To all EPEA members:

Here is EPEA Bulletin No.4. Once again it features items mainly from Steering Group members. It needs your support to survive, so keep sending in the articles...please.

To quote Errol Craig Sull (CEA News and Notes):

"Each country has a different approach to correctional education, and each of these approaches is a reflection of that country's culture, society and social conscience. Perhaps more than anything else, the EPEA conference brought home just how isolated correctional educators throughout the world are...and how much we can gain from sharing of ideas, teaching methods and various programmes. To remain isolationist will, ultimately, limit the opportunities for students and ourselves"

** All items will be published **

Conference Matters

- Blagdon / Ireland - 1995

If anyone would like a copy of the James McKinnon speech at the Blagdon Conference, Pam Lorenz will be happy to forward it on receipt of £5 (to go to the EPEA).

Also the report of the Irish Spring School Conference, 1995 is now available. Contact:

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Election Results

"Two candidates were nominated in Spring for EPEA Deputy Secretary (to become Secretary in 1997). The candidates were Paddy Rocks and Judith Williams. The results were - Paddy 63, Judith 3. One vote for each arrived too late. Paddy Rocks from N Ireland was elected Deputy Secretary from 1 July 1996."

- Sonja Kurten-Vartio
  Membership Secretary

Europe : Vocational Guidance

Recently an international project team started the Entrance Project. The goal of this project is to develop an effective assessment instrument that can be used as the start of an individual vocational guidance plan for young offenders and young people at risk of offending.

The team of this transitional project consists of partners from England, Finland, Germany, Greece and the Netherlands. The project is funded by the European Union in Brussels.

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Female Prison

"I am a teacher at the only prison for women in Sweden where I teach English, Swedish and literature. Now I would be interested in getting in contact with other teachers in Europe who teach at women's prisons to share ideas and maybe start up a network through correspondence, visits etc."

If you are interested in the same thing(s) please contact:

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New Liaison Persons

New Liaison Persons for Germany are:

Martin Drüeke and Maximilian Weidenhiller

Congratulations to both !!
**Netherlands**

- New Advisor for libraries

Frank Wagenvoort is the new advisor for prison libraries in the National Agency of Correctional Institutions in the Netherlands. Since 1 July 1996 Frank has been working alongside Joke Holdgrbei (advisor for art education) and Robert Suvaal (education advisor). Before this appointment Frank worked in the administration and policy department of a public library. Of course he is already a member of the EPEA.

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**IFEPS**

The 1997 meeting of the International Forum for the Study of Education in Penal Systems (IFEPS) will be held in Sydney Australia June 24-28, 1997. The IFEPS meeting will be followed immediately by a national conference on prison education, June 29 - July 2. Anyone interested should contact

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**CEA**

The Correctional Education Association (CEA) established in the USA, still has some Yearbooks (1990, '91, '92 and '93) for sale. If you are interested in inside information on the work of the CEA these books come highly recommended. They contain articles about projects, research, prison education 'philosophies' and policies, etc. These old yearbooks cost about US $6.

Information from CEA office (Alice Tracey, Steve Steurer) Tel. +1 301-9181915. Fax +1 301-9181900

Merry Christmas

**Newsletter - New Format**

The latest Newsletter (No.11 - Autumn 1996) is the first of a new presentational format. Each issue will now contain items under the following sections:

- Editorial
- Conferences & Meetings
- In Focus
- What's on in Europe

... also

- EPEA Aims / Membership Information & Form
- Education in Prison: Council of Europe Recommendation No R(89) 12

**Steering Committee**

The Steering Committee of the EPEA meets every 6 months in some part of Europe. At present (December 1996) the committee is comprised of:

- Svenlov Svensson (Sweden) - Chairperson
- Kaj Raundrup (Denmark) - Secretary
- Dave Marston (England) - Treasurer
- Sonja Kurten-Vartio (Finland) - Membership Secr
- Paddy Rocks (N Ireland) - Deputy Secretary
- Janine Duprey-Kennedy (France)
- Pam Lorenz (Ireland)
- James O'Hare (Scotland)
- Martin Drueke (Germany)
- Katinka Mannaerts-Reijnders (Netherlands)

That's all for 1996. Please send your short bits and pieces for insertion in the 'Bulletin' to:

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