

# The Daily SACPAC

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## ***PACRAO '97 In Vancouver***

As another PACRAO conference winds down, the Vancouver Local Arrangements Committee invites all PACRAO members to the 1997 conference scheduled from November 2-5 at the Hyatt Regency in Vancouver, British Columbia.

The committee is preparing a warm welcome to an excellent professional development opportunity north of the 49th parallel. This will be a chance to attend a conference in a foreign country, take advantage of a very generous exchange rate and see first-hand why the southwest corner of British Columbia is often called "Lotus Land." The program committee has promised an exciting and engaging program and the local arrangements committee is hard at work to ensure your visit to Canada is both rewarding and fun.

Vancouver is easily accessible from the US (three hours by car from Seattle), has a major intercontinental airport, and can now be reached by Amtrak with a connection through Seattle.

See you all next year in Vancouver.  
Vancouver LAC

## ***Attention Recorders***

Linda MacMichael, Evaluations Chair, wishes to remind all recorders to turn in session evaluation forms to the Capitol Board Room by noon on Wednesday.

In addition, recorders are reminded to submit session summaries to the Capitol Board Room so Chuck Adams can begin his work preparing for the PACRAO Proceedings.

## ***Farewell To Sacramento***

It hardly seems possible that our time together has once again come to an end. On behalf of the PACRAO Executive Board, the Program Committee and especially the Local Arrangements Committee, we bid you adieu with hopes you have found your time well spent. We have had a lot of fun, not to mention our moments of terror, and truly do hope that each of you as had an opportunity to renew old acquaintances and meet a few new people and to pick up a few new ideas along the way.

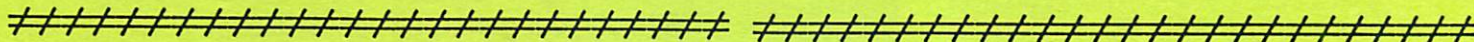
To me, our theme this year says a great deal about what our organization strives to be about: Capitolizing on People. Our work is focused upon people and their success and whatever help each of us can find in sharing our thoughts and innovative ideas can only result in benefit to a large number of people.

So we hope you found the conference as rewarding as did I and wish you godspeed as you travel home. We look forward to our next gathering and, meanwhile, thank you for your enthusiastic participation in our Sacramento conference.

Char Hamada  
General Conference Chair

## ***To a Successful Summer***

Are you interested in hosting a Summer Seminar in your state, province or region this summer? This is a great opportunity to receive a grant from PACRAO to support a professional development activity in your area. If you are interested, please contact Janet Ward.





## ***President Bids Adieu***

As you pack your bags for the trip home, I hope you feel your time in Sacramento has been worth the investment made and that you are re-energized to face the year ahead.

The conference titled "Capitolizing on People" has been a success (with over 500 attendees) in great measure due to the extraordinary efforts of the Local Arrangements Committee, Capitol Team and Diversity Development Committee. My sincere appreciation goes to each member of these teams for their creativity and diligence. Special thanks to the three chairs, Char Hamada, John Finney and Masa Fujitani for their leadership and collaborative efforts over the past year. Thank you!

As I reflect on the past year and as you may recall, I stepped into this role in June 1995 when the President-Elect, Susan Clouse Dolbert, resigned, I remember that I felt on a "fast track"—running as hard as I could to catch up...and by golly, with the support of the Executive Board and committee chairs, we made it. This year has been filled with new adventures, new opportunities and the blossoming of new friendships. My hat goes off to all the Executive Board, Ron Heath, Melanie Bell, Tana Hasart, Saundra Springfield, Larry Shipley and Elizabeth Po, for their talents, giving hearts and joy-filled spirits.

To all of you, I wish all of you a safe journey home. Next year in Vancouver.

### ***More to Sell***

*(Logo wear for those you left back home)*

A few tote bags (which weren't picked up from layaway) and windbreakers from PACRAO registration are now offered for sale at the Registration Desk. The bags are \$3.00 each or two for \$5.00. The windbreakers are \$10.00. These make excellent souvenirs for your staff and fit neatly in your suitcase.

Proceeds from the sale of these items will be donated to the local Sacramento food bank.

## ***Nominations Close at 11 ...***

OK, so maybe you aren't completely happy with the national, state or local election results. Then take some of that energy and nominate those you would like to see in positions of PACRAO leadership.

Nomination forms will be available at the breakfast and at registration and the drop-off box is located in the registration booth. Nominations will be accepted until 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, November 6, for the 1997-98 executive officers and for the 1997-98 Nominations and Elections Committee. Give us your input to make PACRAO even better.

## ***Our Fearless Leader***

Our chair, Char Hamada, cool and apparently unflappable, admits to several *big* mistakes associated with this conference:

- forgetting to mention Linda MacMichael's school when she introduced Linda on Sunday evening
- forgetting to introduce John Finney as an LAC member at the luncheon on Monday
- forgetting to introduce Evelyn Babey *at all* at the aforementioned luncheon
- losing her ability to pronounce "McLaughlin" at the same luncheon
- allowing her walkie talkie to "die.."
- ignoring walkie talkie etiquette on Monday afternoon while Evelyn was attending a session
- forgetting her own ticket for the Tuesday luncheon
- letting her shower cap show at the Election Party
- and the big one ....AGREEING TO BE LAC CHAIR!

We are grateful for her inspired, energetic and delightful leadership.

The Sacramento LAC

## ***Don't Forget Your Prizes!***

Nicole Waterman, Hospitality chair, wants to remind everyone to turn in the Wednesday drawing tickets at the Members' Breakfast.

Unclaimed prizes will be available for one hour following the Breakfast at a table placed in the hall outside the Regency Ballroom.

A final thanks to everyone who provided prizes for the drawings. It wouldn't have been the same without your generous contributions.





## **AACRAO 2000 Task Force**

The AACRAO 2000 Task Force is charged with making recommendations to the AACRAO Board as they formulate future directions for the organization and plan services for the membership. Survey forms will be available at the Business Breakfast and in the December Data Dispenser. Three PACRAO'ans are on the Task Force and want to hear your thoughts—so please respond. Contact Christine Kerlin or Bob Bontrager during the Business Breakfast if you have questions.



## **Diversity Breakfast and Workshop**

"Embracing Diversity and Capitalizing on People" was the theme for the Diversity Breakfast and Workshop on Monday morning -- an unqualified success. Over 90 PACRAO'ans were in attendance to hear Dr. Terry Roberts speak about his experiences in 1957 as one of the "Little Rock Nine" when he was barred from entering Central High School. Dr. Roberts quoted DuBois on the problems of the colorline in the twentieth century... a problem that remains for the twenty-first century.

The interactive session included discussions of race as an ideology and the current challenges facing proponents of affirmative action.

Several session participants suggested presenting this session to a larger audience as a plenary session.

Masa Fujitani, Diversity Advocate



## **Thanks are in Order**

PACRAO recognizes that the work of the conference would not be done without the support of many people who never make it to the conference. Staff and student assistants at our institutions help to make this conference possible. Although we cannot possibly recognize everyone who has helped, the registration committee is indebted to the following Reed College staff and students who created the registration data base, entered the data, stuffed the packets and made conference registration possible: Jay Cohen, Gary Norbraten, John Colgrove, Marygold Severn-Walsh, Liz Schwartzreich, Stacy Westbrook, Jo Cannon, Jackie Livingstone, Ben Bradley, Johanna Colgrove and Emilie Smith. Thanks to you all!



## **Professional Issues Luncheon**

Margo Long, a professor of Education at Whitworth College, played to a sold-out Professional Issues Luncheon crowd yesterday in Busby Berkeley's. Her hour-long, animated performance included capes, canes, clocks, and caps as she drove home her message that the world is changing almost faster than we can comprehend, and that people will continue to make the difference. We must adapt to a changing world that is sending us generation Xers, baby busters, and "grazers." We need to ignore the pessimism generated by the media and we must go to work each day "As If" our school were already the kind of institution we are working to make it become, to educate the children of tomorrow. People make the difference, and the people skills we bring to our jobs will always be necessary and important. Margo Long's non-stop humor-filled message promises to be a Professional Issues Luncheon presentation that will be remembered and talked about for years to come.



## **If You Missed This Change, Well...**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5**  
9:30-10:45 a.m.

H7 Was offered as E10 on Tuesday

## **Kudos to Chuck**

Some PACRAO'ans may not know that Chuck Adams, who retired from Clackamas Community College after 21 years in Oregon higher education, has served PACRAO as editor of the Proceedings since 1988.

Retired folks have grand opportunities and Chuck recently led an American delegation of thirteen people to China to help Fujian Agricultural University celebrate its 60 year anniversary. Fujian is a land grant institution similar to Oregon State University and Chuck and his wife, Ann, spent five months at Fujian several years ago.

PACRAO wishes to thank Chuck for his years of hard work as Proceedings editor.





## ***People Come First!***

The Monday Plenary Presentation by Roger M. Swanson, Associate Executive Director of AACRAO, was met with enthusiastic response by the membership. Roger has provided us with the following outline of his remarks.

In our frantic workplaces today, many causes undercut our belief that we are important:

1. The seeming absurdity of our workplace, as demonstrated by the popularity of Dilbert;
2. Dealing with the speed of change, particularly related to: installing new technologies, reorganization/restructuring, new bosses and upper administration, and loss or changes in staff;
3. New technologies, many of which were unknown just 15 short years ago;
4. Communication problems, among staff, across campus, with our students; and
5. Dealing with difficult customers who seem more demanding and obnoxious than ever.

So, how can we as admissions officers, registrars, and enrollment officers deal with these issues, maintain our own sense of balance and self-worth, and help others feel valuable and important:

1. Examine how people can be made to know they are important, particularly by identifying, appreciating, and celebrating their strengths and accomplishments;
2. Adopting a positive attitude, even in the face of problems and mistakes, and then fulfilling our own optimistic prophecies;
3. Achieving balance through humor, to reduce stress and maintain perspective;
4. Knowing your values and doing what is important to align with them in both our workplace and our personal lives; and
5. Giving of yourself to others and showing you care, including giving time, trust, and honesty.

Applying these directives daily can reinforce our own importance and make a difference in the lives of these we interact with, support, and love.

## ***This Is The Place....Salt Lake City***

Is Salt Lake City on your list of ingredients for a successful year in '97? We have whipped up a great AACRAO conference, April 20-24, 1997, just for you.

When it comes to mixing business and pleasure, Salt Lake City is a great place to visit. We have added a cup of snow, two cups of desert, one tablespoon of salt, some new ideas and technology and other tasteful seasonings. Within a short distance of the conference you will be able to find good food and great fun. We have a variety of shopping centers, sporting events (go Jazz!), museums and historical sites. For those who like the outdoors, we have skiing, golfing, hiking and biking. There is plenty to learn, plenty to see, plenty to do.

Plan to visit Salt Lake City. No matter what the reason, it is "Always in Season."

Salt Lake City Publicity Committee



## ***We Could Have Danced All Night***

The votes are cast, the election is over (although the counting continues in the close races), but even more importantly, the Election Night Extravaganza was a celebration and a success.

From the entrance of the Peróns to the election coverage, from the costume contest to late night dancing, the party proved that PACRAO'ans know how to have fun. The now-infamous Dole Banana (who was the underfruit going in) won the costume contest hands down.

We salute the creativity and outrageousness of those who 'dressed' for the occasion, we were impressed by the grace and agility of those who danced 'til 10 and we hope that the fine food and even finer conversation served to celebrate an already successful conference.