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Passport to Diversity

Submitted by Alice Medenwald, *President*

I am very excited about this year's conference, Passport to Diversity, to be held in Itasca from October 25 through October 27. This year's conference will include several sessions and speakers devoted to topics regarding diversity. President Elect, Ron Gregoire and Local Arrangements Chair, Bruce Oates have been hard at work preparing an informative and fun conference for us.

Please make sure you register soon. If you can't attend the entire conference, we are offering day rates. Of course, we prefer you to attend the entire conference, but with our busy schedules that is not always possible.

For the first time registration for the conference will be on-line. Members may pay by credit card or by mailing a check. The registration form will walk you through the steps for each option. You can access the registration form on the IACRAO web site home page (www.iacrao.org). One of our long standing exhibitors, Credentials Inc., is sponsoring the on-line registration process, so if you like the ease of the on-line registration process, stop by their table in the Exhibitor area and let them know.

I would like to thank Ron Gregoire, President Elect and Bruce Oates, Local Arrangements Chair, for all of their hard work in coordinating this year's conference. Speaking from experience, planning a conference is fun but it takes many hours of preparation to pull it together successfully. This year's Program Committee has also been busy assisting Ron and Bruce with the many conference details. My thanks go out to Maria Moten, Vice President for Professional Activities; Roslyn Castro, Equal Education Opportunity Officer; and the District Chairs, Eric Gunnink, Ann Kalas, Susan Dagit, Les Cromwell, and Mindy Reach for their hard work.

I would also like to say a fond farewell and thank you to Sheri C Kallembach, Past President; Maria Moten, Vice President for Professional Activities; and Angie Byrd and Wendy Raver, Chronicle Co-Editors; for their many years of service to IACRAO. They will be leaving the Executive Board this year and they will be missed.

You will receive an email from me asking each of you to consider becoming a mentor for our first time conference attendees. The only qualification you need to be a mentor is a willingness to share your experiences and your expertise with others. In addition to spending some time with a mentee during the conference I would encourage that the relationship continue throughout the year. This could be as simple as being available as a resource via email or phone or as elaborate as meeting with each other during the year. Mentoring is a very rewarding experience, so please take advantage of this opportunity.

As I write my last article for the Chronicle as President, I want to thank everyone who has volunteered their time and expertise to IACRAO. I challenge those of you who have not yet gotten involved with IACRAO to do so this year. There are many ways you can get involved. You can start out with a task that requires only a small amount of time, and if you like it, move on to positions or tasks that require a larger time commitment. Please check out my article in the Spring 2006 issue of the Chronicle (available on-line at www.iacrao.org) for a detailed description of ways to get involved.

It has been a great year and it has been a privilege to serve as your President. I look forward to a more relaxing year as Past President and to our incoming President, Ron Gregoire, Good Luck!



Who Governs IACRAO?

The Executive Board is responsible for enforcing the bylaws of the organization while providing services to the membership. These services, providing educational and professional development, are the primary goals of IACRAO.

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Thursday Evening, October 26, IACRAO Annual Conference Dinner and Entertainment



Duke Tomatoe and the Power Trio

Best known now for his weekly appearances on the nationally syndicated "Bob & Tom" radio show, Dr. Duke has been filling blues-rock prescriptions live since his days as a founding member of REO Speedwagon in the late '60's. He is a musician/showman who has retained a firm career by fusing gritty R&B, rock, blues, and funk injected with equal parts of humor and gut-level sincerity.

Diversity Caucus

Submitted by Rosalyn Castro, Equal Education Opportunity Officer

The Diversity Caucus invites you to our meeting at the IACRAO conference. Join us and share in an open discussion about Multicultural/ diversity events, advancements, challenges and barriers that you have encountered at your institution. The Diversity Caucus focuses on the positive impact that multiculturalism can have on your campus. We will talk about what works well and what we can improve on. Bring your ideas and share your enthusiasm!

Diversity Caucus Vision Statement: The Diversity Caucus will be the leading group for multicultural and diversity initiatives regarding education, cultural awareness and professional growth.

Mission Statement: The Diversity Caucus' mission is to advance the area of diversity and multicultural awareness and growth by promoting knowledge and events in these areas and by disseminating this knowledge to the IACRAO members.

Objectives / Goals of the Diversity Caucus:

- *Advance multicultural/ diversity issues through meetings, workshops, sharing of professional growth experiences, promoting publishing, and other print and electronic information.
- *Provide a professional environment for individuals in the Higher Education profession engaged in promoting, developing, and applying multicultural/diversity awareness to their campus communities.
- *Represent Multiculturalism and diversity through the IACRAO organization and promote and advocate the professional interests of all those working in Higher Education.

IACRAO 84th Annual Conference Scheduled Meetings

Tuesday, October 24

6:00 p.m. IACRAO Executive Board Meeting/Dinner-Alton Room

Wednesday, October 25

8:30 - 11:30 a.m. OAROSUI Meeting (Public Universities)-Alton Room

9:00 - 11:00 a.m. ICCAROO Meeting (Community Colleges)-Barrington Room

9:00 - 11:00 a.m. PICU Meeting (Private College/Universities)-Carlyle Room

11:00 - 11:30 a.m. New IACRAO Member Orientation

11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. IACRAO Executive Board Meeting/Luncheon-Prescott Room

Thursday, October 26

11:45 a.m. - 1:45 p.m. Annual IACRAO Business Meeting/Luncheon-Grand Ballroom 1 & 2

3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. New IACRAO Board Members Orientation-Carlyle Room

Friday, October 27

11:15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. IACRAO Executive Board Meeting-Lakeshore Room



Passport to Diversity

Submitted by President-Elect Ron Gregoire

Plan to join your peers at your 2006 IACRAO State Conference October 25-27. Check your IACRAO website: www.iacrao.org for conference details and a new online registration process.

Along with the classic ICCAROO, OAROSUI, PICU, District and "Birds" sessions choose from over 25 excellent sessions on today's hot topics in education such as Cross Cultural Communications, Retaining Minority Students, International Recruitment, Ethics and Stress Management and more!

Along with valuable sessions we have scheduled top notch speakers and entertainment. Your keynote speaker is Ms. Pauline Kayes, President, DiversityWorks, Inc. Pauline's presentation on diversity education and issues will be informational, challenging, funny, and motivating. A great way to start a conference!

Need entertainment? Providing a crazy blues and funk show will be Duke Tumatote and The Power Trio. Some may remember Duke Tumatote and the All Star Frogs as a staple of the college music scene in the 70s. Duke and the trio have been serving up good music and a good time for past 20 years. Get your nap and plan for a good time.

Closing the conference is Mr. J. C. Crane, Jr., Coordinator of Diversity Initiatives for Triton College and the Founder/Vice-President of Crane Enterprises Inc. J.C.'s presentations range from the motivational to cultural diversity and urban gang violence. J.C. Crane covers solid topics and has a riveting presentation.

Join your peers, make new friends and valuable educational contacts, grow in your profession and have a good time at the 2006 IACRAO Conference, October 25-27, at the Wyndham Hotel (Note: Wyndham could be Westin by then), Itasca. The full conference program, registration form and hotel information are available on the IACRAO website.



From the Archives

Submitted by Dale Wolf, IACRAO Archivist

THINK ABOUT THE PAST DURING YOUR FUTURE

We will always wish to keep the records of important events and decisions made by the IACRAO organization. Your Board continues to submit information concerning their meetings throughout the years.

You can also be of help with the archives of IACRAO. Always remember to retain copies of memos, articles, emails AND photos! These are all able to be submitted to the organization for future reference. Never assume that the materials you own are of no value. Keep them, submit them and watch for them in the future.

You are welcome to mail them to Dale Wolf, IACRAO Archivist at: 21 Kickapoo Valley Drive, Charleston, Illinois 61920 or email cfdwddale@hotmail.com, or RETAIN them and bring them to the annual meeting in Itasca this fall. Everything will be collected and submitted to the archives location in Champaign-Urbana. Be ready for the first ever IACRAO PEOPLE HISTORY QUIZ this year!

Your past is important to the future so keep those files and watch them become part of your history.

Updates from Around the State



Dora Smith will be retiring from Governor's State University where she held the position of registrar.

Phyllis Werner-Fuehne retired as of March 31, 2006 from Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville after 31 years of service. Phyllis has returned on a part-time basis to help with extra projects for the remainder of the year.

Donna Banner retired from Illinois State University and is now the registrar at Lincoln College, Bloomington. Short retirement!!



Spotlight on the Board

BOARD MEMBER – PRESIDENT-ELECT, Ron Gregoire

I will spare you the descriptions of my illustrious career, honors, awards, adventures, vacation videos and near misses to share a few events that have kept me humble in my years of service to humanity.

As a new teacher I had the opportunity to give a slide (not PowerPoint) presentation to the School Board. I was creative, put together a great slideshow and wrote a captivating narrative to go along with the slides. When my moment to shine came I strutted up to the podium, my Kodak slide projector assistant was ready and then.... somebody turned off the lights...and I couldn't see, or remember, a thing I wrote. Moral: Prepare, prepare some more.

Some time later as a hot shot new Recruiter at my community college I received an invitation to attend the monthly meeting typically reserved for big shot administrators. The president would ask each administrator to report on achievements. I knew I was invited because as the cool, relatively young, new guy I was special, not because my new "friends" in duplication were jokesters and masters at memo forgeries. When the president got to me he did not ask about my accomplishments....he asked, "Why are you here?" Moral: Check your sources.

Did these and countless other similar situations help me grow in my profession? Do I learn valuable lessons from these random events? I would like to think so but because this type of stuff always seems to happen I guess I'm what I would call a lifelong learner.



Enrollment Exceeds Expectations! Morton College Holds 29-Hour Registration Drive

Submitted by Rosalyn Castro, Equal Education Opportunity Officer

For the first time in the history of Morton College, the student services departments stayed open for 29 consecutive hours for registration! The college, located in Cicero, IL, held a "Round the Clock Registration Rave" that again showcased the College's commitment to the six communities it serves.

Morton College student services staff enthusiastically served students non-stop from 8 a.m. Friday, August 11 through 1 p.m. Saturday, August 12 as they poured in to take advantage of this unique registration event.

Students received a wide variety of services, including being able to take a placement test, speak with an academic advisor, receive information about financial aid and deferred payment plans, and register for classes. All resulted in a successful registration experience. The event demonstrated how far students are willing to go to obtain an education and services they need.

Morton College Embarks the Fall 2006 Semester with New Bilingual Virtual Advisor

Submitted by Rosalyn Castro, Equal Education Opportunity Officer

Morton College is always trying new and innovative ways to meet the needs of our students. One of its newest services is the bilingual Virtual Advisor. They are proud to be the first and only community college in the state of Illinois to bring you a bilingual Virtual Advisor, sponsored and funded by Title V Development Grant and Perkins Grant. This project was spearheaded and made a reality thanks to Dr. Alejandro Padilla, Associate Dean/ Director of Title V Grant at Morton College.

What is Virtual Advisor? It is simply a virtual admissions office that automatically answers admission-related questions submitted in English or in Spanish via the Morton College website. Students have access to an intelligent response system that answers their questions immediately and accurately twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. That means less time in lines and more time to "*Imagine What You Can Do!*" with a Morton College education.



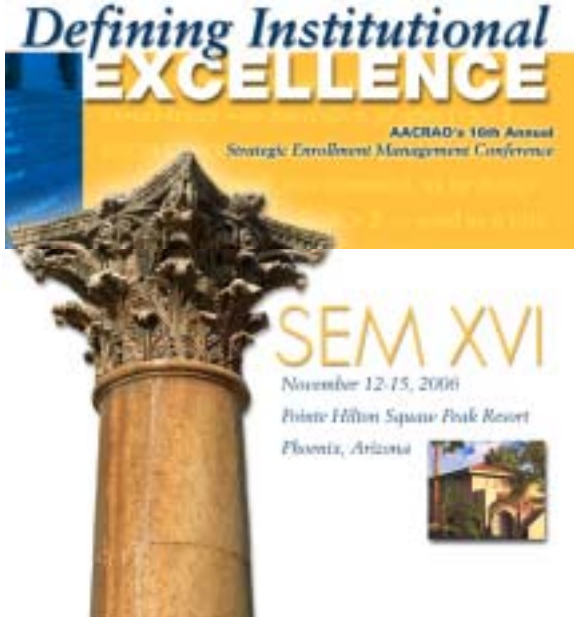
2006-2007 Membership Dues

Submitted by Reo Wilhour, Treasurer

As of today, September 8, approximately 50 of the 92 institutions who paid their IACRAO membership dues last year have renewed their membership by paying their 2006-2007 membership dues. It would be great to have all of our members paid up as soon as possible. Once all of our dues have been received, we can do a much better job of budgeting our funds, and knowing what kind of projects the organization can afford to take on in the future.

IACRAO's current membership year began July 1, 2006, and ends June 30, 2007. Dues are generally due during the first month of the new membership year. Please check with your institution's principal IACRAO member to assure that your institution has renewed its membership for the current year.

The 2006-2007 Membership Form is available online at www.iacrao.org. Instruction for submitting your form and check are printed at the end of the form. I'm looking forward to seeing you all in Itasca in October!



AACRAO's 16th Annual Strategic Enrollment Management Conference will cover all aspects of SEM—from fundamental principles to cutting-edge strategies. You will learn the industry's best practices from proven experts in the field. Institutional excellence is increasingly defined by enrollment, with questions of the number and mix of students playing prominently in discussions of campus mission.

Workshops and sessions will showcase best practices in the areas of:

Leading campus strategic planning efforts

Creating effective enrollment management plans

Enhancing partnerships within and among institutions

Improving student access and persistence

Delivering exemplary student service

Implementing leading-edge technologies

Live in such a way that you would not be ashamed to sell your parrot to the town gossip.

Will Rogers



Proposed Changes to the Illinois Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers By-Laws

Submitted by Sheri C. Kallembach, IACRAO Past President

As prescribed by the By-Laws, any change must be disseminated to the membership within 30 days prior to calling for a vote. The following changes, highlighted in **strikeout** and **bold**, will be placed before the IACRAO membership for a vote at the annual business meeting held on October 26, 2006.

ARTICLE V: OFFICERS

Section 7. Treasurer. The treasurer shall be the principal accounting and financial officer of the association. He or she shall serve for a term of two years and shall: (a) have charge of and be responsible for the maintenance of adequate books of account for the association; (b) have charge and custody of all funds and securities of the association, and be responsible therefore, and for the receipt and disbursement thereof; **(c) maintain the mailing list for the association**; and **(ed)** perform all the duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the president or by the executive board. If required by the executive board, the treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his or her duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the executive board shall determine.

Section 7. Secretary. The secretary shall serve for a term of 3 years and shall: (a) record the minutes of the meetings of the members and of the executive board in one or more books provided for that purpose; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws or as required by law; (c) be a custodian of the association records and of the seal of the association; (d) keep a register of the post office address of each member which shall be furnished to the secretary by such member; ~~(e) maintain the mailing list for the association~~; ~~(fe)~~ maintain the historical records of the association, including the official archives of the association; and ~~(gf)~~ perform all duties incident to the office of secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be designated to him or her by the president or by the executive board.



First-Time Recipients of the IACRAO Leadership and Service Scholarship

Submitted By Sheri C. Kallembach, IACRAO Past-President and IACRAO Scholarship Committee Chairperson

At the October 27, 2005, Annual Business Meeting, IACRAO members unanimously passed the annual awarding of the IACRAO Leadership and Service Scholarship. Two scholarships of \$500 each will be made available, one of which is targeted at underrepresented students. The objectives of the scholarship program are to create a higher visibility of IACRAO in the state of Illinois, and to provide a means by which IACRAO members can give something back to the state of Illinois and contribute to tomorrow's leadership.

The IACRAO Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce Laci M. Hoskins and Jordana J. Pulliam as the first recipients of the Leadership and Service Scholarship award in 2006 in recognition of these students' outstanding leadership and service activities to their community, secondary school and community college. In addition to demonstrating exceptional leadership and service activities, applicants needed to have completed at least 45 credit hours from an Illinois IACRAO affiliated community college and have been accepted into a four-year IACRAO affiliated institution. In addition, applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.50 (4.0) scale.

Laci M. Hoskins attended Danville Area Community College and is currently enrolled in the Nursing program at Olivet Nazarene University. One of Laci's references stated that "*Laci is an excellent student who has set high standards and goals for herself.*" Another stated "*She leads by example and also takes up the leadership role when needed.*" Jordana J. Pulliam is currently enrolled in the Elementary Education program at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale after having attended Southeastern Illinois College. As witnessed by one of Jordana's references, "*Given her outstanding academic ability, her energy and concern for others, Jordana is ideally suited to be an outstanding teacher. I believe that we should do everything within our power to encourage students like Jordana, and I can think of no other student more worthy of an academic scholarship.*" IACRAO is pleased to contribute to the efforts of tomorrow's leadership by presenting the Leadership and Service Scholarship award to these two commendable students.

A special thanks goes to Maria Moten (William Rainey Harper College), Eric Gunnink (University of St. Francis), Ann Kalas (Elgin Community College), Susan Dagit (Monmouth College), Les Cromwell (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), and Mindy Reach (Shawnee Community College), for serving as members of the IACRAO Scholarship Committee. We want to encourage the IACRAO membership to support this program by making its existence known to students and to the appropriate departments/offices on your campus. Applications for 2007 will be made available on IACRAO's website at www.IACRAO.org.