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Leveraging Excellence

NCCI's 9th Annual Conference
Chicago, Illinois
July 10-12, 2008

Attend NCCI's Annual Conference, *Leveraging Excellence*, and learn how universities worldwide are responding to increased expectations and limited resources. Determine how you can leverage these innovations for increased excellence on your campus!

Conference highlights include:

- Pre-Conference Workshops (July 10)
- Conference Keynote Speakers and Concurrent Sessions (July 11-12)

Pre-Conference Workshops.

Participate in one of two Pre-Conference Concurrent Workshops:

- Introduction to Crucial Confrontations™ - Engaging Managers to Increase Performance and Accountability (Catherine Lilly, University of Michigan).
- Root Cause Analysis in the Higher Education Setting (Dr. John R. Dew, Troy University).

Click [here](#) for workshop details.

Four Outstanding Conference Keynote Speakers.

Listen to these motivating speakers and learn from their experiences!

- Sherwin Greenblatt, former President of Bose Corporation and former Executive Vice President of MIT. Mr. Greenblatt will share how Bose was transformed into a world-class quality organization and his experiences as a top leader at MIT. He will compare and contrast change and leadership from his unique dual vantage points.
- Dr. Kay Eggleston, Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness and Economic Development, Richland College, Dallas, TX and Winner of the 2005 Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award. Learn

Calendar of Events

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Early Bird Deadline Extended!

Due to popular demand, the Early Bird Deadline has been extended. Take advantage of reduced registration rates! If you register on or before May 19th, you are eligible for the Early Bird Registration Rates. On May 20th, the registration rates increase to full charge.

Don't delay! ***Register Now!***

Conference Overview

Leveraging Excellence, the theme of NCCI's 9th Annual Conference, will include the following highlights:

- Pre-Conference Workshops
- Four incredibly motivating Keynote Speakers
- Twenty (20) Concurrent Sessions
- Networking Opportunities
- Continuous Improvement "Resource Fair"

PLUS an invitation to attend the NACUBO Opening Keynote Session on Sunday, July 13 from 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

See the article on the left for more details!

The More the Merrier - Get the Most from Your NCCI Membership!

Everyone on your campus can benefit from your NCCI institutional membership. Here are a few ways to

about Richland College's Baldrige-framework practices for creating and sustaining a culture of high performance. Dr. Eggleston will highlight approaches, deployment methods, results, and ways Richland integrates and shares key learning institution-wide.

- Winners of the Leveraging Excellence Award: Barbara McFadden Allen, Director, representing the Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC), Champaign, IL and Doug Christensen, Administrative Solutions Advocate in the BYU Physical Facilities Division, representing Brigham Young University (BYU), Provo, UT. Learn how both organizations leveraged their successful strategies, and hear how you might apply their award-winning concepts within your institution.
- Dr. Linda Katehi, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Stig Lanesskog, Assistant Provost for Strategic Planning and Assessment, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL. Dr. Katehi and Mr. Lanesskog will share how the University at Urbana-Champaign developed a strategic planning process that resulted in strong alignment between campus and college/unit priorities, a clear methodology to assess progress, and a mechanism to generate key initiatives required to realize the university's goals. They will also describe the events and lessons learned from this undertaking.

Concurrent Sessions.

Attend several of the 20 concurrent sessions focusing on leadership, quality improvement tools, assessment, and student experience.

Networking Opportunities and Continuous Improvement "Resource Fair."

Register Now!

Please note: Pre-Conference Workshops will be held on Thursday, July 10, 2008 from 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. Separate registration is required.

ACE's *The Presidency* Magazine

Don't miss the mid-May issue of *The Presidency*! The magazine will feature three articles related to the NCCI Leveraging Excellence Award. Lee Todd authored an article on Leveraging Excellence in higher education and regional corporations to ensure they are speaking a common language. John Wiley, chancellor of University of Wisconsin, authored the second article, entitled *The Power*

leverage that membership:

- Add more people to the NCCI contacts list, so they will receive the NCCI newsletter and notices of upcoming events (contact **Kathy Smith** to find out how).
- Invite everyone on your institution's contact list to check out all the resources available on the NCCI **Web site** - presentations from conferences and workshops, news articles, links to helpful websites, and more!
- Encourage others to attend the **2008 NCCI Annual Conference** "Leveraging Excellence" in Chicago this July. Groups of four or more get special registration pricing!

New Features on NCCI's Web Site!

Have you checked out NCCI's Web Site lately? There are quite a few new features that you will find informative and interesting.

Where in the World are NCCI's Members? This **interactive**

map displays member locations in the United States and rest of the world. By clicking on the red markers, you will see the names and locations of the member institutions and their web address links.

Monthly Poll. Check out the monthly poll that you can access via the Navigation Tool bar on the left side of the NCCI **Web site**. Each month a new question will be posed. After you respond to the question, a pie-chart will appear summarizing everyone's response to the question. Prior month's summaries will be available for viewing.

Volunteer Opportunities. Do you want to expand your professional experiences and help bring NCCI's collaborative relationship to the next level? Check out the **Volunteer Opportunities** web page and **NCCI Volunteer Interest Form**. Consider volunteering!

Mentoring Program. NCCI's program pairs new NCCI members

of Collaboration, about the Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC) and Worldwide Universities Network (WUN). The third article is about the Leveraging Excellence Award and NCCI.

with experienced Board members. This year-long program leverages their experiences and helps new members maximize their membership benefits. Click on ***NCCI Mentoring Program***.