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NCAIR to Host IPEDS Training

NCAIR will host a summer drive-in conference to provide training on the IPEDS web-based survey for IPEDS keyholders. The training will be at Central Piedmont Community College's new South Campus located in Matthews, North Carolina approximately 10 miles south of Charlotte. The training will be Monday, August 7, 2000 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Minimal hotel space at \$49.00 per night is being held under the group name of NCAIR at the Comfort Inn (800-848-9749) for those who need to spend Sunday night before the training on Monday. The conference cost will be \$30.00 for NCAIR members and \$40.00 for non-members and will include lunch. Training will be conducted in three different computer labs by institution type. The sessions will be led by: Keith Brown, community colleges; Billy Helton, UNC institutions; and Larry Mayes, private colleges/universities. NCAIR is asking that only one representative from each school attend this training as space is limited. Additional training across the state will be conducted by the NCCCS and the UNC-GA. For more information, contact Terri Manning at 704- 330-6592 or e-mail terri_manning@cpcc.cc.nc.us.

Please remember that Charlotte traffic is terrible from 6:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. so allow extra time for arrival.

President's Corner

Tom Coaxum

Greetings to all of our members! I hope each of you are having a wonderful and productive summer. As I began to put this section of the newsletter together, it dawned on me that for

As part of our mid-year correction, NCAIR appears poised to get back on track with its annual summer drive-in conference. This year's drive-in is designed to provide training and support for the IPEDS electronic data collection that will begin in fall 2000. The one-day workshop is scheduled to take place on August 7, 2000 at Central Piedmont Community College in Matthews, North Carolina. The workshop is being coordinated by Terri Manning and promises to be an event well worth attending. Hope to see all of you there!

Word out of Durham is that Nerissa Rivera is hard at work getting the ball rolling for the 2001 conference to be held at Atlantic Beach, NC. If our 2001 conference, and NCAIR for that matter, is to be a success, we need wide-spread support and inclusiveness. Many of the colleges and universities in North Carolina still do not have representative membership in NCAIR. A major goal for the year is to expand our membership base. However, we can only do this if people understand the role and function of our organization. Therefore, I ask all of our members to join me in contacting all of our colleagues in research, planning and institutional effectiveness offices throughout the state. Pass this and all newsletters along to others on your campus who might benefit from an association with NCAIR.

Report on NCAIR 2000 Conference: Another Successful Conference

NCAIR held its 27th annual conference at the Holiday Inn SunSpree Resort in Asheville, North Carolina March 20-22, 2000. From all indications, the conference was a success. There was a wide selection of presentations and discussions. A major highlight of the first general session was the keynote address by Dr. Willard L. Lewis, President of Isothermal Community College. Dr. Lewis' presentation was lively as well as timely. He provided conferees with valuable insight and information on potential changes to Section III of the SACS criteria. Given the number of questions and comments following his presentation, it is clear that the information he provided was well received and of vital importance to all in attendance.

The Newcomer's Orientation introduced our first-time attendees to a brief background of NCAIR and the benefits of participating and becoming involved with the Association.

With a full day of concurrent sessions on Tuesday, conference participants could choose from a variety of topics.

The 2001 Program Committee will use all of the feedback and comments from the Asheville conference to make the 2001 conference the best ever. My challenge to you is to challenge NCAIR! This is your organization and it is here to serve you. Please let us know how we can best meet your needs. I am hopeful that as we continue to grow as an organization that we will maintain the focus and strengths that allow us to be such a successful group. Many thanks to all who went beyond the call of duty to insure that the 2000 conference was a success.

Tom Coaxum
Program Chair, 2000 Conference

NCAIR Summer Drive-In Registration

Topic: IPEDS Web Based Survey Training for IPEDS Keyholders (one per institution)

When: August 7, 2000 - 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Where: Central Piedmont Community College, South Campus at Independence Blvd (highway 74 and I-485) Matthews, North Carolina -- Map and directions available on webpage at: www.cpcc.cc.nc.us -- and click on "South Campus"

Cost: \$30.00 NCAIR members/\$40.00 non-members including lunch

Training will be conducted in room 2204 for the UNC institutions by Billy Helton of the UNC-GA. Training will be conducted in room 2201 for the community colleges by Keith Brown of the NC Community College System. Training for the private colleges and universities will be conducted in room 2207 by Larry Mayes of the UNC-GA.

Hotel Information:

Fifteen hotel rooms have been booked for Sunday night (August 6th) at a special rate of \$49.00 at the following hotel (5 minutes from the CPCC South Campus.)

The Comfort Inn
1938 More Road (Highway 74 and State Road 51)
1 (800) 848-9749

To receive this special rate, call the toll free number and claim one of the NCAIR rooms held under the following two confirmation numbers: 104953 or 104959. Once the 15 rooms are gone, additional rooms can be booked at the rate of \$65.95.

Registration form: (for print only)

Name _____

Position _____

College/University _____

Mailing Address _____

NCAIR member? ___ Yes ___ No

Amount enclosed _____

Make checks payable to NCAIR.

Mail Check and Registration Form to:

Sarah Carrigan, NCAIR Treasurer
UNCG, PO Box 26170
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An Invitation to the NCAIR 2001 Conference

March 12-14, 2001
Atlantic Beach Sheraton
2717 W. Fort Macon Road
Atlantic Beach, NC 28512

Dear Colleagues,

I want to take this opportunity to invite you all to come to the beach next year and participate in NCAIR annual conference. The 2001 conference will be jam-packed with interesting sessions and provide lots of opportunities to network with colleagues so mark your calendars for March 12-14, 2001. The theme for next year's conference will be "2001-An IR Odyssey!! Start thinking about which parts of your odyssey in IR have been particularly rewarding, productive, and challenging and share them with other NCAIR members by submitting a paper or panel session for the conference. Your experiences can provide insights for other IR colleagues and you can gain knowledge that can help you meet the challenges looming on your own horizon. A Call for Proposals will go out in early October with the Fall Newsletter so keep a look out and start thinking about your ideas now!!

The Atlantic Beach Sheraton is located in beautiful Atlantic Beach, NC.
Call 1-800-624-8875 or 1-252-240-1155 for reservations.

Room rates for the 2001 Conference: (These rates have been extended for the weekend of March 9-11 for those of you who would like some extra beach time!!)

Ocean View - \$65.00

Ocean Front - \$85.00

Ocean Front Suites - \$115.00

There is a 72 hour cancellation policy and rooms need to be reserved by 2/12/2001!!!

As we go through the summer, fall, and winter we will have further information about the conference in the newsletter. If you have any suggestions for the conference please contact me. Everyone on the Planning Committee is interested in ideas that will help us plan a fun and informative event. I look forward to seeing all of you at the beach.

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2001 Program Chair

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