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NWACUHO Soundings

The Northwest Association of College and University Housing Officers is a professional organization whose purpose is to contribute to the improvement and coordination of housing, residence life, and food service operations of our member institutions. NWACUHO sponsors activities to assist its members in exchange of ideas related to the administration of their organizations and the professional development of its members.

Soundings, the newsletter of NWACUHO, is published three times a year to provide information of the association and its member institutions, as well as present information affecting the housing, residence life and food service professions.

**Soundings Publication Deadlines for
1999-2000:**

**September 1st
December 1st
March 15th**

Soundings Editorial Board:

The editorial board is comprised of volunteer members from throughout the NWACUHO region. Duties include assisting in the development of an editorial schedule, submission of interest articles, and soliciting articles and feedback from the members of the association. If you are interested in being a member of the editorial board, please contact your state or provincial representative or the newsletter editor.

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**Please attach articles using (saving as a) MS word document or type it into the email.

EDITOR'S NOTES

Welcome! To the Summer 1999 Edition of the NWACUHO Soundings.

I would like to start off by thanking you for electing me your Newsletter Editor. My goal is to help NWACUHO stay informed of issues that affect the region and hopefully give you the space to express opinions, views, or solutions to issues that are occurring at your institution.

As there was not an issue done post the NWACUHO Conference I thought it would be nice to tie up some loose ends and start off my term as Newsletter Editor with a smaller issues of Soundings. This copy of Soundings is full of information of the happenings within the region for the past six months (or so). If there are sections in the newsletter where your university/college has not been mentioned make sure to contact your State/ Provincial Representative or me with information so we can include it in the next edition of Soundings.

(the deadline is September 1)

In this issue of Soundings you can find reports from the executive officers of the organization, some highlights from NWACUHO, vendor ads, information on coming attractions, and information on how to get into an issue.

Please help me to make this newsletter the Region's newsletter. Submissions are always welcome. I will do my best to make the items given to me fit within the space available. Enjoy your summer time of conferences and projects. May the sun shine brightly where ever you are.

Sincerely,

***"Be happy when others
succeed."***

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Greetings from the Current President

Greetings from the Palouse,

The spring semester is over, graduation is done and summer school has started. Another year is completed and they seem to go by faster. Just yesterday we were in Sun River at the annual conference hosted by Gary Dukes and his staff from Southern Oregon University. It was a great conference with outstanding program on a variety of topics. The host committee did an excellent job on the guest speakers, facilities, meals and entertainment. A good time was had by all.

This summer NWACUHO is sending out a newsletter to try and bring you up to date on what has happened with your association this spring. Elections were held and the three new members to the Exec. Board are President-Elect Jason Hunter from the University of Alberta, Treasurer Dave Dettman from Western Washington University and Newsletter Editor Leslie Barber from Western Washington University. Also, there were three new state/provincial representative appointed and they are Timi Hough from the University of Alaska - Southeastern, Margot Bell from the University of Alberta and Katie Bryant from the University of Oregon. We came together for the first time at our spring Exec. Board meeting at Simon Fraser University. It was a pleasure working with them and I know they will do an outstanding job working for your association.

The NWACUHO web site is a reality and is just waiting for you to visit. This web site will become the primary way we communicate with the all the members in the region. So take a look and tell us what you think. Contact any Exec. Board member or state/provincial rep. and let us know what you like or dislike. May you all have a wonderful summer and be prepared for their return this fall.

Jerry Kruse, President

President Elect Ponderings

Hi everyone! First of all, thank you for your support for me in the role of President-Elect! It is an honour to continue on the NWACUHO Board, and I intend to make the most of the experience to continue the great traditions and to work together to improve the organization in areas where concerns have been raised.

Our first meeting after SUNRIVER, held on Canadian soil at Simon Fraser University in Burnaby, B.C., was very productive - we reviewed the NWACUHO Constitution and talked about a number of initiatives that will hopefully increase the institutional support and strengthen the financial position of the organization. We also had the opportunity to bond over a dinner that would definitely been forgettable had it not been for the incredibly poor service - it is amazing how an experience like that brings a group together! Even this couldn't dampen the spirits of what I believe is a very motivated and fun group of people.

As much as I enjoyed the Treasurer position, I was happy to pass the books on to Dave - I suspect we will see the benefit of his experience and creativity in the near future! As Program Chair for the upcoming year, I also encourage you to start thinking now about programs that you might like to present at Semi-ah-moo in February. This year's lineup was strong, and I think our convenient and beautiful location bodes well both for a large contingency and a wealth of talented presenters (yes, that DOES mean you!).

See you all soon - if you have any questions or would like to say hi, please don't hesitate to call me at (780) 492-0879, or drop me a line via email at jason.hunter@ualberta.ca

Jason Hunter, President Elect

Past-President Thoughts

Greetings from Seattle. It seems like quite awhile ago that we were thinking about snow in Sunriver, but the memory of the conference certainly remains. I appreciate the opportunities I had to meet new members, to dialogue with long time colleagues, and to discuss housing products with the many vendors who were present and supported our conference. As I think back to the conference, and particularly the keynote addresses, I want to share a few of the "pearls of wisdom" that stood out for me:

"Modeling is the number one way to change and influence lives." I believe if people live in integrity, work hard, and stay true to their values, they impact students and staff far more than they may ever realize, and more than their words ever could.

"The Platinum Rule: Do unto others as they want to be treated." What a powerful statement that cuts the lines often drawn by diversity, socioeconomic status, age, etc.

"We are all learners and teachers with our actions and words." One does not need a mentor or to be a mentor in order to have valuable, collegial relationships with people at all levels of an organization.

"Leave things better than you found it." This credo was particularly poignant for me, as I can remember my mom often saying this to my sister and I as we grew up. If we each take the perspective with each position, project, committee, etc. that we want to leave it better than we found it, think about how much better would we find our organizations.

"Is your work place a safe place for your soul and your spirit?" This is self explanatory.

I know each of you who were able to attend the conference have your own "pearls" as you reflect back over the time we had to dedicate to our professional development. I would encourage you to submit your thoughts to Soundings for future editions. I look forward to seeing many of you at the ACUHO-I conference in Vancouver, July 11-14.

Kelly Boyer, Past President

Provincial and State Reports

Greetings from "wet" Juneau

El Nina has played a trick on us here in Juneau. In May we set records for the amount of rainfall, and June is not starting out much better. However we are all enjoying the outdoors as much as possible, regardless of the rain. The rest of the state is beginning to warm up and everyone is looking forward to long days full of sunshine.

"Weaving Threads for Student Success," is the theme for the **Alaska Student Affairs Conference to be held July 28-30 on the Anchorage Campus**. This conference in the past has allowed colleagues from across the state to make some vital connections with one another. With so many diverse Student Affairs professionals from across the state sharing information it is sure to be a time to gather ideas, meet up with old colleagues, and develop new relationships. Areas that are being focused on include: leadership development, enrollment management, retention efforts, BANNER training, and discussion of current issues that effect all the institutions within the state.

We hope to walk away from the conference with a better understanding of how to serve our students better, improve knowledge of overall student services, and learn from experts from around the nation. Dr. Gwendolyn Jordan Dungy, the executive director of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators will address us on Thursday, July 29. Dr. Timothy McMahon a long time expert in leadership training will captivate us with his talk on Friday, July 30.

Call for programs are now being accepted. If you are at a loss as to what to present, look around and see what your staff has done successfully in the past year. Have you identified challenges and developed solutions to solve the problem,. Does your staff marvel at something that you do effortlessly that might help other supervisors? Please share you talent and knowledge. The call for program sheet is on the web page for the conference as well as a lot of other pertinent information. The address is WWW.UAA.ALASKA.EDU/DOS/ASAC

Information on registration for the conference can also be obtained from the web site. All of us from across the state are hoping that everyone can attend and share in the experience.

Timi Hough
Alaska Representative

News from British Columbia

What are you doing July 11, 1999?

Close your eyes and imagine yourself waking up in one of the most beautiful cities in the world, nestled between mountains and water. Imagine clear, blue skies and pure sunshine streaming in your bedroom window...

I said imagine! As you look upon your day, the only stress you face is deciding whether to play golf, explore an unknown city, or lounge on the miles of beaches. And in the evening, partake in a West Coast feast with some of your favorite people all housed within a crystal palace overlooking the water at sunset.

You finish your last bite of Tiramisu, sip your last glass of award-winning wine, and then take a leisurely stroll under a starry sky as the first day of this year's ACUHO-I Conference comes to a close.

And imagine for each of the successive days having innumerable options of how to spend those carefree days: attending quality workshops, exciting sporting events, and outstanding concerts. Imagine food, food, and more food, from a BC Salmon Barbecue to a Greek Festival.

Imagine all this while being surrounded by majestic mountains, warm waters, lush green vegetation and friendly people. Imagine! We on the host committee are working very hard to insure this year's ACUHO-I Conference is the best ever! So come and let your dreams become reality!

Kyle Matsuba
University of British Columbia
ACUHO-I '99 Host Committee
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www.acuho.ohio-state.edu

Updates from Washington

The 1999 NASPA Western Regional Conference will be held in Vancouver B.C. at the Hyatt Regency Vancouver from Nov. 11 – 13th. The theme for the conference is "Our Human Spirit In An Age of Technology." Contact Mike Segawa for more information (segawam@evergreen.edu)

The ACUHO-I Chief Housing Officers Institute will be held Oct. 9 – 13th at Colorado State's mountain campus, Pingree Park. Mike Segawa has information about that as well.

Updates from Schools in the State:

Western Washington University Tony Keim is hired in a temporary position. They are still looking to fill one RD position. They are also looking to begin building new hall.

Eastern Washington University is renovating a traditional hall to make rooms larger - doubles/triples. Their enrollment is increasing.

Pacific Lutheran University is taking down a whole section of formerly upper-class housing. They are building an apartment – 100 unit/230 bed facility with studios, one/two and four bedroom apartments. It will be open to married students but not to children at this time.

University of Puget Sound is looking to build and also is in the midst of gutting 8 fraternity/sorority residential facilities this summer which must be done by mid-August.

University of Washington has an open position and another anticipated opening.

Washington State University has possible opening (director housing/food service). They are starting a large food service strategic plan spending 24 million over the next few years to renovate.

Big Staff Changes:

Deans of Students' at **Pacific Lutheran University**, Laura

Majewski and University of Puget Sound, Chris Barton were hired from the faculty ranks.

Washington State University has also has some changes in personnel in their Provost for Student Affairs, etc.

University of Washington has brought on board the following staff members Cheryl Ewaldsen, Administrator for Human Resources Food Services; JoAnna Olson, Assignments Manager; Akbar Mitchell, Facilities Manager; Tiffany Wiley, Marketing Account Manager; Alonzo Maloney, Assistant Manager Food Services; and Steven Anderson, Executive Chef University Catering.

At the **University of Puget Sound** we have added some new positions and some new faces: David Trant and Debbie Carpenter have joined our staff as Area Coordinators and have been with us for a year. They have both done a wonderful job. David comes to us most recently from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater and Debbie joins us most recently from the University of Dayton. They have adjusted well and are great additions to our team. Justin Canny has joined us as our Adventure Education Coordinator. Justin formerly worked at the Pacific Crest Outward Bound School. In addition to these new staff members, the Residential Programs office has been re-named the Department of Student Development, which includes: Residential Programs, Orientation, Student Leadership, Judicial Affairs and Greek Life.

UW projecting 300+ waiting list for students who want to live in housing - even after a 200 bed increase.

Shane Detwiler
Washington Representative

Alberta News

Well, in talking to people across the province, the feeling is definitely growth, growth, growth. Here is what's happening in some of Alberta's institutions:

Keyano College – Fort McMurray – Renovations for the millenium have just been completed and the College has a new residence office area. Residences are full and the city is booming.

Mount Royal College – Calgary – this summer is host once again to the ITESM program that is a six week English Immersion program for students aged 15-19 from Mexico.

Red Deer College – Red Deer – Coming for the fall of 2,000 a new residence with 200 beds

University of Calgary – Calgary: The University of Calgary would like to welcome aboard Dike Igboemka as their new Community Development Coordinator. He hails from McMaster University in Ontario. A new 400 bed residence is being built. It will be single student housing and conference facility. Scheduled completion date is August 27th. There are two new residence opportunities for professionals in the field. A Residence Coordinator and a Development Consultant. There

are not openings yet. Call the U. of C. if you'd like more info.

Lethbridge Community College – Lethbridge – renovations have started on two blocks originally built in 1977. Demand for student housing is at an all time high.

University of Alberta – Edmonton

the city of Edmonton will be hosting the **World 2001 Track & Field Games** and we will be housing the athletes' village. A new 100 student residence is under construction. A joint initiative is being undertaken with the Department of Human Ecology to convert a residence house into an environmentally friendly, sustainable environment. Green Planet Native Students Services and our Department have created an Aboriginal Faculty in Residence Position; it has had a very successful year.

For further information on anything happening in our province, refer to your directory and give us a call.

On the larger Provincial scene, the very active RLPA (Residence Life Professional Association – formerly the Residence Life Personnel of Alberta) hosted a two day PD workshop last week for Housing Officers around the province. They will also be hosting the 11th Annual Student Leadership Conference from September 24-26 – this year's theme, "Discovering New Frontiers"

Margot Bell
Alberta Representative

News from Oregon

I would like to say welcome to all the new staff at all the Oregon institutions. I would also thank NWACUHO for the scholarship for Sharon Lasher and I for NHTI—it was an amazing experience and I would highly recommend it to anyone.

Katie Bryant
Oregon Representative

NWACUHO 2000
Remember to plan now for
the regional conference!
Held at Semi-ah-moo in Blaine, WA
Hosted by Western Washington University
February 27 - March 1

Sun River, Oregon :

NWACUHO Executive Board Meeting Highlights

February 23, 1998: Sun River Oregon

Welcome to our NEW Executive Board Members: Margot Bell, Timi Hough, and Katie Bryant. We still need to elect Treasurer and Newsletter Editor. Cyndi Snyder is working on this.

Conference - Host Committee Report:

Gary Dukes came to the meeting to ask for feedback from the Executive Board. There was concern that vendors didn't feel like they had much time with delegates - especially given that one keynote session ran over by about 30 minutes. Recommend looking to expand time available. There was a suggestion to have conference evaluations handed out/ on tables at the last lunch and collect them then. We had approximately 130 delegates in attendance.

Western Placement Exchange Funding Request:

Scott Jones came to request \$1,500 to help in coordination of the WPE, with any residual funds to be returned to NWACUHO. They would like to look at hosting WPE each year (if this year goes well). They are interested in getting suggestions on possible dates for the Exchange next year. Discussed having a linked Website between the WPE and NWACUHO home page. They are hoping for 30 candidates and 15 - 20 employers this year. NASPA Region 5 has given them \$500 for this effort.

Mentoring Program Idea:

Peter Rosenberg came in to discuss his interest in chairing and developing a committee to work on a mentoring program. Please call Peter at (360) 650-2960 if you are interested in helping him with this effort.

Officer Reports & State/ Provincial Highlights:

President - Jerry would like State/ Provincial reps to keep track of who is new in their areas and keep us updated - perhaps include information welcoming new people into the *Soundings*. Discussed the fact that 40% of our member schools are Canadian - yet we have low attendance from these schools - what can we do about this?

Secretary - Linda (LA): Discussed directory information concerns. Do people know that mailing labels are available from the secretary? LA will keep the web page company informed of any directory changes. Would like to get people in the groove of letting the Secretary know automatically when a staffing change has occurred so that the electronic directory can be changed immediately.

Executive Board will meet next at Simon Fraser University in Vancouver, British Columbia, May 20-21.

NWACUHO Announces Outstanding New Professional Award

The NWACUHO Executive Board handed out its first Outstanding New Professional Award at the 1999 Conference. Congratulations to **Tina Veldkamp** from the University of Alaska - Anchorage. Tina works in Conference Services.

New professionals are defined as those staff who have had no more than three academic years post Bachelor's or Master's work within housing. This award was coordinated by Jim Dunsdon - British Columbia Provincial Representative and Linda Amburgy - Secretary of NWACUHO.

Keep in mind those new professionals on your campus for the nominations in January 2000.

Linda Amburgy

Member at Large Summary Report

At the 1999 annual Conference at Sun River Resort there were 21 exhibitors represented. Two exhibitors participated as corporate sponsors: Home Box Office sponsored the opening exhibitor reception and Norse Furniture sponsored the conference shirt. Two vendors, KLN Steel Products and Adden Furniture had double booths. There were six extra meal packages purchased and six exhibitors purchased directory advertisements.

The association received \$13,250 for conference fees, \$1,050 for extra meals, and \$850 for directory advertisements. The total revenue generated was \$15,150.

A post conference survey was sent to each exhibitor. Ten surveys were returned, for a 45% return rate. The most significant comments were:

- 1) There was not enough time for the vendors to interact with the conferees.
- 2) The opening reception entertainment distracted attention from the exhibitors.
- 3) The physical location was very awkward. The exhibitors would rather be located in the same building as the conference.

I recommend that we extend the exhibitor time to 60 minutes per break if possible, that the exhibitor venue be located in the same building, and additionally, the Host Committee needs to budget a pipe and drape contract for exhibitors, as well as contract for tables and electrical outlets.

Vennie Gore
Member at Large

NWACUHO 1999

NHTI Scholarship Winners

The winners of this years scholarships for the National Housing Training Institute were **Katie Bryant** and **Sharon Lasher**. We hope that they had a wonderful time.

Case Study Winners

We would like to thank those who participated in the Case Study competition this year. As of the printing of this issue we were unsure of who the case study winners were. If you Won the case study please email the editor of Soundings, so we can recognize you in the next issue.

Best of the Northwest Program

The Age of Student Consumerism: Student Development Meets Service Marketing - developed and presented by Linda Amburgy (L.A.) - Western Washington University.

Exploring the question of how student development theories connect to service marketing (customer service), this program won the Best of the Northwest and will be presented at ACUHO-I in July.

The following list comes from the program handout and offers suggestions for supervising young workers:

RULES FOR MANAGERS SUPERVISING YOUNG WORKERS

Karl Albrecht, *At America's Service*, Warner Books, 1992

1. Be realistic about their maturity levels. Recognize that they are in a growing-up process. They may try to act worldly and sophisticated, but they are not nearly as mature and self-reliant as they pretend.
2. Be willing to teach and develop them. You can't expect them to know the same things or have the same level of experience as older workers. You'll need to give them a lot of help, attention, and guidance at first.
3. Make your expectations very clear and unequivocal when they first come to work. Set high standards for customer-first behavior and let them know their jobs depend on their doing things right by the customers.
4. Talk to them in plain, down-to-earth language. Make your pep talks or tutorial sessions very short, simple and to the point. Don't overestimate their capacity for ab-

David B. Stephen Service Award from NWACUHO

The winner of this years David B. Stephen Service Award is **Peter Rosenberg**, Associate Director of Residence Life at Western Washington University. Peter has served as a past executive board member and continues to serve the region well with ideas for new regional programs.

THANK YOU to the many vendors who donated and participated in the 1999 NWACUHO Conference this year.

We appreciate you support and hard work for our region!!

We look forward to seeing you at Semi-ah-moo.

stract conceptualization, and don't overtax their attention span with long meetings and elaborate explanations.

5. Give them frequent guidance and encouragement. They need lots of affirmation of their work and they need to feel appreciated. Be very sparing with criticism or fault finding.

6. Expect the very best from every one of them. Don't accept inferior work, inattentiveness to their jobs, horseplay, impoliteness to the customers, unreliable work attendance, or any other immature behavior. They will come up to whatever standard you set for them.

**NORTHWEST ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY HOUSING OFFICERS
REPORT OF THE TREASURER**

Period of Report: February 2nd, 1998 to February 1st, 1999

Account Balance as of February 2nd, 1998: \$26, 547.68

I.	<u>Revenues:</u>		
	A.	Payments from Vendors - 1997/98	\$ 6,500.00
		Payments from Vendors - 1998/99	\$11,975.00
	B.	Member Dues - 1997/98	\$ 4,535.00
		Member Dues - 1998/99	\$ 4,779.40
	C.	Account Adjustments	\$ 22.15
		1992/93 Newsletter Balance	\$ 114.26
	D.	Interest On Account	\$ 281.24
		1. March 98	\$23.40
		2. April 98	\$23.92
		3. May 98	\$25.39
		4. June 98	\$26.30
		5. July 98	\$24.21
		6. August 98	\$24.90
		7. September 98	\$21.41
		8. October 98	\$21.41
		9. November 98	\$22.86
		10. December 98	\$20.62
		11. January 99	\$25.19
		12. February 99	\$21.63

TOTAL REVENUES: **\$28,207.05**

II.	<u>Expenditures:</u>		
	A.	Expenses associated with NWACUHO '98 (Anchorage)	\$ 761.38
	B.	Expenses Incurred by NWACUHO Publications	\$ 2126.54
		1. SOUNDINGS Printing	\$ 945.00
		2. Directory Costs	\$1,181.54
	C.	ACUHO-I Related Expenses	\$5,429.19
		1. "Best of the Northwest" '97	\$1,495.20
		"Best of the Northwest" '98	\$2,000.00
		2. ACUHO-I Conference (President)	\$1,143.00
		3. ACUHO-I Reception	\$ 540.99
		4. ACUHO-I Foundation	\$ 250.00
	D.	Expenses Incurred by NWACUHO Board Meetings	\$3,445.88
		1. Fall '97	\$ 312.74
		2. Summer	\$ 682.45
		a) Travel	\$ 201.17
		b) Meeting	\$1,127.47
		3. Fall '98	\$1,121.79
		a) Travel	\$1,121.79
		b) Meeting	\$1,121.79
	E.	Miscellaneous	\$4,708.35
		1. NWRLLC Loan	\$2,500.00
		2. Web Page (Equipoise)	\$1,000.00
		3. SUNRIVER Resort Deposit	\$1,000.00
		4. Mailout to Vendors	\$ 208.35
	F.	Account Adjustments	\$ 375.69
		1. Returned Items	\$ 260.00
		2. Deposit Adjustments	\$ 109.69
		3. Account Fees	\$ 6.000

TOTAL EXPENSES: **\$16,846.77**

II.	<u>Summary of Activity</u>		
		Balance as of February 2 nd , 1998	\$26,547.68
		Total Revenues	\$28,207.05
		Total Expenditures	<u>\$16,846.77</u>
		Balance as of February 1 st , 1999	\$37,907.96

Notes/Outstanding Activity

1. Additional dues and vendor payments totaling \$4375 have been sent for deposit and will be reflected in the February account statement.

Respectfully Submitted: Jason Hunter, NWACUHO Treasurer

Date: February 18, 1999

Are They Drunk All the Time?

At Eastern Washington University alcohol is front-page news. The student newspaper, *The Easterner*, recently ran the headline: "New Alcohol Policy — a witch hunt?" Alcohol is in the news and, what is the housing professional to do?

There has seemingly always been alcohol in the residence halls. I remember my first night in the halls fairly well. However, how Resident Advisors confront alcohol use has changed much since. I drank a beer with my RA within the first week. If that happened today, the staff member would be terminated. No one seems to know if RAs confront all violations - even in the substance free halls! University Police are often more involved in enforcement - I never saw the police as an undergraduate. The courts, politicians, and parents are concerned about what happens in the halls each weekend or weekday for that matter. The effectiveness of the alcohol sanctioning is questioned. Moreover, when it comes to individual Student Affairs professionals making enforcement and sanctioning decisions when student's behaviors fall within the "gray areas" no one seems happy. With more and more people looking over "housing's shoulder," where does professional discretion begin and end? What is one to do?

The concern over alcohol in residence halls

As housing professionals, we understand that young adults make poor decisions. These decisions are usually a result of experimentation; a natural part of healthy growth. Is sending a student through the legal system the best approach? Should they "just get away with it the first time?" Is the public comfortable with Hall Directors meeting with minors and sanctioning them educationally? These are decisions and philosophies that all schools must evaluate and be able to articulate in the coming years as college and university constituency groups look at student and professional behaviors.

Currently a Presidential Committee at EWU is developing a University wide alcohol policy. It has representations from all offices/groups on campus. This group has a difficult task, as not only will students be waiting to see the outcome, the State Legislature, parents, and alumni want action. I wonder if the committee will make the best decision for the students, alumni, or the Legislature?

Is there a "perfect" policy out there? Are residence hall students drunk all the time?

***W. David Scobie
Area Coordinator
Eastern Washington University***

**Oh Canada!
Improving Canadian Representation at
Our Annual Conference**

At the most recent conference in SUNRIVER, the size of the Canadian delegation spoke volumes about the need for NWACUHO to address Canadian participation at Semi-ah-moo. At the town meeting in Oregon, the eight Canadians present offered some explanations and potential solutions to the lack of representation by Canadian schools.

While a variety of issues were raised, the bottom line, as it often is, was the bottom line. Canadian delegates attending a conference in the U.S. can immediately add 40-50% to the cost when converted to Cdn funds! While my institution has been incredibly supportive and appreciative of the professional development opportunities afforded to me by NWACUHO, that did not cushion the total expense of \$1200 U.S., or over \$2000 Canadian to attend! For many Canadian schools, this type of expense simply isn't justified when compared to sending multiple delegates to a conference on this side of the border.

In recognition of this fact, the NWACUHO Executive Board, after much discussion, has decided to offer conference registration at par for the **first 30 Canadian delegates**. This initiative, coupled with the convenient location (a hop, skip and jump from the Vancouver airport!), and the promise of an excellent conference, should greatly improve the participation from our Canadian contingent!

We are a small association with a limited budget, but in recognizing that fact, we also recognize that each institution, on either side of the border, is important, and deserves an opportunity to benefit from paying dues by participating in the annual conference. While this incentive may not change the decision for some not to participate, it should be taken by all Canadian institutions as an indication that NWACUHO wants to see you in Semi-ah-moo!

This incentive will be limited to 5 delegates per institution, and will be implemented on the basis of order of applications received. If you have any questions about this, or have any feedback about ways to increase participation in NWACUHO, please contact an Executive Board member or your provincial/state rep.

*-Jason Hunter
President Elect*

KUDOS

to those folks in the Region who donated many hours of extra time to put on various Conferences, Job placements, etc. WE would like to especially recognize:

NWRLLC
Evergreen State College

NWRRAC
Washington State University

WPE
Oregon State University

NWACUHO 1999
Southern Oregon (and all the schools in Oregon)

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So You Want To Get Involved within NWACUHO

Being a part of the NWACUHO Executive Board is a terrific way to get involved in the Northwest region. It can be intimidating to run for an office, but this is a great way to jump in with both feet. We need new perspective and energy! Here are just a few of the reasons to get involved:

- 1) Meet terrific people who represent a variety of higher education institutions in the northwest.
- 2) Expand your leadership experience in a welcoming environment.
- 3) Travel to executive board meetings is financially supported by NWACUHO.
- 4) Work for an organization where you can make a difference.

The following are the Executive Board positions which will be open this upcoming winter:

President-Elect:

A one year position with a three year commitment to the association. During the first year the President-Elect services as the Conference Program Chair, is responsible for coordinating the workshop programs at the annual conference and is the liaison to the Conference Host Committee. The President-Elect appoints state and provincial representatives, and also advises NWACUHO committees. The President-Elect then assumes the responsibility of the President of the Association for the second year of service, followed by a year as Past-President.

Secretary

A two year executive position. The Secretary serves as the official correspondent for the Association and maintains association records. The Secretary records, transcribes and distributes minutes of the Executive Board meetings and minutes of the annual business meeting of the Association in accordance with the constitution.

Member-at-Large

A two year executive position. The Member-at-Large coordinates all correspondence with vendors who are interested in the Association. The Member-at-Large works in conjunction with the Newsletter Editor to coordinate vendor advertising in Soundings. The Member-at-Large plans and coordinates exhibitor involvement at the annual conference.

Representatives for British Columbia & Washington

Two year executive board positions. Act as liaisons between the Executive Board and members from their State/Province. Serve on the Program Committee for the Annual Conference. Contribute, through authorship or solicitation, a minimum of one article from their State/Province to each edition of Soundings.

Look for Executive Board Nomination Forms in the Fall Edition of Soundings!

AUCHO-I 1999 Conference

Speaking of professional development, it is exciting to have AUCHO-I hosted by NWACUHO's own University of British Columbia! I am looking forward to a terrific conference and hope to see many of you in Vancouver, July 11-14. Keep your eyes open for the NWACUHO Social at the Conference.

Kelly Boyer

NWRLLC 2000

The next Northwest Regional Leadership Conference will be hosted by the University of British Columbia on March 3-5. Congratulations and Good Luck.

NASPA Conference

The Region V NASPA Conference will be held in British Columbia November 11-13.

NWACUHO Dues and Directory Updates will be coming soon to you via the mail. The annual renewal dates are August 1 - July 31.

Use the NWACUHO Website:

NWACUHO.org

Regional Directory

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Info on Upcoming Events

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Items to submit from your institution:

NEW FACES at your institution
Fall Training Updates
Anything else you may consider newsworthy

Items to look forward to in the FALL EDITION of Soundings

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Information on the David Stephens Award
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New Professional Award Information
Nomination forms for the Executive and State/Provincial Rep positions
Words from the NWACUHO Executive Board
Brief Information on the 2000 NWACUHO Conference
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Items that you have submitted from your institution

SEE YOU NEXT FALL!