



WISCONSIN COUNCIL ON PROBLEM GAMBLING

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The Eighteenth Annual Compulsive Gambling Awareness Conference was a huge success!

The Eighteenth Annual Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling Statewide Conference was a huge success with 125 people attending the two day conference.

This year's conference was held March 23rd and 24th at The Osthoff Resort in Elkhart Lake, WI. Attendees came from all areas of Wisconsin as well as Arizona, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, Ohio, South Dakota and the island of Saipan to attend the conference.

Speakers included:

Jerry Bauerkemper (Nebraska)
Dana Berger (Wisconsin)
Scott Caldwell (Wisconsin)
Jeremy Eberle (Nebraska)
Don Feeny (Minnesota)

James Harrison III (Wisconsin)
Marc Lefkowitz (Arizona)
Kirk Moberg (Illinois)
Mark Sanders (Illinois)
Karen Vadino (Ohio)

Topics included:

“Leadership 2.0: An Advanced Workshop for Supervisors in the Behavioral Health Field”; “Motivational Interviewing Track”; “When the Presenting Problem is The Solution: Strategies for Engaging the Most Difficult to Reach Clients in Counseling: A Focus on Process and Chemical Addiction and Self Harming Behavior”; “Gambling, Internet Gaming, and Fantasy Sports: Some Knowns With a Lot of Unknowns”; “Talkin’ ‘Bout My Generation: Generational Differences in Gambling and Why They Matter”; “Principles and Beliefs in the Practice of Ethics”; “Groups: Therapy, Recovery, Support, and Fun”; “All Stressed Up and No One to Choke”; “Gambling Disorder: A Lens Through Which to Understand the Rest of the Process Addictions”; “Helping Gamblers Find Debt Reduction Options and Get Their Budget On Track”; “Pleasure Unwoven” An In-Depth Look at the Debate over Whether or Not Addiction Can Really Be Called a “Disease”; “Applause, Applause”; “It’s About the Money and Not About the Money”; “Determining the Extent of College Age Participation in Daily Fantasy Sports Gambling”; and “Happiness: An Inside Job”.

Call For Presenters 2018

Inside this newsletter is the Call For Presenters application insert for the 2018 Conference

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Potawatomi Hotel and Casino Sponsorship

The WCPG would like to extend a big thank you to the Potawatomi Hotel and Casino for the 2017 Sponsorship it has provided. Through the generosity of the Potawatomi Hotel and Casino Sponsorship we will be able to provide Intro Trainings and Phase 1-4 Trainings in the Milwaukee area. Sponsorship was provided for the Eighteenth Annual Conference and 15 scholarships were awarded. The sponsorship also provides assistance for the operation of the 24-Hour Helpline. We are continually grateful for the on-going support we receive from Potawatomi. Their partnership gives us the opportunity to continue and expand resources for problem gamblers and their families.

The Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling would like to thank the following for their generous contributions to the Eighteenth Annual WCPG Statewide Conference:

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Award Recipients

Awards were given to the following individuals who have gone above and beyond in helping the Council achieve its mission of education and promoting public awareness of problem gambling disorders.

Cornerstone Award: Ed Ramsey This award is named after the first recipient, The Cornerstone Foundation. It is presented to a person or organization that has been instrumental in the growth of the Council. The recipient must show strong support and dedication to the expansion of the WCPG and its mission.

Spirit Award: Mark Wesenberg This award is in appreciation of outstanding dedication, support and true spirit given to problem gamblers and their families.

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Special Recognition Award: Judy Ramsey This award is in appreciation of the support and friendship that an individual or organization has given the Council in perpetuating the Council's goals and mission.

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Outstanding Volunteer Award: Chris Schlapman This award is given to an individual who has shown long term devotion and unending support of the Council and has volunteered innumerable hours toward helping the mission of the WCPG.

**** Save the Date ****

Nineteenth Annual Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling Statewide Conference

The Milwaukee Marriott West in Waukesha , WI March 15-16, 2018

Call for Presenters 2018!

The Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling, Inc. will be hosting its 19th Annual Statewide Compulsive Gambling Awareness Conference.

The Conference will take place March 15th and 16th, 2018 at

The Milwaukee Marriott West in Waukesha, Wisconsin.

Additionally, a pre-conference will be held on March 14th, 2018.

Suggested Presentation Areas Include (but are not limited to):

- Assessment, Treatment and Recovery
- Public Awareness
- Outcome and Social Cost
- Prevention and Impact of Gambling
- Effects on Select Populations
- Topics Concerning Adolescents, Older Adults, And Women
- Intervention
- Ethics
- Support for the Family
- Co-Occurring Disorders

Who Attends This Conference?

- People involved in research, treatment and prevention of problem gambling
- Criminal Justice Personnel
- Mental Health Professionals
- Employee Assistance Personnel
- Human Resource Staff
- Gaming Industry Personnel
- Educators and Students
- Compulsive Gamblers
- Elected Officials
- Friends and Family Members of Problem Gamblers

**Please fill out the Presenters Application form on back.
If submitting more than one presentation, please copy and
complete an application form for each submission.
This form is also available on our website**

**To submit a proposal or
for more information please contact:**

Conference Coordinator

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**Deadline to
submit
Proposal is
August 31, 2017**



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ON PROBLEM GAMBLING

Presenter Application

(Incomplete submissions will not be considered.)

Name _____ Credentials _____

Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

Fax _____ E-mail _____

Honorarium Requested _____

Presentation Title _____

(Please note that this title will be used for CEU applications if presenter and presentation are selected.)

Please list a brief paragraph describing your presentation and at least three (3) goals and objectives for your presentation. (Please email {preferred method}, fax, or mail the presentation proposal.)

Description of Presentation:

Goals and Objectives:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Please e-mail a one paragraph professional biography to:
conference@wi-problemgamblers.org

****Please keep a copy of the Call for Presenters application and information for your personal records****

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Thank You

The Eighteenth Annual Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling Statewide Conference was held on March 23rd and 24th, 2017. We appreciate all the support the WCPG receives for the conference and throughout the year.

The staff and Board of Directors of the WCPG would like to offer a huge "thank you" to all our conference sponsors who helped to make our Eighteenth Annual Statewide Conference a great success. We are also thankful for everyone who provided scholarships to the conference. Scholarships help to provide opportunities for people to attend who might otherwise not be able to do so.

We are so grateful to all of our volunteers who helped us before and during the conference. Our volunteers provide countless hours and help in hundreds of ways: Diana Abelt, Cathy Allen-Schneider, Carolyn Bickel, James Bolek, Cheri Cuny, Kathy Diny, Chris Gruber, LeAnne Holden, Brayden Massart, Mollie Massart, Judy Ramsey, Peggy Schlapman, Mark Wesenberg, Tarra VanSchyndel, Maynard and Carolyn Zima.

Another thank you goes to the conference presenters, exhibitors, and participants for their part in making this conference a success: Jerry Bauerkemper, Scott Caldwell, Jeremy Eberle, Don Feeney, Jim Harrison, Marc Lefkowitz, Kirk Moberg, Mark Sanders, and Karen Vadino for sharing their knowledge with us.

A special thanks goes to the WCPG Conference Committee, Daniel Cousins, Sr., James Harrison III, Pat Jirovetz, Jamie McCarville, Ed Ramsey, and Todd Zangl. Your guidance and input really helped make this conference a success. We appreciate your time and effort.

My heartfelt thanks goes out to everyone who contributed so much heart, soul and elbow grease to the conference. Your participation continues to help compulsive gamblers and their families find the assistance they need as they deal with this debilitating problem.

Just a reminder- planning has begun for next year's conference, which will be held March 15th and 16th, 2018 at the Milwaukee Marriott West in Waukesha, WI. Save the dates!

Thank you for "Working Together" with us!

Rose Blozinski

Rose Blozinski
WCPG Executive Director



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Please see our website for more information
www.wi-problemgamblers.org

Moraine Park Technical College

Now offering a 3 credit course, Introduction to Problem Gambling 1. This will be offered in the fall semester- 550-101, 8/31/17-12/21/17, Thursday evenings. This course will provide an orientation to gambling addiction, explore the neurobiology and pharmacology of gambling addictions, and prepare the student to evaluate and address the issues of problem gambling disorders for treatment planning. This course is one of two courses to prepare students to earn the International Certified Gambling Counselor credential. It is listed under Human Services- AODA Curriculum.

For more information contact Moraine Park Technical College in Fond du Lac, WI at 1.800.472.4554.

Ingredients

- 1/4 cup butter
- 1/2 small white onion, finely diced
- 3 small zucchinis, diced
- 3 ears corn, husks and silk removed
- Sea salt to taste
- Freshly ground black pepper to taste

Fresh Corn and Zucchini Sauté

Recipe
Corner



Heat butter in a skillet over medium heat, stirring occasionally, until lightly browned, 1 to 2 minutes. Cook and stir onion in the melted butter until translucent, about 5 minutes. Cut kernels from the ears of corn. Add zucchini and corn; cook and stir until zucchini is tender, about 8 minutes. Season with sea salt and pepper.

For help, call: 1-800-GAMBLE-5 or text 920-888-HELP

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VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT: The WCPG is currently accepting volunteers. Anyone interested in donating their time and skills to the organization by helping with administrative projects is encouraged to contact us at (920)437-8888.

RESOURCE LIBRARY: The WCPG has both books and videos in our lending library. Materials can be loaned out on a two week basis. These materials can also be mailed to you. For more information, call René at (920) 437-8888 or e-mail her at: conference@wi-problemgamblers.org

The Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling, Inc. provides resources, public awareness and education on gambling disorders while maintaining strict neutrality on the issue of legalized gambling.

Our goals are to:

- Promote public education and awareness of gambling disorders.
- Maintain a toll-free statewide Helpline where people with gambling disorders and their families can call for immediate and continuing assistance in dealing with the addiction.
- Advocate quality assistance for all individuals affected by gambling disorders.
- Identify "high risk" individuals and groups with gambling disorders and provide prevention activities and information.
- Provide expert training to professional counselors in the treatment of gambling disorders.
- Compile and maintain a database of statistical information concerning gambling disorders in Wisconsin.