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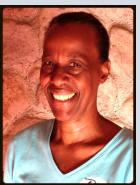
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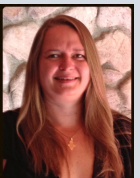
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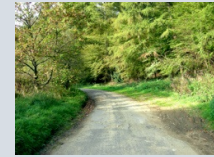
Greetings!

We are working to translate our newsletter into the following languages. In the meantime, we suggest you use Google Translate.

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In This Issue

This issue shares information about the Board election and the new board and alternate board members.



Also, you will read that the Board of Directors is holding its Annual General Meeting for the first time in Europe. We look forward to having six witnesses to support the work done during the meeting.

We hope you enjoy this issue. Reiki Home continues to grow and expand.

The Election Process

In early June an invitation was issued to a number of people from a list of over 3,000. They were invited to consider submitting an application to become a Board candidate. Nine people stepped forward!

The Council of Electors was to elect two new members and two alternates at the Board's request. After three meetings, Donna Stetser (USA) and Peter Coates-Buglear (UK) were elected as Board members and Nur Stepanova (Russia) and Andre Baptista (Brazil) as alternate members.

With Board members already serving from Uruguay, the USA, UK, Estonia, and Barbados, the Board expanded its cultural diversity and representation of the global community. The new members bring exciting gifts, skills and knowledge to an already very talented, hard working Board.



Patricia Cuadrado, member, Uruguay



Please Note:

The picture of the 2014 Annual General Meeting did not mention Collene Delaney, Scott Howlett and Astrid Bagwitz who attended the meeting virtually. We apologize for omitting them. Their time, gifts, and energy shared during the meeting were very much appreciated.

Council of Electors

We are grateful for their process of careful discernment, wisdom and the choices they made. Thank you for your service to the RFI and Reiki Home.



Rick Bockner, Canada



Kristin Bonney, Wales, United Kingdom



Tripuri Dunne, United Kingdom



Marta Getty, Oregon, USA

Paul Mitchell, Idaho,

Donna Stetser - New Board Member



Donna served on the RFI board for four years as Treasurer and returns for another three-year term.

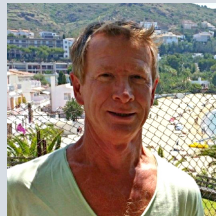
Donna was initiated as a Reiki Master in 1996 and has a Reiki treatment and teaching practice in Fairview, NC.

Her many skills include: finance, nursing, and basic computer. She says she can also use a hammer and a skill saw, drive a tractor and fly a plane! She lives in the mountains of North Carolina with her partner, has two daughters and two grandchildren.

She writes, "In my term as a member of the Board of Directors of RFI, I received many opportunities for growth as a person and as a master. I have passion for the System, my practice, Reiki Home, and for the expansion of Reiki into the world."

I am dedicated to the concept that we can all reach our potential and we can get there from here! I am astounded sometimes when I think about all the possibilities inherent in our mission. When I feel the immense support that comes from my family, colleagues and community, I am grateful."

Peter Coates - Buglear - New Board Member



Peter brings extensive experience in the business world having studied electronics and general engineering. He has been an electronics design engineer and established several companies and businesses.

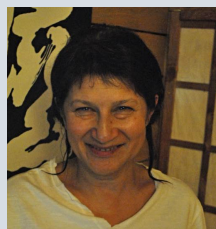
He is a member of the UK Reiki Association. As a Second Degree Reiki student, he is studying for his Mastery level. He has a Reiki sharing group that has been active since 1994.

He is married with four children and five grandchildren. He travels all over the world, currently to the Far East. He enjoys traveling, reading, films, diving, snorkeling and skiing.

He writes, "I am a person who likes to get things done. Taking action rather than just talking. I am used to being in charge and delegating actions to others."

I am a fairly quiet person generally. I believe in the Reiki Home project and would like to see it succeed."

Nur Stepanova - Alternate Board Member



Nur, a Reiki Master initiated in 1994, is an active member of Reiki Home. She has been a member of the Core Team and serves the Akademia Team as its Russian translator.

She has skills in group work, coaching and was a teacher of English. She has been a facilitator for the Transformation Game and a trainer for Personal Growth Training. She also has worked for Foster House near Moscow. She now lives in Moscow with her granddaughter.

She writes: "I think that creation of Reiki Home is very important for our community. I love to learn new things and do new steps. I



USA

love to travel, to work in a team and help people to grow in different ways.

I have a passion in my life - Reiki. I think that relationships are much more important than a need to be right or perfect."

Giving a Gift

All Board members pay their own transportation, lodging, and meals as well as give 10 days of their time to attend the Annual General Meeting. The other costs are covered by the Board.

Your financial gift in any amount helps support the Board meet these expenses and in its continued work with Reiki Home.

[My Contribution](#)

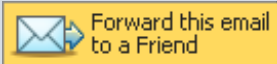
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Meet Andre Baptista - Alternate Board Member



Andre is an environmental lawyer in Brazil and the founding partner at Rocha, Baptista, & Braganca Advogados. He has over 15 years experience in civil litigation, succession, family, real estate, and environmental law.

He loves sports and plays handball, basketball, soccer & volleyball. He loves to cook and dance. He and his wife are rejoicing in the birth of their daughter in July. Andre is a Second Degree student studying for Mastery.

He writes, *"I have been part of the Reiki community in Brazil since 1997, participating in national and international events, exchanging Reiki.*

To understand what Reiki wants to become and how to harmonize the Absolute and the Relative worlds shall bring some unimaginable problems to be solved. As I really like big challenges...I am very motivated."

The Annual General Meeting of the RFI Board

Board members and witnesses arrive in Orval, Belgium September 9. The Annual General Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Reiki Foundation International begins with dinner and ends the evening of September 17.



Orval Belgium

Each morning the Board meets for practical work (i.e. budget and administrative planning). In the afternoon Reiki is shared and discussions are held on reflective topics as we listen for the next steps of Reiki Home.

You are invited to participate by sending Reiki to each day's meeting, the people attending, and the work for Reiki Home.

Please join us energetically. Your hands and thoughts make a difference.