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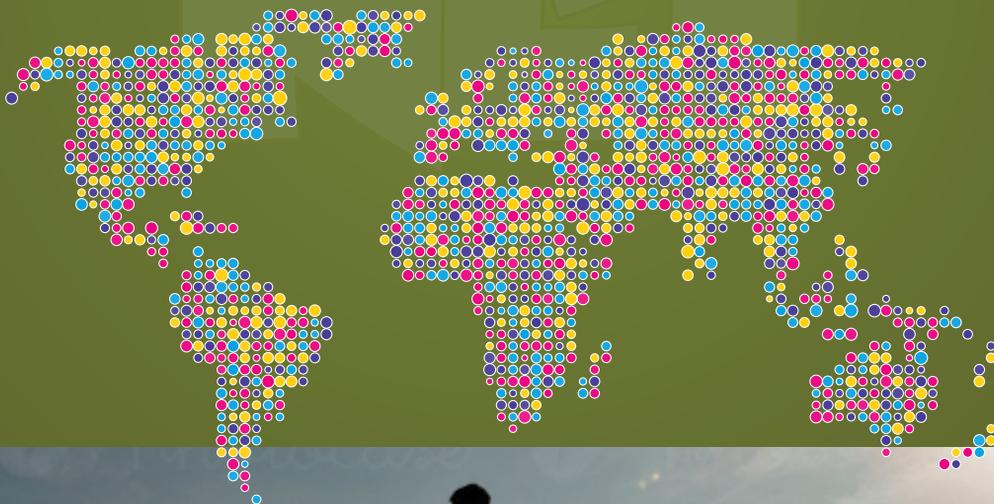
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such a great community
space for our ideas.*

Mark Littlefield



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HomeBridge Youth Society has been accessing the International Child & Youth Care Network (CYC-Net) since the early 1990's.

Over the years it has proven to be one of the most valuable resources available to our organization. The site promotes the field of Child & Youth Care work while continuously gathering and sharing CYC issues, creating a legacy of information from around the world free for us to access.

The site also offers opportunities to contribute to the ever-growing wealth of information. The discussion group allows us to connect with other CYCs from around the world to share experiences, so sign up now!

And for those who can, please support CYC-Net financially.

Ernie Hilton – Executive Director, HomeBridge Youth Society

CYC-Net is an incredible asset to the field of Child and Youth Care.

For me, the discussion forum is an invaluable resource that allows me to connect with practitioners around the globe. Through this forum, I engage in transformative theoretical dialogue, ask burning questions, and exchange helpful practice advice. The journal publication, *CYC-Online*, provides thought-provoking articles that are both pleasurable and influential to the betterment of our field.

As a free resource open to all practitioners, CYC-Net encourages the inclusion of all voices regardless of academic or practice experience. This is important to me as I strongly value inclusion. Most impressive to me, CYC-Net attracts the contributions and readership of prolific writers and mentors of our field who do not hesitate to hop on the discussion forum or write an in-depth article with the sole intent of offering support and expanding awareness.

On CYC-Net, everyone is equal. CYC-Net also connects practitioners to an abundance of other resources to enhance their work. Ultimately, all this equates to quality care for young people. I could not imagine my practice without CYC-Net.

Nancy Marshall, MA, CYC



CYC-Net Board of Governors CHAIRMAN'S REPORT



An International Child and Youth Care Network for the 21st Century

Kia Ora Colleagues and Warm Greetings to all of you in some way or another with supporting children, young people and families in your part of the World! Asked to prepare my last Annual Report after more than a decade as the Chairperson of the CYC-Net Board of Governors, there have been several moments of reflection wrapped around 2018.

We started the year with the 3rd International Child and Youth Care Conference – Nurturing Hope – at Ventura, California and during that conference, I stepped down as Chairperson of the CYC-Net Board but have stayed on the Board as an Asia-Pacific member of what has grown – over the past decade – into a large more international and active Board of Governors. As a stalwart supporter of CYC-Net, the new Chairperson – retired Kibble Education and Care Centre CEO, Graham Bell brings new energy to the challenges of building local financial support networks for CYC-Net while strengthening links between South Africa, Scotland and the UK, Ireland, Canada and the USA.

2018 has seen CYC-Net HQ moving into new office accommodation in Cape Town after the passing of Founding Editor, old friend and mentor, Brian Gannon, whose home and garage stored the library and international persona for CYC-Net. Thanks Brian, for being a role model!

Chief Operating Officer, Martin Stabrey, professionally assisted by Carina Lewis, continues to work miracles around the core tasks of maintaining the weekly CYC-Net website and updating international child and youth care news items at least 3 times a week! Thanks ever so much for keeping the show on the road!

Working with James Freeman and the *CYC-Online* Journal Editorial Team, Martin and Carina have supported James, Mark, Janice and Thom in working miracles with a continuing high standard of child and youth care practice literature. Founding Editor, Guru, and Friend Thom Garfat has provided mentoring and nurturing support for Special Editions of *CYC-Online* and these offer creative opportunities to explore special topics, such as "First Years in the Field", and engage in reflective moments of learning. Thank you CYC-Online Team for the moments you have spent helping to make CYC-Net an important professional voice in our World!

That brings me back to stalwarts Martin and Carina at the CYC-Net Cape Town HQ. More and more child and youth care educators and trainers are learning about the *Relational Child and Youth Care Practice* e-Journal that has become a 'go to' scholarly resource for our field. Under the editorial guidance of Dr Heather Snell at Ryerson University in Toronto and Dr Rika Swanzen at Monash University, South Africa, this e-Journal is growing from strength to strength! Make sure your college or university library has access to this e-Journal as a matter of course! It reinforces the special character of relational child and youth care practice!

Finally, and in closing, I hope every child and youth care worker, supervisor, educator and manager in the World is planning to be in Durban, South Africa – 1st to 4th July, 2019 to secure travel plans – for the 4th CYC-Net World Child and Youth Care Conference sponsored with the South Africa NACCW and FICE Africa. The Planning Team in Durban are preparing for a Conference with 1500 participants! Whatever else you do in 2019, do not miss the Durban, South Africa Gathering in July!

Leon C. Fulcher, MSW, PhD
CYC-Net Board Chairperson (Retired)
Asia-Pacific Board Member



QUICK HIGHLIGHTS

Discussion Group Members
(as at 31 March 2018)

Web Site Page Views

4078

1 003 641

External web links to CYC-Net

CYC-Net App Users

996

8412

Consecutive months *CYC-Online* journal published

Individual users during the year

224

237 369



CYC-Net EDITORS REPORT



One reason CYC-Net is such a valuable resource around the globe is that it links readers together through the sharing of ideas, challenges, and story. Every month as we assemble CYC-Online together for publication we are thinking of you and those you care for.

We are proud to have offered 117 publications through the monthly issues over these past twelve months. I had the honor of welcoming readers through nine editorials with the other three written by Associate Editor Mark Smith, Assistant Editor Janice Daley, and Founding Editor Thom Garfat. We also featured two special issues (described below) which involved efforts beyond the regular monthly issue.

It was a pleasure to continue working with our regular writers Kiaras Gharabaghi, Hans Skott-Myhre, Jack Phelan, Doug Magnuson, Tara Collins, and Leon Fulcher with his monthly Postcard highlighting themes in Child and Youth Care from around the world. Each writer brings a unique way of examining, enhancing, and challenging our daily practice. Special thanks to Kiaras Gharabaghi and Leon Fulcher who contributed to every issue this year.

All together our regular writers comprised around 40% of the content of CYC-Online this year. The other 60% (or sixty-six articles) were from new and experienced practitioners (with many having been new writers). These practitioners were supported in bringing their learning to the written page through drafts, rewrites and feedback.

Here are some highlights and special mentions from the past year:

- In issue 219 we wrapped up a seven-issue series from the SOS Children's Village titled "Examining Women's Lives: SOS Mothers Tell Their Stories". This series was written by Elisabeth Ullmann, Karin Demuth, and Astrid Brandl and included personal photography from Fred Einkemmer.
- In issue 220 we launched a three-part interview with Past Chair of the CYC-Net Board of Governors Leon Fulcher on "Children and Young People Living in Alternative Care" curated by Udayan Care in India.
- Issue 223 in September of 2017 was a special issue on the topic of supervision. Over a dozen articles were especially selected and edited by Thom Garfat and myself for this timely issue on supporting direct care workers across the world.
- We were excited to welcome Tara Collins as a regular contributor in issue 225. Tara is an Associate Professor in the School of Child and Youth Care at Ryerson University and brings a special focus on the topic of children's rights.
- The December 2017 (Issue 226) was a special collaboration with the Federation International of Educative Communities (FICE) as an outcome of the second World CYC Conference in Vienna, Austria. Many of us who gathered in Vienna were pleased to see the learning shared beyond the conference itself. Emmanuel Grupper and I co-edited this special issue.

This year we experienced the loss of Founding Editor Brian Gannon. At 78 years old he passed away on 28 September 2017. Words still fail many of us in thinking about his impact on us as individuals, our field and his vision for CYC-Net. You can read my editorial "A Limb has Fallen" in issue 224, Hans Skott-Myhre's "The CYC Waltz: For Brian Gannon" in issue 225, and Merle Allsopp's tribute in issue 227. If you missed it, or maybe it's just been a while, take a look at my 2015 tribute to Brian while he was still with us in issue 202 titled "Relational Leadership". Brian was a special person from a special place and special time in our world.

Every issue of CYC-Online is full of content that supports and challenges readers in doing better for kids and families. It now comprises a valuable catalog of nearly 230 back issues of professional development resources available to care providers in communities around the globe.

CYC-Net continues to challenge the edges of our thinking and sharpen our approach to caring. Thank you for being a reader, financial supporter, and colleague in this special work.

James Freeman

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Report of the CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER



This year was one tinged with sadness as we mourned the passing of one of our founding editors, Brian Gannon. Brian worked in child and youth care from 1959 as a child and youth care worker, principal, trainer, supervisor, teacher and writer.

Brian started his career in child and youth care while in his final undergraduate year. Four years later he and a colleague started a new program (St Nicolas Home) in Johannesburg for a sector of the South African population not previously provided for by the care system during Apartheid. In 1967 he was invited to become principal of St Johns Hostel in Cape Town, a 64-bed program for boys where he remained for fifteen years.

In the late 1960s, in the Western Cape, he founded South Africa's first child care workers' association, and was instrumental in the establishment of similar associations in Natal, the Transvaal and the Eastern Cape. In 1975 these provincial associations amalgamated to form the National Association of Child Care Workers.



In 1982 Brian became the National Association of Child Care Workers first National Director. The NACCW has since become the major training, literature and advocacy organisation in the field in South Africa.

Brian also produced and edited the NACCW's monthly journal *Child & Youth Care* from 1983 until 1999, at which time he established CYC-Net with Thom Garfat.

Brian passed away on 28 September 2017. His legacy lives on in CYC-Net.

In January 2018 we welcomed a new CYC-Net Board of Governors Chairperson, Graham Bell, who until recently held the position of CEO at Kibble Education and Care Centre in Paisley, Scotland. Graham takes over from our first Chairperson Dr. Leon Fulcher, who retired from the position he held for over a decade but remains on our Board as an ordinary member.

Also in January 2018, CYC-Net and Casa Pacifica Centers for Children and Families hosted the 3rd Child and Youth Care World Conference in Ventura Beach, California. The conference was a resounding success – a spectacular location alongside the Pacific Ocean, a veritable smorgasbord of workshops to choose from and a group of delegates from around the world eagerly digesting the conference offerings and the informal networking opportunities. The 4th World conference will be held in Durban, South Africa, in early July 2019.

In our last Annual Report I reported that CYC-Net had taken the leap into the mobile world with the launch of our first App on the iOS and Android platforms. This year saw the launching CYC-Net's Facebook page (www.facebook.com/intcynet), aimed at more easily reaching our younger and more social media savvy users. This has proved an instant success as an increasing proportion of our users now immersed in social media and mobile technology.

Finally, I again want to express my deepest gratitude and respect to all of our financial supporters and those who give freely of their time and expertise to assist CYC-Net.

Martin Stabrey



FINANCIAL STATEMENT

as at 31 March 2018

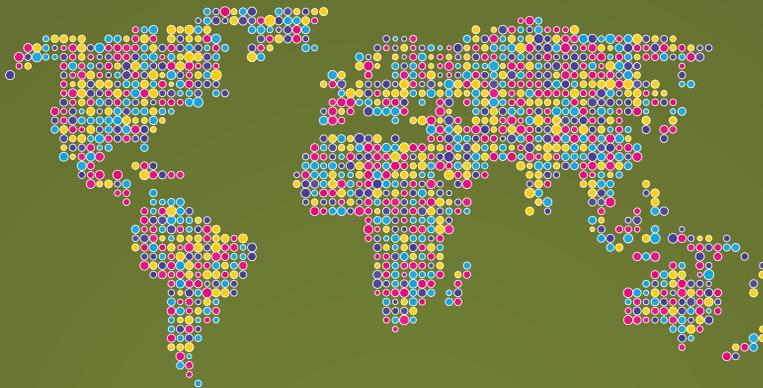
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CYC-Net Press Publications	445 900	Bank Charges	13 783
Subscriptions & Donations	782 315	Cleaning and Consumables	8 200
		CYC World Conference (California)	31 000
		Electricity	22 411
		E-mail listserv membership fees	17 105
		Webs/App/Social Media maintenance	784 924
		Postage, Packaging and Stationery	20 638
		Promotional expenses	13 163
		Rent Paid	132 000
		Salaries	240 000
		Subscriptions - cloud services	14 440
		Travelling	51 294

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS	ZAR 66 591
Goodwill	50 000
Stock of books	16 522
Cash and cash equivalents	69

RESERVES AND LIABILITIES	ZAR 66 591
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