 states have stepped forward and become MG’s. As the number of certified guardians grows, the quality of guardianship service will improve. As the number of certified Master Guardians grows, confidence in the profession will grow as well.

Welcome New Master Guardians

Russell Marshall, MG, Campbell, CA
Steven Hockenberry, MG, Reno, NV

Congratulations!

To learn about becoming a Master Guardian, visit www.guardianshipcert.org and review the MG Application Packet. Questions? Contact CGC at 717-238-4689.

WHAT CGC CERTIFICATION MEANS TO ME

<p>CGC Certification is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">•1 Required by some states•2 Nationally recognized•3 Internationally recognized•4 Portable•5 A great value	<p>CGC Certified Guardians enjoy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">•1 Recognition for high standards•2 Higher regard by the public and other professionals•3 Instant recognition of qualifications•4 Portable certification for ease of relocation•5 Listing on the CGC’s “Locate Certified Guardians” webpage
<p>* CGC Certification lets potential clients, the court system and the general public know I am held to specific standards of practice.</p> <p>* CGC Certification sets me apart from non-certified guardians as someone who has met nationally-recognized requirements, had guardianship training and passed an examination.</p> <p>* CGC Certification identifies me as an individual qualified to serve as a fiduciary, as someone who can be entrusted with financial affairs.</p> <p>* CGC Certification is required to practice as a guardian in some states.</p>	
<p><i>If you are a CGC Certified Guardian living and practicing in Idaho and move to Nevada, you may begin to practice without delay. If you are not a CGC Certified Guardian, you cannot. Why? Because Nevada requires a professional guardian to be certified by the CGC.</i></p> <p>How does a CGC Certified Guardian respond to a question about his specific qualifications to be a guardian? He answers, “I am certified by the Center for Guardianship Certification, a national organization that ensures its Certified Guardians meet certain qualifications and that they adhere to specific standards and ethics.”</p> <p>A Master Guardian in Chicago receives accolades from a family for her services to their aunt and they want her to help them find a similarly qualified guardian for their aunt in Iowa. What does the MG do? She logs on to the Center’s website and follows the link to “Locate Certified Guardians” and finds a list of Nationally Certified Guardians in Iowa. She knows she can trust these guardians share her standards, ethics and qualifications.</p>	

States Move to Regulate Senior Guardians *by Christine Vestal, Stateline.org*

As the U.S. population ages and families scatter across the country, the frail elderly increasingly end up relying on the kindness of strangers when they can no longer take care of their personal affairs.

If family or friends are not available, state probate courts appoint guardians — also called conservators and fiduciaries in some states — to protect incapacitated seniors and dependent adults from self-neglect, predators and scam artists. They take over the checkbook, manage medical care and make other legal, financial and practical decisions their wards otherwise would make for themselves.

But in some cases, society's most vulnerable adults are left in the hands of unscrupulous or incompetent guardians, and until recently, states were not looking over their shoulders.

To address this growing potential for fraud, theft and abuse, California this year joined six other states — Alaska, Arizona, Florida, Nevada, Texas and Washington — in regulating professional guardians appointed by courts to manage the finances and day-to-day needs of those who can no longer help themselves.

By requiring guardian training, licensing and regular audits, states aim to curb the kind of malfeasance and incompetence that already has cost many seniors their life savings and caused emotional suffering and physical harm.

Even when family members act as guardians, things can go awry. But when people become guardians for hire and have no emotional connection to their wards, states should do more to protect vulnerable seniors.

Although no data exist on the number of seniors and dependent adults under court-appointed guardians, a 1987 survey by the Associated Press estimated the number at 400,000 nationwide. At that time the U.S. Census Bureau reported 29.6 million people 65-years-old and older.

Since then, the senior population has grown by 28 percent to 37.9 million and with the baby boomer population starting to move into retirement, the number is expected to jump to 54.6 million by 2020. A new medical study indicates one out of eight people over 65 have Alzheimer's disease, a brain disorder that is a common cause of dementia.

Since the mid-1980s, all 50 states have adopted laws governing how and when courts appoint guardians and every state except Nebraska provides public guardians for those who cannot afford to pay. Some states also allow payment of guardianship fees through Medicaid, the federal and state health program for the poor.

In addition to the seven states already regulating professional guardians, two more — Idaho and North Carolina — have legislative committees that are considering industry regulation. Policy makers in Colorado, New Mexico, Oregon and Utah are revamping their guardianship laws and may include some form of certification and oversight.

In California, where the new licensing law took effect July 1, revenue shortfalls threaten to postpone a monitoring and auditing program that advocates say is long overdue and essential to ensuring the safety of incapacitated adults.

In 1991, Arizona became the first state to enact a guardian or fiduciary licensing program, but lawmakers did not appropriate funds for the program until 1999.

Like other states, Arizona enacted its licensing statute in response to highly publicized accounts of fraud by fiduciaries. In 1991, after a well-known attorney was found guilty of stealing money from an elderly ward, Superior Court Judge Robert Myers told lawmakers the same thing could happen again, because he had no way to check the background and qualifications of the attorneys he was appointing.

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As soon as Arizona's licensing agency opened for business, a complaint was filed against a well-known fiduciary named Nancy Elliston who had testified before the Legislature in favor of the new licensing requirements. After an intensive investigation, Elliston was found guilty of stealing millions from her wards and was sentenced to seven years in prison, Swetnam said. Since then, five other fiduciaries have been prosecuted and imprisoned in Arizona.

In all, Arizona has licensed more than 300 fiduciaries, Florida has certified 137 guardians, Texas has certified 241, Nevada 86, Alaska has licensed 49 and California has tested 161 conservators for licensing, according to Sally Hurme of the Center for Guardianship Certification, who is working with states to develop training and certification programs.

Nationwide, including states that do not oversee the profession, 1,468 individuals have voluntarily become certified by taking exams developed by the Center for Guardianship Certification. The exam tests professionals on their understanding of legal and financial issues they must deal with, as well as health and social welfare expertise.

Alaska and Nevada use the Center's national exam to license guardians; Florida, Texas and California use both the national exam and a state-specific test. Arizona uses only a state-specific test. Washington requires training and conducts background checks and reviews of professional guardians.

To Understand the Future, Look to the Past...

History class may not have been everyone's favorite class in school. Many times students will say to teachers, "Why do I have to learn this stuff? It's the past. We don't need to know what happened. We need to know what's happening." To this response, Washington States Certified Professional Guardianship Board says, to understand the past is to understand the future. To understand our future, Washington has issued an annual report from the previous year; this year's 2007 annual report is filled with knowledge and information that will help them grow in 2008 and years to come.

Some of the highlights of the Board's 2007 initiatives included professional guardianship certification training. Over the past two years the Board has been working to improve the mandatory education components for certification.

The Board has agreed to work with the University of Washington Educational Outreach Academic Program (UWEO) to develop a certificate program. This 90-hour program provides an overall view for professional and lay guardians who watch over all who have been deemed "incapacitated" by the state.

Another one of the Board's initiatives involves the guardian investigator grievance process. This past year, the Board has created a new position called the Guardian Investigator (GI). As well as investigating filed grievances, the GI will assist counties in developing and monitoring of professional guardians performances and attend judicial conferences and forums. In November, Deborah Jameson was selected as the first GI. For the past 4 ½ years, Jameson was the King County Superior Court Guardian ad Litem investigator.

The Board also created a fact finding survey of all certified professional guardians in the state. To gain a better understanding of the current challenges faced by CPG's and to assist the board in determining the knowledge and skills needed to meet the challenges, the Board developed an unscientific survey, to which 50% of the CPG's responded. The survey detailed demographics of age, race, location and experience. The survey also detailed the number of clients a CPG serves. The survey not only reached out to the CPG's, but also to those who they served. The client demographic sheet found that 52% of the clients served are under the age of 66. The client section of the survey also delved into client income, location and reasoning for their guardianship needs. The Board also surveyed the CPG's time spent and what purpose of their time spent with the guardian is for.

To find additional information of the survey and the 2007 Annual Report you can contact Sharon Eckholm, AOC Liaison to the Board at (360)-704-4031 or Sharon.eckholm@courts.wa.gov. You can also visit the AOC website at www.courts.wa.gov/programs&orgs.

Here's One More Reason to Become a Member Of The National Guardianship Association!

RGs & MGs Get A 5% Premium Discount On Professional Liability Insurance

That's Right!

All Registered Guardians certified by the Center for Guardianship Certification automatically qualify for 5% off the premium on Professional Liability Insurance purchased through NGA's program.

Master Guardians qualify for an additional 5% discount . . . a total of 10% percent savings on their insurance premium!

Only NGA members can apply for this insurance, but the premium savings could pay for your membership dues with money left over!

Think About It!

- ▶ The power of group buying means that premiums through NGA's program are already lower than what most people pay when they buy from other insurers.
- ▶ This professional liability insurance was tailored jointly by NGA and Dominion Insurance with coverage specific to your needs as a guardian/fiduciary.
- ▶ Purchase coverage before October 1, 2008 and the policy will include an exclusive retroactive date feature that can extend your coverage back to the first year you started to practice.
- ▶ Dominion's extensive experience in professional liability insurance is backed by world famous Lloyd's of London to guarantee your protection.
- ▶ Add your discount as an RG or MG with another 5% discount for membership in an NGA affiliated state organization and it could total 15% off.

**Enjoy the benefits of membership in NGA
Including great insurance with a 5% Premium Discount!**



Find an NGA membership application at www.guardianship.org
To learn more about NGA's Professional Liability Insurance contact:

Larry Hilton, President of Dominion Insurance, at larry.hilton@dominioninsurance.com or 888-313-9977

Welcome Registered Guardians

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First Name	Last Name	City	State	RG Date Certified
Jacquie	DePetris	Monterey	CA	4/26/2008
Elizabeth	Del Pozo	Del Mar	CA	4/28/2008
Kenneth	Jenkins	Palm Desert	CA	4/28/2008
Laurie	Sells	Menlo Park	CA	4/29/2008
Stevan	Chandler	San Mateo	CA	4/30/2008
Lisa	Berg	Sacramento	CA	4/30/2008
Sally	Graham	Huntington Beach	CA	5/1/2008
Richard	Williams	Alpine	CA	5/10/2008
Brenda	Landon	Marina	CA	5/14/2008
Jami	Sutter	Brookings	OR	5/15/2008
G. Starr	Connelly	Edmonds	WA	5/15/2008
Sandra	Medvedoff	Fairfield	CA	5/15/2008
Anne	LaBorde	Portland	OR	5/15/2008
Don	Duilio	Oregon City	OR	5/15/2008
Karen	Steele	Visalia	CA	5/16/2008
Janet	Brush	Oakland	CA	5/16/2008
Melodie	Scott	Redlands	CA	5/16/2008
Carolyn	Young	Sacramento	CA	5/16/2008
Orlando	Antonini	San Francisco	CA	5/17/2008
Cynthia	Harvey	Chico	CA	5/17/2008
Patricia	Barr	Los Angeles	CA	5/17/2008
Mary	Rasmussen	Pasadena	CA	5/17/2008
Christine	Dey	Flemington	NJ	5/19/2008
Robert	Becker	Flemington	NJ	5/19/2008
Claire	Boland	Flemington	NJ	5/19/2008
Evan	Jaffe	Flemington	NJ	5/19/2008
Linda	Zimmermann	Branchburg	NJ	5/19/2008
Christine	Little	Flemington	NJ	5/19/2008
Irene	Schofield	Princeton	NJ	5/19/2008
Travis	Cosaboom	Oldwick	NJ	5/19/2008
Lisa	Markowitz	Delanco	NJ	5/19/2008

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David	Olekna	Annandale	NJ	5/19/2008
Anthony	Serra	Princeton	NJ	5/19/2008
Mark	Olson	Sonora	CA	5/19/2008
Judith	Stothoff	Flemington	NJ	5/19/2008
Margaret	Schmierer	San Rafael	CA	5/2/2008
Edith	Davidson	San Leandro	CA	5/2/2008
Pamela	Benitez	San Jose	CA	5/20/2008
Richard	Sutton	Encinitas	CA	5/20/2008
Tirzah	Lassahn	Burlingame	CA	5/21/2008
Leo	Bautista	Berkeley	CA	5/21/2008
Joanne	Stine	Redwood City	CA	5/21/2008
Kenneth	McKean	Piedmont	CA	5/21/2008
Livia	Argano	Campbell	CA	5/21/2008
John	Kessler	Campbell	CA	5/22/2008
Gwendolyn	Mitchell	Burlingame	CA	5/22/2008
Gene	Marchi	Mill Valley	CA	5/23/2008
Julia	Nelson	La Crescenta	CA	5/28/2008
Judith	Chinello	Santa Cruz	CA	5/28/2008
Elizabeth	Adler	Vallejo	CA	5/3/2008
Shirley	Nelson	Walnut Creek	CA	5/3/2008
Sandra	Hill	Santa Cruz	CA	5/3/2008
Thomas	Lucas	San Francisco	CA	5/3/2008
Patricia	McVey-Ritsick	Pleasant Hill	CA	5/30/2008
Christina	Erickson-Taube	Beaumont	CA	5/30/2008
Lyle	Stotelmyre	San Bernardino	CA	5/31/2008
Alan	Statman	Oakland	CA	5/31/2008
Rosalva	Black	Austin	TX	5/7/2008
Timothy	McGinnis	Austin	TX	5/7/2008
Jeri	Lightfoot	Waco	TX	5/7/2008
Wanda	Miles	Tyler	TX	5/7/2008
Pamela	LoCoco	Half Moon Bay	CA	5/7/2008
Michael	Nedela	Houston	TX	5/7/2008

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Renea	Brown	Lufkin	TX	5/7/2008
Phillip	Shaw	Fort Worth	TX	5/7/2008
Jennifer	Cross	Arlington	TX	5/7/2008
Leslie	Pate	San Antonio	TX	5/7/2008
Alfred	Martinez	San Angelo	TX	5/7/2008
Eli	Alfaro	Houston	TX	5/7/2008
Linda	Banta	Berkeley	CA	5/7/2008
Derbha	Jones	Denton	TX	5/7/2008
Adeline	Thompson	San Antonio	TX	5/7/2008
Meredith	Taylor	San Leandro	CA	5/7/2008
Gerald	Sanders	San Antonio	TX	5/7/2008
John	Johnson	Greenville	TN	5/9/2008
William	Barrick	Carthage	TN	5/9/2008
Susan	Fox	La Jolla	CA	6/10/2008
Pete	Silva	Campbell	CA	6/11/2008
Cheryl	Templeton	Northridge	CA	6/12/2008
Nancy	Cronin	Burlingame	CA	6/12/2008
James	Wood	San Ramon	CA	6/12/2008
Elizabeth	Russo	Anchorage	AK	6/13/2008
Valerie	White	Anchorage	AK	6/13/2008
Michelle	Peters	Anchorage	AK	6/13/2008
Jill	Rudee	San Francisco	CA	6/13/2008
Juliana	Flynn	Anchorage	AK	6/13/2008
Akira	Nakamura	Seal Beach	CA	6/14/2008
Marvelene	Breech	Sacramento	CA	6/14/2008
Herb	Thomas	Alameda	CA	6/14/2008
Janice	Kittredge	Walnut Creek	CA	6/19/2008
Clark	Leuthold	Phoenix	AZ	6/20/2008
Kathie	Manville	La Mesa	CA	6/20/2008
Phillip	Ioset	Phoenix	AZ	6/20/2008
Catherine	Yoshida-Corella	Phoenix	AZ	6/20/2008
Lawrence	Dean	Redlands	CA	6/20/2008

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Shawn	Patterson	Phoenix	AZ	6/20/2008
Kathy	Woolf	Sun City West	AZ	6/20/2008
Shelley	Ocana	Santa Rosa	CA	6/21/2008
Don	Hughes	Cloverdale	CA	6/21/2008
Saundra	Randazzo	Pacific Grove	CA	6/23/2008
Christie	Davidson	Redlands	CA	6/23/2008
Michael	Berlin	San Diego	CA	6/23/2008
Shirley	Trissler	La Canada	CA	6/24/2008
Monika	Pelletier	San Diego	CA	6/24/2008
Emily	Stuhlbarg	Torrance	CA	6/24/2008
Joyce Ann	Flint	Los Angeles	CA	6/25/2008
Kenneth	Martin	Hemet	CA	6/25/2008
Jutta	Kiel	Santa Clara	CA	6/25/2008
Christina	Griffiths	Sacramento	CA	6/25/2008
Loretta	Davila	Fairfield	CA	6/25/2008
Stan	Mandell	Glendale	CA	6/25/2008
Frederick	Isaacs II	Tracy	CA	6/27/2008
Lynne	Liska	Tallahassee	FL	6/27/2008
Dovie	White	El Cerrito	CA	6/27/2008
Betty	Wright	Sacramento	CA	6/28/2008
Dusty	White	San Jose	CA	6/28/2008
Paula	Bibbs	San Francisco	CA	6/3/2008
Vida	Negrete	South Pasadena	CA	6/30/2008
Jerry	Kityk	Cerritos	CA	6/30/2008
Alan	Virgil	Torrance	CA	6/30/2008
Thomas	Kiernan	Suisun City	CA	6/4/2008
Linda	Maxwell	Upland	CA	6/4/2008
Amelia	Craig	Carmel	CA	6/4/2008
Debra	Trout	San Luis Obispo	CA	6/5/2008
James	Moore	Sacramento	CA	6/6/2008
Alberta	Greco	Las Vegas	NV	6/6/2008
Judith	Kolosky	Las Vegas	NV	6/6/2008

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Hannah	Moss	San Diego	CA	6/6/2008
Bertha	Joung	San Francisco	CA	6/6/2008
Nicole	Iole	Pittsburgh	PA	6/6/2008
Susan	Below	Oroville	CA	6/7/2008
Nancy	Foster Thornton	Carlsbad	CA	6/7/2008
Peggy	Torello	So. Deerfield	MA	6/7/2008
Clare	Culhane	Boston	MA	6/7/2008
Selcuk	Sahin	North Falmouth	MA	6/7/2008
Patricia	Bye	Santa Clara	CA	6/7/2008
Audrey	Baron	Wilmington	MA	6/7/2008
Eileen	Sullivan-Boss	West Springfield	MA	6/7/2008
Luella	Sanders	Oroville	CA	6/7/2008
Jody	Sceery	East Greenwich	RI	6/7/2008
Gloria	Trumble	Chula Vista	CA	6/9/2008
Geraldine	Donnelly	San Diego	CA	6/9/2008
Daniel	Stubbs	Pasadena	CA	6/9/2008
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Robert	Hatch	Long Beach	CA	7/11/2008
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Mircea	Dragomir	San Jose	CA	7/12/2008
Gail	Greer	San Diego	CA	7/12/2008
Vera	Sprinkel	Greenbrae	CA	7/12/2008
Richard	Cox	Blairsdon	CA	7/12/2008
David	Katra	Los Gatos	CA	7/12/2008
Susan	Katra	Los Gatos	CA	7/12/2008
Francine	Teitelbaum	Tarzana	CA	7/14/2008
Patricia	Keefer	Ventura	CA	7/14/2008
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Thomas	Thorpe	San Jose	CA	7/17/2008

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Jessica	Britt	Burlingame	CA	7/19/2008
Dawn	Akel	Elk Grove	CA	7/19/2008
Sidney	Chapman	Santa Cruz	CA	7/19/2008
Virginia Rae	Douglass	Laguna Hills	CA	7/21/2008
Elizabeth	Callaway	Oakland	CA	7/21/2008
Rodney	Goodbrod	Eureka	CA	7/23/2008
Ronald	Patterson	Fallbrook	CA	7/23/2008
John	Balquist	Oakland	CA	7/24/2008
Linda	Gray	Pleasanton	CA	7/26/2008
William	Hlavaty	Oak Hills	CA	7/7/2008
Marilyn	Kriebel	El Cajou	CA	7/8/2008
Douglas	Kaplan	Davis	CA	7/9/2008
Richard	Lambie	San Jose	CA	7/9/2008

CGC Staff Change Announcement

Anthony Viscariello has joined the CGC as Communications Manager. Previous communications manager, Bethany Dennis, has left to pursue a master's degree in Interpersonal Communications at Kent State University in Kent, OH.

Anthony comes to you after working as the lead Public Relations Account Executive at The Montello Agency in Jacksonville, FL. He was in charge of all public relations and communication efforts for clients that included Beazer Homes, Pulte Homes, Drees Homes and several other well-known residential home builders and land developers. Anthony was also an integral part of several "charity builds" that benefited breast cancer survivors, abuse shelters, and third-world entrepreneurs. Anthony graduated from Monmouth University (NJ) with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications with a concentration in Public Relations and Journalism. While at Monmouth, he played in every competitive game for the Hawks' NCAA D-I men's soccer team and won the Joan Martin Award as a senior captain. He is a current member of the Pennsylvania Public Relations Society and was actively involved in the Northeast Florida Builders Association (NEFBA) Sales and Marketing Council and NEFBA Builders Care.

Other CGC staff include Denise Calabrese, Executive Director; Amy Bell, Database & Financial Manager; Lesley Richards, Certification Coordinator; Martin Speece, Communications Assistant; and Christine Bailey, Receptionist.



L to R: Denise, Anthony, Christine, Martin, Amy, Lesley

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