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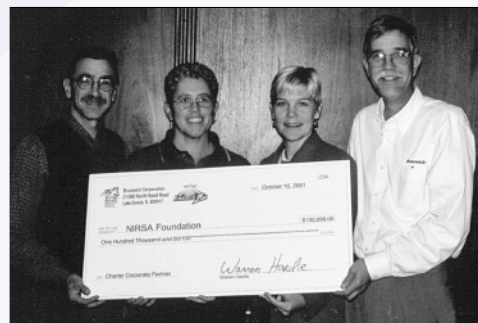
For the second year in a row, sales of tennis balls, racquets and tennis apparel have risen. The 2001 estimated sales for balls is \$260 million. A study in 1999 found that 20.8 million Americans play at least once a year, and 5.4 million play 21 times or more. Much of the credit in rise of tennis popularity goes to the US Tennis Association and tennis equipment manufacturers, which created a USA Tennis Plan for Growth. They established a \$50-million fund to be spent through 2002 to help the game of tennis grow. Since its launch, USA Tennis programs have been in nearly 500 US cities and with 600,000+ participants.

SOURCE: Sporting Goods Manufacturers Association, April 2001

Brunswick — A New Foundation Charter Corporate Partner

NIRSA Foundation officers expressed great appreciation to Brunswick, the NIRSA Foundation's newest Charter Corporate Partner, for its contribution of \$100,000, presented at the NIRSA Foundation Board of Directors' October 2001 meeting.

Headquartered in Lake Forest, Ill., the Brunswick Corporation is a manufacturer and marketer of leading consumer brands including Life Fitness, Hammer Strength, and ParaBody Fitness equipment; Brunswick bowling centers, equipment and consumer products; and Brunswick Billiard tables. Brunswick also makes Mercury and Mariner outboard engines; Mercury MerCruiser sterndrives and inboard engines; Sea Ray, Bayliner, Maxum and Sealine pleasure boats; Baja high-performance boats; Boston Whaler and Trophy offshore fishing



Scott White (left) and Don Jones (right) from Brunswick present a check for \$100,000 to NIRSA President Patti Bostic and NIRSA Foundation President Darcy Bingham.

boats; and Princecraft deck and pontoon boats.

Editor's Note: Look for a feature article on Brunswick in an upcoming issue of *Recreational Sports & Fitness* magazine.

Mizzou Students Vote to Approve Renovation/Expansion of Recreation Center

Despite time delays for re-bids of high cost estimates, and a critical change in division leadership, the dream of the 24,000 students at the University of Missouri in Columbia to renovate and expand their student recreation center finally became a reality. Students passed a referendum to fund a \$43 million expansion and renovation of the 70-year old Brewer Fieldhouse. Construction begins in late fall, 2002, and it is expected to be open to participants in late fall, 2004.

Although the dream began in 1996 as a student and recreation services staff proposal, plans for the project really took off four years later when the student body got involved.

"They actually coined the term *Student Voices* to emphasize that this was a student-initiated project and not an administrative concept,"

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Olympics' Budget Nearly \$2 Billion

The Salt Lake City Olympics, which runs from February 8-24, 2002, will be the most expensive Winter Games ever, costing nearly \$2 billion or \$791,667 for each of the 2,400 athletes to stage 17 days of skiing and skating. Even in inflation-adjusted dollars, the budget dwarfs what was spent in Lake Placid in 1980 and nearly triples the cost of the much larger 1984 Summer Olympics in Los Angeles.

Reasons costs have risen

The increased cost of holding the games is due to the additional security for the attendees and the athletes, more expensive high technology, and inflation. The security budget of \$300 million is nearly triple the expense in Atlanta — even before the September 11 attacks. Radar planes, biological and chemical detectors, and the latest in expensive anti-terrorist equipment

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says Diane Dahlmann, director of recreation services and facilities.

"Somehow, that name *Student Voices* struck a cord with the student body and all communication on the project was referred to by that name. That created a theme, critical to the success of the proposal and its message," she adds.

Once students united, things moved quickly as student leaders, the Chancellor's staff, and the Missouri Student Association (MSA) all endorsed the project.

"Our recreation staff focused on the consistent points raised by Mizzou students," says Dahlmann.

The 290,000 square foot proposed project includes a new fitness center, air conditioning, new locker rooms, performance studios (dance, aerobics and martial arts), beverage area, climbing wall, club pool, lap pool, a diving well, and a 50-meter competitive pool. The expansion will add a total 114,000 new square feet, and selected portions of the existing 176,000 square feet will be renovated.

Students approved "Option A" during the October 2001 referendum to fund the \$43 million full project with a \$75 new fee

per-semester. Two other options, "Option B" for a reduced scope project with a \$50 new fee per-semester and "No" were provided in the text of the referendum. Only 17 percent of the voting students chose "No."

"The Brewer Fieldhouse Expansion and Renovation Project heralds a new day for student recreation and the quality of student life at Mizzou," says Dahlmann.

"MU now has the opportunity to transcend trends and cutting-edge initiatives in recreation with the Brewer Fieldhouse Project. Mizzou Rec has the opportunity to invent the future of campus recreation," says Dahlmann. "This project will impact generations of students for the next fifty years and more."

Although each step in this process seemed stalled at times, Dahlmann, who has gone through several renovations/expansions at SUNY-Brockport, as well as at St. Cloud State and Illinois State, says she was pleased with the outcome and would not have done anything differently.

"This was a picture-perfect process," she says.

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will support the thousands of Utah police and Secret Service. Athletes will stay at a new \$32 million student-housing complex at the University of Utah. Nearly \$1 billion in federal funds went to expedite construction of a light rail line and to reconstruct Salt Lake City's main freeway. The city's new 32,000 miles of fiber optic cable connects to 4,200 computers donated in a \$20 million package by Gateway computers. The \$1.91 billion Salt Lake City budget actually approaches the cost of staging the Summer Olympics just six years ago: \$2.4 billion when adjusted for inflation.

How was the money raised?

- Salt Lake City paid the games \$40 million for the permanent winter sports facilities.
- The TV networks paid \$442 million to broadcast the games.
- Salt Lake City organizers received \$553 million in sponsor money before the national economy took a nosedive.
- Federal contributions are \$380 million; nearly U.S. taxpayers pay \$1 out of every \$5.
- The remaining funds come from ticket sales, and state and local governments.

Source — Tim Dahlberg, *Associated Press Sports Writer*

Recreational Sports Exposition Sponsorship Opportunities

Live marketing events are a proven way to connect with your market. The Center for Exhibition Industry Research notes that exhibitions are the primary conference event or product. Make your name pay off and make the NIRSA show work for you.

NIRSA Associate Members receive a 10 percent discount!

All Sponsorships include:

- Artwork/logo of your choice
- Banners and signage
- Recognition in the Conference Program
- Recognition on the NIRSA website
- Recognition in the *NIRSA Know*
- Recognition in *Recreational Sports & Fitness* magazine

Sponsorships Available:

CyberByte Café \$2,500
• Email stations in the exhibit hall for attendee use

Social Events

- Welcome Reception, Tuesday, April 9 \$2,500
- Viva Fiesta, Wednesday, April 10 \$5,000
- Dance Party, Thursday, April 11 \$4,000
- Honor Awards Banquet, Saturday, April 13 \$3,000

Keynote Speakers \$750 each

- Opening General Session
- Closing General Session

Preconference Workshops \$1,500 each

- Flag Football Workshop
- Outdoor Recreation Workshop
- Facilities Tour Workshop

Educational Session Tracks \$2000 each

- Administrative/Executive Skills
- Aquatics
- Facility Management
- Facility Planning/Design
- Family/Youth Programs
- Fitness
- Health/Wellness
- Intramurals/Officiating
- Marketing/Public Relations
- Outdoor Recreation
- Research
- Risk Management/Legal Issues
- Sport Clubs

Conference briefcase/backpack \$5,000

Conference notebook \$8,000

Co-sponsorship of some items is available. Ask for details; we are always open to suggestions, comments, and ideas that will help promote your company. Contact Exposition and Advertising Manager, Carole Hobrock, at (541) 766-8211; FAX (541) 766-8284 or email carole@nirsa.org.

Celebrate NIRSA's Heritage on National Recreational Sports & Fitness Day: Friday, February 22, 2002

The idea to celebrate National Recreational Sports & Fitness Day every **February 22** began with a proclamation by the Association's members in April 1999. The date of February 22 was selected because it was on this date in 1950, that representatives of



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.

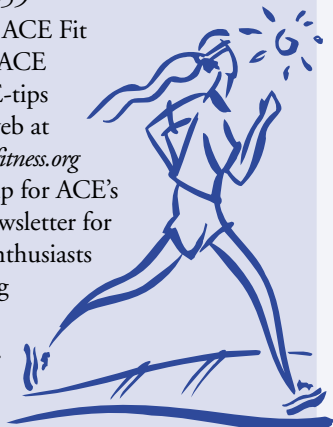


Jog Your Bones Stronger

According to ACE (American Council on Exercise), joggers have it made. Not only do they tend to weigh less, be nonsmokers, have fewer chronic health problems, and enjoy better overall health than their non-jogging peers; they have stronger bones as well.

These results (found on ACE Fit Facts website) come from a recent study of 4,254 Black, Mexican-American, and White males who took part in the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey. Those who reported jogging at least once per month (about 900 men) had higher bone density than their sedentary counterparts. Those who jogged nine or more times per month had the greatest bone density. However, take note: more may not necessarily be better, since those who reported jogging 20 or more times per month had about the same bone density as less frequent joggers. *Source: American Journal of Public Health 2001; 91, 1056-1059*

View ACE Fit Facts or ACE Health E-tips on the web at www.acefitness.org or sign up for ACE's free e-newsletter for fitness enthusiasts by calling (800) 825-3636.



The NIRSA Foundation – Following the Money Trail

The NIRSA Foundation was established in 1992 with a goal to raise a \$1 million dollar permanent endowment. The funds are spent to support educational and scholarly activities that help advance the recreational sports profession. The Foundation raises and disburses funds to support scholarships, research, student professional development, educational resources, work that parallels NIRSA's mission to promote multicultural and diversity awareness and similar interest in the recreational sports profession.

Following the sound principle that you should live off your interest and never spend down your principal, the Foundation's money is divided into three funds. Here is the process:

When individuals or corporations make donations, gifts or bequests, the contribution goes into the **Permanent Foundation Fund** (PFF) where it stays as a permanent investment. As of December 18, 2001 the balance of the PFF was \$676,218, which includes donations received or pledged.

Investment earnings from the PFF are transferred to the **Available Foundation Fund** (AFF) to be spent on programs that are consistent with the NIRSA Foundation's mission such as the Career Opportunities Center, as well as funding student scholarships for Annual Conference registration fees. To date, 103 stu-

dents have received \$26,000 in scholarships for this purpose.

The AFF also pays for the costs of fund-raising and the costs to manage the fund.

Separate from PFF and the AFF, the **Operating Budget** manages the money raised from the proceeds of the Annual Golf tournament, the T-Shirt Auction, Silent Auction, and *Recreational Sports Journal* subscriptions. Combined, this money is then disbursed for a permanent half-time position at the NIRSA National Center to execute Foundation programs, to pay the annual stipend for the *Recreational Sports Journal* editor and subscription expenses, and administrative costs.

Three endowment funds also raise money that **does not** go into the Permanent Fund, Available Fund, or the Operating funds. Money donated to the Will Holsberry Fund goes directly to pay for a professional member with financial need to attend the NIRSA Executive Institute or the School of Recreational Sports Management. The money contributed to the William Wasson endowment pays for a student scholarship that covers registration fees to attend the Annual Conference. Money raised by the Southern California golf tournament funds scholarships for two Region Six students (undergrad and a graduate) to attend the NIRSA Annual Conference.

2002 USA Team Tennis National Campus Championship

On April 4-6, 2002, right before the NIRSA Annual Conference meets in San Antonio April 9-13th, the United States Tennis Association, NIRSA, and Intercollegiate Tennis Association will hold the third annual USA Team Tennis National Campus Championship at the University of Texas at Austin. All Sport Clubs or Intramural Tennis Teams are invited to participate in this co-rec team tennis event. For an information packet, contact Valerie McCutchan at NIRSA at valerie@nirsa.org.

Registration is limited to the first 32 teams to register. Teams consist of a minimum of four players (two men, two women) and a maximum of 10 players. (Sport Club Team & Intramural Teams will be in the same division).

Hotels and Travel Arrangements:

Mention you are with the USA Team Tennis National Campus Championship to get special hotel rates of \$89 (plus tax) flat rate 1-4 occupancy at the Hilton-Austin North & Towers, 6000 Middle Fiskville Road, Austin, TX (800) 347-0330, or \$49 (plus tax) at the Super 8 (next door to Hilton-shared parking) at (512) 467-8163. Call Trinity White at Anthony Travel at (800) 736-6377, the official travel agency for the NIRSA Collegiate Sport Club Championships. Discounted rates can apply to any size team.



Soccer Records Broken

The Eighth Annual NIRSA Collegiate Soccer Sport Club Championships smashed all previous attendance records when 40 men's and 32 women's teams competed in a three-day tournament last November at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. Thanks to the addition of two auxiliary fields, the Men's Open Division expanded to accommodate an additional eight teams. Even the weather broke the record as "the best it has ever been for a NIRSA national soccer championship," and the teams, spectators, and staff soaked up the Alabama sunshine.

Congratulations go to the Brigham Young University men's team for winning its fifth NIRSA National Championship. It defeated Mississippi State (7-1) in the quarterfinals, defending national champion Penn State (4-1) in

the semifinals, and the University of Illinois (4-0) in the finals.

On the women's side, the Penn State women prevailed; in the previous six tournaments, they have been a quarterfinalist twice, semifinalist twice, and a finalist twice, but this is the first time they can call themselves National Champions! The Penn State women defeated the University of Colorado "Gold" (4-3 on penalty kicks) in the quarterfinals, defending national champion University of Michigan (3-2) in the semifinals, and a surprisingly stubborn University of California-Santa Barbara team (1-0) in the finals.

The University of Colorado women's team ("Black") won the Women's Open Division title and the Ohio State men won the men's Open Division title. View the NIRSA website (www.nirsa.net/home.htm) for complete results and a listing of the All-Tournament Teams.

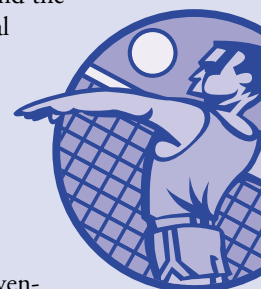
The professionalism and dedication University of Alabama staff, as well as all of the NIRSA member volunteers, was outstanding. The University of Alabama staff even generated \$400 for the NIRSA Foundation by selling the used tournament soccer balls as souvenirs.



Volleyball Championships Scheduled for April 2002

Plan to attend the 18th Annual NIRSA Collegiate Volleyball Sport Club Championships at the Dallas Convention Center in Texas.

Print tournament information (and entry forms) from the NIRSA website and submit before the entry deadline **March 4, 2002**. All of the divisions are expected to fill and maintain a waiting list. There will be six divisions offered and schools will be able to bring a men's and women's "A" team and "B" team provided they enter the appropriate division and meet the eligibility criteria. Eligibility rules and tournament information are also on the website at www.nirsa.net/home.htm



NIRSA Flag Football 2001 Regional Championship Winners

Host Institution

Arizona State U.
Baylor U.
Cornell U.
Ohio State U.
U. of Maryland
U. N. Carolina-Wilmington
U. of West Florida

Men's Winner

Arizona State Univ. Chesterfields
Baylor Univ. EX
Univ. of Akron Owtkast
Mid-Tennessee State U. Mean Machine
Liberty Univ. Belcher's Boys
Univ. of South Florida Shut' em Down
Florida A & M Univ. Black Magic

Women's Winner

None
Stephen F. Austin U. Vixens
None
Univ. of Akron Brewtime
East Carolina Univ. Creole's
Campbell University
S. U. -Baton Rouge Dream Team

Co-Rec Winner

Arizona State U. Quaffer.com/Podunk
Our Lady of the Lake Blue
College of New Jersey Six & Chix
Ohio Univ. Feed Da' Munkee
College of New Jersey Six & Chix
UNC-Wilmington Bust 'N Braun
Univ. of Florida Depth Charges



Have Fun and Earn Money through the USA Tennis on College Campus Program

There has never been a better time to play tennis. The United States Tennis Association's incentive program "Earn Money/Have Fun" extended to NIRSA Institutional members who participate in the USA Tennis programs, is a win-win situation. USA Tennis 1-2-3, an introductory instructional program, teaches basic skills quickly to new players in a group environment. Students of NIRSA institutional members have the opportunity to play organized matches in a noncompetitive atmosphere where the emphasis is on fun, fitness, and the social benefits of tennis in the USA Team Tennis Program. For more information on how to get started, contact Valerie McCutchan at the NIRSA National Center (541) 766-8211, ext 15, or valerie@nirsa.org.



Advertising Dollars Available for USA Tennis Programs

If your advertising budget has been shrinking in today's economy, contact Valerie McCutchan (valerie@nirsa.org) to learn more about the advertising money that is available for the USA Tennis on College Campus programs. It is a great time to plan for your spring programs.

2002 NIRSA Endorsed Regional Basketball Championship

Please check the following website for the Regional Basketball Championship in your area or contact Valerie McCutchan at the NIRSA National Center (541) 766-8211 or valerie@nirsa.org



Get the Natural High Buzz

Hats off to the University of Connecticut's Natural High program. Assistant Director, Jay Frain and Natural High Coordinator, Mike D'Alfonso make the Natural High program a success through its many Department of Recreational Services NIRSA Natural High programs throughout the year.

"The department has seen tremendous growth in the past few years. We've gone from having about 4,000 participants a couple of years ago, to more than 10,000 participants today," says Frain.

The potential impact the NNH program has on UConn students is incredible. Recent sponsored events include:

Fitness related programs such as Spinning® classes, body fat testing, 5K runs, hikes and racquetball tournaments.

Educational programs such as National Council of Alcohol Awareness Week, the Great American Smokeout, NIRSA's National Recreational Sports & Fitness Day and workshops focusing on nutritional issues and stress management.

Student Health Fairs featured a Body Pride Fair and a Spring Break Survival Fair where students receive travel advice tips on staying healthy and safe, and free travel supplies.

"We appreciate UConn's dedication to the NNH program and its willingness to bring positive and innovative health and wellness education to the student population," reports Meg Kobe, NIRSA's NNH coordinator.

February 6, 2002 Please help NIRSA recognize the 16th Annual National Girls & Women in Sports Day as they celebrate 30 years of Title IX, February 6, 2002. Helping girls and women obtain equal treatment in sports can be highly rewarding. The following website will give you a variety of options about how to be an advocate of female athletics: <http://www.womenssportsfoundation.org/cgi-bin/iowa/issues/invl/index.html>

February 22, 2002 Celebrate National Recreational Sports & Fitness Day. Look for complete details in an advertisement in this magazine.

Creative Excellence Awards

Achieve national exposure and recognition for your institution. Be recognized for the contributions that you make through marketing your recreational sports programs, services, and facilities. Designed to recognize the innovation and creativity of NIRSA members, the Creative Excellence Awards distinguishes outstanding accomplishments in recreational sports and fitness marketing.

Entry forms are available at www.nirsa.org/world/marketing/index.htm. The deadline for entries is **March 1, 2002**. The winning entries will be announced at a special educational session at the 2002 NIRSA Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition — "Behind the Scenes with the NIRSA Creative Excellence Awards Program." An expert panel of judges will present a review of each winner, detailing his/her successful marketing materials.

Creative Excellence Awards will be given in each of the following categories:

Graphic Communications

- Facility Publications
- Programming Publications
- Logos

New Media

- Web Page
- Video
- Audio-Visual

Comprehensive Publications Programs

Student Work

University of Connecticut Rec Services Department Highlighted

Congratulations to President Patti Bostic, for the recent write-up in the University of Connecticut's Athletics Department 2001 Annual Report. The following is an excerpt of the report:

"What do students do at UConn, aside from studying, of course? In terms of intramural sports and recreational services, the answer is: Plenty. UConn's Department of Recreational Services offers students an amazing array of options. There is intramural competition in a wide variety of sports including basketball, volleyball, flag football, badminton, racquetball, tennis, softball, and wiffleball. However, that is only the tip of the iceberg. Students can run the indoor track at Greer Field house, play ping-pong there, work out in the five weight rooms and fitness areas, or swim a few laps in Brundage Pool.

They can also participate in the "Body Wise" fitness/wellness programs and take one of more than 30 classes that are offered

each week. On a busy day during the semesters, more than 3,000 student, faculty, staff, and community member participants are measured. Over the year, that added up to nearly 500,000 participations. The Executive Director of Recreational Services is Patti Bostic (she's also President of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association). Ms. Bostic oversees the entire department, which includes four full-time professionals, four graduate assistants, and more than 325 students who make it all run smoothly. For her, recreation enhances academic performance, fosters personal development, improves health, and encourages social interaction.

"We are," Bostic says, "the largest classroom on campus and our programs are becoming more and more popular every year. According to NIRSA, about 80 percent of students in the US engage in recreational activities. These days, it's an integral component of the educational experience."



Looking for Your NIRSA Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition Brochure?

You'll find it in the December issue of *Recreational Sports & Fitness*. Make your reservations online at www.nirsa.org. Take advantage of the discounted pricing and register before March 8, 2002. See you in San Antonio.

NIRSA Certification Examination: Certified Recreational Sports Specialist (CRSS)

Individuals planning to take the CRSS exam to become a NIRSA Certified Recreational Sports Specialist must pre-register with the NIRSA National Center. To be considered eligible to take the exam, completed applications must be on file at the NNC by **March 8, 2002**. To receive exam information, application and sponsorship forms, and a study resource guide, contact Eileen Shufelt at (541) 766-8211 or eileens@nirsa.org. CRSS materials are also available on the web at www.nirsa.org in the Members Only section. There is no linkage between the CRSS Certification and CEUs.

The passing rate for first-time test takers at the 2001 Annual Conference was 67%.

Syracuse University Holds Disaster Relief Volleyball Tournament

Gratitude to fallen heroes was the tournament goal for the 36 New York volleyball teams that raised \$2,100 in November to help benefit the families of the New York City firefighters lost on September 11.

It was the largest volleyball event of its type ever held at Syracuse University, even surpassing the annual Empire State Games and the National Senior Games competitions. The teams (below) joined members of the Central New York Volleyball Officials' Corporation, which refereed all of the play-off and championship matches. Alumni members came from all over the country to support the event. The Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association-Upstate Conference donated plaques and game balls. The tournament director donated the winning team plaque, and American Flag appliques for the winners' uniforms. Teams from the following schools made up the competitive field:

Men's Division:

Binghamton University	SUNY-Oneonta
SUNY-Brockport	SUNY-Oswego
Canisius College	Penn State University – Hazelton
Colgate University	SUNY Albany
Cornell University	Syracuse University Alums
SUNY-Cortland	Syracuse University 1 & 2
East Stroudsburg Univ.	SUNY- Buffalo
SUNY-Geneseo	Villanova University
Ithaca College	

Women's Division

SUNY-Cortland	Syracuse University
East Stroudsburg University	

Customer Excellence is NIRSA's No. 1 Goal

In the whirl of activity of daily operations, sometimes things fall through the cracks — and when it does, we at the NIRSA National Center don't like it. If you experience less than perfect customer service from the NNC, regardless of how large or small, NIRSA's Executive Director wants to know about it. Call Kent Blumenthal directly at (541) 766-8211, x12. If he's not there, leave a message, and he'll get back to you!

Your Association at Work!

NIRSA is wrapping up another banner year of member services. We have reached:

- 3,531 Renewing Members
- 866 New Members
- 1,854 Attendees at the 2001 Annual Conference
- 600 Exhibitors and 115 companies at the Recreational Sports Exposition
- 258 Attendees at five specialty symposia
- 4,220 Participants at three Sport Club Championships
- 12,000 *Recreational Sports & Fitness* magazine readers

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NIRSA'S MISSION STATEMENT: The mission of the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association is to provide for the education and development of professional and student members and to foster quality recreational programs, facilities and services for diverse populations. NIRSA demonstrates its commitment to excellence by utilizing resources that promote ethical and healthy lifestyle choices.

Presentation Proposals Due

The deadline for submitting presentation proposals for the 2003 NIRSA Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition: **July 15, 2002**. To download a form, go to www.nirsa.org or call the NNC at (541) 766-8211 to receive a faxed copy. The deadline for submitting 2003 pre-conference workshop proposals: **July 1, 2002**.

NIRSA Business

Meeting Minutes: The minutes from the NIRSA 2001-2002 Board of Directors Midyear Meeting are posted in the Members Only section of the NIRSA website, at www.nirsa.org/nmonly.htm. Minutes are expected to be formally adopted by the board at the Year-End BOD Meeting on April 6, 2002 in San Antonio, Texas.

NIRSA Foundation Contributes to NIRSA Career Opportunities Center

The NIRSA Foundation recently contributed \$10,000 to subsidize the cost for member candidates and member recruiters at the Career Opportunities Center held in conjunction with the 2002 NIRSA Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition, April 9-13, 2002 in San Antonio, Texas.

There, the COC provides a venue for job recruiters and job seekers to connect one-on-one. Job recruiters will have the opportunity to post positions directly to the web and can just as easily access candidate information through the new BluefishJobs (details below) resumé databank. Candidates will benefit from the searchable bank of position listings and may post resúmes with related cover letters and materials. Computers will be available in the COC to facilitate this information exchange, as well as the traditional use of interview rooms, and mailbox message systems.

In addition to the traditional COC services, this year both candidates and onsite recruiters will enjoy the convenience of using online technology through BluefishJobs.com, NIRSA's new premier career services site. BluefishJobs makes it



calendar of events

February 4, 2002

Sport Club Administration
NIRSA Online Education

February 8-9, 2002

Emerging Recreational Sports Leaders
Durham, North Carolina

April 4-6, 2002

USA Team Tennis National
Campus Championship
Austin, Texas

April 6-9, 2002

Board of Directors Year-End Meeting
San Antonio, Texas

April 9-13, 2002

NIRSA Annual Conference &
Recreational Sports Exposition
San Antonio, Texas

April 11, 2002

Annual Business Meeting
San Antonio, Texas

April 14, 2002

New Board of Directors Meeting
San Antonio, Texas

April 17-20, 2002

Volleyball Championships
Dallas, Texas

May/June 2002

Alabama/Mississippi State Workshop
Montgomery, Alabama

Summer 2002

Board of Directors Summer Meeting
Corvallis, Oregon

June 10-13, 2002

School of Rec. Sports Mgmt. Level II
Tempe, Arizona

June 11-13, 2002

Executive Institute
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2002-03 Past President's Representative

Craig Stinson, University of Illinois (Urbana/Champaign), was selected by NIRSA's Past Presidents as their representative to serve on the 2002-2003 board.

Student National Service Award Nominations

The deadline to submit nominations has been extended to **February 1, 2002**. This award is intended to recognize outstanding contributions of student members to NIRSA. Guidelines and nomination forms are available on the NIRSA website at www.nirsa.org/secure/crss/