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THE ARTHUR W. PAGE SOCIETY 2010 ANNUAL REPORT

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The Arthur W. Page Society is committed to the belief that public relations as a function of executive management is central to the success of the corporation. The membership of the Page Society will embrace those individuals who epitomize the highest standards of public relations practice, as exemplified by the Page Principles.

THE PAGE PRINCIPLES: • Tell the truth. • Prove it with action. • Listen to the customer. • Manage for tomorrow. • Conduct public relations as if the entire company depends on it. • Realize a company's true character is expressed by its people. • Remain calm, patient and good-humored.

To strengthen the management policy role of the corporate public relations officer by providing a continuous learning forum and by emphasizing the highest professional standards.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

In July, 2010, I had the privilege of joining this great organization as President, a role newly recast from the former Executive Director position. The Page Society offered everything a person passionate about the field of communications could want – an active and supportive Board of Trustees, a great, experienced staff, a top-tier membership base that is growing and a mission that is critical to the profession.

I joined not to take the reins of an entity that is content with the status quo. Though the Page Society might have continued comfortably on course and still remained the most revered organization of its kind for years to come, it was clear from the Board of Trustees and, most of all, our Chairman Bill Margaritis, that it was time to bring fresh thinking to our focus.

We turned to our members for help and direction – through a member survey conducted by Ketchum, in conversations during big meetings and over the phone, and in our Town Hall Teleconference. We asked members to give us their unvarnished views on our strengths and weaknesses, and that's what we got. As you will read in these pages, the Trustees and committee leaders have rallied around the data to provide an even more potent membership experience. This work continues into 2011 and beyond.

It helps that there is a strong organization at the heart of this movement. The Page Society had a very good 2010 by financial and community metrics, with growth in revenues and membership. I want to thank our sponsors whose support of programs is essential and much appreciated. I also want to thank the incredibly hard-working staffers, who all do so much for members every single day.

Page Society members have demanding jobs and busy lives. We need to make sure your membership deserves your investment of time and money. Please let me know how we can do a better job, and I hope you will get involved to help us do that.

With best wishes,

An NH Julia Hood President, Arthur W. Page Society

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Taking Action to Strengthen Our Future

In January 2010, we began a journey to ensure the future of the Arthur W. Page

Society, building on the leadership of my predecessor, Maril MacDonald, and the enduring resonance of the Page Principles.

Our goal: making the Page Society even more essential to the next generation of chief communication officers and reinforcing the credibility of our profession.

We are producing a new stream of thought leadership programs. We have provided our members with new outlets for development of talented staff. We took a hard look at how we do things, including how well we are managing the valuable time of our volunteer leadership. Our committees have been restructured to provide a more coherent framework for decision-making and results.

We also focused on improving our operations, starting with the elevation of the staff leadership role from Executive Director to President. This signaled our commitment to building a more strategic and professional support system for our mission and provided the talent to deliver on the complex needs of our members and program demands. We have simultaneously implemented stronger financial processes, a streamlined organizational structure, and a greater focus on priority activities.

An important roadmap for much of our work came from a survey of our membership conducted by Ketchum. We learned that membership to the Page Society remains a high point in a CCO's career, a mark of achievement like no other. But we know from this research that the Page Society needs to do a better job connecting a broader base of members with each other and the organization. We must demonstrate the Page Society's value continuously and respond more quickly to the changing nature of the profession.

Thought leadership is a critical way in which the Page Society demonstrates its value to members and to the profession. This year, building on the groundbreaking Authentic Enterprise work, we have started research and development on Values and also a New Model for

FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Corporate Communications, both of which will be completed in 2011. The blog, Page Turner, was relaunched to give all of our members a platform to share insights into current topics.

We set in motion the next phase of our professional development programs, called the Learning Community, which will allow even more talented individuals from our member companies to form strong networks and learn from our leaders. I consider talent development to be one of the most important areas of focus.

This report offers more details into these and other programs that defined 2010. Member engagement will continue to be a crucial focus for all of our committee work. We also want to understand better the attitudes of those who elect not to become Page Society members, and will seek to engage with those individuals.

The Page Society has an even greater opportunity to lead industry thinking around topics of culture and reputation. We are pursuing a joint venture with a C-suite organization to collaborate on advancing those themes more deeply into organizations. We will also tackle some of the thorny issues around membership criteria, to better reflect the current state of the profession.

I am excited about the future of the Page Society, and look forward to reporting further progress over the next period. As you reflect on 2010, I hope you will consider how you would like to get involved and contribute in the future. Thank you for your commitment to the Page Society.

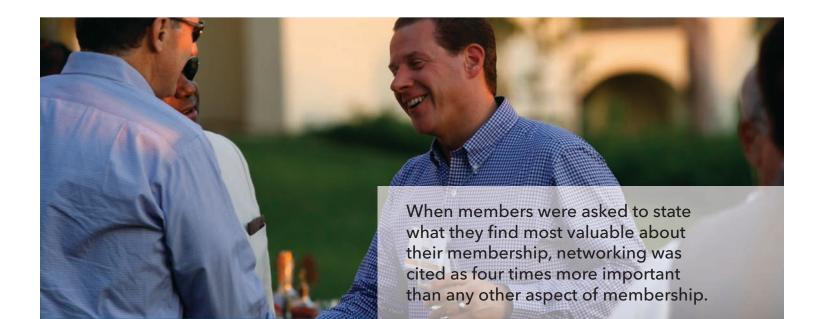
I am immensely grateful to the members of the Board and to all those who have volunteered their precious time to our cause. We are only as strong as what we put into it.

With best wishes,

Willia Margants William Margaritis

Chairman, Arthur W. Page Society, and SVP, Global Communications and Investor Relations, FedEx Corporation

FOCUS ON MEMBER ENGAGEMENT



"Ability to meet and talk

"A focused opportunity

to interact with the most

senior people in the field."

"Access to those that have

a similar job in major organizations."

"Meeting people who I

can call on and bounce

off ideas."

with a peer group of

thought leaders."

"As we make decisions shaping the future of the Page Society," said Chairman Bill Margaritis in his Strategic Direction for the Arthur W. Page Society memo, "we must focus on constantly increasing value to our membership – ensuring that they are prepared to meet the changes over the horizon."

Page Society members are facing increasing pressures in the global marketplace and the digital frontier. Employees around the world have the power of social media at their fingertips, and are more likely to move from job to job, without demonstrating loyalty to one organization.

Alignment between brand, culture and reputation is critically important in an environment where vulnerabilities are quickly exposed and exploited. The media industry has been upended by user-generated content, steep declines in advertising revenue and reputation problems.

This environment creates new pressures on chief communication officers, as well as opportunities to grow the function, once and for all, far beyond its traditional limits. The road is difficult but ultimately rewarding for those who navigate it well.

At this critical juncture, Margaritis called upon members to tell us how well the Page Society is helping them meet these challenges, and how essential the Arthur W. Page Society is to supporting this new brand of CCO.

Page Society's pro bono agency of record, Ketchum, stepped up to conduct an in-depth survey of current members to find out how current members are connected to the organization's mission, how well the Page Society is delivering on its promise to members, and what drives member engagement.

What We Learned

One hundred and eighty members completed the online questionnaire, or 48% of the membership. Key findings confirmed that the Page Society needs to work harder to bridge the gap between what members expect the Arthur W. Page Society to deliver, and what the organization is actually doing.

Page Society members recognize and understand the organization's mission, and many of the respondents had attended major events such as an Annual Conference. Some 78% reported they are likely to recommend the Page Society to a peer. The majority of members describe the Arthur W. Page Society as professional, credible, thought-provoking and relevant.

Networking was identified as the important driver of membership by far, with programs, thought leadership, learning and exclusivity following as significantly less important. Findings suggest that the organization has become less inclusive and more cliquish. Some members reported feeling less valued than other members.

Page Society members want to learn from each other, even more than they want to hear from big-name speakers from a stage. But they are also time constrained, which presents the single greatest difficulty to attending meetings like the Annual Conference and Spring Seminar.

What Next?

Trustees were given a presentation of the survey results in detail by Ketchum's David Rockland and spent considerable time in successive meetings strategizing how the results should be implemented into program changes and developments.

DRIVERS OF ENGAGEMENT

- Gaps exist in meeting member's expectations
- Thought leadership, learning opportunities and networking opportunities are the most important attributes among members.
 However, when it comes to delivering against these attributes, some members do not think AWPS is exceeding their expectations.

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The results played a significant role informing the new committee structure (see p. 21), particularly in helping the new Membership Engagement Committee identify its purpose and mission for 2011. But the insights from this study are not isolated to the activities under this umbrella. Creating a better value proposition for members has been the dominant theme throughout the latter part of 2010, and well into 2011. Page Society leaders recognize this survey provides a roadmap to a stronger organization.

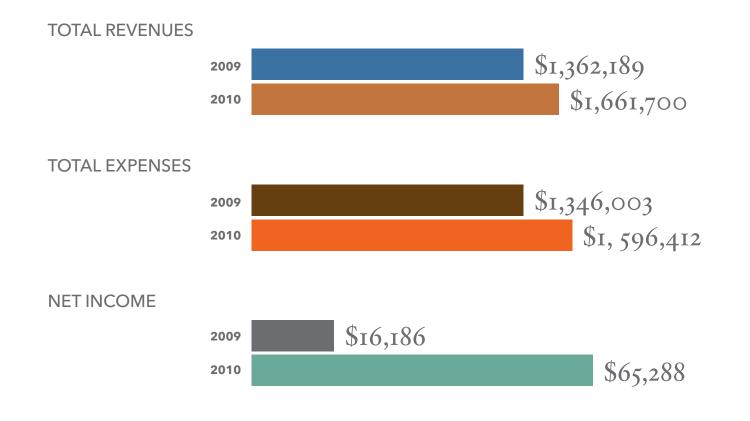
The results of the survey were shared with members at the 2010 Annual Conference and in an email to members just following the Annual Business Meeting. Page Society Trustees also convened a Town Hall Teleconference in December, 2010, to articulate how the results are influencing strategic planning for the future.

Specific improvements were initiated as soon as possible. In answer to the clear need for more meaningful interaction between members, a 2011 Spring Seminar committee began to work on ways to incorporate that insight more tangibly into the agenda. All subsequent meetings will include a focus on creating significant member-to-member engagement opportunities.

New member orientation was identified in the survey as a hidden driver. Both through the data and anecdotal discussions, it was clear that new members are not always sure about the ways to get involved in Page Society activities, which might contribute to the 'cliquish' quality that emerged in the data. Trustees and staff reached out individually to new members in 2010 to gauge interest in getting involved, and have pledged to continue to bring opportunities to them proactively.

As this work continues in 2011, the Page Society will seek input from previously uninvolved members, continue to improve new member experiences, and make all of our meetings together more interactive, and more enjoyable, as everyone understands better the vital role each person plays in making the Arthur W. Page Society what it is today.

ORGANIZING FOR SUCCESS



In the first half of 2010, a task force was appointed to find a new president to serve as the head of staff at the Arthur W. Page Society. Trustees agreed that the role would be converted from executive director to president to be more in line with other professional organizations, and to increase the strategic expectations of the position. The former volunteer role of president would henceforth be known as chairman.

Richard Marshall at Korn/Ferry International was retained to handle the search, and Valerie Di Maria, director, client strategy & growth, Peppercom chaired the committee. Following a thorough search and a series of in-depth interviews with shortlisted candidates, the Board agreed to hire Julia Hood, former publishing director of *PRWeek*, as the Page Society's new president.

Page Society's new president began work on July 12, 2010 at the Manhattan headquarters office. Plans to move to new offices were temporarily postponed until the end of 2011, and throughout 2010 the Page Society continued to share space with the Council of Public Relations Firms. Staff members in 2010 included member services director, Susan Chin, and communications director, Anuneha Mewawalla. Mary Elliott had been a consultant with the Page Society since 1996, working primarily on the Spring Seminar and Annual Conference. In 2010, Hood announced that the Page Society would be hiring Elliott as vice president of member engagement. (Another staff member, Dan Strouhal, was added in 2011 in the role of program manager).

Working closely with Helen Ostrowski, Page Society treasurer and chairman (retd.), Porter Novelli; Hood implemented the organization's first employee handbook and financial policies, overhauled the budgeting process for 2011, and reworked the staff vacation policies. The Page Society continues to retain Jennifer Jordan of Jordan Daily Money Management for accounting services. Jordan played a key role in the budgeting overhaul and in ongoing support.

Financial Overview

At the start of 2010, there were signs that the Page Society had returned to health following a difficult period of declines in membership and revenues during the recession. The trend largely continued in 2010. Total revenues increased from \$1,362,189 the previous year to \$1,661,700, with growth in both membership and Spring Seminar revenues.

Costs were higher in 2010 than in 2009, with total expenses at \$1,596,412 versus \$1,346,003 the previous year. The increase was due in part to personnel factors, including the hiring of the new president. Annual Conference and Spring Seminar costs were higher as well. Net income for the year was \$65,288, versus \$16,186 in 2009.

A significant change was made to the accounting procedures of the Page Society, on the matter of pre-paid dues. Previously, pre-paid dues had been recorded in the year they were received, rather than being deferred to their actual year of membership.

The Trustees approved the decision to take a one-time hit to the bottom line by deferring the revenue for 2011 dues that was received in 2010, which is in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. The impact was that pre-paid dues revenue of \$260,258 will be recognized in 2011 rather than in 2010 when it was received.

Membership Recruitment

New member recruitment accelerated in 2010, as the organization added 47 new members for a year-end total of 407. This was consistent with the Membership Committee goals of increasing the total member number by 10%.

Six of the new members recruited were non-U.S.based, supporting the Page Society's continuing efforts to evolve into a more global community. In addition, a new membership category for NGOs (non-governmental organizations) was established in 2010, with two members recruited.

In 2010, Margaritis and fellow Trustees instituted a plan to tackle some of the thorny issues of membership criteria. A serious review of the standards for membership has not been undertaken in the Page Society's 28-year history, and there was a strong sense that a review was needed. The results of this work have been formalized in 2011.

A NEW PLAN FOR COMMITTEES

In 2010, the Page Society formalized a new committee structure which was subsequently rolled out in January, 2011. While previously there were some 18 committees operating independently, the new structure includes four main committees, each working towards objectives within its own network of sub-committees and working groups. The goal of this new committee plan is to create synergies between our activities, avoid repetition, and to set achievable targets that will give volunteers a more tangible sense of satisfaction. The four main committees as of 2011 are as follows:

Operations: Comprising governance, nominating, membership and audit committee functions. Dedicated to ensuring organizational health, adherence to bylaws and consistent reporting on membership numbers, revenues and costs.

Membership Engagement: Fueled by the Membership Survey, focusing on ensuring quality and innovation in all of the deliverables to members, including the Annual Conference and Spring Seminar, regional meetings, teleconferences and all networking opportunities. Mary Elliott, who has been a full-time consultant to the Page Society, has been hired as of January 1, 2011, to staff this committee.

Professional Development: For programs designed for key staff of members, including the highly successful Future Leaders Experience program and the Learning Community.

Thought Leadership: Includes the Authentic Enterprise Task Force, which is currently developing new intellectual property through work streams that emerged through the Authentic Enterprise report. This committee also includes communications, global activities, programs targeting the C-suite and business schools.

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP: SHAPE OUR PROFESSION



As the top organization for communication leaders,

the Page Society is best positioned to provide new

intellectual thinking to its members and the profes-

sion. In 2010, we took on several key initiatives to

advance thought leadership across a number of

Next Phase for Authentic Enterprise

In 2010, the Authentic Enterprise Task Force

launched research on Values and a New Model

for Corporate Communications. The Values study,

co-led by Helen Ostrowski and Ray Jordan, corpo-

rate vice president - public affairs and corporate

communication, Johnson & Johnson; will gather critical qualitative insights on how values are

developed, expressed and operationalized at

The second thought leadership initiative will

create a new model to integrate culture, brand

and reputation management – providing a way for

CCOs/CMOs to put "The Authentic Enterprise" into

practice. Jon Iwata, senior vice president, marketing

and communications, IBM Corporation; and Roger

Bolton, senior vice president of communications,

Aetna (retd.), and senior counselor, RBC Strategic

Consulting; are co-chairing the research on the

New Model for Corporate Communications.

top Fortune 50 corporations.

key areas.

"Leading companies now recognize the essential role that 'reputational intelligence' plays in both strategic planning and daily operations. These organizations work proactively to create an authentic culture, fostering values and behaviors throughout that accurately reflect what they stand for."

Engaging the C-suite

Strengthening the management policy role of the CCO is the mission of the Page Society, and addressing CEOs and C-suite members' understanding and appreciation of the CCO role is a step in that direction. In 2010, the Page Society made progress with placements of opinion pieces in top-tier business media such as *Bloomberg* BusinessWeek on the topic of culture and reputation. In "Building Reputational Intelligence," Chairman Bill Margaritis observed that CEOs should turn to the natural guardian of reputation within their organizations - the chief communication officer.

On October 27, Page Society leaders took part in a C-suite Social Media Summit convened by IBM that looked at the business value and risks of social media from all corporate perspectives. The Summit featured Jon Iwata and his peers – IBM's CFO, the head of HR, CIO and general counsel and was held in New York, NY. Tom Kowaleski, vice president of corporate communications, BMW of North America, presented at the Summit.

"The genesis of this event was two-fold. First, we've been examining these issues as part of the current Authentic Enterprise Task Force's New Media work stream, which I'm co-leading with Alan Marks, SVP corporate communications of eBay. Second, social

media has become an increasingly hot topic across the C-suite at IBM. This has, as expected, required a cross-functional, multi-disciplinary approach," said Iwata.

The Relaunch of Page Turner

Page Turner, the Page Society blog, was relaunched in 2010 with a sharp new focus on content and issues relevant to corporate leaders in the C-suite, analyzed through the lens of the chief communication officer. The blog now provides a dynamic thought leadership platform, a forum for knowledge sharing, and a resource for understanding the complexity of the communications environment for readers.

Actively commenting and analyzing news and feature stories from business, mainstream and other media outlets, studies and reports produced by top business schools, research institutions, management consultants and agencies, Page Turner is stimulating critical thinking and dialogue on imperative issues, challenges and opportunities for the C-suite community.

Within months of reinvigorating content, traffic on the Page Turner site improved significantly with a

CLIPS FROM PAGE TURNER BLOG



BJORN EDLUND, POWER 101, THE CLASS YOU WON'T GET IN B-SCHOOL: "Power is a primitive, primordial process, and that may be why it is so hard to study and analyze so that it can be taught. A lot of organizational habitués think of power as the result of hierarchical positions, but a bigger office and a big title are just the entry ticket. To me, power is the way leadership comes alive in a company."



BRUCE HARRISON, DID BP'S CHIEF DESERVE A "SLAMS MEDIA" HEADLINE?: "It did seem somewhat unrealistic-and a trifle pouty-for [the BP] CEO to appear dismayed by media attention. 'Over 87 days as the oil kept flowing into the ocean, it frequently felt as if we were the only story on the news.' Well, chief, welcome to transparency and eyeball competition. This is the inevitable, call it dark, star turn for a company in trouble in the digital age."



LYNN CASEY, HAVING THE COURAGE TO FOSTER BOLD VISIONS: "Setting an inspirational vision and courageously sticking to principles falls to the chief executive. It may be lonely at the top, but in this critical endeavor he or she is not alone. The CCO ensures that the vision is understood and supported throughout and beyond the organization. And in some cases to co-create that vision."

Page Turner can be accessed at www.awpagesociety.com/awp_blog/

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delved into the challenges and opportunities they faced in building a social business network across more than a dozen departments at BMW.

54 percent increase. The amount of time that visitors spend on the site doubled.

FOCUSING ON TALENT



Future Leaders Closes First Class

A milestone of 2010 was the culmination of the inaugural class of Arthur W. Page Society's Future Leaders Experience – the two-year leadership development program designed to

prepare high-potential communications executives to assume the role of the chief communication officer (CCO) at major corporations. Tom Martin,



chair of the Future Leaders Task Force and executive-in-residence, College of Charleston, spearheaded the development and launch of the program. Over a two-year period, the Future Leaders class moved through six extended learning modules exploring themes such as

Future Leaders met in

Washington, DC from

June 21 to 23, 2010,

at the former home of

President James Monroe for a learning session on

building and managing

multi-stakeholder

relationships.

Leadership, Business Acumen, Social Media, Values, Stakeholder Engagement and Trust focusing on the essential knowledge and skills required to succeed in the CCO position.

Session conveners brought in thought leader resources, best current thinking, critical questions, and curricula to the design of these learning experiences. Participants had the unique opportunity to interact with and learn from current, past and future corporate officers, and to share experiences and best-practices with their communications peers at top corporations.

The first intensive 3-day session centered around "Building a Strong Foundation: Values for Our Companies, Our Profession and Ourselves." The session stimulated participants to delve into the values established and communicated by their companies, as well as their role as communication leaders, in creating, shaping and sustaining these values. Tom Martin was convener for this module held February 22-24 at the College of Charleston; Charleston, S.C.

"Building and Managing Multi-Stakeholder Relationships" was the theme of the second module that explored in depth how organizations interact with the stakeholder groups that are important to them, the specific needs and interests of individual stakeholder groups, and the role of Future Leaders, as professionals, in driving new approaches to the management of stakeholder relationships given the evolving business and communications environment. Peter Debreceny, consultant, Gagen MacDonald, and former VP of the corporate relations department of Allstate Insurance Company convened this session held at the former home of James Monroe from June 21-23 in Washington DC. The final module of 2010, held at Yale University from October 18-20, revolved around the theme "Building & Managing Public Trust in Business." This learning experience pulled together the cumulative knowledge of the previous five sessions and addressed such potent questions such as: how can businesses earn the public trust and how can corporate communication leaders engage the entire enterprise in building trust. Roger Bolton was convener for this culminating session of the first class of Future Leaders Experience.

Replete with ceremonial tradition, the graduating class of Future Leaders was honored with specially engraved Jefferson cups from the Arthur W. Page Society at a dinner presided over by Chairman Bill Margaritis. Several Page Society members who sponsored members of their team for the program

"In my role guiding global employee and executive communications for Johnson & Johnson, I've applied a number of best-practices – both those learned from the leaders we've met and also from my Future Leaders peers – to better connect our employees around the world to the strategic underpinnings of our business, driving better engagement and commitment on their part in the process." –*Craig Rothenberg, vice president, corporate communication, Johnson & Johnson*



Jon Iwata presented to Future Leaders at the final learning session held at Yale University from October 18 to 20, 2010, on the theme of building and managing public trust in business.

joined in the celebration, along with some of the conveners of the various extended learning modules including Maril MacDonald, CEO, Gagen MacDonald; Tom Martin; Peter Debreceny; and Roger Bolton.

Following the tremendous success of the inaugural class of the Future Leaders Experience, the Arthur W. Page Society recruited the next class (of 2012), 30 senior level corporate communications practitioners representing corporations such as Johnson & Johnson; GE; Chevron Corporation; PepsiCo; Mars, Incorporated; FedEx; Sara Lee; Symantec; Kaiser Permanente; Cardinal Health; Thomson Reuters; Michelin North America; Novartis; IBM; The Home Depot; Northwestern Mutual; BAE Systems; Allstate; Electrolux; Southwest Airlines; Time Warner; USAA; Xerox; Gagen MacDonald; and Waggener Edstrom Worldwide.

Development of Learning Community

A key component of Page Society's mission is to bolster a commitment to preparing the next generation of communication leaders for challenges on the horizon. The goal is to create a community that could be a place for divisional heads to network and for high-potential individuals to advance their development. The program would also provide CCOs with valuable information to assist their own succession planning.

Pressing forward on this strategic imperative, planning began in 2010 for the first extension to Page Society's Professional Development offering that would be available at the Spring Seminar in 2011. The "Learning Community" seeks to extend beyond the Future Leaders Experience level and deeper into Page Society members' team. The Future Leaders Experience and Learning Community are both a pipeline for Page Society membership in the future. Tom Martin spearheaded the effort to create the Learning Community.

KRAFT AND AVON CEOS HEADLINE SPRING SEMINAR



"I hope I'm only one of all CEOs who stand here and say that communications is indispensable – there's no change, no company success without it." –Andrea Jung, chairman and CEO of Avon Products

The Arthur W. Page Society convened its 2010 Spring Seminar on the theme "Becoming Indispensable to Your Organization" in New York on April 8 and 9 at The Waldorf Astoria. With particular relevance in the current environment, the conference addressed the new pressures faced by communication chiefs and delivered strategies and insights for becoming more valuable to the organization on an individual and function-wide basis. A dynamic lineup of speakers engaged conference participants in critical discussion on key emerging issues and challenges.

Robust Participation from Industry Leaders

The Seminar was chaired by Perry Yeatman, SVP, corporate affairs, Kraft Foods, and co-chaired by Tom Kowaleski. With strong participation by nearly 170 communications leaders including Page Society members and their guests, the conference was a resounding success. The event was also successful financially, bringing in \$200,285 in registration revenue and \$59,000 in sponsorship revenue.

Headlining the event were two exceptional CEOs – Irene Rosenfeld, chairman and CEO of Kraft Foods and Andrea Jung, chairman and CEO of Avon.

Rosenfeld noted that a great corporate affairs team drives the business agenda and is a true business

The 2010 Spring Seminar of the Arthur W. Page Society, "Becoming Indispensable to Your Organization" was held on April 8 and 9 in New York at The Waldorf Astoria. partner to the CEO. She also related strategies on how communications executives can accomplish moving from "good to great" in the profession. "In my job as CEO, even if something

happened on someone else's watch, it's my problem now. A great corporate affairs team holds our feet to the fire — to ensure that we adhere to the promises and pledges we make, or that we adequately explain when we have need to make a change. They also take a long view, staying mindful of how the expedient decisions we make today, might impact the future."

With a number of illustrations, Rosenfeld emphasized how critical corporate communications has been to her as the CEO, and to driving the successful turnaround and transformation of Kraft Foods.

Reflecting on her last decade as CEO of Avon, Andrea Jung explained "Inspiring change – change of a brand, change of a company, change of a legacy, tried to make it 125 years young – has been all about not effective, not enabling, but powerful driving strategic communications." Referring to the functional leader she spends the most amount of time with, more than the CFO, or head of the supply chain, she said it has been communications that has been right at the right hand of the leader.

Internationally renowned expert on the science of influence and persuasion, Dr. Robert Cialdini, discussed how we can learn to more effectively influence others about our ideas and positions in order to create more personal and functional value. Cialdini has taught at the Stanford Graduate School of Business and Harvard's Kennedy School of Government and is the most cited social psychologist in the world today in the field of influence and persuasion.



Speakers Deliver Critical Insights

One of the world's foremost experts on Board leadership and governance, David Nadler, Ph.D., vice chairman, Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. presented best practices on how CCOs can work effectively with their Board. Nadler also discussed how the relationship between corporate leadership and its Board of Directors has changed; how the communications dynamic has changed between CEOs, Boards and the outside world; changes in Board structure; and the skills, experiences and relationships that are important for Board Members.

Nadler described the characteristics of today's Board agenda, citing a survey that identified the top Board meeting agenda issues in 2010. Top issues included strategy, risk management, succession planning, executive compensation, shareholder communication, regulatory compliance and director recruitment. Nadler noted that a number of these topics will have communication issues related to them such as how companies describe their strategy, their constituencies, risk management, given the increasing probability that their CEO will not serve out his or her term, the consequent communications issues, executive compensation and shareholder communication.

He also advised CCOs on how to work with Boards. "The best practice is to think about crisis management in advance, and the moment something happens, immediately say how do I engage both

> "Our corporate affairs team is my 'secret weapon.' Indeed, they do conduct public relations as if the entire company depends on it."

–Irene Rosenfeld, chairman and CEO of Kraft Foods



my internal and external communications team to work with the Board, to work with the management team to figure out what we're going to do," he said.

In an interactive session, leading executive recruiters George Jamison of Spencer Stuart; William Heyman of Heyman Associates, and Richard Marshall of Korn/ Ferry International elaborated on how CCOs can bridge organizational needs with CEO challenges, and elucidated the characteristics, skills and experiences necessary for the role of CCO.

A Socratic panel, "Multifunctional Teams" examined the case of the Amazon Kindle and the inter-connectivity of today's corporation. The panel commented on the role of communications as both a participant in decision-making and an enabler of organizational alignment.

FACEBOOK, BP, SOUTHWEST TOP ANNUAL CONFERENCE AGENDA



New members representing a broad spectrum of industries were welcomed into the Arthur W. Page Society and introduced to the membership at a session held at the 2010 Annual Conference.

The 27th Annual Conference of the Page Society, "Culture as a Competitive Advantage," explored the critical role the chief communication officer plays in creating and sustaining The 2010 Annual Conference of the Page Society, "Culture as a Competitive Advantage" was held September 26 to 28 at the Terranea in Palos Verdes, CA.

a winning culture, in aligning internal culture with evolving external realities, and in using culture to drive business success.

Sandra Macleod, CEO, Echo Research, and Gary Sheffer, VP, communications and public affairs, General Electric, chaired and co-chaired the 2011 Annual Conference respectively. Nearly 150 Page Society members were in attendance at this signature annual meeting held from September 26 to 28 at Terranea in Palos Verdes, CA. The conference brought in sponsorships of \$93,895 and registration

revenue of \$238,115.



Dr. Frank Luntz, one of America's most experienced and sought-after communications and political consultants, brought his wealth of

perspective to Page Society members in a session entitled, "What Americans Really Want... Really." Engaging Page Society members in an energetic session, he explained that the "new business lexicon" must respond to the new sensibility at work in America. Luntz also offered advice and practical insights to help navigate the new American mindset.

A panel discussion focused on the BP crisis in the Gulf of Mexico and its lessons for corporate America. Participants included Andrew Gowers, head of group media for BP; Anne Thompson, chief environmental affairs correspondent from NBC News; and Eric Dezenhall, CEO of Dezenhall Resources. Gowers faced his peers in evaluating the company's response to the oil spill, and its future.

Southwest Airlines' SVP, marketing and revenue management, Dave Ridley, shed light on what brings Southwest Airlines' culture to life, and the "Triple bottom line" that denotes Southwest's inseparable connection between people, performance and ultimately profits.

"At Southwest Airlines, our customer is number 2, our employee is number 1... Employee takes care of customers, customers take care of shareholders and that's the formula for success... Employee comes first... If you call your people human capital, that is not an organization that puts it people first," he explained.



Communications and social media leaders from Comcast Corporation, Kaiser Permanente and Jet Blue Airways shared real examples of how their companies are leveraging the power of social media. From taking customer insights and putting that back into operations, and building human relationships with consumers – to effective crisis communications, and utilizing social media as a powerful platform for engaging senior leadership with employee workforce – the speakers provided valuable, actionable social media strategies.

Discussing sustainable value creation for a connected world, Lenny Mendonca, chairman, McKinsey Global Institute and director, McKinsey & Company, Inc. shared trends and guidance with the conference participants on how corporations can position themselves today to maximize their profitability and societal impact. The recommendations were informed by interviews with CEOs, senior management teams, economists, experts at McKinsey and other thought leaders.

Representing various functional heads, a panel of experts looked at the ways that CCOs can lead across the enterprise, reconciling the competing imperatives of other functional areas including human resources, legal, information technology and marketing. Vice president of global human resources at Alcoa, Jack Bergen; former chief marketing officer of Kodak, Jeffrey Hayzlett; former global general counsel at Pricewaterhouse Coopers, Larry Keeshan; and executive vice president and chief information officer at Ingram Micro, Mario Leone, brought in their diverse perspectives to this panel.

"The only question that really matters is: what is the promise I'm creating and how am I delivering on it. Am I building trust using these technologies because it is a place where trust can be built and maintained for life."

–Jonathan Ehrlich, director of marketing, Facebook

Facebook's director of marketing, Jonathan Ehrlich, delved into how communicators can unleash the potential of Facebook for their organizations and outlined several recommendations for driving engagement through social media tools.

Members Attend Annual Business Meeting

At the Annual Business Meeting, Chairman Bill Margaritis and President Julia Hood gave an overview of health of the organization, including the recent survey of membership, as well as detailed plans for reorganizing the committee structure. Maril MacDonald gave the Nominating Committee report, proposing the re-election of Margaritis to a second term, which was approved. MacDonald also revealed the new Trustees that had been elected by the Board, including Alan Marks of eBay, Johanna Schneider of Business Roundtable, Nick Ashooh of Alcoa, and Sean O'Neill of Heineken.

The Arthur W. Page Society's highest honors, the prestigious Hall of Fame and Distinguished

Service Awards, were announced and presented at a special Awards Dinner Ceremony held during the conference. 2010 Honorees presented thought-provoking acceptance speeches commenting on the state of the profes-



sion and opportunities ahead.

The Annual Conference was also an occasion when the Page Society inducted a number of new members, bringing an impressive cross section of industries into the organization, including the American Lung Association, Wells Fargo, Land O'Lakes and Sprint.

HONORING TRUE LEADERS IN THE PROFESSION

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"With ground breaking initiatives like ecomagination and healthymagination, Beth stands out as a model of innovation in our industry."

-Bill Margaritis, chairman, Arthur W. Page Society

With a long history of setting the gold standard for the communications industry, each year, the Arthur W. Page Society honors two senior level communications executives for outstanding career achievement with the prestigious Hall of Fame and Distinguished Service Awards. The Arthur W. Page Society's Hall of Fame represents some of the most acclaimed and influential figures in the public relations profession. The full text of the speeches by the Hall of Fame and the Distinguished Service Award recipients are available on the Page Society Web site under the Insights and Research section.

Hall of Fame

Beth Comstock, chief marketing officer and SVP of GE, was inducted into the Arthur W. Page Society's 2010 Hall of Fame. As CMO, Comstock leads GE's organic growth and commercial innovation initiatives, as well as the sales, marketing and communications functions. She is responsible for the GE-wide business platforms ecomagination, devoted to reducing environmental impact with new technology, and healthymagination, focused on achieving sustainable health through innovation by lowering costs, improving quality and reaching more people.

"With ground breaking initiatives like ecomagination and healthymagination, Beth stands out as a model of innovation in our industry," said Bill Margaritis, chairman, Arthur W. Page Society.

Past Hall of Fame honorees include Jon Iwata, IBM; Harold Burson, Burson-Marsteller; Edward Block, AT&T; W.D. (Bill) Nielsen, Johnson & Johnson; Charlotte Otto, Procter & Gamble; among other luminaries.



The prestigious Arthur W. Page Society Hall of Fame and Distinguished Service Award were presented at a special Awards Dinner held at the 27th Annual Conference in Palos Verdes, CA on September 26, 2010.

Distinguished Service Award

The Distinguished Service Award is presented to individuals who have devoted themselves to services that help build and nurture the profession. Peter Debreceny, consultant, Gagen MacDonald, and former VP of the corporate relations department of Allstate Insurance Company, was recognized with the Page Society's 2010 Distinguished Service Award. While at Allstate, Debreceny won a Silver Anvil award for his work in stakeholder engagement and corporate reputation management. Previously he led communications for New Zealand's first two America's Cup yachting challenges in Perth, Australia and in San Diego. He also led the campaign for New Zealand's first successful environmental campaign. Debreceny is a 2009 inductee to the PR News Hall of Fame and is chair of the Commission on Global Public Relations Research.

"Peter's pioneering spirit and commitment to building the future of our profession is widely recognized across the industry," said Margaritis.



In an effort to increase awareness among students of the value of public relations as a central function of management, the Page Society conducted their annual Case Study Competition in 2010. A call was issued for original case studies written by students of accredited schools of business, communications and journalism that focus on the practice

Adam Peeples and Christiana Vaughn, students at the University of Notre Dame, Mendoza School of Business, were presented the Grand Prize of \$5,000 at the 2010 Page Society Spring Seminar at The Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City. Professor James O'Rourke was honored as the faculty advisor for the winning submission.

of corporate communications. The competition was sponsored by the Arthur W. Page Society and the Institute for Public Relations.

Grand Prize

Domino's "Special Delivery" Going Viral Through Social Media Adam Peeples and Christiana Vaughn, University

of Notre Dame, Mendoza School of Business

First Prize, Business School

Apple, Inc.: Transparency in Corporate Statements About the CEO

Paul Kim, Jon Lee and Steve Lee, University of Notre Dame, Mendoza School of Business

Copies of the winning case studies and presentation materials can be downloaded from the Page Society's Web site -Insights and Research section.

First Prize, Communications

President Obama at Notre Dame: Maintaining Integrity When Actions Speak Louder Than Words Elizabeth Riesterer, University of Alabama, College of Communication & Information Sciences

Second Prize, Business School

General Motors Corporation: Communicating A New Vision For Survival

Lina Sorensen and Timothy Whitehead, University of Notre Dame, Mendoza School of Business

Second Prize, Communications

Entirely Comfortable with its Orientation: Subaru's Successful History of Gay/Lesbian Integrated Marketing Communications Laurie Phillips, University of North Carolina, School of Journalism & Mass Communication

Third Prize, Communications

Cornell University: H1N1 Influenza Pandemic Abigail Bedecs and Joonas Niiholm, Syracuse University, S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communication

Cash prizes were also awarded to the first, second and third place winners.

IN MEMORIUM

The Arthur W. Page Society would like to pay tribute to our esteemed members who passed away recently.

2010 COMMITTEES AND TASK FORCES

Chester Burger

National Manager, CBS Television News President, Chester Burger & Co., Inc. Arthur W. Page Society Hall of Fame (1992)

"Chet was profoundly influenced by the impact Arthur Page made on AT&T, a company that became a Chester Burger & Co. client for more than 50 years. Chet liked to recall Page's answer when asked by AT&T CEO Walter Gifford to join the company as a vice president in 1927: Yes, if the job would be one with policy-making responsibilities, but no if he would be only a publicity man. Chet distilled a lot of the Page Principles to good common sense. But he admired Page for creating a culture across AT&T where the term 'public relations' as policy-making was always preferred and not confused with the tactical process of 'communications'."

— Jim Arnold, Arnold Consulting Group





Chester Burger

Jack Daly

Marilyn Laurie

Former Executive Vice President, Brand Strategy and Public Relations, AT&T President, Laurie Consulting, Inc. President, Arthur W. Page Society (1993-1994) Arthur W. Page Society Hall of Fame (2002)

"Laurie's impact on the profession and the public sector is incalculable. Public relations - in fact, society in its totality – has suffered an incalculable loss with the untimely death of Marilyn Laurie. Her remarkable career encompassed both the world of business and the public sector. As one of the nation's most visible public relations practitioners, she materially enhanced the stature and credibility of the profession as a key management function. She was my friend and colleague for a quarter century. I will miss both her wit and her wisdom."

— Harold Burson, Burson-Marsteller

Jack Daly

Senior Vice President of Corporate Relations, McDonald's

"Jack was a pioneer in CSR with his communications leadership at McDonald's. He will also be remembered for his leadership in global community relations in McDonald's markets throughout the world. One of their global programs include the iconic Ronald McDonald Houses in 300 major cities."

— Al Golin, GolinHarris



Marilyn Laurie

Betsy Plank

Betsv Plank Former Director, External Affairs, Illinois Bell Principal, Betsy Plank Public Relations Arthur W. Page Society Distinguished Service Award (2000)

"Betsy Plank was an incredibly gifted and passionate communicator. Her commitment to leadership in public relations and mentorship was second to none. The Plank Center for Leadership in Public Relations at the University of Alabama is Betsy's legacy to the industry. My favorite 'stroke of genius' by Betsy is when she decided to create a permanent position for the president of the PRSSA on the Board of the Center. That simple gesture created a link between the experienced practitioner, the next generation of communication leaders and the academic community. The public relations profession owes Betsy a tremendous amount for her endless commitment to learning."

- Bill Heyman, Heyman Associates



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STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009

ARTHUR W. PAGE SOCIETY, INC.

	2010	2009
Assets		
Current Assets:		
Cash:		
Checking	\$ 51,546	\$ 64,308
Money Market	<u>316,909</u>	<u>315,026</u>
Total Cash	368,455	379,334
Receivables	13,358	20,848
Prepayments	30,859	17,175
Investments	<u>511,738</u>	<u>472,248</u>
Total Current Assets	924,410	889,605
Fixed Assets:		
Office Equipment	26,739	25,532
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(20,212)</u>	<u>(21,468)</u>
Net Fixed Assets	6,527	4,064
Security Deposit	<u>11,946</u>	<u>31,202</u>
Fotal Assets	<u>\$ 942,883</u>	<u>\$ 924,871</u>
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,570	\$ 698
Payroll Taxes Payable	4,760	435
Deferred Revenue	303,668	371,814
Security Deposit	=	<u>14,768</u>
Total Liabilities	309,998	387,715
Net Assets:		
Temporarily Restricted	69,500	22,100
Unrestricted	563,385	515,056
Total Net Assets	<u>632,885</u>	<u>537,156</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u>\$ 942,883</u>	<u>\$ 924,871</u>

STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009 ARTHUR W. PAGE SOCIETY, INC.

	2010			2009	
	Temporarily			Temporarily	
Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
\$ 485,533	\$	\$ 485,533	\$ 438,235	\$	\$ 438,235
177,970	69,500	247,470	156,547	22,100	178,647
<u>314,012</u>		<u>314,012</u>	<u>148,994</u>		<u>148,994</u>
491,982	69,500	561,482	305,541	22,100	327,641
238,115		238,115	273,385		273,385
199,890		199,890	151,720		151,720
139,988		139,988	139,988		139,988
<u>2,490</u>		<u>2,490</u>	<u>4,950</u>	==	<u>4,950</u>
580,483		580,483	570,043		570,043
19,580		19,580	9,272		9,272
186		186	2,283		2,283
9,421		9,421	11,679		11,679
5,015		5,015	3,036		3,036
<u>22,100</u>	(22,100)		<u>22,000</u>	(22,000)	
1,614,300	47,400	1,661,700	1,362,089	100	1,362,189
			19,631		19,631
301,799		301,799	237,820		237,820
210,420		210,420	203,663		203,663
116,615		116,615	121,937		121,937
57,550		57,550	123,393		123,393
<u>691,155</u>		<u>691,155</u>	<u>484,656</u>	=	<u>484,656</u>
1,377,539		1,377,539	1,191,100		1,191,100
207,930		207,930	121,520		121,520
<u>10,943</u>	=	<u>10,943</u>	<u>33,383</u>	=	<u>33,383</u>
1,596,412		1,596,412	1,346,003		1,346,003
17,888	47,400	65,288	16,086	100	16,186
<u>30,441</u>		<u>30,441</u>	<u>65,127</u>		<u>65,127</u>
48,329	47,400	95,729	81,213	100	81,313
<u>515,056</u>	<u>22,100</u>	<u>537,156</u>	<u>433,843</u>	<u>22,000</u>	<u>455,843</u>
<u>\$ 563,385</u>	<u>\$ 69,500</u>	<u>\$ 632,885</u>	<u>\$ 515,056</u>	<u>\$ 22,100</u>	<u>\$ 537,156</u>

		2010			2009	
		Temporarily			Temporarily	
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Devenue						
Revenue:	¢ 405 522	¢	¢ 405 500	¢ 420.225	¢	¢ 400 005
Member Dues	\$ 485,533	\$	\$ 485,533	\$ 438,235	\$	\$ 438,235
Contributions:	177.070	(0 500	247 470	15/ 547	22,100	170 / 17
Cash	177,970	69,500	247,470	156,547	22,100	178,647
In-Kind Services	<u>314,012</u>		<u>314,012</u>	<u>148,994</u>	=	<u>148,994</u>
Total Contributions	491,982	69,500	561,482	305,541	22,100	327,641
Event Income:	000.445		000.445	070.005		070.005
Annual Conference	238,115		238,115	273,385		273,385
Spring Seminar	199,890		199,890	151,720		151,720
Future Leaders Program	139,988		139,988	139,988		139,988
Other Events	<u>2,490</u>	==	<u>2,490</u>	<u>4,950</u>		<u>4,950</u>
Total Event Income	580,483		580,483	570,043		570,043
Exec. & Leadership Forums	19,580		19,580	9,272		9,272
Sales of Publications	186		186	2,283		2,283
Interest and Dividend Income	9,421		9,421	11,679		11,679
Miscellaneous Income	5,015		5,015	3,036		3,036
Net Assets Released From						
Restrictions	<u>22,100</u>	(22,100)	=	<u>22,000</u>	(22,000)	=
Total Revenues	1,614,300	47,400	1,661,700	1,362,089	100	1,362,189
Expenses:						
Programs:						
Publications				19,631		19,631
Annual Conference	301,799		301,799	237,820		237,820
Spring Seminar	210,420		210,420	203,663		203,663
Future Leaders Program	116,615		116,615	121,937		121,937
Committees	57,550		57,550	123,393		123,393
General Programs	<u>691,155</u>		<u>691,155</u>	<u>484,656</u>		<u>484,656</u>
Total Programs	1,377,539		1,377,539	1,191,100		1,191,100
Management and General	207,930		207,930	121,520		121,520
management and Conordi			<u>10,943</u>	33,383		33,383
Fundraising	10,943					
Fundraising Total Expenses	<u>10,943</u> 1,596,412					1,346,003
-	<u>10,943</u> 1,596,412 17,888		1,596,412 65,288	1,346,003		
Total Expenses	1,596,412		1,596,412	1,346,003		1,346,003 16,186
Total Expenses Net Gain (Loss) from Operations	1,596,412 17,888	 47,400	1,596,412 65,288	1,346,003 16,086	 100	1,346,003
Total Expenses Net Gain (Loss) from Operations Gain (Loss) on Investments	1,596,412 17,888 <u>30,441</u>	 47,400 	1,596,412 65,288 <u>30,441</u>	1,346,003 16,086 <u>65,127</u>	 100 	1,346,003 16,186 <u>65,127</u>

STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 ARTHUR W. PAGE SOCIETY, INC.

	Program Services					Supporti		
	Annual Conference	Spring Seminar	Future Leaders	Committees	General Programs	Management and General	Fundraising	Tota
Salaries and Benefits	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$394,233	\$119,307	\$ 5,188	\$ 518,728
Facilities	127,292	115,868	8,760	3,751				255,671
Donated Services	71,128	29,128		6,900	178,367	27,302	1,187	314,012
Consultants					10,192	3,084	134	13,410
Transportation			3,862					3,862
Awards	150		106	20,826	317	96	4	21,499
Other		2,821	1,103					3,924
Speaker Honorarium	26,824	7,500	380					34,704
Entertainment	3,200		2,850					6,050
Publishing and Sales					239	72	4	315
Audio Visual	25,794	20,685						46,479
Travel	7,780	4,791	14,275	665	11,894	3,600	156	43,16
Printing	6,029	2,144	692	2,882	284	86	4	12,12
Publications					1,461	442	20	1,92
Graphic Design and Produ	ction	150	3,600	3,108	6,176	1,869	81	14,98
Computer Software and Ha	ardware		291		9,964	3,015	131	13,40
Bank and Credit Card Fees	4,172	3,502	2,452		8,506		3,118	21,75
Professional Services	25,290	21,415	48,000		15,200	32,618	200	142,723
Postage and Delivery Servi	ces 3,060	904	995	1,707	2,304	697	31	9,698
Insurance					11,440	3,462	150	15,052
Meals and Entertainment		245	595	11,147	1,102	334	14	13,43
Photography		215						21
Office Equipment					2,379	720	31	3,13
Dues and Subscriptions				5,135	285	86	4	5,51
Meals			26,625					26,62
Website Maintenance			212		1,639	496	22	2,36
Telecommunications	890	594	927	1,008	6,428	1,945	85	11,87
Supplies	190	458	890	421	2,608	789	35	5,39
Occupancy – Rent and Util	ities				23,762	7,191	313	31,26
Depreciation		=			<u>2,375</u>	<u>719</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>3,12</u>
Totals	\$ 301,799	\$ 210,420	\$ 116,615	\$ 57,550	\$ 691,155	\$ 207,930	\$ 10,943	\$ 1,596,412

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