
2009 PACRAO Conference

Sailing Toward Success
Welcome Aboard!



PACRAO 2009
Newport Beach, California
November 1-4, 2009

Dear PACRAO Colleagues,

Welcome Aboard and set your sail towards Newport Beach, California for the 83rd annual PACRAO conference at the Newport Beach Marriott and Spa from November 1-4, 2009.

The Program Committee will have you “Sailing Toward Success” with an excellent schedule of member and vendor sessions. The committee is pleased to announce Opening Plenary Speaker, Mark Marino; Diversity Keynote, Ronni Sanlo, and Chris Witt as the Closing Plenary Speaker. We have been able to include Barmak Nassirian from AACRAO to address Washington updates and LeRoy Rooker to provide FERPA training.

We have planned an array of roundtable sessions so you will be able to network and exchange ideas with other colleagues. Three pre-conference workshops are offered on Sunday, November 1, 2009: Mini-SEM, Navigating HR issues, and AACRAO’s Registrar 101. In addition, extended sessions will be offered on Tuesday afternoon: Electronic Transcripts, VA Benefits, and FERPA Updates by LeRoy Rooker.

We realize that travel is very restricted for most institutions. We have worked diligently to provide you with quality sessions and we believe it will be a memorable conference! Visit the [PACRAO](#) conference link for a complete listing of sessions, plenary speakers, and activities.

Conference rate: Full conference registration is \$295.00 and the registration rate for a single day is \$125.00 per day for Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday. Workshop fees will vary, please check the registration page. The PACRAO Local Arrangements Committee will be drawing for two free 2009 conference registrations. To be eligible for the drawing, PACRAO members must register by October 9, 2009 for the conference. Winners will be notified by email.

Hotel: Hotel registration for the [Newport Beach Marriott and Spa](#) is also open. The hotel rate is \$179.00 per night. You can make your hotel reservations online (Group code is: **pacpaca**). Hotel reservations can also be made by calling the Newport Beach Marriott Hotel and Spa directly at 1-949-640-4000 or by calling the toll free number: 1-866-440-3375. Mention “PACRAO” when you make your reservations. The last day to make a reservation at the special reduced conference rate is October 9, 2009.

Car Rental: Discounted car rental rate has been arranged through [Hertz Car Rental](#). To obtain the discounted rate at any Southern California Hertz Car Rental location, please provide the convention number (CV# 022L291) in the box labeled “discount” when you make your rental car reservations online or when you speak to a Hertz representative directly. Hertz Car Rental numbers in the U.S. and Canada: 1-800-654-2240 or Other: 1-405-749-4434.

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Disneyland® has provided PACRAO members the opportunity to purchase discounted tickets online. The tickets are valid from Tuesday, October 27, 2009 to Monday, November 9, 2009. Disneyland tickets must be purchased before the store closes at 9:00 pm PST on Monday, October 26, 2009. [For advance purchase of specially-priced Disneyland® Resort Park Hopper® Tickets, CLICK HERE.](#)

We look forward to seeing you at the 2009 annual conference in November at Newport Beach, California!

Anne Delfin-Schnirch - Chair, 2009 Local Arrangements Committee
Virginia (Ginny) Johns - Chair, 2009 Program Committee



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If you prefer the outdoors, there are several activities that are a few miles from the Newport Beach Marriott Hotel and Spa.

- Biking trail (2 miles)
- Bowling (5 miles)
- Hiking
- Horseback riding (5 miles)
- Jet-skiing (3 miles)
- Jogging/fitness trail (2 miles)
- Kayaking (3 miles)
- Miniature golf (5 miles)
- Mountain biking, trail (5 miles)
- Rock climbing (5 miles)
- Sailing nearby (3 miles)
- Scuba diving Snorkeling (5 miles)
- Surfing (local beaches 5-10 miles)
- Tennis (2 miles)
- Water-skiing (5 miles)

For the golf enthusiast, there are several golf courses:

- Tustin Ranch (11.3 miles)
- Strawberry Farms (7 miles)
- Rancho San Joaquin Golf Course (12 miles)
- Tijeras Creek (20 miles)
- Oak Creek Golf Club (10 miles)
- Costa Mesa (6 miles)

Beaches, beaches and more beaches – just drive north or south on Pacific Coast Highway!

There are many kid friendly activities as well:

- Amusement Parks ([Disneyland®](#), Knott's Berry Farm, Lego Land)
- Discovery Zone
- Aquarium of the Pacific
- Bower's Children's Museum
- Zoos (Santa Ana, Los Angeles, San Diego)
- San Diego Wild Animal Park

To help you plan your trip to Newport Beach, view the [2009 California Visitors Guide](#) webpage.
