The NIRSA Education Center (NEC) is Open For Business!
Check out the new NIRSA Education Center accessed from the NIRSA Network Home Page. NIRSA Institutional Members receive a 15% discount off base prices for NIRSA publications purchased exclusively from NEC.

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“The Association took seriously its commitment to nationally emphasize the importance of campus recreation. The first section of the book, published last year by The NIRSA Foundation in the Recreational Sports Journal, was sent to all presidents and chancellors of the Association’s institutional members. By publishing the complete report, we can expand the audience to other areas of our industry,” Gonsoulin adds.

As part of the publishing arrangement with Human Kinetics, all NIRSA Institutional Members will receive a complimentary copy of this book. When it is ordered from the new NIRSA Educational Center [NEC] accessed from the NIRSA website homepage, a 15 percent discount will be applied to the $25 selling price for NIRSA Institutional Members, making additional copies available at a low charge of $21.25.

WHAT’S IN THE BOOK?
What attracts students to a college—Academics? Recreational sports? The campus recreation center? If you selected all three answers, you are right. Most students choose a college or university for its academic merits, but another key factor in their decision is the recreational sports programs and facilities.

In 2001, NIRSA contracted with Kerr-Downs Research Associates to conduct a nationwide research to determine the value of recreational sport on college campuses. More than 2,600 students from 16 varying-sized colleges participated in this study, making it the largest representative group of college students ever studied on this subject.

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**Vanderbilt University Receives Chancellor's Proclamation Honoring National Recreational Sports and Fitness Day – February 22, 2004**

Chancellor Gordon Gee of Vanderbilt University made it official recently, proclaiming National Recreational Sports and Fitness Day to be held on its campus February 22, 2004.

“Because of the direct benefit physical fitness has to overall good health, it is important that we all make movement and physical activity essential parts of our lives and lifestyles. I certainly applaud the wonderful efforts of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association.”

The proclamation was issued at the request of NIRSA Past-President, Sam Hirt, Vanderbilt Director of Campus Recreation. Chancellor Gee added in his letter to Hirt: “Sam: Thank you for this opportunity and for the difference your team makes daily in the University and beyond.”

For those members who attended our 2000 Annual Conference and Recreational Sports Exposition in Providence, RI, you will remember Dr. Gee (President of Brown University at the time) as the General Session Speaker.

**National Recreational Sports and Fitness Day – Sunday, February 22, 2004**

The idea to celebrate National Recreational Sports Fitness Day every February 22 evolved from a proclamation by the Association’s members in April 1999. February 22, 1950 is NIRSA’s Founding date, when twenty-two African-American men and women intramural directors from 11 Historically Black Colleges met at Dillard University in New Orleans to form the National Intramural Association (NIA), which became NIRSA in 1975.

NIRSA invites its members, local citizens, and all organizations to unite in calling attention to the healthy benefits gained from participation in recreational sports and fitness and wellness programs.

For ideas, samples of proclamations, forms, waivers, press releases...everything you need to celebrate this important day...check out the NIRSA website at http://www.nirsas.net/calendar/nnd/index.htm.

The NIRSA Foundation proudly sponsors the February 22nd celebration.

**Celebrate NIRSA’s Heritage – February is National Black History Month**

**Institutions:** Honor NIRSA’s heritage by proudly displaying photos of the founders of the National Intramural Association (NIA). Each archive photo set includes an 8” x 10” photo of NIRSA’s founder Dr. William Wasson and a 6”x10” group photo of the first meeting of the National Intramural Association. The black and white two-photo set is $18 plus shipping. You’ll find this in the NIRSA STORE at: http://www.nirsas.org/store/spirit.htm.

Click to review NIRSA’s rich heritage including a Timeline of Events, past Presidents gallery and a Brief History of the Intramural Movement within this extensive website.
2004 RSD is on its Way to Institutional Members
... A Significant Benefit of NIRSA Institutional Membership!

The most valued of all NIRSA products (according to member surveys) -- the 2004 edition of the *Recreational Sports Directory* -- was sent to Institutional Members over the recent holidays.

Additional copies are available at a significant savings. Order forms are included with the directory, on the NIRSA website via pdf or you can place an order by calling the NNC at (541) 766-8211. The price is $40 for Professional and Student Members, and $150 for Associate Members.

The *Recreational Sports Directory* is a virtual Who's Who in the recreational sports industry. Few publications can match the quality and quantity of the information found within these pages. Every year, we allocate time to research, edit, update, and expand each section of the RSD to provide our members with the most up-to-date recreational sports resource information available. Whether you are a Student Member looking for schools that offer graduate assistantships for intramurals, or an Institutional Member seeking an architect for a new facility, it's in here.

When you receive your copy, we urge you to check your listing. This year, a new statement was added under each campus' name, indicating the year we received updated information. Mark your calendar for next summer 2004 when RSD information renewals are sent, and/or contact NIRSA team member Mary Martin, Membership Operations Coordinator, for more information: marym@nirsa.org.

The NIRSA team is particularly proud of this 2004 issue. Through NIRSA's new association with Human Kinetics, we were not only able to make the shipping deadline, but to have it printed at a substantially reduced price.

University of New Orleans Hosts 25th Anniversary of the National Flag Football Championships

On behalf of the NIRSA Board of Directors, President Sid Gonsoulin presented a resolution adopted by the Board congratulating the University of New Orleans, its Recreation and Intramural Sports Department, and all of the NIRSA volunteers who worked so hard to make the 25th Anniversary celebration of the National Flag Football Championships such a success.

National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association

RESOLUTION

Whereas, the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association [NIRSA] Board of Directors acknowledges that The University of New Orleans, in New Orleans, Louisiana, has initiated, hosted, and programmed the National Flag Football Championships for the past twenty-five years, and

Whereas, the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association Board of Directors recognizes the historic and continuous support of The University of New Orleans for these events, and

Whereas, the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association Board of Directors recognizes the Department of Recreation and Intramural Sports of The University of New Orleans for its exemplary planning and coordination of these events, and

Whereas, the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association Board of Directors recognizes that these championships have provided first-class training and programming opportunities for student officials and participants, and

Whereas, the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association Board of Directors appreciates all NIRSA Members who have volunteered and helped administer these events at all National Flag Football Championships held at The University of New Orleans, and

Whereas, the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association Board of Directors appreciates staff at The University of New Orleans who have planned and programmed these events at all National Flag Football Championships held at The University of New Orleans.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association Board of Directors congratulates The University of New Orleans and the Department of Recreation and Intramural Sports on the 25th Anniversary of the National Flag Football Championships held at The University of New Orleans on December 27-31, 2003, and expresses in writing, our gratitude and appreciation for this service.
NIRSA and The University Network Expand Programs

With the successful completion of the 2003 pilot of the NIRSA and The University Network program, this exciting initiative has turned out to be a very popular choice with NIRSA Institutional Members nationwide. Installations continue monthly and The University Network, a NIRSA Associate Member, is well on its way to expand from the nine pilot schools to an anticipated 50+ schools by the end of the first quarter of 2004.

Participating NIRSA Member Institutions receive a flat screen electronic display, at no charge, to be installed in their campus recreation center near the controlled entry area. A web-based feed provides national corporate advertising, yet a school has 100 percent editorial control over what appears on its screen.

Member Institutions can use the screen to communicate messages for recreational sports or the university administrators through sight, sound, and motion. Campus messages are supplemented with paid advertisements. There is significant revenue sharing between participating Institutions and The University Network from net-paid advertising sales.

Campuses receive a finder’s fee if they introduce The University Network to any new advertisers who purchase paid ads. There is a separate revenue-sharing agreement between the Association and The University Network based on overall net advertising sales.

Originally, candidates for participation in the NIRSA/The University Network program were suggested by the directors of participating NIRSA pilot schools and The University Network officials. However, requests for information and installations have increased significantly as more and more NIRSA members learned about the success, advantage, and benefits of The Network. To meet this growing demand, The Network has stepped up capabilities and is prepared to increase the program to include even more NIRSA Member Institutions.

For more information about joining the program, please contact Barry Brown, NIRSA’s Assistant Director for Marketing: barry@nirsap.org

NNC Team Members to Attend Regional Meetings

The 2004 Region III Student Lead-On in Athens, OH, on January 30-31, 2004, is a professional development opportunity for an anticipated group of 225 students. Mary Martin, Membership Operations Coordinator, will represent the NNC at the Lead-On.

Emerging Recreational Sports Leaders will meet at Clark-Atlanta University in Atlanta, Georgia on February 6-7. The ERSL conference helps prepare students and professionals as they take on the task of guiding others to live, work and play in a multicultural society. Mark Jacobson, NIRSA’s Director of Finance and Administration, will attend the ERSL conference.
NIRSA Salutes Our Members in the Military Service

(FYI: Please let us know who else is or has served.)

Paul Haye, Coordinator of Aquatics for Temple University, returned to campus on December 1st after serving nine months in Iraq with his Marine Corps Reserve Unit attached to the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force, 1st Force Service Support Group. Welcome back, Paul!

Steve Tribble, Director of Campus Recreation at Northern Kentucky University, will be absent from his campus for the next 18 months. His Army Reserve Unit has been deployed in support of Iraqi Freedom. He expects to return in the spring of 2005.

Department of Recreational Sports Honored at Mississippi Governor’s Mansion

The University of Southern Mississippi’s Department of Recreational Sports received the Mississippi Governor’s Commission on Physical Fitness and Sports Worksite Wellness Award and was honored at the governor’s mansion in Jackson, MS, in December 2003.

Recreational Sports Department representatives received a framed letter of recognition from Governor Ronnie Musgrove and local affiliation status with the Governor’s Commission.

“I was proud to accept the award on behalf of the governor’s council and I promised even better results in the future. I feel our employee wellness program is in its infancy, and we plan to grow it in the future to ensure the possibility of a healthy lifestyle for everyone in South Mississippi,” says Mike Giles, director of Recreational Sports.

A panel of business and fitness experts judged the nominees on five criteria: employer investment, such as workout facilities and incentives; quality of life factors, i.e. contributions or incentives to the local community to promote healthier choices; labor-management relations, such as safety issues, and self-improvement; leadership, i.e. innovative programs to promote wellness; and recognition for contributions to worksite and community wellness.

The Payne Center at The University of Southern Mississippi has accommodated more than four million participants (intramural sports, student, faculty and staff workouts) since it opened in 1993.

More Congratulations Go to NIRSA Members...

Ken Kaiser, Director for Special Projects at The Ohio State University, was honored with the National Kidney Foundation’s Distinguished Service Award in late 2003. Each year, the U.S. Transplant Games brings together competitive athletes who have donated an organ or had an organ transplant. Kaiser has assisted as Sports Director/Consultant in the organization of the games since 1998.

Laura Sutter, Assistant Director for Members Services at the University of Maryland (College Park), has won her latest Figure Competition at the National Physique Committee Maryland State Championships for height class and “Overall” title. Sutter, 5’5” and 107 pounds, has won 16 contests to date, six of which were in 2003. After a rest, she plans to compete in the Junior USA competition in April, with a long-fought goal of winning a “pro card” in Figure Competition. She works out twice a day, four days a week, and once on Saturday.
While Institutional Members reap many benefits, the valuable services in just one category—Discounts and Opportunities—are... as the old saying goes—“more than worth the price of admission.” Also... Visit our newest Associate Members! CLICK FOR MORE INFO

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NIRSA sadly acknowledges the recent deaths of NIRSA members. Our condolences are extended to their families. CLICK FOR MORE INFO

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Institutional Membership: What's In It For You!

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Discount benefits include reduced rates on registrations for Sport Club Championships, for NIRSA's Annual Conference, and specialty symposia. The long list of opportunities includes the chance to host Sport Club Championships and to enjoy priority entry and advanced registration for these events. Many more opportunities are available in the arenas of Marketing, Networking, Research and Professional Development, all of which add up to one amazing membership bargain. For more information on the benefits of Institutional Membership, go to: http://www.nirs.org/membership/institutional.htm, or contact Carole at the NNC: carole@nirs.org.

New Institutional Members – WELCOME!

- Coppin State College in Baltimore, MD
- North Hennepin Community College in Minneapolis, MN
- Mount Olive College in Mount Olive, NC
- Emory and Henry College in Emory, VA
- MassBay Community College in Wellesley Hills, MA
- York College in Jamaica, NY
- University of Texas (Pan American) in Edinburg, TX
- Fordham University in Bronx, NY

Surf Over to the Websites of NIRSA’s Newest Associate Members

Computer Outfitters www.healthclubsoftware.net
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The University Network, LLC www.theuniversitynetwork.net
Langdon Wilson Architecture www.lw-oc.com
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IN MEMORIAM

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Dennis (Denny) Carey, CRSS, Assistant Director University of Wisconsin (Madison) died December 2003 after a long, courageous struggle with leukemia. A NIRSA member since 1977, Denny served the Association in many capacities. Many NIRSA members have noted that Denny was well respected and an inspiration to all who knew him.

David Dunlap of Sports Imports, Inc. died in his sleep in December 2003. Sports Imports is actively involved in NIRSA in many ways. As a longtime Associate Member, exhibitor and conference sponsor, the company is also a Foundation Charter Corporate Partner and a NIRSA National Center building donor. David was a wonderful, down-to-earth man and he will be missed.

Roger Hightower of Triple Threat Flag Belts passed away in December 2003. An Associate Member of NIRSA since 1985, Triple Threat has been a true NIRSA ally, supporting the Recreational Sports Directory and the Recreational Sports Exposition for many years. We will miss Roger’s humor and caring spirit.

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2/4/2004
http://www.nirsa.info/know/member_memoriam.htm
Dirron Allen, former Recreational Sports Graduate Assistant at Mississippi State University and NIRSA National Student Representative, is the new Operations Manager at Temple University in Philadelphia, PA.

Marc Caserio, former Manager of LifeSport Fitness Resource Center, is the new Pool Manager at University of Science and Pharmacy in Philadelphia, PA.

Angela Charsha, former Assistant Manager and Fitness Coordinator for LifeStart Wellness Network, is the new Assistant Director of Fitness and Wellness at University of Iowa (Iowa City).

Meghan Dillon, former Facility Graduate Assistant at University of Mississippi (Oxford), is the new Facility Coordinator at Georgia Southern University (Statesboro).

Noah Harner, former Intramural Coordinator at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, is the new Assistant Director of Recreational Sports at Assumption College in Worcester, MA.

Laura Johnson, former Facilities Coordinator at Florida State University (Tallahassee), is the new Director of Recreation at Lycoming College in Williamsport, PA.

Kurt Klier, former Director of Intramurals at Cornell University in Ithaca, NY, is the new Assistant Director for Intramural Sports at the University of Maryland (College Park).

Jason Lipe, former Assistant Director of Intramurals and Club Sports at Boise State University, is the new Assistant Director of Intramural Sports at Southeast Missouri State University (Cape Girardeau).

Andy Nemeth, former Graduate Assistant at Western Illinois University in Macomb, is the new Assistant Director of Recreation and Intramurals at University of North Carolina (Asheville).

Shawn Phippen, former Health and Wellness Graduate Assistant at University of the Pacific in Stockton, CA, is the new Assistant Director of Fitness and Facilities, at Valdosta State University in Valdosta, GA.

Jason Saladiner, former Recreation Supervisor of the Texas Youth Commission, is the new Intramural Supervisor at Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches, TX.

Evan Stein, former Intramural Graduate Assistant at the University of Florida in Gainesville, is the new Intramural Sports Coordinator at Rice University in Houston, TX.

Know of a Member on the Move?

Members On the Move is a NIRSA service for all Professional Members. If you have relocated, please submit the information using the online form or call the Membership Department at NIRSA at (541) 766-8211.
2004 NIRSA Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition
ALBUQUERQUE, NM, APRIL 17-21, 2004

Register by March 12, 2004 to receive the best pricing

Now is the perfect time to register for the 2004 NIRSA Conference because you will be entered in monthly drawings for great prizes. A random drawing is held on the last day of each month from now until March. A big “thank you” goes to Sports Imports and Nautilus Health & Fitness for their generous donations. For more information go to www.nirs.org.

Online registration is fast and easy on this page!

Register for These Preconference Workshops
SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 2004

- Adventure Games & Initiatives for Your Portable Bag of Tricks
- Fitness Program Management 101: Running a Comprehensive Fitness Program
- Floor Hockey Rules/Officials Training
- Management Skills for the New or Prospective Manager
- Soccer Officiating
- Student Professional Development

To view all details go to http://www.nirs.net/education/conference_preconf_workshops.htm.
Register early, space is limited.

For exact dates and times refer to the daily schedule at

Exposition Schedules, Business Meetings, Fitness, Socials, and More

To view the overall schedule for Recreational Sports Exposition, business meetings, fitness opportunities, socials, and more, click on http://www.nirs.net/education/conference_schedule.htm.

Please Thank Our 2004 Conference Sponsors – They are the Greatest!

NIRSA thanks the following 2004 conference sponsors: Matrix Fitness Systems, Inc. for sponsoring the Welcome Social, and NIRSA Insurance/PS Sports for sponsoring the Cyber Byte Café in the Exhibit Hall.

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“One reason that I like working with the NSRSM as a faculty member is because my experience as a participant was so valuable for me. No matter what level you attend, it’s an enjoyable way to expand one’s network while gaining greater insight into professional issues,” says Faculty Chair Dr. Sarah Hardin, CRSS, assistant professor at South East Missouri State University (Cape Girardeau).

Through the educational sessions and collaboration with peers and faculty, participants obtain, discuss and refine the professional skills necessary for success. The session topics are uniquely tailored to complement those with entry-level experience and include: maximizing staff performance, conflict resolution, budgeting, promotion, work styles, team exercises, staff development, and assessment, all of which can be implemented into your own programs.

The NSRSM Level I course is not offered again until the spring of 2006, and is limited to the first 48 paid registrants. To register online or to find out more details, log on to http://www.nirs.net/education/school.htm.

ATTENTION CANDIDATES FOR NIRSA CERTIFIED RECREATIONAL SPORTS SPECIALIST (CRSS) EXAM

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There is no linkage between the CRSS Certification and Continuing Education Units (CEUs).

The purpose of the CRSS certification program is to:

1. Maintain high quality of professional competence of recreational sports specialists.
2. Provide a means of identifying individuals who possess the necessary knowledge and expertise required in the field.
3. Promote the educational standards set forth for recreational sports professionals.
4. Encourage professional growth and development of recreational sports personnel.

The multiple-choice exam covers programming, management/operations, risk management/legal concepts, program evaluation, participant’s rights, history/philosophical foundations, and professional ethics. Potential CRSS exams dates occur throughout the year and are marked with an asterisk on the Calendar of Events on the NIRSA Network website.
Recreational Sports Journal (RSJ)

The Fall/Winter issue of the "Recreational Sports Journal" is expected to mail to members January 23, 2004. This issue was printed through NIRSA's publishing partner Human Kinetics.

The editorial board is always interested in the latest trends and research for the recreational profession. For a list of suggested topics, go to the NIRSA Network, Member's Only section: www.nirs.org/secure/journal/topics.htm.

For information, suggestions, as well as manuscript submission, contact RSJ Editor Dr. Lynn Jamieson, CRSS, Chair, Department of Recreation and Park Administration - HPER 133, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN 47405, Phone: (812) 855-4711 FAX: (812) 855-3998: ljamies@indiana.edu.

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2004 NIRSA Collegiate Volleyball Sport Club Championships

Encourage your volleyball club teams to enter as early as possible. The 20th Anniversary of the NIRSA Volleyball Championships takes place April 8-10, 2004 in Charlotte, North Carolina. There is an expected waiting list in every division. More than 30 courts will be housed in the Charlotte Convention Center to accommodate the attending 200+ men’s and women’s teams.

The divisional structure for the men has changed as follows:

• The new 36-team Men’s Division I-AA will draw from the higher skilled teams that used to be in Men’s Division II, and the larger schools that aren’t ranked in the top 48.
• Men’s Division II will only be open to teams with a combined graduate/undergraduate enrollment of 15,000 or less.
• Men’s Division III will continue to be offered for “B” teams, whose “A” team is entered in DI, DI-AA or DIll and as an overflow to teams that don’t get into DI-AA or DIll.

On the women’s side, Women’s Division I will remain at 60 teams, and the women’s Division II will host either 16 teams or will expand to 24 teams if the interest warrants. Division II is open to “B” teams, whose “A” team is entered in DI or to teams with a USAV skill level of B/BB.

Some eligibility changes have occurred this year, and all team/individual eligibility is posted on the NIRSA website [http://www.nirsal.net/sv/vb/2004/index.htm](http://www.nirsal.net/sv/vb/2004/index.htm). Entries are currently being accepted and will close on March 1, 2004. NIRSA Institutional Members receive a priority status if their complete entry is received by February 16, 2004. So don’t delay: Even though we are in a convention center with 30+ courts, we still have to turn teams away in every division.

USA Team Tennis National Campus Championship

March 11-13, 2004 – Daytona Beach, Florida

The 5th Annual USA Team Tennis Campus Championship presented by the United States Tennis Association (USTA), NIRSA and the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) is March 11-13, 2004 at the Florida Tennis Center in Daytona Beach, Florida. Entry forms and information are available at [http://www.nirsal.net/sc/tennis/2004/index.htm](http://www.nirsal.net/sc/tennis/2004/index.htm). Please view the website for detailed team and individual eligibility guidelines or contact Valerie McCutchan at the NNC: valerie@nirsal.org.

NIRSA would like to congratulate UCLA and the University of California (Berkeley) tennis sport clubs teams. They won the USTA Southern California & USTA Northern California Sectional events and will represent these sections in the National Championship.

Tennis clubs in the USTA Northern Section (Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and western Wisconsin) and USTA Midwest Section (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin) still have an opportunity to play in a sectional event to win travel stipends to the National Championship. For more information contact: valerie@nirsal.org.

National Intramural Basketball Championships

The Ohio University (Athens) -- April 1-4, 2004
Contact: Kristin Hace or Chris Morris at (740) 597-1746; Nimbus@ohio.edu.

2004 NIRSA Endorsed Regional Basketball Championships

The 2004 NIRSA Endorsed Basketball Championships are...
planned at seven NIRSA Member Institution sites. The Ohio University (Athens) will once again host the National Intramural Basketball Championship. Watch the NIRSA Network website for updates about these tournament and links for specific entry information.

- **University of Arizona (Tucson)**
  March 5 - 7, 2004
  Contact: Mirum Washington-White or Stephanie Corriero at (520) 626-7370
  mirum@u.arizona.edu and corriero@email.arizona.edu.

- **Mississippi State University**
  March 5 - 7, 2004
  Contact: Laura Walling (662) 325-2179: lwalling@saffairs.msstate.edu.

- **Washington State University (Pullman)**
  March 5 - 7, 2004
  Contact: Jeff Elbracht at (509) 335-9668: elbracht@wsu.edu

- **University of Maryland (College Park)**
  March 12 - 14, 2004
  Contact: Kurt Klier at (301) 226-4425: kklier@umail.umd.edu

- **Central Michigan University (Mt. Pleasant)**
  March 19 - 21, 2004
  Contact: Damon Brown at (989) 774-3689: brown2dm@mail.cmich.edu

- **University of Houston**
  March 19 - 21, 2004
  Contact: Steve Waden at (713) 743-9506: swaden@uh.edu

- **University of Nebraska (Omaha)**
  March 19 - 21, 2004
  Contact: Mike Kult at (402) 554-2539: wkult@mail.unomaha.edu

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**Update on the NIRSA/CGA National Campus Golf Championships**

The 2003 NIRSA/CGA National Campus Golf Championships pilot program was a success, with 517 golfers participating in 18 local, four regional and the national event. According to Greg Long, CGA Director of Business Operations, the goals for the 2004 program include increased participation, better affordability for student players, and an even bigger and better National Event. This year’s efforts resulted in a donation to the NIRSA Foundation of more than $3,000. Thanks, CGA!

Be sure to check out the NIRSA website for future updates on the 2004 program: [http://www.nirsapri.net/sponsored/cga.htm](http://www.nirsapri.net/sponsored/cga.htm)

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**NIRSA Flag Football 2003 Regional Championship Winners**

NIRSA extramural events are possible because of the tremendous support provided by NIRSA professionals who volunteer their time and energy. We thank the Regional Hosts, the traveling staff, and the volunteers for an outstanding program.

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NIRSA Know OnLine Newsletter
2/4/2004
http://www.nirsa.info/know/sports1.htm
Final Year of Matching-Campaign Challenges Attendees to Raise Funds

Each year during the Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition, the NIRSA Foundation conducts a matching-funds drive. It asks conference attendees to help contribute to the educational mission of the Association and those funds will be matched. At the 2003 Annual Conference in Cleveland, Ohio, the bar was raised higher than ever before. The fund-drive went down to the wire the night of the Honor Awards Banquet and garnered a total of $17,680...the highest amount ever raised. As promised, the first $10,000 was matched by the Foundation's generous (and anonymous) donor for a total of $27,680.

"This is the fifth and final year of the Foundation's Matching Campaign. Conference attendees really will have a challenge to top that 2003 record," says Kurt Klier, NIRSA Foundation Board Member who is in charge of the Individual Donor Committee.

"This means they will want to come prepared. Maybe a campus will want to challenge another school, or hold a fund-raising recreational sports event during next month's National Recreational Sports and Fitness Day, February 22, 2004."

"Since the campaign began in 2000, the Foundation's Matching Campaign goal has been met every year. To date, a grand total of $90,000 has been raised by NIRSA members to support the educational mission of the Association," adds Klier.

The NIRSA Foundation Board of Directors thanks all of its donors. Look for the current list of contributors by visiting www.nirsafoundation.org/current.htm.

For more information, contact Kirk Klier, Assistant Director for Intramural Sports at The University of Maryland (College Park): kklier@umd.edu or Pamela Hutcheson at the NNC or Pamela@nirsao.org.
Get Tee’d Off in Albuquerque -- April 17, 2004

Ranked by Golf Digest as one of the top 25 public courses in the nation, The University of New Mexico Championship Course (also known as the UNM South Course in Albuquerque, NM) is a golfer’s dream. Host of the Men’s 1998 NCAA Championships and several PGA and LPGA qualifying events; it was also the inaugural NIRSA Foundation Golf Tournament back in 1994.

Join us April 17, 2004 at this unique and challenging golf course to play with your friends while supporting the educational mission of the NIRSA Foundation. The tournament is a great way to interact with NIRSA professionals, students, and exhibitors in a recreational setting. The entry fees are $85 per professional player ($95 after deadline); $60 per student player ($70 after deadline); and $145 double play ($155 after deadline). The entry deadline is March 12, 2004; The Double-Play is limited to 20 players. The tournament is limited to 120 players.

The registration fee is not a cumulative donation to the NIRSA Foundation and is not recorded on the donation honor roll. To register go to [www.cgagolflinks.com](http://www.cgagolflinks.com) or send registration and payment to: NIRSA Foundation Golf, c/o Dave Koch; UCSD Recreation, 9500 Gilman Drive; La Jolla, CA; 92039-0529, Fax: (858) 822-2012 or email: dkoch@ucsd.edu.

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**Career Opportunities Center at 2004 Annual Conference – Albuquerque, NM**

The NIRSA Foundation Career Opportunities Center has changed over the years to make better use of new technology and incorporate feedback from users. All of these changes are geared to enhance the COC experience for both job seekers and employers during the five days at the NIRSA Annual Conference. Job seekers and employers, however, can do a great deal in advance of the event to greater contribute to their own success.

Job seekers, those undergraduates hoping to secure a graduate assistantship for the coming fall or graduates looking for their first job, should start their preparations early for the COC.

“Prepared students transition easily and make a better impression on employers at the NIRSA Foundation COC than those students who enter the Center unprepared for the interviewing process,” says David Hall, Director of Recreation at University of the Pacific in Stockton, California, and chair of NIRSA Career Opportunities Service Committee.

Most campuses have career centers to assist students and alumni craft résumés and cover letters. Some hold mock interviews, review job-search etiquette, and offer input on appropriate attire. NIRSA Professional Members are also an excellent source of input since many of them have first-hand experience in the COC. Job seekers should bring a supply of résumés, thank you cards, and other materials to the COC ready to apply for the many positions that will be available.

Employers should post their positions on BluefishJobs.com at least a week before the COC opens (on Saturday, April 17, 2004), however, note that the most motivated job seekers will be perusing the job listings before they get to Albuquerque! Early posting will ensure inclusion on the printed handouts distributed to job seekers in the Center. For an additional fee, group presentation rooms with complimentary audio/visual equipment can be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis, well in advance. (FYI: Inquiries regarding availability for 2004 have already been received.)

Job seekers and employers should expect a smoother check-in and a more relaxed overall experience at the COC if they are prepared in advance. To learn more, visit www.nirsanet/education/conference_coc.htm.

Questions should be addressed to Mary Martin, Membership Operations Coordinator, at the NNC: marym@nirs.org.
Absentee Ballots Will be Available to Members on March 4, 2004 and Returned by April 9, 2004

Absentee ballots will be available to members on March 4, 2004 from NNC Executive Assistant Kiki Alexander (kiki@nirsao.org) and should be returned by April 9, 2004. Please watch upcoming eFASTNEWS for details.

2004-2005 Master Calendar of Events
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NIRSA Salutes Member's Decision to Seek Office in 2004

President-Elect Candidates

Candidate for President-Elect
Gregory T. Jordan
Kirk McQueen

Region II Vice-President Candidates

Candidate for Region II Vice-President
Willie Ehling
Dawn Sanner

Region IV Vice-President Candidates

http://www.nirsao.org/know/calendar1.htm
**Region IV Vice-President Candidates**

- **Keith E. Jenkins**
- **James W. (Jimmy) Pitre**

**Region VI Vice-President Candidates**

- **Catherine Cramp**
- **Thomas Kirch**

**President-Elect Candidates**

- **Greg Jordan**, CRSS, first joined NIRSA in 1978, is currently the Director of the Department of Campus Recreation at Oakland (MI) University, a position he has held since October of 1996. He is the only person to serve in this position, as the new facility and department were created at that time. Before moving to Oakland University, Greg served Bowling Green State University for 16 years in three different positions: Associate Director of the Student Recreation Center (1980-84); Director, BGSU Ice Arena (1984-92); and Director, Student Recreation Center Operations/Associate Director, Recreational Sports (1992-96). After obtaining both a Bachelor of Science and Masters of Science from Indiana University, he serve as the Assistant Director for Club and Informal Sports at Indiana from 1977-80.

Greg has served NIRSA and state associations in a variety of ways, including:

- Finance Committee, 2002-present
- Bylaws Committee, present
- Work team for hotel attrition issue, 2003
- NIRSA Parliamentarian, 2003 Cleveland Annual Business Meeting
- National Recreation Facilities Institute Planning Committee; Austin 2000 (Chair, Design/construction track); Ypsilanti 2003 (host); Newport Beach, 2003 (consultant)
- Host Region III Student Lead On, January 2002
- State Director in Michigan (current)
- State Director in Ohio and Indiana, Charter Member in both state associations
- Host State workshops in Michigan and Ohio
- Coordinate and hosted Mid-American Conference Recreational
Sports Directors meetings
- NIRSA Region I Vice President Nominee (1981)
- Various NIRSA committees including nominations and elections, club sports, chair of constitution, bylaws and operating code, facilities
- Numerous presentations at state, regional and national workshops, symposium and conferences on subjects including facility design and management, risk management, resume evaluation and the social action theater.
- Recipient of the Ohio Recreational Sports Association Honor Award, 2002; Indiana University Outstanding Alumni Award, 1993; NIRSA Service Award, 1985

On the Oakland University campus, Greg has been active in representing the Division of Student Affairs on a variety of campus committees. While at Bowling Green, he served as Chair of the Administrative Staff Council and the annual all university United Way campaign.

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Kirk McQueen has been a very active member of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA) since joining the organization in 1977. Currently, he is serving as the Interim Director of Campus Recreation at The Georgia Institute of Technology. He has been at Georgia Tech for 26 years, serving in various capacities. Kirk has served Georgia Tech as the Coordinator of Sport Clubs and Special Events, Director of Intramurals, as well as Director of Facilities and Operations.

Kirk graduated from Auburn University in 1975 and then went on to graduate school at the University of South Alabama. After receiving his Masters Degree in 1976 he became the Director of Intramurals and Sport Clubs at the University of South Alabama. Since becoming a professional member in 1977, Kirk has attended every National Conference.

The NIRSA has been an important part of Kirk’s life and he has served the association in many roles over the last 26 years. He doesn’t believe in simply attending a conference, he believes that everyone needs to get involved and he does in a number of ways, including presenting at numerous State, Regional and National Conferences. He has also worked on better himself as a professional by attending the School of Recreational Sports Management and the NIRSA Executive Institutes.

Kirk has served the NIRSA in many other ways as well. A few of the ways that he has shown his support and dedication are:

- Region II Vice President
- Region II Conference Host 1980 & 1985
- Hosted the 1st Sport Club Workshop
- NIRSA Flag Football Rules Committee
- State Director
- Facility Committee
- NIRSA Foundation Board

Because of his service to the association, he received the Region II Service Award. This is an honor that he humbly accepted and values a great deal because it came from the members of the NIRSA.

Away from the NIRSA, Kirk has enjoyed coaching several college sports including Women’s Basketball, Women’s Softball and Women’s Golf. He also enjoys and makes the most of the time he gets to spend with his wife Janet and his daughters Brooke and Madison.

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Vice-President Candidates

Over a 20-year period, Willie Ehling has been a student and professional member of the NIRSA. He is in his 15th year as the Director of Campus Recreation and Intramurals at Georgia Southern (1989-present). He served as Assistant Director of Recreation at Appalachian State (ASU) (1986-89). His first full time campus recreation position was at East Carolina University (1984-86) with responsibilities in Intramural Sports. He received his
Willie Ehling

Bachelor of Science in Recreation in 1979, and Master of Arts in Health and Physical Education in (1982) from ASU.

Willie’s involvement with the NIRSA includes:

- Region II Conference, Presentation Review Committee, 2003
- Senior Advisory Group/ Value of Recreation Sports on College Campus study, 2003
- Region II Award of Merit, 2002
- NIRSA Outstanding Service Award, 2000
- Affirmative Action Chair, 1998
- Georgia Southern hosted State and Regional Extramural tournaments
- Georgia Southern hosted three NIRSA Sports Club National Soccer Tournaments
- Georgia State Director, 1995
- Hosted State Workshop, 1995
- Graduate of the NIRSA Executive Institute in Breckenridge, Colorado, 1992
- Chaired the College Flag and Touch Football Rules Committee, 1990
- Graduate of the first NIRSA school of Sports Management held in Indianapolis, Indiana, 1989

Willie has presented at National, Regional, and State meetings on such topics as: research and assessment, leadership/ethics, student learning, employee motivation, preparation for employment, and intramural sports officiating. As a High School Sports Official, he has served as football Assigning Secretary and President of the local football and baseball association. Willie is also a football officials Observer for the Southern Conference.

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Dawn Sanner

Dawn Sanner, a 17-year member of NIRSA, currently serves North Carolina State University as the Director of Facilities. Her current responsibilities include management of the Carmichael Complex including 330,000 square feet of indoor teaching/recreational space and 12 acres of lighted fields. She also leads the planning team for a $12.5 million expansion project under consideration. She has been at NC State for almost three years serving first as the Associate Director of Campus Recreation – Facilities. She has held numerous positions including: eighteen months as Associate Director of Programs at the University of Missouri - Columbia, two years as the Director of Campus Recreation at Francis Marion University, over eight years at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville as the Student Aquatic Center Manager and almost two years at Illinois State as a graduate assistant.

She received her Master of Science degree in HPER Administration from Illinois State University, and her Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Millikin University.

Dawn has served NIRSA in a variety of capacities including:

- Student Professional Development Committee, Member, 2003 – Present
- Nominations and Elections Committee, 2002-2003
- Finance Committee, 1992-1999
- NC/SC State Workshop Host Committee, 2002
- Tennessee State Workshop Coordinator, 1994
- Illinois State Workshop Committee, 1986
- Tennessee State Director, 1994-1996
- South Carolina State Director, 1998-1999
- NIRSA School for Recreational Sports Management in 2000
- Numerous presentations at state and regional conferences

Dawn is active in the Raleigh community through work with the American Red Cross, the North Carolina Senior Games and North Carolina Special Olympics.
Candidate for Region IV Vice-President

Keith E. Jenkins

Keith Jenkins is the Director of Recreational Sports and Assistant Dean of Students at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, Texas. He has held that position since 1989. Prior to coming to SHSU, Keith was employed by Northwestern University in Illinois as the Associate Director of Recreation for five years. He holds an AA degree from Schreiner College and both a Bachelors and Masters degree from the University of North Texas. He is currently pursuing his doctorate in Higher Education Leadership.

Keith has been actively involved in NIRSA related activities and committees both in Region IV and in Region III while at Northwestern. In addition, he has led and participated in student-lead on workshops, state conferences, and many local initiatives. He has attended both the National School of Sports Management and the National Executive Development Institute and found both to be extremely rewarding.

When not at work, he enjoys spending time with his two kids ages 11 and 12. His favorite interest and hobbies include woodworking, golf, fishing, and traveling.

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Candidate for Region IV Vice-President

James W. (Jimmy) Pitre

Jimmy Pitre takes great pride in his relationship with the National Intramural Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA) for the past twenty-four years. Having been a charter member of Louisiana Colleges Intramural Recreational Sports Association (LCIRSA) since 1980, his roles in these organizations have been varied and enjoyable to say the least.

He has been a Rec Sports Director for twenty-four years with his responsibilities growing each year. He coordinates and manages all campus recreational activities and usage of facilities such as the Recreational Complex, outdoor tennis courts, playing fields, and intramural sports. He also advises and directs the Student Union Board and Student Union Annex while also managing fiscal operations of the recreational facilities and student union, reflecting a budget of over $1,000,000.

As a professional member of NIRSA, he has served on the following committees:
Region VI Vice President Selection Committee, Member Drive/Fee Collection Committees for National Committee, Nominations and Elections Committee (two terms), National Host Committee, and State Director.

Being a charter member of LCIRSA for twenty-three years, he has served in many positions and roles: President, Vice President, Chairman of Marketing Committee, Finance Committee, Rules Committee, Tournament Host, and Protest Committee. He was also the recipient of the LCIRSA Honor Award in 1995. In the community he has served both the city and parish on many committees dealing with the youth, recreation, and charitable needs. He is currently serving as President of the Calcasieu Parish School Board which is an elected position.

With all of his experience, knowledge, and enthusiasm, he humbly requests your support and vote to be your next Region IV Vice-President.

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Candidate for Region VI Vice-President

Catherine Cramp

Catherine Cramp is an Assistant Director of Recreational Sports at Cal Poly State University, San Luis Obispo. During her time at Cal Poly, she has managed the Aquatics, Front Line Services, Memberships, Staff Development and Training programs. Her current responsibilities include management of the Collegiate Sport Program and Public Relations, Marketing and Outreach. She is also a part-time lecturer for the Natural Resources Management Department teaching Facilities Management and Recreational Sports Programming.

Catherine holds a Master’s Degree from the University of Illinois, Champaign and an undergraduate degree from California State University, Long Beach.

Catherine has been an active NIRSA member for the last 12 years and has attended numerous conferences and presented on the state, regional and national level. She has served on various committees and chaired the
Catherine Cramp

Student Leadership & Academic Awards Committee. Presently, she is serving on the Sport Clubs and Student Professionals Committees.

Catherine recently rolled out the “Rec Review”—a comprehensive magazine devoted to recreation, physical activity, and fitness at Cal Poly. This publication, which circulates to a 17,000 student/faculty/staff population covers a wide range of topics from healthy eating, fitness techniques, and program information. She has generated additional revenue through the development of an advertising program as well as programmatic sponsorship from surrounding companies.

Catherine’s passion involves the entrepreneurial spirit in the recreational sports setting. Her enthusiasm stems from the students and colleagues with whom she works. She is highly dedicated to the development and raising the level of professionalism in our field from students to colleagues. She continues to strive for excellence in herself as well as those in the profession.

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Tom Kirch

Candidate for Region VI Vice-President

Thomas Kirch

Tom Kirch has been a member of the NIRSA for 24 years. His NIRSA service includes membership on a variety of committees including Finance, Honor Award, and Conference Program, and has presented numerous times at state, regional, and national conferences. Tom has co-hosted the Region VI conference and several Oregon/Washington state workshops. He served on the Board and was a Faculty member for the School of Recreational Sports Management, was Oregon State Director, and co-authored the NIRSA Space Standards for Indoor Facilities.

Tom is the recipient of the NIRSA Service Award, has been awarded the Region VI Regional Award of Merit, and participated in the NIRSA Neighborhood Summits. He is a graduate of both the School of Recreational Sport Management and two Executive Institutes.

Tom has been the Director of Recreational Sports at Oregon State University since 1986. Previously, he held positions of Sport Clubs Coordinator, Facility Manager, and Assistant Director at the University of Washington. He has a Bachelor Degree from the University of Oregon and a Masters of Science from Pugel Sound University. He is a graduate faculty member in the OSU School of Education, in which he teaches and advises in the College Student Service Administration Program. He also serves on the Student Affairs Leadership Team.

Tom values and strongly supports the role the NIRSA plays in the educational and professional development of its members. The networking and relationships formed within the profession has been a cornerstone to the success of the Association, and Tom will continue to nurture and enhance these opportunities when and wherever possible.

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2004-2005 Master Calendar of Events

- **January 26, 2004**
  William Wesson Student Academic & Leadership Award nomination deadline.
  Contact Kim Clark, University of North Carolina (Greensboro), ktdclark@uncg.edu.

- **January 29-30, 2004**
  Alabama/Mississippi Caucus: University, MS
  Contact Troy Young, University of Mississippi, wyoung@olemiss.edu (662) 915-5591

- **January 30-31, 2004**
  *Region III Student Lead-On: Ohio University (Athens)
  Contact Demond Pryor, Central Michigan University, pryor1dl@cmich.edu (989) 774-3686

- **January 31, 2004**
  Deadline extended for Horace Moody award nominations.
  www.nirsao.org/secure/crss/moody_process.htm

- **February 4, 2004**
  Regional and National Student Representative Candidate materials deadline.
  Contact Tamra Garstka, Arizona State University, idtis@asu.edu (480) 965-9879

- **February 6-7, 2004**
  Emerging Recreational Sports Leaders: Atlanta, GA
  Contact Devin White, Clark Atlanta University, dwhite@cau.edu (404) 880-6307

- **February 12, 2004**
  Oregon State Meeting: Salem, OR
  Contact Bruce Mace, Willamette University, bmace@willamette.edu (503) 370-6812

- **February 13, 2004**
  South Carolina State Workshop: Columbia, SC
  University of South Carolina
  Contact Gary Pogharian, pogharia@gwm.sc.edu

- **February 19-20, 2004**
  *Arizona State Workshop: Tempe, AZ
  Contact Stefani Price, Arizona State University, stefi@asu.edu, (480) 965-8900

- **February 22, 2004**
  **National Recreational Sports & Fitness Day**
  Contact Sarah Hubert, NNC, sarah@nirsao.org, (541) 766-8211, ext. 20

- **February 26-29, 2004**
  Region IV Student Lead-On: Houston, TX
  Contact Neely Cupit, University of Houston, nmccupit@central.uh.edu

- **March 5-7, 2004**
  *Arkansas State Workshop: Russellville, AK
  Contact Kelley Roach, Arkansas Tech University, Kelley.roach@mail.atu.edu, (479) 968-0235

- **March 11-13, 2004**
  USA Team Tennis National Campus Championships: Daytona Beach, FL
  Contact Valerie McCutchan, NNC, valerie@nirsao.org, (541) 766-8211, ext. 15

- **April 8-10, 2004**
  Volleyball Sport Club Championships: Charlotte, NC
  Contact Mary Callender, NNC, mary@nirsao.org, (541) 766-8211, ext. 14

- **April 14-16, 2004**
  NIRSA Board of Directors Year-end Meeting, Albuquerque, NM
  Contact Kiki Alexander, NNC, kiki@nirsao.org, (541) 766-8211, ext. 11

- **April 17-21, 2004**
Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition: Albuquerque, NM
Contact Karen Bach, NNC, karen@nirsa.org, (541) 766-8211, ext. 17

June 7-10, 2004
School of Recreation Sports Management, Level 1: Indianapolis, IN
Contact Karen Bach, NNC, karen@nirsa.org, (541) 766-8211, ext. 17

June 15-17, 2004
NIRSA Board of Directors Summer Meeting: Corvallis, OR
Contact Kiki Alexander, NNC, kiki@nirsa.org, (541) 766-8211, ext. 11

June 26-27, 2004 (tentative)
*California State Workshop: Irvine, CA
Contact Cindy Cook, University of California (Irvine) ccook@uci.edu, (949) 824-6497

June 2004
NIRSA Board Midyear Meeting: Orlando, FL
Contact Kiki Alexander, NNC, kiki@nirsa.org, (541) 766-8211, ext. 11

October/November 2004
National Recreation Facilities Institute, Atlanta, GA
Contact Karen Bach, NNC, karen@nirsa.org, (541) 766-8211, ext. 17

November 4-6, 2004
*Region II Conference: Charlotte, NC
Contact Terrie Houck, University of North Carolina (Charlotte), tvhouck@email.uncc.edu (704) 687-2481

November 10-12, 2004
*Region I Conference: Syracuse, NY
Contact Mitch Gartenberg, Syracuse University, megarten@syr.edu (315) 443-4386

November 14-16, 2004
Region VI Conference: Tempe, AZ
Contact Stefani Price, Arizona State University, stefi@asu.edu (480) 965-8900

November 18-20, 2004
NIRSA Soccer Championship: University of Texas at Austin
Contact Valerie McCutchan, NNC, valerie@nirsa.org (541) 766-8211, ext. 15

December 1-3, 2004 (tentative)
National Marketing Institute, TBA
Contact Barry Brown, NNC, barry@nirsa.org (541) 766-8211, ext. 17

April 5-9, 2005
*Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition: Orlando, FL
Contact Karen Bach, NNC, karen@nirsa.org (541) 766-8211, ext. 17

April 14-16, 2005
*Volleyball Sport Club Championships, Kansas City, MO
Contact: Mary Callender, NNC, mary@nirsa.org (541) 766-8211, ext. 14

October 19-22, 2005
National Recreation Facilities Institute: Minneapolis, MN
Contact Karen Bach, NNC, karen@nirsa.org (541) 766-8211, ext. 17

* Potential Certification Exam Site
Certified Recreational Sports Specialist (CRSS) exam applications are available through the NNC Education Department. Individuals must submit a complete exam application accompanied by the appropriate documentation and fee to the NNC a minimum of 30 days prior to the preferred testing date. Applications will be reviewed and applicants will be notified of their eligibility to take the examination. The NNC will handle requests for special auxiliary aids during testing, if a written description of the need is attached to a complete application. Both the application and request must be received at the NNC 30 days before the proposed testing date.

Deadlines for Nomination of Awards/Scholarships/NIRSA Offices/Bylaws and Amendments
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Welcome to this first edition of the NIRSA KNOW in an electronic form. The Board of Directors is pleased to present this new member benefit that allows us to fully embrace new technologies, reduce production and distribution costs, and ultimately communicate more effectively to members. The NIRSA KNOW is expected to be presented online at least eight months a year.

As a result of this new venue, the content for this publication can expand to provide more photos and provide more detailed information than ever before.

**Future Plans:**

Look for more member-interest articles, as well as member profiles. We invite you to send us items on any thing, about any one, and about any subject on your campus that you feel would be helpful and appropriate for the entire membership.

As we’ve said before, we love photos (include cutlines, please). Digital photos at (.jpg, .jpeg, .gif at 72 dpi) are the best, but we can always scan them.

We have included a “Comments to Us” button under Contents (upper left of page). We invite suggestions, ideas, and recommendations on ways to improve this new publication. We hope to hear from you soon!

*Sid Goncalin*

NIRSA President
The Fall/Winter issue of the Recreational Sports Journal is expected to mail to members January 23, 2004. This issue was printed through NIRSA’s publishing partner Human Kinetics.

US Campuses with the Largest Enrollments

College/University Enrollment as of Fall 2000


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