

Reumors

October 2015

**EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION ENDS
OCTOBER 31ST FOR
“The P.O.W.E.R. OF LEADERSHIP”**

The annual National Conference on Student Activities (NCSA) brings together different groups of like-minded educators, activity advisors, and leadership camp directors/staff for a weekend of learning, networking, and fun. NCSA is designed to provide program strands that encourage participation of a wide variety of activity advisors, school administrators, leadership educators, motivational speakers, and consultants. It is NAWD's goal that the participants will be inspired during the three days of the conference and will return to their homes to make the most significant difference possible in the lives of their students, colleagues, and community members. The program will feature:

- two general session keynote speakers,
- three 40-minute workshop presentations
- one Focus Group session
- panel of practitioners and experts in the field of student activities
- A “Human Library” session (optional)
- five-10 minute “Meet the Pros” sessions to learn about new materials, methods, projects successful implemented in middle schools and high schools across the nation
- pre-conference activities: Speakers Showcase and two specialty workshops
- Mixers, social activities and meals that promote networking and fun

Date: Friday to Sunday, December 4 -6, 2015

Location: Sheraton at the Falls, Niagara Falls, NY

Hotel Costs: \$126.70 per night (tax included) for 1 to 4 persons per room

Reservations: Call (866) 961-3780
refer to group as NCSA or NAWD

Registration fee: \$315 (program and materials, meals, and NAWD dues) postmarked by October 31, 2015
\$295 (reduced rate when registering as a group of 5 or more) postmarked by October 31,
\$335 if postmarked after October 31,
\$370 onsite registration fee



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**NCSA-2015 DETAILS FOUND AT
WWW.NAWD.COM**

Conference schedule

Online Registration

Hotel Reservations for the Sheraton at the Falls

Pre-conference trips to:

Niagara Falls Culinary Institute (Thurs.)

Niagara Wine Trail (Thurs.)

Toronto City Tour & Show (Thurs.)

Roundabout Niagara Falls (Fri.)

Pre-conference sessions Friday afternoon:

Speakers & Advisor Training Showcase

M.A.D. Science & Leadership Workshop

Digital Leadership Training Workshop

Descriptors for Workshop Sessions

(additional sessions may be added)

**Application to be a “Meet the Pros” Presenter
(due Thursday, November 12th)**

Mentorship Program Info Sheet

Graduate Credits Available



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MEET THE PROS SESSIONS

NCSA participants have had many opportunities at the state and national level to attend roundtable sessions. One of the goals at NCSA-2015 is to provide our members with an opportunity to attend roundtables which will relate to one of the four focus areas listed below. The tables for presentations related to each theme will be located in the same area of the meeting room to allow participants to easily move among tables within their area of interest. The option to move to a table in another interest area will also be possible.

Resources to take home that can be shared with others within their school, state organization, or other community organizations will be provided. Presenters will be asked to prepare copies of a one-page hand-out with their contact information to share with those attending their sessions. Each table will accommodate up to ten participants and there will be four sessions of each presentation lasting ten minutes each. A fifth block of time will allow participants to share the best idea that they heard or their best idea with the tablemates at their last table.

The key to making this “Meet the Pros” session is each of you. Please consider volunteering to present materials on one of the four focus areas listed below. Complete the application below and email it to finnemeyer@nawd.com by **Thursday, November 12th**.

“Meet the Pros” focus areas are:

Camps-Leadership Workshops-Retreats-Conferences

These sessions may include curriculum ideas, overview of a single camp learning unit, schedules, small and large group activities, potential keynote speakers, conference service ideas, on-and off-campus activities, staff training, registration forms and info packets, financing and cost of running these various programs, etc.

Leadership Classes-Lessons-Resources

These sessions may include “best practices” lessons, grading requirements and expectations of students, relationship to state standards, small and large group activities, in-print and on-line resources, use of technology in the classroom and related resources, and examples of course syllabi.

Tips for Being a Successful Activities Advisor

These sessions may include ideas for training of new advisors or retention of veteran advisors, officer training, creation of handbooks for organizations, development of charters and constitutions, resources and inspirational materials, recognition of student leaders, support for new advisors, working with administrators, increasing student involvement, gaining the support of faculty and staff.

Best Activity-Best Service Project-Best Recognition Idea-Best Fund Raiser

These sessions should include “how to do” materials on one or more ideas under the “best” category. Share ideas that have worked for you or for other advisors in your school or state organization.

MEET THE PROS APPLICATION

Presentation Title _____

Please check one: Focus Area to which this “Meet the Pros” session is most closely related:

- Camps-Leadership Workshops-Retreats-Conferences**
 Leadership Classes-Lessons-Resources
 Tips for Being a Successful Activities Advisor
 Best Activity-Best Service Project-Best Recognition Idea-Best Fund Raiser

Name of Presenter _____

Work Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Best E-Mail to contact you _____

Please provide a very brief description of your session (to be used in the program):

NAWD MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

As I have had the opportunity to talk with both NAWD veterans and new attendees, one of the ideas that has consistently surfaced is the need for the NAWD organization to reach out to NCSA new attendees to create a welcoming atmosphere at the conference and to provide them with a “life-line” throughout the remainder of the year. Thus, beginning with National Conference on Student Activities in 2015, the NAWD organization has created a NAWD Mentorship Program. NCSA/NAWD veterans of at least three conferences, are invited to volunteer to serve as mentors by completing a “NAWD Mentorship Information Sheet” and returning it to NAWD Executive Director, Jim Finnemeyer at finnemeyer@nawd.com as soon as possible and preferably by November 2nd.

The following are the expectations of the NAWD mentors:

1. Mentors will be asked to reach out to the mentee by November 20th to simply greet them and ask if they have any questions.
2. Time will be provided to meet the mentee at the beginning of the conference and to periodically touch base with them during the conference.
3. Mentors will be encouraged to make contact with their mentee within two weeks after NCSA-2015, in early February, in April. (Hopefully communication will continue.) Mentors will be asked to contact their mentee in early September to see if they will again be coming in December to NCSA-2016.

Please consider volunteering for this new NAWD outreach program by November 2, 2015.

Jim Finnemeyer
NAWD Executive Director

Edgewood College (Madison, WI) has agreed to attach graduate-level credit to

The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WORKSHOP DIRECTORS

National Conference on Student Activities, December, 4-6, 2015.

Attendees wishing to earn credit will have the opportunity to request one, two, or three credits at \$170 per credit.

Please note: You do NOT have to apply for credit prior to the conference.

Information will be available on site for credit requirements and the application process.

If you have questions prior to the conference, you can contact:

Kellie Murphy, Continuing Education Coordinator

kmurphy@edgewood.edu

608-663-4225

PRELIMINARY LIST OF WORKHOPS FOR NCSA

Saturday, December 5, the 2015 National Conference on Student Activities will feature one morning and two early- afternoon workshop sessions, each lasting for forty minutes. Below, you will see a list of workshop topics organized under five P.O.W.E.R. topic strands. In some cases, presenters have indicated that their topic may be appropriate for more than one strand. For detailed descriptors of all topics, go to www.nawd.com and click on NCSA 2015 in Niagara Falls, New York.

PROVIDING EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATIONS TOOLS

All Hands on Apps – Nelson Cartaya & Elisa Aviles
Building Digital Leaders – Matt Soeth & Kim Karr
Creating Community in a (dis)Connected World – Patrick Maurer
Effective Communication in a Connected World – Preston Hickert & Brent Johnson
Keeping It Organized! – Sarah Adkins
PR with JR – Publicity – Janet Roberts

ORGANIZATION AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT

It's Not Just a Dog and Pony Show – Lou Miller
Training of Student Trainers – Karen L. Crawford & Lance Ledebur
Turning Your Stress Into Success! - Hoan Do

WORKSHOPS AND CURRICULUM IDEAS

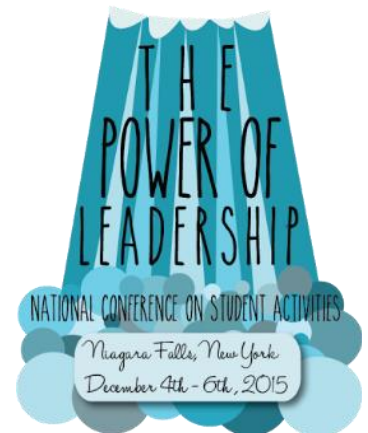
Active Learning with a Purpose – Terry Hamm
Kouzes & Posner's Student Leadership Challenge – Felix Yerace
Leadership Class Curriculum: Week by Week – Doug Erickson
Team Building on a Shoestring – Marty Fortin
The Bread Man – Chet Fery

ENGAGING STUDENTS AND STAFF

Civic Engagement for Middle & High School Students – R.J. Long & Beth Bronson
Fostering Friendships for All Abilities and All Activities – Kathy Costello and Marie Sweet
How Leaders Can Build Culture Across an ENTIRE Campus – Rashaan Davis
League for Excellence: Improving School Climate One Step at a Time – Linda Pickett
Making Memories: How to give students a reason to come back tomorrow! – Josh Sable
School Activities: The Key to School Success – Terri Johnson
Student Activities on a Dime – Courtney Goldberg
Teaching Happiness – Ian Tyson
The Laws of Engagement – Scott Backovich

RESOURCES TO RAISE EXPECTATIONS

Pop Culture & Success: What Successful People Know That You Don't – Amanda Hammett
The Critical Importance of a Positive Mental Attitude (PMA) – Timothy Smith



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE EARL REUM AWARD REGIONAL WINNERS
Region 3: Henry Foust



The Earl Reum Award was established in 1991 and honors the founder of our organization, Dr. Earl Reum. It is the goal of the award to recognize one individual in each of the eight regions in the nation for their role in leadership education and involvement in training advisors within the arena of student activities. Below are short bios for each of this year's regional winners. Unfortunately, no nomination was received from Region 1. The national winner of the Dr. Earl Reum Award will be announced during the opening session of NCSA on December 4th.

Region 2: Nora Murray



Nora is a Program Specialist for the Baltimore County (MD) Public Schools working with student councils, service-learning and volunteer programs. She previously served for seventeen years in a similar role for the Carroll County (MD) Schools. She has served as Executive Director of the Maryland Assoc. of Student Councils and won numerous awards in Maryland for her organizational skills, commitment to youth and advisor training. Nora strengthened regional leadership programs in her state, providing training for students and advisor, incorporating character education, ethics, and service into the conferences.



Henry is a Spanish teacher and student council advisor at Northwood HS, North Carolina. Henry began his career in N.C. leadership workshops as a student delegate. He has been a workshop camp presenter at the national level at sites in New York and South Dakota and, for many years in North Carolina. Henry has served on the N.C. Governor's Advisory Council for Education, championing student activities and was awarded North Carolina's highest civilian award for his work with teachers. Advisors in the central region of N.C. have elected him to be their Executive Director for nine 3-year terms.

Region 4: Patty Hupfer Riedel



Patty is a science teacher, activities facilitator and has been student council advisor for 22 years at Pius XI HS, Wisconsin. She has been involved with Wisconsin Leadership Camps for 29 years, beginning as a high school student. In addition, she served on the staff at national leadership camps sponsored by NASC for 13 years. Her book "100 Icebreakers for Youth Gatherings" written in 1999 was reprinted in 2011. She was named the Warren E. Shull Advisor of the Year in 2002. In recent years, she has travelled twice to China presenting leadership development programs to students and adults. In 2014 she wrote fifty lessons on leadership curriculum and collaborated with Steve Spangler to create an on-line instruction and hands-on learning program entitled the "Science of Leadership".

Region 5: Gary Clark



Gary is a retired English teacher from Collinsville HS, Illinois. He has served as the Executive Director of the Illinois Assoc. of Student Councils for the past 11 years. In addition to extensive work with Illinois students and advisors for thirty years, Gary has played a significant role on the national level. He was a frequent presenter to advisors from 1980 to 2000 at NASSA conferences and completed hundreds of training sessions for students and adults at NASC L.E.A.D. conferences from 1990 to the present. In 2005 in was co-host advisor for the National Association of Student Councils Conference. Gary has been twice recognized as a region awardee of the Warren E. Shull Advisor of the Year Award.

Region 6: Mary Hahn



Mary has served as Executive Director of the New Mexico Assoc. of Student Councils since 2010. In her educational career, Mary has been a health and home economics educator for ten years and the NHS advisor at West Mesa HS, NM. From 1988 to 2008, she served as Director of Student Activities and student council advisor at Del Norte HS, NM. From 1999 to 2009 she also served as a NMASC District Advisor. Throughout her career, Mary has been a mentor for other advisors within her school and state. She has continually sought ways to advance advisor training and provide for advisor recognition at the state level. In 2004 Mary was named the Region 6 Warren E. Shull Advisor of the Year.

Region 8: Terry Hamm



Terry works in the offices of the Texas Assoc. of Secondary School Principals as the Director of the Texas Assoc. of Student Councils and National Honor Societies. During her teaching career she taught English, speech, creative writing, and leadership. Terry has attended and been a presenter at most NAWD/NCSA conferences since 1985, hosting the 2013 conference in Austin. Since 1985, Terry has been a consultant for TASC Summer Workshops, designed and presented at TASC advisor workshops, and has written the curriculum plan for the Student Leadership course for Texas. Between 1991 and 2003, Terry served on three different NASC Leadership Workshops.

Region 7: Janet Roberts



Janet retired in 2015 as Director of Student Activities, leadership teacher, and Special Education Art teacher at Chino Hills HS, California. She has been involved with student activities for the past 37 years, not only as a student council advisor, but also as Link Crew advisor and a Josten's Renaissance Program Coordinator in her school. She has presented at several NAWD/NCSA conferences, Renaissance conferences in California, and was highlighted in a Herff-Jones video with her "PR with JR... Publicity" workshop. Janet is a member of the Alliance for Student Activities and helped with the beginning stages of the "Solve for X" video. She has been a presenter for over 15 years at the California Activities Directors Assoc. (CADA) conferences. For over twenty years she has staffed the CADA leadership camp at UC Santa Barbara. Janet served as the president of CADA for four years.

**HUMAN LIBRARY COMES TO NCSA
Saturday, December 5, 2015
12:45-1:45 PM**

NCSA participants will be provided with a unique opportunity to network and to get answers to those “burning” questions that they have during one-on-one sessions with leadership educators and activity advisors who have a wealth of experience in the field of student activities. The Human Library will provide a casual-setting-option after the Saturday luncheon where six or seven “experts” will be located around the “Library”. Each “expert” will be prepared to discuss a different aspect, challenge, or initiative with delegates who seek to visit the “Library”. The batch of experts will be VERY diverse and will have deep expertise on a least one topic, but could potentially consult on a few different ones. “Experts” will be able to provide in depth customized solutions to those challenging questions individuals have regarding their campus and organization, giving participants the specific steps to implement new ideas or initiate change. The goal of the Human Library program component is to provide a different approach to the challenges of student activities, allowing participants to dive into individual solutions more than is possible through the normal broad brush approach presented in workshop sessions.

Beginning during Friday’s registration and lasting through Saturday morning, NCSA-2015 participants will have an opportunity to sign up for a 15-minute consultation session with one of the “book/experts”. Our “Librarian” will make sure that the sessions keep moving to allow for a maximum number of delegates to be involved. Background information on our Human Library “experts” will be shared on the NAWD website prior to NCSA along with a range of topics that the “experts” feel comfortable addressing.

NAWD is excited about piloting this new aspect of the NCSA for our 2015 participants. Watch for more details about the Human Library in a special NAWD E-Mail Blast in early November and on the NAWD website as we prepare for the P.O.W.E.R. of Leadership at Niagara Falls.



**POSITIONS ON THE NAWD BOARD OF
DIRECTORS ARE AVAILABLE**

The Bylaws for NAWD provide a Board of Directors consisting of six NAWD members, two representing each of three regions of the nation (eastern, central, and western). Initially in 2014, the length of terms were designed to be from six months to 2 ½ years, creating an orderly rotation of members on and off the newly created Board. Beginning in 2015, all terms will be for three years. When a Board member’s term is up the seat is declared open and any qualified member may apply. In 2015 the term of eastern regional representative is open. Diane Anderson (Virginia) has served as an original member of the NAWD Board since 2008. She is not seeking another term. The second position to be selected is a representative of central region. Tom Heethuis (Michigan) began short 6 months term in March 2015 and plans to seek re-election. A job description and an application can be found at www.nawd.com. The completed application with two letters of recommendation from NAWD members, and a digital photo must be submitted electronically to NAWD Executive Director, Jim Finnemeyer by October 22, 2015. **(This is a one week deadline extension.)**

The present members of the Board of Directors are:

Eastern Region: Diane Anderson (Virginia)
Mike Roland (Florida)

Central Region: Sandy Hillman (Indiana)
Tom Heethuis (Michigan)

Western Region: Stu Shaffer (California)
Harry Bettencourt (California)

