



State Representative Report

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Goals of the State Organization

NCHO is committed to:

- ◆ Promoting the student affairs and housing profession.
- ◆ Providing affordable professional development opportunities.
- ◆ Promoting the standards established by ACUHO-I.
- ◆ Serving as a liaison between the members and other state, regional and national organizations.
- ◆ The philosophies of non-discrimination, equal opportunity and equal access to services, participation and leadership within the organization.
- ◆ Facilitating the pursuit and exchange of new information, theories, practices and delivery of housing and related services.
- ◆ Furthering the use of technology to provide efficient and timely service to members.

State Conference News

RA Drive-In Conference

Submitted by Tim Inman, Western Carolina University

Western Carolina University is very proud of the Department of Residential Living and its Resident Assistant Advisory Council (RAAC). In November 2004, we hosted one of the most successful NCHO RA Drive-In Conferences ever held. In attendance were approximately 200 students from 20 universities throughout the great state of North Carolina.

The conference was kicked off on Friday night with Pizza, Pool, Darts and Karaoke inside Illusions our on campus get up spot. Doug Searcy, Dean of Student Affairs at Wingate University, and Past President of the North Carolina Housing Officers (NCHO) provided the keynote address during our luncheon and throughout the day there were informational sessions ranged from "Building the Inclusive Community" to "Sawing Logs: Getting Healthy Sleep."

The conference concluded on Saturday afternoon with a "Swap Shop," in which everyone was invited to trade items from their respective universities and final remarks from our past and current presidents of the RAAC left the attendees excited and energized to get back to their University's and put into place everything that they had learned during this wonderful weekend. Western Carolina University and the Department of Residential Living would like to thank NCHO for the opportunity to have hosted the conference in our beautiful surroundings and along with our appreciation returning the \$500 seed money and \$2,100 of overages that were generated from our efforts to assist with the success of other conferences to come in the future.

NCARH Conference Report

Submitted by Mark Dougherty, NCARH Advisor

February 4 - 6, 2005, two hundred of North Carolina's student leaders traveled to Gardner-Webb University to attend the annual North Carolina Association of Residence Halls (NCARH) conference. NCARH is a student-run organization that supports and provides resources for students involved in residence hall governments and related campus organizations. The annual conference provides an opportunity for student leaders to share programs, learn about leadership, and network with other students around the state.

GWU's Residence Hall Association organized the conference. Danny Barbee, the conference chair, and the rest of the conference staff worked hard to ensure that this conference was fun and beneficial for every student attending. Janna Lamison, Assistant Director of Residence Life and NCARH 2005 conference advisor, says that the conference "was a lot of hard work, but it all was worth it when the delegates arrived on February 4."

Playing off the popular Disney film "Finding Nemo," the theme for NCARH 2005 was "Finding S.E.Y.M.O.U.R." S.E.Y.M.O.U.R. stood for Service, Encouragement, Yourself, Motivation, Optimism, Unity, And Recognition. The conference staff at GWU focused this year's programs and conference atmosphere on promoting those seven values. Seymour is a starfish and the NCARH mascot.

Conference attendees included students from: Appalachian State University, East Carolina University, Elon University, Gardner-Webb University, Meredith College, North Carolina A&T State University, NC Central University, NC State University, Queens University of Charlotte, UNC-Chapel Hill, UNC-Charlotte, UNC-Greensboro, UNC-Wilmington, and Western Carolina University.

Bid Awards

Most Improved NRHH Chapter: Alpha Sigma Upsilon Chapter, Appalachian State University

First Year Experience Award: Cheryl Zapata, NC State University

Program of the Year: Shack-A-Thon 2004, NC State University
NCC of the Year: Chasity Wilson, UNC at Chapel Hill
Advisor of the Year: M. Chad Wilson, Appalachian State University
School of the Year: UNC at Chapel Hill
Student of the Year: Colin Scott, UNC at Chapel Hill
Distinguished Service Award: Cory Hibbetts, Appalachian State University
First-Time Case Study: Rita Sridaran, East Carolina State University
Veteran Case Study: Jess Ryan, East Carolina University

NCARH Service Awards

The NCARH service awards is given to students who have served the residence hall government of a NCARH institution for four years and have participated in conferences at the state and national level.

Rikki Kilgore, UNC at Greensboro
Cece Croker, UNC at Greensboro
Sharlene Provilus, East Carolina University

Colin Scott, UNC at Chapel Hill
Jennifer Cook, Gardner-Webb University

NCARH State Board of Directors for 2005 – 2006

Director: Joe Lytle, East Carolina University
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NRHH/Recognition: CJ Stermer, Appalachian State University
Advisor: Mark Dougherty, Gardner-Webb University

State Awards

SEAHO Scholarship sponsored by NCHO: Eddie Lovett, North Carolina State University

SEAHO Involvement

- Heidi LeCount, Meredith College and Gay Perez, North Carolina State University serve as Conference Co-Chairs for SEAHO 2006.
- Gary Thompson, North Carolina State University serves as the Associates Committee Chair on the Governing Council.
- Mindy Renew, Wake Forest University, serves on the Program Committee.

New Programs, Innovations, Etc.

Mock Placement is an annual event started through the North Carolina State University Housing and Greek Life's Graduate Student Development Series. It is designed to help graduate staff and undergraduate students practice interviewing prior to the job search process. This event is also open to other institutions across the state. Anyone who is graduating and looking for a full time Student Affairs related position, or an undergraduate student looking for an assistantship who wants practice interviewing, feedback on your resume, and input about job searching in general is eligible to participate. Justine Hollingshead at North Carolina State University coordinates this event. She can be contacted at justine_hollingshead@ncsu.edu.

Anything else helpful or worthy of reporting to SEAHO Governing Council

NCHO is proud to be hosting SEAHO 2006!