



NASPA REGION IV-WEST

A Message from the Regional Vice President

*Christine Schneikart-Luebke
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"Every day an old man walked the beach with a pail, picking up starfish that had been washed in by the tide. Gently he would throw them back into the sea. One day a young boy stopped the old man and asked, 'Why do you throw the starfish back? It can't possibly matter, you can't possibly make a difference - they will just wash up on the shore again tomorrow.' With that, the old man picked a starfish up, threw it as far as he could into the sea and replied 'It made a difference to that one.'"

For all of those who have made a difference in my life... I say thank you!

This afternoon I had lunch with a current student - where once again the conversation turned to discussion of our profession. I found myself sharing information about NASPA and about our upcoming regional conference in Tulsa, Oklahoma. I invited this student to join us so that he too can learn more about what our profession has to offer.

I then returned to the office where I had a meeting with a staff member who is trying to decide what her next move should be professionally. What is the "right" next step for her? Will she be challenged? Will she love the new job as much as she loves the current one? Should she even accept the interview? Should she remain in Student Affairs? All good questions, which once again had me encouraging her to attend our regional conference in Tulsa, Oklahoma!!

Our regional conference, *Weaving our Way*

... *Creating a Heritage in the Heartland*, will begin on Wednesday, November 5th and conclude on Friday, November 7th. We will gather at the Tulsa Marriott Southern Hills to share with and learn from each other. Our keynote speakers promise to be educational and inspiring. You can read more about Jillian Kinzie and Mark Milliron later in this newsletter.

Whether you are a graduate student, a new professional, a mid level manager, a faculty member, a senior student affairs officer or anywhere in between, our regional conference will have something very special to offer each of you! Read on to find out all of the ways we are reaching out to all of our very important constituency groups.

For those participating in the Mid Level Institute, co-chaired by Gigi Seebhan and Heather Scheller (both from the University of Arkansas), the institute will convene on November 2nd and conclude on November 4th in time for the participants to join our regional conference. This year the attendees will be reading *The Last Lecture*, which I happen to be reading and learning from right now. Undergraduates will have an opportunity to participate in the Undergraduate Career Fair and Graduate Students will benefit from the Master's Case Study.

Our 2008 regional conference, co-chaired by Denise Ottinger, Vice President for Student Life at Washburn University, and Dennis Day, Vice President of Student Services at Johnson County Community College, promises to be



many things to many people! Their committee has been working tirelessly to create the best conference Region IV-West has ever seen! I participated in their conference call yesterday and was just blown away by the work each committee member reported doing.

So - decide to make a difference in your own life - plan to join us in Tulsa for our regional conference. I know that regional conferences provide different experiences to different folks. Become engaged, renew old friendships, make new ones, grow professionally, stretch yourself, dig deep, become a mentor to someone, reach out to someone new in the profession - whatever the regional conference has become for you - please plan to join us in Tulsa in November! Even better... extend the invitation to someone else, make a difference in their life by asking them to join us! The start of something new brings the hope of something great. I look forward to seeing all of you in Tulsa!

P.S. Just a reminder that Election Day is November 4, 2008 - so if you plan to join us for the conference in Tulsa, you may need to vote early!!

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NASPA REGION IV-WEST TENTATIVE CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2008 (PRE-CONFERENCE)

5:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. Region IV-West Mid-Level Institute

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2008 (PRE-CONFERENCE)

7:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M. Region IV-West Mid-Level Institute

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2008 (PRE-CONFERENCE)

7:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. Region IV-West Mid-Level Professional Institute
9:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. Knowledge Community Chats' Orientation
11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. Region IV-West Executive Committee Meeting & Lunch
1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. Region IV-West Advisory Board Meeting

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2008

7:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Conference Registration Open
8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. Region IV-West Advisory Board Meeting
9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. Tour of Oral Roberts University
8:00 A.M. - 9:30 A.M. SSAO Round Table Discussions
9:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. SSAO Assessment Workshop
with Jillian Kinzie, Ph.D. of the IU CPR and NSSE Institute
10:00 A.M. - 10:45 A.M. Newcomer Orientation
11:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. Volunteer Orientation
11:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Exhibits Open
11:40 A.M. - 12:10 P.M. Master's Case Study Competition Orientation
1:00 P.M. - 2:15 P.M. Native American Ceremony and Conference Welcome
with Dr. Mark David Milliron, Catalyst Learning Institute (CLI)
2:30 P.M. - 3:45 P.M. Program Session I
3:45 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. Refreshment Break in Exhibit Areas
4:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. Program Session II
5:00 P.M. - 6:15 P.M. NASPA IV-West Business Meeting - *All are welcome to attend!*
6:15 P.M. - 7:30 P.M. Conference Banquet and Awards
7:30 P.M. - 11:00 P.M. Dessert Reception and Gilcrease Museum Tour
featuring Region IV-West "Living Star" Awards Program at 8:30 pm.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2008

7:00 A.M. - 8:00 A.M. Fun Run / Walk / Yoga
7:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. Conference Registration Open
8:30 A.M. - 9:30 P.M. Master's Case Study Competition
8:30 A.M. - 9:45 A.M. Keynote Speaker: Jillian Kinzie, Ph.D., IU CPR & NSSE Institute
8:30 A.M. - 3:30 P.M. Exhibits Open
9:45 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. Break in Exhibit Areas
10:00 A.M. - 11:15 A.M. Program Session III
11:15 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. Conference Luncheon and Region IV-West Awards
TBD
1:00 P.M. - 2:15 P.M. Program Session IV
2:15 P.M. - 2:45 P.M. Refreshment Break, Knowledge Communities Fair, & Exhibits
2:45 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. Program Session V
4:00 P.M. - 5:15 P.M. Program Session VI
5:15 P.M. Dinner on Your Own OR choose:
Member Dinner
Undergraduate Fellows (NUPP) Program Meeting & Dinner
Region IV-West NPP Reception
Missouri State University Reception
University of Arkansas Reception

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2008

8:00 A.M. - 9:15 A.M. Program Session VII
9:15 A.M. - 9:30 A.M. Break
9:30 A.M. - 10:45 A.M. Program Session VIII
10:45 A.M. - 12:15 P.M. Conference Closing Brunch
11:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M. Tulsa '08 and Sunset '09 Conference Planning Committee Meetings
12:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M. Region IV-West Graduate School Preparation Workshop

*See detailed descriptions of bolded items under "Conference Highlights" & "Keynote Speakers"



ABOUT TULSA

Tulsa is nestled in the northeastern quadrant of Oklahoma, right in the heart of "Green Country". The rolling green hills and wooded terrain of the city lies at an elevation of 700 feet above sea level and offers a temperate climate. Tulsans enjoy 227 days of sunshine a year and an average daily temperature of 61 degrees. The rainfall average is approximately 40 inches, and continually changing conditions occur in the city during all four seasons.

Our city boasts a widely diversified business base, including aerospace, telecommunications, manufacturing, construction, high technology, healthcare, education, transportation, and energy.

Tulsa, one of "America's Most Livable Communities", is known as the Mecca for arts in Oklahoma. Art deco masterpieces are prevalent in many of our downtown buildings and churches. Spectacular works of art dot the trails of our beautiful River Parks. From the Tulsa Ballet and Tulsa Opera, to Broadway plays and musicals at the Performing Arts Center, to the Philbrook and the largest collection of Western American art at the Gilcrease, Tulsa's rich cultural legacy greatly enhances our citizens' quality of life.

The Tulsa Port of Catoosa is acclaimed as one of the largest, most inland river-ports in the United States. The Tulsa International Airport offers direct service to most major U.S. cities and is another important contributor to our economic growth.

Ten higher education facilities serve the metropolitan Tulsa area. Options range from community college and vocational studies to undergraduate, graduate, and professional degree programs at both public and private universities.

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS:

Tour of Oral Roberts University

Wednesday, November 5th, 9:00 a.m.

Join colleagues from around the region on a tour of Oral Roberts University, a "God-centered university that upholds a Christian worldview with a charismatic emphasis", located in south Tulsa. ORU enrolls over 3,000 students, is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, and is a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. The university's mission is "to educate the whole person in spirit, mind, and body, thereby preparing its graduates to be professionally competent servant-leaders who are spiritually alive, intellectually alert, physically disciplined, and socially adept."

Participants will tour the unique facilities on this 263 acre campus, including the 200-foot-tall Prayer Tower that serves as the visitor's center. University representatives will provide an overview of the university, and the role and function of the Department of Student Development at ORU. Transportation to and from the campus will be provided.

Assessment Workshop for Senior Student Affairs Officers

Wednesday, November 5th, 9:30 a.m.

This workshop will be conducted by Jillian Kinnie, Associate Director of the Center for Postsecondary Research and the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) Institute. A brief overview of the NSSE instrument and survey data will be provided. Emphasis will be placed on how to utilize NSSE results to improve policies, practices and institutional performance in undergraduate education and to demonstrate assessment of student learning in program review and accreditation self-studies. This session will highlight effective examples of using NSSE in student affairs. (Limited to Senior Student Affairs Officers only.)

New Member/ New Professional/ Graduate Student Orientation

Wednesday, November 5th, 10:00 a.m.

Welcome to NASPA IV-West! Whether you are new to the region or the profession, this session will be interesting to you. The one-hour session will introduce you to the members of Region IV-West, our history, and key regional and national representatives. This will be your first opportunity to network with your peers in the profession and identify key pathways on your journey of learning at the Region IV-West conference in Tulsa.

Volunteer Orientation

Wednesday, November 5th, 11:00 a.m.

Are you ready to get involved? Volunteering is one of many opportunities to get involved with NASPA. The regional conference would not be a success without the help of our members in the region. If you are interested in volunteering at the conference, this one-hour session will help prepare you for the variety of duties available at the conference. Please indicate your interest in volunteering when you register.

Case Study Challenge

Thursday, November 6th, 8:30 a.m.

Attention Master's Students! Register a team from your university for the 3rd annual NASPA IV-West Case Study Challenge during the NASPA IV-West 2008 Conference in Tulsa, Oklahoma. The competition will take place on Thursday, November 6, 2008 (mandatory orientation session on Wednesday, November 5 at 11:40 a.m.). This event provides an excellent opportunity to translate theory into practice for master's students attending the conference from throughout our region.

Registration can be completed by going to the NASPA IV-West conference website and clicking on Master's Case Study Competition. Please complete the registration form found there and return it to Dr. Christine Austin at Arkansas Tech University. Please contact her by email at caustin11@atu.edu if you have questions!

Register today!!! More information about the competition and registration can be found on the NASPA IV-West conference website.

Fun/Run/Walk

Thursday, November 6th, 7:00 a.m.

Get ready for the early bird activities that will be available at this year's conference. No experience necessary – come have fun and meet new people, while you enjoy the outdoors.

Graduate Preparation Program Fair

Friday, November 7th

NASPA Region IV-West will be hosting a Graduate Preparation Program Fair (GPPF) directly following the closing brunch for the 2008 Regional Conference in Tulsa, Oklahoma. This is a great opportunity for prospective graduate students of all levels to meet with representatives of the fantastic graduate preparation programs in our region!

We invite graduate school programs from across the region to offer information tables staffed by representatives of Master's and Doctoral level programs in student personnel administration, higher education, or counseling to participate in the fair.

The itinerary for the fair is as follows:

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. *Representative Check-In*
10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. *Conference Closing Brunch*
11:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. *Graduate Preparation Program Fair & Sessions*

A listing of participating graduate programs will be created to assist all prospective students attending the Graduate Preparation Program Fair. This guide will contain a description of all graduate preparation programs, submitted by the program itself.

Registration materials and pricing information can be found on the NASPA IV-West conference website under Graduate Preparation Program Fair. Please direct any questions to Dr. Christine Austin at Arkansas Tech University. You can contact her by email at caustin11@atu.edu. Register today!!!

REGISTER NOW!

Early Bird Registration Deadline:
OCTOBER 7, 2008

Some Brief Notes about the Conference Keynote Speakers . . .

Dr. Jillian Kintze coordinates research and project activities to facilitate the use of student engagement data to promote educational effectiveness. She earned her Ph.D. in Higher Education with a minor in Women's Studies at Indiana University Bloomington. Prior to this, she held a visiting faculty appointment in the Higher Education and Student Affairs department at Indiana University and worked as an administrator in academic and student affairs for many years at Miami University and Case Western Reserve University.

In 2001, she was awarded a Student Choice Award for Outstanding Faculty at Indiana University, and in 2005 she received the Robert J. Metzger Honored Presentation by the Professional Organizational Development (POD) Network. Kintze has co-authored a monograph on theories of teaching and learning and a Lumina Foundation monograph *Continuity and Change in College Choice: National Policy, Institutional Practices and Student Decision Making*. She has also conducted research on women in undergraduate science, retention of underrepresented students, the learning environment and educational effectiveness, and institutional change.

She is co-author of *Student Success in College: Creating Conditions that Matter* (Jossey-Bass, 2005); *One Size Does Not Fit All: Traditional and Innovative Models of Student Affairs Practice* (Routledge, 2006); and *Piecing Together the Student Success Puzzle: Research, Propositions, and Recommendations* (Jossey Bass, 2007).



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Dr. Mark David Milliron
President and CEO
Catalyst Learning International (CLI)

Dr. Mark David Milliron is an award-winning leader, author, speaker, and consultant best known for exploring leadership development, future trends, learning strategies, and the human side of technology change. Mark works with universities, community colleges, K-12 schools, corporations, associations, and government agencies across the country and around the world. He serves as Board Chair for the Institute for the Study of Knowledge Management in Education and as a Trustee for Western Governors University. He is also the founder and CEO of the private consulting and service group, Catalyst Learning International (CLI). In addition, he serves on numerous corporate, nonprofit, and education boards and advisory groups; guest lectures for educational institutions nationally and internationally; and authors and moderates the Catalytic Conversations Blog.

Mark brings to this work broad experience, having previously served as an Endowed Fellow, Senior Lecturer, and Director of the National Institute of Staff and Organizational Development in the College of Education at The University of Texas at Austin; Vice President for Education and Medical Practice with SAS, the world's largest private software company; President and CEO of the international education association for the League for Innovation; and as Vice President for Academic and Student Services at Mayland Community College (NC).

While teaching at Arizona State, Mark received the International Communication Association's Teaching Excellence Award. More recently, the University of Texas at Austin's College of Education honored Mark as a Distinguished Graduate for his service to the education field. In 2005, PBS named Mark the recipient of its annual O'Banion Prize for transformational work in support of teaching and learning. And in 2007, the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) presented Mark with its National Leadership Award for his outstanding accomplishments, contributions, and leadership.



NASPA Region IV-West Conference Registration

November 5 - November 7, 2008
Tulsa, Oklahoma

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REGISTRANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____ Nametag: _____

Title: _____

Institution: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____ NASPA Membership #: _____

REGISTRANT PROFILE

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|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Undergraduate Student | <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate Student | <input type="checkbox"/> New Professional (0-5 years) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mid-Level Professional (5+ years) | <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibitor/Vendor | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Student Affairs Officer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Faculty Member | <input type="checkbox"/> NASPA Representative | <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Sponsor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NASPA Retiree | <input type="checkbox"/> Member of State's Association | |

- Are you interested in Volunteering? Yes No
- Are you attending the Pre-Conference Option: Tour of Oral Roberts University? Yes No
- Are you attending the Pre-Conference Option: Assessment for Senior Student Affairs Officers? Yes No
- Interested in participating in the Master's Case Study Competition? Yes No
- Would you like to participate in the Fun Run/Walk? Yes No
- Do you give your permission to have your picture on the Web site? Yes No

Do you request any Accommodations to attend Events? (Please Specify): _____

NASPA REGION IV-WEST 2008 CONFERENCE REGISTRATION OPTIONS

Please check (✓) the appropriate registration categories attached. Note: registrations received after October 7, 2008 are not guaranteed the IV-West Regional Conference discounted Hotel Rates.

REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED

By October 7, 2008 After October 7

A. NASPA IV-West Conference Only: Consider joining NASPA at www.naspa.org/membership

NASPA Member:	Conference Registration Fee	<input type="checkbox"/> \$170.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$220.00
NASPA Member:	Graduate Student Fee	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$130.00
Undergraduate:	Conference Registration Fee	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$130.00
Non-NASPA Member:	Conference Registration Fee	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$300.00
Non-NASPA Member:	Graduate Student Fee	<input type="checkbox"/> \$140.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$170.00

B. NASPA IV-West Conference and/or Graduate School Preparation One-Day Workshop

Participant:	<u>Both</u> the Conference & Graduate School Workshop:	<input type="checkbox"/> No Fee
Participant:	<u>Only</u> the Graduate School Preparation Workshop:	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35.00
Exhibitor:	<u>Both</u> the Conference & Graduate School Workshop:	
	Conference Registration (above) plus Workshop fee:	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40.00
Exhibitor:	<u>Only</u> the Graduate Workshop Day Pass (includes Brunch):	<input type="checkbox"/> \$75.00

REGIONAL CONFERENCE MEAL ATTENDANCE & ACCOMMODATIONS

- Are you attending the Opening Banquet, Wednesday Evening (11/5/08) Yes No
- Are you attending the Conference Luncheon, Thursday (11/6/08) Yes No
- Are you attending the Closing Brunch, Friday (11/7/08) Yes No
- Vegetarian or Dietary Menu Accommodations? Please specify: _____

PURCHASING ADDITIONAL MEAL TICKETS

- Opening Banquet Dinner on Wednesday (11/5/08) Quantity: _____ x \$50.00 = \$ _____
 - Conference Luncheon on Thursday (11/6/08) Quantity: _____ x \$25.00 = \$ _____
 - Conference Closing Brunch on Friday (11/7/08) Quantity: _____ x \$35.00 = \$ _____
- Additional Ticket Subtotal \$ _____

TOTAL BALANCE DUE (Registration & Additional Meal Tickets):

\$

Please make checks payable to "NASPA IV-West". Send payment with this completed form to:

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Go online today to reserve your conference hotel room.

1. To reserve your room, go to:
www.naspa.org/regions/regioniv-w/conf.cfm
2. Click on "Direct Hotel Link"

To take full advantage of the special conference hotel rate of \$84.00, you must make reservations by Tuesday, October 7, 2008.

REGISTER NOW!
Early Bird Registration Deadline:
OCTOBER 7, 2008

2008 Mid-Level Professional Institute

November 2-4
Marriott Southern Hills
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Are you a mid-level professional interested in enhancing your skills? This year's Mid-Level Institute (MLI) will provide participants resources to influence effective change and explore opportunities for continued growth in the student affairs profession.

This year's MLI will take place prior to the IV-West Regional Conference in Tulsa, Oklahoma. The dates for this year's institute are November 2-4, 2008, at the Marriott Southern Hills in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Participants selected for the institute will receive a discount if they also choose to attend the NASPA IV-West Regional Conference.

Specific topics for the Mid-Level Institute will address the most relevant issues that mid-level managers face in this stage of your career, including:

- Campus Culture and Politics
- Crisis Intervention
- Legal Issues
- Financial Management
- Professional and Personal Balance
- Staff Management

The institute's faculty – all highly experienced student affairs practitioners from a diverse group of institutions – will share their experiences and provide participants with first-hand insight on effectively managing one's career as a mid-level professional and beyond.

This year's institute will follow the NASPA Professional Development Curriculum in order to make your professional development experience more intentional and engaging. The Professional Development matrix is available at www.naspa.org/programs/ProDevCurriculum.cfm. Specifically, the institute will focus on the leadership, administration, and management cell of the matrix.

To apply for a slot in this year's MLI, please do the following:

- Review the definition of a "Mid-Level Professional": Someone who reports to a Senior Student Affairs Official; has on-going supervisory, budgetary, and programming responsibilities for a department; and has been a full-time student affairs professional for five or more years.
- Visit the NASPA website below for more information and to download an application. www.naspa.org/communities/sci/page.cfm?trpageID=203&cid=42

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Mid-Level Institute 2008

Selected participants will be notified shortly after September 30th for more details regarding the institute and their selection to the institute.

The deadline to apply for this year's institute has been extended to September 30, 2008.

We look forward to receiving your application.

Sincerely,

Gigi Secubain & Heather Schneller
2008 MLI Co-Chairs

Graduate Student Assistantship Scholarship Information

Up to fourteen Graduate Student Assistants will be selected to receive a scholarship for their 2008 Region IV-West Conference Registration fee and shared conference rate hotel (total value \$250.00) in exchange for five hours of volunteer work. Students selected for this scholarship will be responsible for paying their own registration and hotel and will be reimbursed by Region IV-West. Please indicate if your institution is paying for you on the form.

TRAINING

A graduate student round table will be held on November 5th from 8:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. and a volunteer orientation will be held from 11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Scholarship recipients should plan to attend both.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Volunteer five hours in any of the following:

- Conference registration
- Posting and removing signage
- Presenting a program geared towards graduate

students*

- Distributing and collecting program evaluations
 - Shadowing conference chairs
 - Working at peer-mentorship booth*
 - Assisting with local arrangements
- *Please communicate with Paul Miller if you are interested in either of these options.*

BENEFITS

- Meeting colleagues and potential mentors
- Learning more about NASPA and region IV-West
- Connecting with other Graduate Students from around the region

REMUNERATION

If you are selected to receive a scholarship, either yourself or your institution (whoever paid the registration and hotel) will be reimbursed \$250.00. This scholarship covers the \$100 graduate student registration fee and three nights shared room cost at \$50 per night.

SELECTION INFORMATION

- Full-time graduate students, first and second year, not employed full-time are encouraged to

apply.

- Student may only be selected once for this scholarship.
- A minimum of four (4) members will serve as the selection committee – New Professionals & Graduate Students Knowledge Community Chair, Volunteer Coordinator, NUPF Chair, and the Graduate Student Representative.
- The selection committee will attempt to make selections that represent the geography, institution type, size, institutional support, and diversity of Region IV-West.
- All applications must include a letter of recommendation from a full-time staff or faculty who is a member of NASPA.
- All applicants will be notified by October 15, 2008, of the committee's decision.

TO APPLY

- Complete the scholarship form found at www.naspa.org/files/regional/regioniv-w/IV_WGA_NUPFApp2008.pdf and obtain a letter of reference.
- Submit to Paul Miller (Peruller@kum.edu) no later than September 21, 2008.

NASPA Undergraduate Fellow Program (NUFP) Scholarship

Up to fifteen NUFP students will be selected to receive a scholarship for their 2008 Region IV-West Conference Registration fee and will serve as a NUFP Scholarship Recipient. Scholarship recipients will also be expected to participate in a minimum of three hours of volunteer work. Students selected for this scholarship will be responsible for their own transportation, meals, and lodging.

CRITERIA

All applicants must be undergraduate NUFP students who attend a Region IV-West Higher Education Institution. All applications must be received by September 21, 2008.

TRAINING

Scholarship recipients should plan to attend the Volunteer Orientation Session on Wednesday, November 5, from 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. If this is your first regional conference, a Newcomers Orientation will be held on Wednesday, November 5, from 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

NUFP CONNECTIONS

Scholarship recipients will be required to attend the NUFP Connections program on

Thursday, November 6, at 4:45 p.m. This will be a great opportunity to meet other NUFP students in the region as well as other members of NASPA IV-West. A free dinner with other NUFP students will follow the program. Scholarship recipients should plan to attend this informative session.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Volunteer a minimum of three hours in any of the following:

- Conference registration
- Posting and removing signage
- The Fun Run
- Introducing session presenters
- Local arrangements
- NUFP Connections Program
- Distributing and collecting program evaluations
- Undergraduate Career Fair
- Shadowing conference chairs

BENEFITS

- Meeting colleagues and potential mentors
- Learning about NASPA and Region IV-West
- Connecting with other NUFP students from around the region

REMUNERATION

If you are selected to receive a scholarship,

your conference registration fee will be paid for by NASPA IV-W. Please plan to register before the "Early Bird" deadline (October 7) so that you can get the special registration rate in the event you are not awarded the scholarship.

SELECTION INFORMATION

- All NUFP students are encouraged to apply.
- Students may only be selected once for this scholarship.
- A select group of NASPA IV-West members will serve on the selection committee.
- The selection committee will attempt to make selections that represent the geography, institution type, size, and institutional support, and diversity of Region IV-West.

TO APPLY

- Complete the scholarship form found at www.naspa.org/files/regional/regioniv-w/IV_WGA_NUPFApp2008.pdf and obtain a letter of reference.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mary Alice Serafini, Region IV-West NUFP Coordinator, at 479-575-4077 or mserafi@uark.edu.

NASPA IV-WEST Advisory Board Meeting

Ruth Stoner
University of Kansas



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REGION IV-WEST

May 31 - June 1, 2008
Summer Planning Meeting
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Summary of Board Decisions, Action Items & Future Agenda Items

1. The Region IV-W Advisory Board met on Thursday, May 31 and Friday, June 1 for the Summer Planning Meeting.
2. Board Decisions/Recommendations/Motions/Announcements.
 - A. Efforts will be made to make the Region IV-W website more user-friendly. The Advisory Board members are reviewing the website and making suggestions. The Board invites suggestions from the regional membership for additional ideas. Send suggestions to Ruth Stoner, rstoner@ku.edu.
 - B. The 2009 Region IV-W conference will be held at the Eldorado Hotel in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Hotel rates will be \$149 single, \$169 double.
 - C. The Board approved to follow precedence set in previous years of giving Mid-Level Institute and New Professional Institute participants a 50% discount on the registration rate for the Regional conference. In addition,
 - This will apply to all future NPIs and MLIs, until changed by Board action.
 - The Regional budget will reimburse the conference budget for the 50% of the registration fee discounted.
 - The institute planning committees will determine the institute budgets, including the registration fee, and present to the Regional Advisory Board for approval.
 - D. New Region IV-W banners will be purchased for use at the Tulsa conference.
3. The 2008 Region IV-W Conference will be held at the Tulsa Marriott Southern Hills Hotel in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on November 5 - 7, 2008. The theme will be *Weaving the Way... Creating a Heritage in the Heartland*. The conference chairs are Denise Ortinger (Washburn University) and Dennis Day (Johnson County Community College). Mark your calendar now and plan to attend. The Mid-Level Institute will be held as a pre-conference on November 2-4. More information is available on the Region IV-W Web site (www.naspa.org/communities/RegionalCommunities/RegionIVW).
4. The Region IV-W Advisory Board will meet prior to the Tulsa Region IV-W Conference on November 4-5. Agenda items for this meeting will include, but not be limited to:
 - A. Membership survey report. The Regional Research Division conducted a survey project at the Regional conference held in Little Rock last fall.
 - B. New award proposal - Knowledge Community Creativity/Visibility Award - Jody Donovan will present a written proposal.
 - C. Tabled for further discussion - Retiree recognition at the national & regional level.
 - D. Newsletter report and proposal. Karen Schlabach will present a newsletter update to include a revised annual budget projection, annual calendar of deadlines for submission, distribution timeline, frequency of publication and other items.

If you would like to place an item on the agenda for this meeting, contact Christine Schneikart-Luebke, christine.luebke@wichita.edu, Regional Vice President, or the appropriate Board member.

For further information on any of the above items or other initiatives of NASPA National or Region IV-W Advisory Board, contact Christine Schneikart-Luebke, christine.luebke@wichita.edu, Regional Vice President, or the appropriate Board member.

A complete set of minutes for the Tulsa Summer Planning Board meeting is available on the Region IV-West web site (www.naspa.org/communities/RegionalCommunities/RegionIVW/Downloads/RegionalAdvisoryBoardMeetingMinutes).