



## Message from the Chairman - July 2009

Dear Members,

We recently finished the International ICAK meeting in conjunction with the USA Chapter meeting in Boston, MA - USA. While a USA member myself, the ICAK would like to thank the USA board for hosting this meeting. The Gala evening was a wonderful boat dinner cruise on the St. Charles at sunset with perfect weather. I would also like to give a big thank you to all the International members who travelled so far to come to this meeting.

The meeting was very successful and many positive things came from it. Several people commented this was one of the best board meetings in years and we look forward to more like that. There are so many people to thank but I would like to especially honor Dr. Tracy Gates who was unable to attend the meeting due to personal issues. She has been invaluable to our organization for so many years.

The ICAK is happy to announce we had 14 new Diplomates last year and at least 5 new from the Boston meeting. Thank you to Hans Boenke the IBE Chair and board for all their hard work. Our new bylaws are now completely in effect and the IEC (former BCT) had a very productive meeting and will be revitalizing their procedures for the future of AK teaching methods.

Research is one of our most needed elements worldwide. Some exciting things are in the works on the USA level and we hope all chapters are doing their due diligence to document the science and efficacy of Applied Kinesiology as a diagnostic method for helping people achieve fantastic functional results in health.

One item we regret to inform you is the ICAK no longer recognizes the ICAK-D German chapter due to a rules and regulation issue that went unresolved for too long. There is still a fully active functioning chapter in Germany, the DAEGAK chapter, and we hope to have all qualifying members from ICAK-D remain in our organization and our global unified efforts.

Next year our meeting will take place in Berlin, Germany followed by France, Canada and Down Under in that order. We hope to see you at them all! I am still always impressed at the nuance differences of our AK doctors around the world and highly recommend branching outside your chapter to experience it.

Some goals for the New Year will be incorporating the associate member status as well as the international project to create a supporting member base of thousands worldwide. We look forward to changes to our website and much more. The IC is committed to working throughout the year and we hope to create great things before our next formal meeting.

Should you have any questions or comments from the IC, please feel free to contact anyone on the IC or myself:

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May you all have a wonderful year of health and happiness!

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