

Newsletter

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President's Corner

Happy Holidays!

I hope you each had a great Thanksgiving. It is hard to believe that the holiday season is already here. This year has gone by so quickly. The NCAIR conference is just around the corner. Kendrick Tatum, President-elect and Program Chair, and the Planning Committee have been working very hard and are putting together a great conference. Make your reservations now for springtime in the mountains.

If you haven't already submitted your concurrent session or workshop proposal, please do so. The deadline is December 1. Share your work with your NCAIR colleagues. Submit your paper for the "Best Paper" award and if you win, you will receive \$400 to apply toward expenses for presenting your paper at either the 2006 SAIR conference in Arlington, VA or the 2007 AIR conference.

Thank you to each of you who responded to the survey sent earlier this month. I appreciate the great response.

My hope is that each of you will have a wonderful holiday season and that the new year will bring great opportunities for each of you both personally and professionally.

Laura

2006 NCAIR Conference

March 22-24, 2006 Broyhill Inn and Conference Center Boone, North Carolina

"Reaching the Summit of Institutional Excellence"

From the Program Chair Kendrick Tatum

Dear Colleagues,

It's hard to believe that Thanksgiving is behind us and December is already here! Our conference is now less than four months away.

Thanks to all of you who submitted presentation proposals. We have received a number of excellent proposals which the Program Committee will be reviewing in the coming weeks. Look for a preliminary program, as well as registration materials in the January newsletter.

In addition to a great program, we will again offer pre-conference workshops. SAS has committed to return this year plus we will have an AIR-sponsored IPEDS workshop that will be led by NCAIR President Laura Boyles.

I am pleased to announce that our Keynote Speaker this year will be Dr. Libby V. Morris from the University of Georgia. Libby V. Morris is associate professor and graduate coordinator in the Institute of Higher Education at the University of Georgia. Her teaching and research interests include evaluation and assessment, faculty development, first year programs, and online education. In recognition of her work, she has received awards for excellence in teaching and in public service.

Our Thursday luncheon speaker will be Chancellor Kenneth E. Peacock from Appalachian State University. I'd like to extend my appreciation to Bobby Sharp and Heather Langdon for arranging this for us.

Registration materials will be sent in January, but I would like to announce that the registration fee for the conference will be \$100. For those of you who would like to make your room reservations early, you can call the Broyhill Inn directly at (800)951-6048. Be sure to mention that you are with **NCAIR** to get the group rates available: \$57.25 for state employees or \$76.00 for everyone else. If you have not already done so, be sure to check out their website http://www.broyhillinn.com/.

I wish everyone the happiest of holidays and look forward to seeing you in March!

Kendrick