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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Jess Ray, President
Illinois State University

It seems amazing that it is already the spring semester. It was just yesterday that we gathered together to have our annual conference, and what a conference it was! My thanks to the many participants, presenters, vendors and wonderful volunteers that made our conference truly memorable. I want

to especially thank those who took the time to fill-out evaluations or give feedback during the meeting on ways we can improve future conferences. Members of the board have been provided with this information, and we are using your input as we plan for the 2009 conference.

Speaking of conferences, I would like to remind everyone that the 95th AACRAO Annual meeting will be held this April in Chicago, Illinois. This is a wonderful chance to gain professional development, as well as a great opportunity to give back to our colleagues by volunteering to help our national organization. Kathie Beaty, Bradley University and Monique L. Snowden, Northwestern University are the co-chairs of the volunteer committee for the conference. They have lots of opportunities for members to help with operations, registration and hospitality. To volunteer, either go the AACRAO website or contact one of the co-chairs.

Winter blues got you down? Shake that feeling by participating in one our wonderful district meetings or writing an article for the Chronicle. You could also submit an idea for a conference session for our annual meeting or volunteer to be a presenter or moderator. How about applying for an upcoming Board position? Or join our listserv, if you haven't done so already. One of the great things about our organization is the variety of ways you can be involved.....Contact me anytime at jdray@ilstu.edu

In closing I would like to share with you the thoughts of George Philip Tuttle who was president of AACRAO from 1923-1924. I feel that his advice stands the test of time. He recommended -

1. "Don't take your job as being merely what your predecessor made it, but be continually alert to discover new ways and means for increasing its value to your institution."
2. "Don't take yourself too seriously, but think of your job always as one of real significance and make it such."
3. "Never lose your temper, but be firm where that is necessary."
4. "Don't pass the buck to others, but expect others to pass it to you and when they do settle the question at issue."
5. "Keep your sense of humor."
6. "Be helpful always, but don't just be a dumping ground for jobs that belong elsewhere."
7. "Study people, no two are entirely alike."
8. "Remember that common sense has solved more problems than any other expedient."



Fundraising was FUN!

**By Ron Gregoire, Lincoln Land Community College
Past President & Scholarship Committee Chairperson**

Thank-you to all 2008 conference attendees for supporting our IACRAO Scholarship Fund by purchasing 50/50 tickets or bidding on silent auction items. We sold \$756.00 worth of 50/50 tickets generating \$378.00 toward the scholarship fund.

And thanks to the generous donations of each IACRAO District, and several individual members, we auctioned off eight unique baskets which raised \$311.00 toward the fund. We are certainly heading in the right direction, people....and having some fun doing it.

This October at the Annual Conference in Springfield, our current Past-President, Adrienne Kellum-McDay takes on the role of Scholarship fundraising, and I am certain she will put together an even bigger, better IACRAO FUN-raising event. See you in Springfield.



2009 IACRAO CONFERENCE

**By Tracy Morris, Illinois Valley Community College
President-Elect**

2009 Fall Conference

Spring is barely around the corner, and we are already looking toward the fall to the 2009 IACRAO conference. This year it will be held October 28-30th at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel in downtown Springfield.

We have been reviewing all of the evaluations we received from the 2008 conference, and there is much valuable feedback that we can use as we move forward with our planning – thank-you for your input! The program committee will be working together in the next few weeks to identify presenters for the conference, based on the outstanding list of ideas compiled at the 2008 conference. Please consider presenting (a great way to share what you are doing well) or assisting us in finding great people from your institutions to share their knowledge. Contact me at tracy_morris@ivcc.edu

The most important ingredient of a successful conference is to have enthusiastic and interested participants...so please plan ahead to attend this conference, which will be filled with great information, opportunities to network with colleagues and lots of FUN! Hope to see everyone this fall in Springfield.

MARK the DATE.....

- **IACRAO Northeast District Spring Workshop**

Friday, March 6, 2009

Lewis University – Romeoville, IL

9:30 Check-in/Registration

10:00-12:30 District Workshop

Lunch will be provided

- **IACRAO East Central/West Central District Workshop**

Friday, March 13, 2009

Illinois State University's Alumni Center – Normal, IL

9am to 2:30pm inspirational/informational presentations, “birds of a feather” session

Registration is free, ample parking is available/free and lunch will be provided

- **Transfer Coordinators of Illinois Colleges/Universities - Spring Meeting**

April 7, 2009

ISU, Alumni Center (10:00 a.m.)

- **AACRAO Annual Conference**

April 13-16, 2009

McCormick Place, Chicago, IL

- **IACAC Annual Conference**

May 6-8, 2009

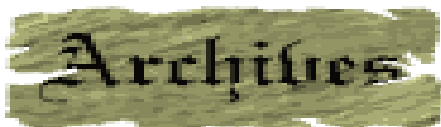
Westin Hotel, Itasca, IL

- **AACRAO Technology Conference**

July 19-21, 2009

Marriott, Tucson, AZ

Ideas, info and solutions for technology in support of student services



By Dale Wolf, Alumni member

Archivist

I am sure that you expect to read that we are asking you to save memos, articles, photos, etc. for the IACRAO ARCHIVE, and we are. However, this column is about asking you to come to think about serving on the board – being apart of the history of IACRAO.

As your current Archivist, I have been “serving” for the past five years. We now need someone else to step up and handle this position for 2009-10 (and beyond). My plan is to retire from this role and allow another the opportunity to handle the annual compilation of documents, as well as being apart of the IACRAO board. New officers are normally announced, and officially take over roles as of the October Annual Meeting.

If you have questions about the position or wish to offer your services, please contact me cfdwwdale@hotmail.com or Adrienne McDay amcdlay@harpercollege.edu .

Thank you for your consideration, and remember that your photo copy, notes, committee reports, etc. can and should be a part of the future records of IACRAO.

Treasurer Tidbits

By Dan Weber, Rush University

Treasurer



****NOTICE**** **DUES INCREASE**

Effective 2009-2010 membership year:

- Institutional membership dues will increase from \$100 to \$125
- Additional members will increase from \$10 to \$15

These increases were approved by the Board at the October 2008 business meeting. The revenue gained from these increases will specifically support the hiring of an accountant to file the IACRAO tax return annually, and to review the financial books each time there is a new treasurer appointed. This increase will also allow IACRAO to provide more financial support to the spring district meetings, help offset the increasing costs of the annual conference, and could be used to support IACRAO scholarships. The last dues increase was in 1996. Any questions can be directed to Daniel_R_Weber@rush.edu

Need to stay in touch – find out the latest updates – get assistance from colleagues to tough questions.....

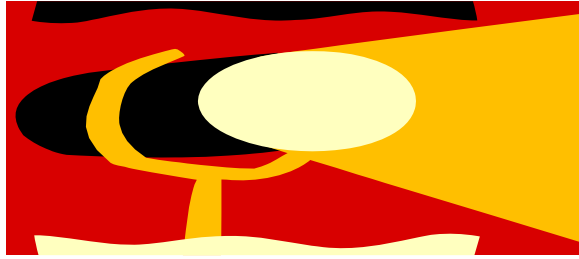
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To subscribe to Regist-L, a discussion list for college and university registrars, send an e-mail to listproc@listproc.gsu.edu with the text SUBSCRIBE REGIST-L in the body of the message.

QUESTIONS – contact Tina Collins, IACRAO Website Manager @ tcollins@siu.edu

Spotlight on the Board



Dale Wolf, Alumni Member & Archivist

Like many of us in higher education, Dale “happened upon” the profession, but ended up a “lifer”.....Although now retired; Dale spent his entire career in college admission – thirty-six years, three universities. His journey began when he became the first ever Chicago-based representative for Illinois College. Then it was on to Illinois Wesleyan University as Assistant Director, before moving to Eastern Illinois University, where he remained as Director until his retirement in 2004.

Dale’s education includes a Bachelors degree in Communications, a Masters degree in Counseling and some post-graduate work in Higher Education Counseling.

Dale has been a long time member of the Illinois Association for College Admission Counseling (IACAC), as well as IACRAO. He has been on to many committees to list, is an invaluable presenter at conferences and has held numerous offices in both organizations, including President of our own IACRAO. Dale is currently the IACRAO Archivist, and “Alumni networker”. A successful Past-President dinner was held at the 2008 IACRAO conference, due in part to his encouragement and coordination.

Dale and his wife, Debby, live just outside Charleston, IL on twenty acres with their dog “Molly” and their four horses. They are blessed with five married children and three healthy, happy grandsons who live throughout the Midwest. They travel to visit their family often, but enjoy other travel adventures, as well. Upcoming trips include South Carolina and Greece! In addition to family and travel, Dale and Debby are very diligent about exercise, and enjoy the access they have to EIU’s gym and Rec Center.

Dale is still very active at Eastern Illinois University. In addition to raising funding for Eastern Illinois athletics and assisting at the EIU Welcome Center, he is the current President of the EIU Annuitants Association, as well as a board member with the EIU Panther Club. Dale is also involved in his community. He is the president-Elect of the Charleston Chamber of Commerce and volunteers at the Public Library. He holds Board positions with the Lincoln Log Cabin Farm Foundation and the Tourism Bureau.

@ Diversity

**By Terri Montgomery, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville
EEO Officer**

We are well into the 2009 and are, after a long break, ready to get back to work on all the projects and initiatives that we promised we’d get to last year. There is so much happening on our various campuses that I know none of us are bored and wondering what we can find to busy ourselves. This year, since I don’t believe in making those defeating New Year’s resolutions, I have instead made a conscience decision- an affirmation- to serve more.

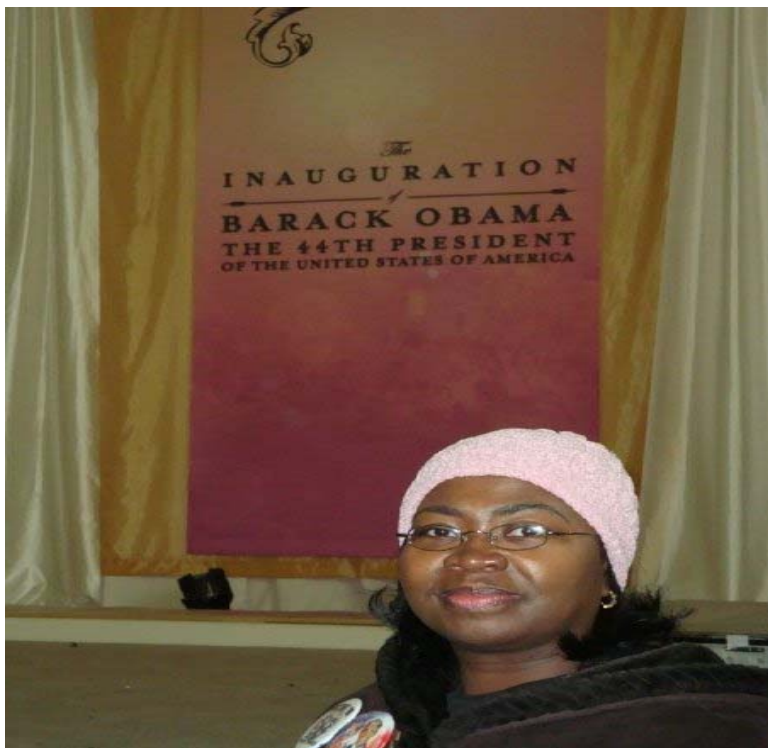
What do I mean by “serve more”? I would like to offer more of my self, my ideas, my time, my money and my effort to the causes I feel are important. Last month, I had the wonderful opportunity

to attend the Inauguration of the 44th President of the United States of America, Barack Obama. Now, it really doesn't matter how you voted or how you feel about these historic events politically, but it is hard not to notice the (at least perceived), feeling of change in the air. I don't know how long it will last, but I hope the feeling persists, and causes us to kindle that hopeful spirit to the point that positive change does happen, and the effect reaches every one of us.

That effect should encourage us to serve more, to help in our own communities and give our best in everything we decide is an important cause for our families. These are times that everyone is called to help. Educators, teach with more creative skill and care; administrators, work with more focus; politicians on every level, lead with wisdom and for the greater good of all. We are all so talented and so full of innovative ideas!

We, as a diverse group, add so much richness to the fabric of this country and just when we think our little bit won't matter, we've done enough together to change the world!

Here's to a great 2009 with IACRAO. Members, we will be calling on you to share your gifts with the organization, and when you have a chance to serve more, take it!



Ms. Montgomery Goes to Washington!

Greetings from your [Chronicle Newsletter Editor](#)....

After three wonderful years of loads of fun, laughter and joy, I must step down as the Chronicle Newsletter Editor. So, if you love to write, have a creative side and want to contribute to a great organization, jump on this opportunity quick – before it is gone, baby gone! People have been hounding me for months, even years about when this position would be available – so don't wait a second....or you'll lose out! [Become the next IACRAO Chronicle Newsletter Editor](#). Contact me if you have questions or would like to submit your name at 847-543-2383 or dmichelini@clcillinois.edu

Hurry, Hurry –

[Most people want it to happen; some wish it would happen; others make it happen – Make it HAPPEN!](#)



IACRAO MESSAGE BOARD

Keeping busy during retirement.....

[Dale Wolf](#) is President-Elect of the Charleston, IL Chamber of Commerce. He was also just elected President of the Eastern Illinois University Annuitants Association. Congrats and enjoy!

Welcome future prospective college student:

Caroline Grace Morris
Born: 1/27/09
7#11oz and 21.5 inches
Welcomed by big sister, Zoey (age 6)
Mom is [Tracy Morris](#)
Director of Admissions and Records
[Illinois Valley Community College](#)

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO ALL, FROM YOUR IACRAO FAMILY!

News from Lewis and Clark Community College:

After 28 years of service at [Lewis and Clark](#), [Pete Basola](#) is retiring as Vice President, Enrollment Services. Pete served as Registrar and Director of Admissions and Records prior to becoming Vice President in 1992. He provided leadership for the College to achieve 14 consecutive years of enrollment growth. Pete is retiring to begin a photography business and plans to stay active and enjoy spending time with his grandchildren. Best wishes on your new ventures.....

[Kent Scheffel](#) will be replacing Pete Basola. Kent has served as Associate Vice President of Community Services since 2001. Previous positions at Lewis and Clark include Director of Media Services and Coordinator of the Radio Broadcasting Program. Prior to joining the college in 1992, he worked in radio and advertising. His wife also works in education and teaches kindergarten. Welcome to the family!

[Kathy Dempsey](#), Assistant Director for Student Development Operations at the [College of Lake County](#) retired on Jan. 30, 2009 after ten years of services to the College. Kathy will now be able to focus on relaxation and travel, rather than PeopleSoft upgrades..... Best wishes and enjoy your travels.