

2000 Annual Conference

Climbing the Millennium Mountain: Continuing the Quest for Quality

**Great Smokies Holiday Inn SunSpree Resort
March 20-22, 2000**



Join your NCAIR colleagues at this year's annual conference scheduled for Monday, March 20 through Wednesday, March 22, 2000 at the Great Smokies Holiday Inn SunSpree Resort in Asheville, North Carolina. This year's conference, "Climbing the Millennium Mountain: Continuing the Quest for Quality," will provide you an opportunity to share ideas with and learn from colleagues through networking, panels, paper presentations and software demonstrations. Be a part of NCAIR's first conference of the 21st Century.

Hotel Reservations Need To Be Made By March 8, 2000

The deadline for making hotel reservations has been extended through Wednesday, March 8, 2000. The hotel rate is \$82.00 per night. Hotel reservations may be made by calling 1(800)733-3211 or 1(800)465-4329. Mention that you are with NCAIR when making your reservation. Reservations made after March 8 will be subject to space availability. Don't delay, call now!

Conference Registration-Two Methods to Register

Option 1 - You may register by completing the registration form contained inside this newsletter. The completed registration form and payment must be postmarked by March 10 to avoid a late registration fee of \$15.00.

Option 2- You may register for the conference electronically by accessing the NCAIR website at <http://www.nr.infi.net/~ncair/index.html>. Again, your registration form must be submitted electronically by March 10 and the payment should be postmarked by March 10 to avoid the late registration fee.

Directions to Conference

From the East:

Take I-40 West. Take I-240/US-74-A West, exit number 53B, towards Asheville. Merge onto I-240 W. Take exit number 3B, towards Holiday Inn Drive. Turn RIGHT onto Holiday Inn Drive.

From the West:

Take I-40 East. Take I-240, exit number 46B, towards Asheville. Merge onto I-240 E. Take I-240 EAST RAMP towards Asheville. Take the exit number 3B, towards Holiday Inn Drive. Merge onto Holiday Inn Drive.

President's Corner

David Smathers

This will be my last President's Corner while serving as your president. I must say that the year has had its challenges: busy workloads, hurricanes, floods, blizzards and changes in leadership in some of our colleges and universities that make the job more arduous. However, we have some strong professionals among our ranks willing to step up to the plate and help out in times of crisis. To those who have come to my assistance this year when called upon, I would like to pass on a note of thanks. I cannot name each one individually, because I would certainly inadvertently omit someone, but the assistance has been appreciated.

Another challenge we have had this year is getting proposals for the conference. This is nothing new. In the past three years that I have worked with the program, one difficult task has been that of getting a sufficient number of proposals submitted. Our conferences can only succeed if we share our expertise. I realize that many people are new to their roles and come to conferences to learn from "seasoned professionals." However, many of the "seasoned professionals" want to hear clean new insights from those who are new to the field. Many also feel that what they have done may not be of interest to others. This could be either because it has not been published in a journal, or that others would not want to hear about what they have done at their local college or university. Personally, I learn from every presentation I attend. While I may not be able to replicate a study, many times I find that I can use a statistical test, sampling method, or some other tidbit that makes my work easier or stimulates my thinking in another direction.

I urge each of you to share something at a future conference. This will help our organization to grow and prosper. Carpe Diem.

2000 Annual Conference Preliminary Program

MONDAY, March 20, 2000

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	Joint meeting of Executive and Program committees
12:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Conference Registration
3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Opening Session and Keynote Address SACS Accreditation and Institutional Research Dr. Willard L. Lewis, President of Isothermal Community College
5:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Reception Dinner on Your Own

TUESDAY, March 21, 2000

8:00 - Noon	Registration
8:00 - 8:45 a.m.	Newcomers Orientation
8:00 - 8:45 a.m.	Program Committee Meeting
8:15 - 9:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
9:00 - 9:50 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions Wake Forest Class of 1993 Alumni/ae Survey Analysis Ross Griffith, Wake Forest University The Y2K Problem: A Millennium Message for Higher Education Larry Jones, The University of Georgia Achieving Graphical Excellence with SAS/GRAPH Archer Gravely, UNC-Asheville
10:00 - 10:50 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions Using Technology for Integration of College Planning and Budgeting Michael Hester, Guilford Technical Community College Online vs. Paper-and-Pencil Surveying of Students' Willingness to Re-enroll: A Case Study Phil Handwerk, UNC-Greensboro

A Management Information System for Instructor Teaching Load and Productivity
Tom Mustillo, Durham Technical Community College

11:00 - 11:50 a.m.

General Session
Implementing Outcome Measurement in Higher Education
Terri Manning, Central Piedmont Community College

Noon - 1:20 p.m.

Luncheon

1:30 - 2:20 p.m.

Concurrent Sessions
Factors Affecting Enrollment Patterns at Large Urban and Small Rural Community Colleges in the South
Terri Manning, Central Piedmont Community College

Faster Cleaner Data: Using the Web to Get Your Data Edited
Sarah Carrigan, UNC-Greensboro

Collecting and Verifying NCHED Data Online
Keith J. Brown, UNC General Administration

2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

General Session
IR at the Millennium: What We Know and What We Must Learn
Moderated by Larry Jones, The University of Georgia

4:30 p.m.

Tour of Biltmore House
Dinner on Your Own

WEDNESDAY, March 22, 2000

8:00 - 9:30 a.m.

Breakfast Meetings of Three Higher Education Sectors

9:45 - 10:30 a.m.

Annual Business Meeting

10:40 - 11:30 a.m.

Executive Committee Meeting

Registration Form

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Name: _____ Badge Name: _____

Title: _____ Institution: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Is this your first NCAIR conference? Yes No

FEES	Postmarked By March 10	Postmarked After March 10	Amount Due
Conference Registration Fee (including Membership)	\$95.00	\$110.00	\$ _____
Conference Registration Fee only	\$80.00	\$95.00	\$ _____
Membership only	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$ _____

SPECIAL EVENTS

Luncheon, Tuesday, March 21, 12:00

Tickets for non-registered guests

(Cost for luncheon guests in registration fee for
conference participants)

_____ @
\$20.00 \$ _____

Tour of Biltmore House
Tuesday, March 21, 4:30 p.m.

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\$34.95 \$_____

TOTAL DUE: \$_____

Make room reservations for the Great Smokies Holiday Inn Sunspree Resort by calling (800)733-3211 or (800)465-4329 by February 19, 2000. Please submit payment for the conference with this registration form and make your checks payable to NCAIR.

**MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO NCAIR, SEND REGISTRATION FORM WITH
PAYMENT TO:**

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