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NCCI's 9th Annual Conference - Excellent Networking Opportunities!

The 9th Annual Conference, *Leveraging Excellence*, not only will feature fantastic keynote speakers and over 20 stimulating concurrent sessions, but also fantastic opportunities to network with colleagues!

Join us at the Conference. Mingle with other professionals at:

- The Continuous Improvement Marketplace
- Evening Receptions
- Group Dinners

Where else, but at NCCI's 9th Annual Conference, will you have the chance to:

- Meet with vendors at the Continuous Improvement Marketplace to discuss their products and services that support quality improvement in higher education.
- Attend the poster sessions that highlight successful initiatives at various institutions.
- Gather information about other professional development events and organizations
- Meet the authors of new publications
- Increase your sphere of professional contacts and colleagues

If you haven't registered for the Conference, click [HERE](#) to register NOW!

For more information about the Conference, click [HERE](#).

Bonus Keynote Opportunity - Going Green!

NCCI Annual Conference attendees are invited to the NACUBO Opening Keynote Session, Sunday, July 13 from 8:30 - 10:00 am featuring Daniel C. Esty, Co-Author of *Green to Gold*. Esty, an expert on the "eco-advantage" will highlight successful strategies necessary

Calendar of Events

NCCI's 9th Annual Conference

Chicago Mart Plaza
Chicago, IL
July 10-12, 2008

Register NOW!

Promote Your Institution at NCCI's Annual Conference in July... Request for Door Prize Items

All NCCI members are invited to bring a promotional item from their respective institutions to NCCI's Annual Conference. Our goal is to award door prizes to individuals who attend the Conference Closing Session on Saturday, June 12th. We are seeking items such as school sweatshirts/t-shirts or books on leadership, planning, and/or continuous improvement.

Bring an item from your college or university to the Conference Registration Table during the Conference and we'll include it with the other prizes for the Closing Session. Please make sure that the item can be easily packed for those with limited suitcase space on return flights.

If possible, let **Lon Dehnert** know what you are planning to bring as a prize.

Think Toward the Future - Leveraging Excellence Program 2009!

It's never too early to start thinking about applying for the 2009 Leveraging Excellence Award!

- Has your institution successfully implemented academic and administrative practices beyond one department, campus, or

for going green, why certain initiatives fail, and the importance of being good stewards of the environment and earth.

NCCI Featured in NACUBO's Business Officer Magazine

Have you seen NACUBO's April edition of *Business Officer Magazine*? Several NCCI members, along with NCCI, were prominently featured in the article **Change Agents** by Al Rickard. This is definitely a must read!

Leveraging Excellence Award Receives National Exposure

NCCI's new Leveraging Excellence Award Program has been broadly communicated in its first year. Articles featuring the Leveraging Excellence winners are appearing in ACE's *The Presidency* (spring edition) and NACUBO's *Business Officer* (fall edition). In addition, we developed a booklet featuring the award winners. Copies were mailed to presidents of all institutions of higher education in the nation, with a letter signed by Lee T. Todd, Jr., President of the University of Kentucky and Chair of the Award Judging Panel and Rick Wallick, NCCI President. The booklets can be viewed on our web site, and copies can be requested. Please consider how you might use this booklet to raise awareness of this exciting new program. Click **here** to read more!

Did You Register Yet?

There's still time! Click **here** to register for the Conference!

institution?

- Have these initiatives resulted in an significant impact on quality, efficiency, service, or learning?

If your answer is yes to both . . . seriously consider applying for the Leveraging Excellence Award!

Click **here** to learn more about the program.

Ready to complete an application? Click **here** to take some action!

Creating Exceptional Faculty, Staff, Organization, and Innovation at University of MN

Two of the University of Minnesota's leadership development programs (President's Emerging Leaders Program- PEL and Transformational Leadership Program - TLP) are instrumental in driving a "culture of excellence" at the University. The programs deliver the skills, values, and behaviors the University considers essential for the future.

Click **here** to read about the second graduating TLP cohort and their projects. For more information about the program, contact **Matt Larson**.