



# Chronicle

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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

**Jess Ray**  
**Illinois State University**

It seems like summer has just started and then with great speed it has moved along and we have the beginning of another school year. That means that it is time to focus on all the tasks that go along the yet another start – the watching of attendance numbers, the hope for the right admission melt, making sure that registration is running smoothly, that the records are collected, updated and maintained and all the other 1001 things that we do as dedicated professionals.

Now is the time we need to begin thinking ahead about how we can continue to learn and excel. A great cost effective way to enhance your skills and knowledge is to attend IACRAO 87<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, which will be held October 28-30 in Springfield at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel and Conference Center. President-Elect Tracy Morris, the Conference Committee and the Local Arrangements have been hard at work in developing the conference. They have done an outstanding job in keeping the registration price at the same level as last year while still putting together a tremendous program. Be sure to keep checking the IACRAO website for information on the conference.

Speaking of conferences, the AACRAO conference was held in Chicago ( April 2009), and we saw significant representation from IACRAO members. Everyday our members could be seen helping the Volunteer committee in many different capacities. Some stuffed the conference bags while others worked at the hospitality booth or assisted with operations or registration. This demonstrates the heart and soul of our organization – volunteerism. Without it we would not be such a strong organization. A BIG THANKS to all that volunteered.



I encourage all members to think about ways they can give back to our organization throughout the year. Offering to serve on the board or assist with the annual conference are two options. Be sure to check our website for all opportunities.

For many IACRAO members a special time at AACRAO was the Illinois reception. I think it may have been one of the best state receptions that I have ever attended. Special thanks go out to Courtney Kohn, Robert Morris University, for her work in organizing the reception. It was held at the Robert Morris University Institute of Culinary Arts. We were made most welcome by the staff and students. In addition to the culinary skills of the Robert Morris students (yummy), we were also treated to live jazz by student musicians from Roosevelt University. In all, it was a wonderful event and a great conference.



Finally, thank-you for allowing me the privilege of serving as your IACRAO President over the last year. It has been a wonderful experience. I look forward to seeing everyone in October at our annual conference.

**2009 IACRAO CONFERENCE**  
**Tracy Morris, President-Elect**  
**Illinois Valley Community College**



The plans for the fall 2009 conference are coming along well. We invite you to **"Rediscover the Magic of Our Profession"** in Springfield at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel and Conference Center on October 28-30, 2009. We are working on the final program now, but the Conference at a Glance is available at our website.

We have a bunch of fun activities, as well as the outstanding presentations, for this year's conference. Wednesday night will feature Game Night--a great chance to have fun and challenge some of your favorite colleagues to a game of Trivial Pursuit, Checkers, or maybe Wii Golf.

Thursday will of course bring School Spirit Day, followed by the fun of a costume party and entertainment by Captain Rat and the Blind Rivets. We are inviting retirees for a dinner that evening and hope they will be able to join us for the dancing and entertainment as well. Finally, Friday will bring the "Celebration of Vacation" day--so pack your shorts/t-shirt, or an outfit from one of your favorite vacation destinations...it will be a great way to learn more about each other and maybe find a new destination for future R & R.



Registration for the conference is available on the IACRAO website at [www.iacrao.org](http://www.iacrao.org) We look forward to seeing you in Springfield!!

**UPDATES from the Past-President, Adrienne Kellum-McDay  
William Rainey Harper College**

**2009 IACRAO Leadership and Service Scholarships**

IACRAO presents two \$500 scholarships each year for community college students transferring to a four-year university. This scholarship opportunity was established and implemented beginning in 2005-2006 by IACRAO Past-President Sheri Kallembach.

There were thirteen students from eight community colleges who submitted scholarship applications by the May 11<sup>th</sup> scholarship deadline for the 2009 awards. The applications were reviewed, and two recipients were selected. One recipient will receive the Leadership and Service Scholarship the other will receive the Leadership and Service Scholarship for Underrepresented Students. The recipients were contacted in July. The scholarship recipients will be announced at our annual meeting in October.

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“Most people want it to happen; some wish it would happen; others make it happen”.  
Anonymous

.....Make IT happen in '09-'10!

## IACRAO Scholarships, Silent Auction & You



The third annual silent auction benefiting the IACRAO Leadership and Service scholarships will be held at our annual conference in October. This is our only scholarship fundraising effort, so please help us to support/assist students pursue their educational goals.

We need **you** to donate, donate, and donate... items for the silent auction! We are looking for new or re-gifted items which can be bundled in theme baskets, as we have done in the past. A few examples of theme baskets have been wine & cheese, bath and body, car related, gift cards, gardener's delight, coffee and chocolate lover's baskets. For the auction we are looking for items **without** your institutional logo.

If possible, we are asking every conference attendee to invest in the educational future of talented, deserving students by spending \$5-\$15 toward a donated item for the auction. With your help we can have more baskets than ever. You may want to donate by districts, individually or in groups of your choice. It will be great fun to bid and win these wonderful items, as well! Bring your item(s) to the registration area at the annual conference and the auction volunteers will do the rest. If you have questions, please contact Adrienne Kellum McDay at 847-925-6711 or [amcday@harpercollege.edu](mailto:amcday@harpercollege.edu).



### **Bright Idea AWARD**

**Stacy Ehman, Vice-President of Professional Activities  
Danville Area Community College**

As we all know, working with a limited budget is always a challenge. Let's stretch our budgets by sharing our ideas! Don't be shy! We are looking for any type of idea...maybe a unique service, a streamlined process, a magical form that collects all the data, a presentation that captivated a crowd, or maybe you would like to share a trick from your data system (Datatel, Banner, PeopleSoft, or Jenzabar).

Selected ideas will be presented at one of the breakout sessions during the Annual Conference. The winning idea will be rewarded with the coveted Gene Magac Bright Idea Award and receive a "free registration" prize for the next Annual Conference in 2010. Please submit your bright ideas to Stacy Ehmen via email at [stacy@dacc.edu](mailto:stacy@dacc.edu) or by fax at 217-443-8337. Questions - contact Stacy at 217-443-8803.

## Trainings to Check Out



### Online Courses from AACRAO:

Sept. 28 – Oct. 24, 2009	Managing the Registrar's Office
Sept. 7 – Oct. 7, 2009	Essentials of Strategic Enrollment Management:
Sept. 28 – Oct. 24, 2009	Managing the Registrar's Office: Do More with Less
Oct. 19 – Nov. 14, 2009	Registrar 101

### Upcoming AACRAO Courses:

Admissions Counselor/Recruiter 101 Online: Get New Professionals Off to the Right Start  
Managing the Admissions Office: For New and Aspiring Admissions Managers

For more course and registration information  
[http://www.aacrao.org/pro\\_development/courses/index.cfm](http://www.aacrao.org/pro_development/courses/index.cfm)

### Upcoming Meetings



If you would like to post an upcoming meeting or propose an idea for a Professional Development Committee, please contact Stacy Ehmen at [stacy@dacc.edu](mailto:stacy@dacc.edu).

- **Noel-Levitz**

**Meeting Student Retention Goals in a Struggling Economy (for anyone working with student recruitment, enrollment management and/or retention)**

Baltimore, MD

September 23, 2009

1. No Fee
2. Day before NACAC conference – same location

<https://www.noellevitz.com/Events/USAFunds/>

- **NACAC (national conference)**

Baltimore, MD

September 24-26, 2009

<http://www.nacacnet.org/eventstraining/nc09/Pages/default.aspx>

- **IACRAO**

Annual Meeting

Springfield, IL

October 28-30, 2009

[http://www.iacrao.org/2009\\_annual\\_meeting/General%20conference%20info.pdf](http://www.iacrao.org/2009_annual_meeting/General%20conference%20info.pdf)

- **AACRAO**

Strategic Enrollment Management (annual conference)

Dallas, TX

November 8-11, 2009

<http://www.aacrao.org/sem19/index.htm>

- **Transfer Coordinators of Illinois Colleges and Universities**

Illinois State University

November 10, 2009

<http://www.itransfer.org/advocate/meeting.aspx>

## **DISTRICT MEETING UPDATES:**



### ***East Central District & West Central District***

Submitted by Paula Smith, East Central District Chair

The East Central District held a joint meeting with the West Central District on Friday, March 13, 2009. The meeting was held at Illinois State University's Alumni Center from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Registration was free for this event, with lunch provided.

In addition to the ever-popular Birds of a Feather session, several other presentations were offered during the meeting:

- *The Need for Deconstruction of Race on University and College Campuses* - Dr. J.Q. Adams
- *Constructing a New Pathway through Transfer: u.select Illinois Project* - Lisa Marinelli and Dr. Marilyn Marshall
- *Criminal/Discipline Checks of Applicants at the University of Illinois* - Nancy Walsh

We would like to thank the guest speakers for their interesting and informative presentations. Additionally, we are very appreciative to Jess Ray, and his wonderful staff at Illinois State University for their assistance in the planning and implementation of this event.

### ***Northeast District***

Submitted by Sheree Stilwell, District Chair

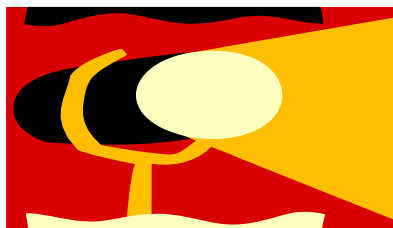
The Northeast District Meeting was held this year at Lewis University on March 6, 2009. Our topic was "Staying Focused in Troubled Times." In this economic crisis, we are all faced with a common problem – doing more with less, both in our professional and personal lives. This year's program was planned to be a very interactive workshop, allowing attendees the opportunity to share ideas/best practices, as well as allow for personal growth as it applies to leadership principles, conflict management, and personal motivation.

The workshop was held in the Harold White Aviation Center on the campus of Lewis University. 79 individuals from across the district attended. Lewis University welcomed the attendees and then our workshop facilitator, Dolores Bopp Potterton of Bopp & Associates, took the stage for 1.5 hours. She provided a general overview of the topics and how all three were

interrelated. From there, she directed small group conversations about the three areas and challenged each group to develop a list of solutions for each problem.

Something different that we did this year was requesting that attendees sit at tables with other people outside of their normal working staff and university. We also stressed the importance of participating in the small group conversations in order to talk about the daily challenges and differing perspectives which exist.

The evaluations were overwhelmingly positive. Most attendees appreciated both the opportunity to meet new colleagues, and the discussion/solution portion of the workshop.



## Spotlight on the Board

### Andy Kindler, Secretary

Andy has been the Associate Registrar at Bradley University in Peoria, IL since January 2004. Prior to that, he worked as a Registrar at the Institute for the International Education of Students (IES) in Chicago, IL (1998-2002).

Andy joined AACRAO and IACRAO in 2004, and he became IACRAO's West-Central District Secretary in 2005, and Chair in 2006. Andy has most recently serving IACRAO as Secretary (2007 – present).

Andy was born and raised in Regensburg, Germany in the heart of Bavaria. He also resided four years in southern Spain near the Mediterranean town of Málaga. After his military service he pursued a Master of Arts degree in political science and sociology at the University of Regensburg, receiving his degree in 1997. He is fluent in English, German and Spanish, as well as conversant in French.

Andy resides with wife, Stacy and daughters Allison and Sarah in Peoria, IL. His hobbies include running, motorcycling, and Olympic-style target shooting.



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**Retiring** or know someone retiring in 2010? Please forward names and e-mail address to Dale Wolf, IACRAO Archivist at [cfdwddale@hotmail.com](mailto:cfdwddale@hotmail.com)

This does NOT apply to those wishing or hoping they could retire in 2010!



## IACRAO MESSAGE BOARD

- **John Avendano**, former VP of Academic Affairs and Student Development at Illinois Central College became the sixth President at **Kankakee Community College** on July 1, 2009. Congratulations and best wishes from all your friends and colleagues.
- **Lois Ott, Registrar at Kaskaskia College** retired this summer. She was a loyal employee of Kaskaskia College for 26 years. Lois always appreciated the value of being an IACRAO member. She plans to travel a little and enjoy her grandchildren.
- **Dr. Robert P. Marshall, Illinois Valley Community College**, retired after 30 years of service to IVCC. Bob first served the college as the Director of Admissions and then later as the Vice President for Student Services. Bob was very active in IACRAO, serving as the Treasurer, Secretary, Vice-President for Professional Activities, and as President in 1991-1992. Bob is excited about sharing retirement and traveling with his wife Vicki. He will be joining us in October for one last hurrah--so be sure to congratulate him when you see him at Annual Meeting in Springfield!
- **Michael P. Miller** has been named University Registrar at **Dominican University**. His most recent employment was in Urbana-Champaign with the University of Illinois as Associate Registrar for Student Systems. His email is [MMiller@dom.edu](mailto:MMiller@dom.edu)
- Longtime Registrar at **Western Illinois University, Alan DeRoos**, has retired after 32 years of service to the college. DeRoos served as WIU's registrar since August 1980. He began his career at Western in 1976 as the director of registration, and in 1979 he was named acting registrar. DeRoos is a past president and longtime executive committee member of IACRAO.
  - **Dr. Angela Lynn** is the new Registrar at Western Illinois University. Previously, Lynn was assistant director of the Western Illinois University Office of Extended Learning.
- **Yesenia Carrera** was promoted to Assistant Registrar at **National University of Health Sciences**. Previously, Yesenia was an Academic Records Specialist at the college.
- **WIU** is happy to announce that **Larry Tingley** has joined our staff as the Assistant Director of Undergraduate Admissions. He will be responsible for supervising the application processing center. Larry was previously an adviser with the Board of Trustees BA Degree program at WIU. He can be reached at (309) 298-3137 or [LG-Tingley@wiu.edu](mailto:LG-Tingley@wiu.edu).

## Who Governs IACRAO?

The Executive Board is responsible for enforcing the by-laws of the organization while providing services to the membership. These services, providing educational and professional development, are the primary goals of IACRAO. The membership of IACRAO governs through elected Executive Board members and District Chairs. The organization is also directed by a charter and constitution written and approved by the membership.

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