

ICPG NEWSLETTER



I hope that you find the information in this newsletter interesting. It is also a challenge to find enough material to make it a useful read and informative read. Please send us anything that you think should be shared with our readers.

I hope to see many of you at the MidCentral Conference on September 25 & 26 at Indianapolis if not sooner.

Jerry L. at the Indiana Council

September Conference

The Indiana Addiction Recovery Month Symposium/ MidCentral Alliance on Problem Gambling Conference will be held September 25 and 26 at the Indiana Government Center South Conference Center in downtown Indianapolis. Attendance is limited to about 350 due to the room size imposed by the location. There will be a full track on problem gambling. Jon Grant, JD, MD, MPH, professor Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neuroscience at the University of Chicago will join us again this year. Dr. Grant will discuss the impact and ramifications of the just released DSM-5 on the problem gambling treatment world.

We will let you all know prior to the start of registration later this summer.

Doug Stickney

Doug Stickney passed away on Sunday May 12 at Carmel Indiana. Doug founded the Custer Center for the treatment of problem gamblers at Indianapolis and Trimeridian Inc. at Carmel. He was a leader in addressing problem gambling.

Many of the most recognized names in problem gambling have been associated with Doug and these entities.

Doug, age 57, had a long list of accomplishments for someone so young. He will greatly be missed by all of those who were fortunate to know him.

2013 Indiana General Assembly Session

Hoosier Park Racing & Casino (Anderson) and Indiana Grand Casino (Shelbyville) had sought to add live table games like those at the eleven other casinos. The lack of this is the only real difference among Indiana's casinos beyond these two being non "boats." They both have electronic table games. It was said that approval would have led to the hiring of about 600 new employees. There are currently more than 12,500 casino employees. A sufficient number of the legislators considered this to be an expansion of gaming to deny legislative approval. Following the recent purchase of Indiana Grand, Indianapolis based Centaur Holdings now owns both of these properties.

The Indiana casino properties did succeed in gaining approval to deduct a portion of the free play dollars given to patrons prior to calculating the wagering taxes paid to the state so as to be better able to compete with the growing number of casinos in adjacent states. However, given the small dollar amount of this deduction, \$5 M/year for each property, it will not replace the revenue lost to nearby out of state casinos.

The taxes paid by the Indiana casinos has averaged more than \$800 M/year since the casino properties expanded to the current thirteen. When the State's share of the Hoosier Lottery revenue is added, more than \$1 B a year is paid to the State General Fund from gaming revenue.

\$3 M for PG

The FSSA Division of Mental Health & Addiction State will have \$3,041,728 annually in State Fiscal Year 2014 and 2015 for problem gambling. This annual appropriation consists of \$2,572,675 for prevention measures and \$526,860 for research.

ICPG Mission Statement

The Indiana Council on Problem Gambling strives to generate awareness, promote education, and be an advocate for quality treatment of problem gamblers in the State of Indiana.

SFY12 Help Line Calls and State Funded Treatment Enrollments

Calls to the Problem Gambling Helpline (1-800-994-8448)

FY07	1385
FY08	1283
FY09	843
FY10	1081
FY11	932
FY12	829

State Funded Treatment Enrollments.

FY07	283
FY08	262
FY09	317
FY10	305
FY11	468
FY12	558

ICPG Facebook Page

The Indiana Council now has a Facebook Page thanks to the help of Al Larsen, Senior Manager of Public Relations at the Hoosier Lottery. Find us and friend us at:

www.facebook.com/IndianaCouncilOnProblemGambling

We are posting articles and training opportunities of interest to our readers as we come across them. As soon as we have more information on the September conference it will be posted there first.

GTECH Now Manages the Hoosier Lottery

The State Lottery Commission entered into a fifteen year agreement with GTECH Indiana which will provide operational assistance with a commitment to increase Hoosier Lottery revenue of this period. This went into effect on February 1. Indiana is the second state to contract out management of their state lottery. Illinois was the first and is now managed by the Northstar Lottery Group, which is a consortium including GTECH Corporation and Scientific Games. Although not involved in the operational agreement in Indiana, Scientific Games continues to provide lottery machines and tickets for the Hoosier Lottery, as it has done in the past.

There has been criticism that the Hoosier Lottery's future growth in revenue will result in sales to those Hoosier's that can least afford to play the lottery economically will supply the sought after growth.

GTECH Indiana has created a position to address problem gambling. Katie Carlson is the Director of Corporate Social Responsibility and Compliance. Katie moved here from Rhode Island.

GTECH Indiana hosted a meeting on May 22nd for all of those Indiana organizations involved in oversight of problem gambling and providers of services to problem gamblers and their families. The purpose

of this meeting was to look for ways in which the Hoosier Lottery can address problem gambling.

Accreditation from the World Lottery Association will also be sought for the Hoosier Lottery. The WLA has developed responsible gaming compliance standards for its members. This accreditation is a multi-year process.

Katie Carlson has also joined the Indiana Council's board of directors.

All of this seems to be a very positive going forward.

Changes at the Indiana Casinos

Rising Star Casino has been purchased by Full House Resorts.

Centaur Holdings now owns both Hoosier Park Racing Casino and Indiana Grand Casino.

The former Aztar Indiana has been rebranded as Tropicana Evansville.

Pinnacle Entertainment, owner of Belterra Casino Resort, is in the process of acquiring Ameristar Casinos including Ameristar Casino Hotel East Chicago.

Four gaming companies will own two properties each when the Pinnacle acquisition of Ameristar is complete. Indiana statute limits ownership of gaming properties to no more than two by one company.

News from The Gambling Recovery Ministries

Major changes are occurring at the Gambling Recovery Ministries which was created by Reverend Janet Jacobs and her husband Ron in 2001 under the umbrella of the United Methodist Church (Southern Indiana Conference). The UMC will cease funding the GRM at the end of June. Reverend Jacobs will retire from the UMC at that time.

The Gambling Recovery Ministries will not disappear. Those of you who know Janet and Ron will know this. The GRM will continue under a new 501c3 as an independent ministry. The board will be drafting new bylaws and will continue to provide the great outreach that has been provided for the last twelve years. The Indiana Council will continue to support the GRM in every way that we can do so. We hope that readers will join us in this effort. Reverend Janet and Ron can be reached at:

jjacobs@grmumc.org

Upcoming Gambling Recovery Ministries event:

September 13

First Responder Conference:

Helping Those with Substance Abuse or Gambling Problems in Your Faith-Based Community

8:30 AM-4:30 PM

Meridian Plaza Two
3001 Pennsylvania Parkway
Indianapolis
First Floor Conference Room

This conference is for the continuing education for clergy, chaplains, Stephens Ministries and laity. Experts in the field of addiction and recovery will provide practical and immediately usable information and a variety of resources to equip attendees to respond to the needs of people with or at risk for alcohol, drug or gambling problems.

Registration is free and provided by a grant from the United Methodist General Board of Church and Society. Lunch and break refreshments are included. Seven CEUs available.

Register by contacting:

Dr. Esther M Maddux at:

emaddux101851@msn.com
or
785-215-2116

Questions from Reverend Jacobs:

What would an ecumenical faith-based ministry-of national scope-to problem gamblers and their loved ones look like? Is there a need? Who would participate? Interested? Curious?

Please send your thoughts on this to Reverend Jacobs at:

jjacobs@grmumc.org

DSM-5 Questions

Under the DSM-4 pathological gambling was classified as an "Impulse-Control Disorder." Under the DSM-5 it falls under a category called "Addiction and Related Disorders." Will third party insurance now cover treatment costs? How will this effect the number of gamblers

entering treatment? Will more mental health/addiction treatment providers add problem gambling treatment to their services? Will this then result in a demand for more credentialed counselors?

New Videos from Arnie & Sheila Wexler

Our friends, the Wexlers, have produced a new pair of DVDs titled:

Effects of Compulsive Gambling on the Marriage

Can this Marriage Recover?

The Indiana Council, through our state grant, has purchased a set of these videos for each of the state funded problem gambling endorsed providers along with a large quantity of additional materials. Dollars used for these items came from the Hoosier Lottery.

Anyone interested in purchasing these can find information about them at:

www.awexler.com

Online Problem Gambling Training

The National Center for Responsible Gaming has archived twelve of their webinars on their website. These can be viewed anytime without charge. The speakers are among the most noted names in the problem gambling field. These can be accessed at:

www.ncrg.org/public-education-and-outreach/webinars/archived-sessions

Online Gambling

Last week U.S. Representative Peter King (R-NY) introduced the "Internet Gambling Regulation, Consumer Protection and Enforcement Act of 2013." The bill seeks to regulate online gambling at the federal level. All forms of online gambling, excluding sports betting, would be included. States and Indian tribes would have the option of opting out of this law if passed. States with regulation already in place would be "grandfathered" into the new system.

Legislation was previously introduced in 2011 to address this issue.

This legislation is broader than those introduced in the past. Rather than being directed only at online poker, it would also regulate online casinos and slots.

The proposed legislation can be accessed at:

www.scribd.com/doc/146134026/Internet-Gambling-Regulation-Enforcement-and-Consumer-Protection-Act-of-2013

Indiana By the Numbers

Hoosier Lottery (21st among 43 state lotteries in gross revenue)

Indiana Casinos (4th among 23 states with casinos in gross revenue)

Please share the *ICPG Newsletter* with others who you think would be interested in the information that it contains. If you need any of our printed materials.

Upcoming Problem Gambling Conferences

National Conference on Problem Gambling
July 19-20 Seattle Washington

First Responder Conference
September 13, 2013
Indianapolis, Indiana

13th Annual National Center on Responsible Gaming Conference
September 22-24 2013
Las Vegas Nevada

Indiana Addictions Recovery Month Symposium
& MidCentral PG Alliance Conference
September 25 & 26 2013
Indianapolis Indiana

Helpful Contact Information

Indiana Problem Gambling Help Line: 1-800-994-8448
Indiana Voluntary Exclusion Program (VEP): 1- 317-234-3600

National Problem Gambling Help Line: 1-800-522-4700

Indiana Gamblers Anonymous Hot Line: 1-866-442-8621

Indiana Council on Problem Gambling: 1-866-699-4274

Gamblers Anonymous: www.gamblersanonymous.org

Gam-Anon: www.gam-anon.org

Female Gamblers: www.femalegamblers.info
recoveringgambler.com

Gambling Recovery Ministries UMC: grmumc.org

Indiana Addictions Issues Coalition:
www.indianarecovery.org

Indiana Council on Problem Gambling:
www.indianaproblemgambling.org

Indiana Problem Gambling Awareness Project
www.ipgap.indiana.edu/problem-gambling

Support the ICPG Through Your Annual Membership

Individual Membership of the ICPG (\$50)

Joint Individual Membership of the ICPG & National Council on Problem Gambling (\$85) (NCPG Membership is \$75. Joint membership saves you \$40)

Sponsor (Businesses with up to 10 employees) (\$125)

Sponsor (Businesses with up to 500 employees) (\$250)

Sponsor (Businesses with more than 500 employees) (\$500)

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