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**University of Florida Raises Funds for School on National Recreational** 

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# Who's in Your Generation?

Baby Boomers born: 1946-1962

60.5 million

Cuspers born: 1963-1964

6.5 million

GenXers born: 1965-1977

40 million

born: 1978-1983 GenYers

12 million

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To raise funds for a local elementary school's hearing impaired program, more than 150 people turned out to participate in a FitFest in

versity of Florida. "We were thrilled that we were able to raise more than \$1,000 for the Lake Forest Elementary School, and we've had an incredible amount of positive feedback about the event from participants," reports Cher T. Harris, assistant director of UF's Fitness Centers and Pro-

conjunction with National Recreational Sports

& Fitness Day (February 22, 2002) at the Uni-

**Sports & Fitness Day** 

Proceeds from the four-hour fund-raiser will benefit the local school's Deaf/Hard of Hearing Program that serves children in several nearby counties. The only program of its kind in the area, it provides children with specialized instruction, and offers parents a learning library

grams, who coordinated the event.



Participants at University of Florida compete to raise funds on National Recreational Sports & Fitness Day

with videos to learn sign language, as well as materials to help understand their children's hearing loss. During the FitFest, a video of the program's teachers and students singing a

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# **NIRSA Wins Association Communications Award**

In February 2002, NIRSA was honored by the Oregon Society of Association Management (OSAM) with the Association Communications Award for marketing and implementing NIRSA's new career services website, Bluefishjobs.com. This award recognizes that an association has demonstrated excellence through the creativity, innovation, and effectiveness of marketing a specific product to its members and the public.

"Striving to create the best possible service also involves assisting members in adopting new products," says Membership Services Coordinator Kim Daley. "So it was important that NIRSA members know just how much more convenient BluefishJobs really is and get a chance to try out the features."

To get the word out about BluefishJobs, members of the NIRSA National Center staff and the Career Opportunities Committee prepared a comprehensive User's Guide that they presented at NIRSA regional events last fall. Their message was successful.



"The first three months have been a great success for BluefishJobs. Before we even went to the 2002 NIRSA Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition, we already had 165 jobs and 283 resumés posted on the website," reports Daley.

Bluefish Jobs in the Career Opportunities Center at the Annual Conference in San Antonio was also a great success. Members enjoyed the use of the advanced technology through the onsite computers in the COC to post their positions and search resumés online.

The Association Communications Award was accepted by Kim Daley, and Marketing Director, Aaron Hill at an OSAM ceremony in Portland, Oregon.

For more information about Bluefish Jobs, contact Kim Daley, membership services coordinator at (541) 766-8211 x21 or kim@nirsa.org.



# Facilities Symposium to Meet Again in October 2002

When the Facilities Symposium was held in October 2000 at the University of Texas at Austin, it was hailed as "wildly successful" among members and touted as a "must repeat."

Evaluations of the symposium indicated that participants received the information they wanted about understanding a building construction process, as well as new ideas on architectural designs and features.

"Any time you gather with other professionals you begin to 'think outside the box' a little more. Other people's ideas, solutions and approaches to both facility construction and management made me a better, more innovative professional," says Sally A. Derengoski, director, RecServices & Fitness, University of Notre Dame.

"[This was an] excellent intro as we began the advanced schematic design stage of a \$19 million project," says Bill Healey, director of Recreation & Sports Services at the University of West Florida. "We brought our campus planner and he gained insight to what was happening nationally. The speakers were exemplary, knowledgeable, and on the cutting edge of Rec Sports facilities. Our campus architect



When: October 2-5, 2002

Where: YpsaInti, Michigan - near the Ann

Arbor/Detroit area

Contact the NIRSA National Center at (541) 766-8211 to receive information.

Registration includes: Materials, re-

source information, CEUs, refreshment

breaks, a networking social, and two

lunches.

when we returned to campus ... money and time well spent."

Some of the participants gained a new

was totally on board with our project

Some of the participants gained a new respect for directors of facilities and all of the responsibilities that job entails.

"I find that networking with recreation professionals from around the country gives me new ideas about the continually changing needs of students," says architect Anita Moran, principal/ owner of F&S Partners in Dallas, Texas. "Our projects are typically for cities and public universities although we will occasionally become involved in a project for a school," she says.

Evaluations of the symposium indi-

cated that the participants went away pleased with new ideas for managing their facilities.

"I became more confident that a lot of the issues that we deal with every day are similar to those at other facilities. The opportunity to share with one another and to learn about 'best practices' is invaluable," says Derengoski.

The responses also indicated some surprises.

"My perception of facility operations changed based on my learning about the amount of attention to detail a manager must incorporate on a daily basis to create the perception of an inclusive and welcoming environment," reports attendee Nathan Martin, Outdoor Recreation Specialist at Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas.

"Walking around all of the buildings and hearing the others, both recreation professionals and other architects, make comments and suggestions was valuable," says architect Anita Moran.

Participant's views varied on what was the most important thing they gained by attending this event.

"It depended on the individual attendee. It was a chance to establish contacts in a more defined area than attending the NIRSA national conference. It keeps us from having to 'reinvent the wheel.' Justification for facilities and equipment sometimes comes from showing the upper administration at your institution what exists across the country, what these facilities do for retention of students, more productivity/healthier staff, and recruiting," according to Jacque Hamilton, director of

# How to gain vital facility management skills and training

**Outstanding Sports Facilities Awards:** Outstanding Sports Facilities Awards are given each year to the winners of the most innovative facility of recent construction or renovation.

**Recreational Sports & Fitness magazine:** The upcoming August 2002 RSF issue is filled with articles about the 2002 award-winning NIRSA facilities.

2003 NIRSA Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition: April 1-5, 2003 in Cleveland, Ohio. Facilities presentations and Outstanding Facility Awards will be given. Visit the many companies that will demonstrate their equipment and services directly related to facilities.

NIRSA Facilities Website: nirsa.org/world/facilities/index.htm. This website lists information about the upcoming Facilities Symposium, October 2-5, 2002. In *Maintenance*, you will find Tips &

Tricks, Specialized Facility Maintenance, Working With Manufacturers, Frequently Asked Questions, and more. In *Construction*, you will find Ways to Avoid Construction Pitfalls.

**NIRSA Facilities Committee:** The guiding force for NIRSA's Facilities training and advancement are the members of this committee.

NIRSA Facility Publications: Several NIRSA publications address the recreational sports professional's facility needs:

- Managing the Collegiate Recreational Facility
- Outstanding Sports Facilities Vol. III
- General & Specialty Standards for Collegiate Recreational Sports & Assessment Instruments
- Risk Management Manual For Sport & Recreation Organizations
- · Space Standards for Indoor Facilities

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Recreational Sports at Texas A & M University-Corpus Christi who helped put on the 2000 symposium.

"[However] in my role as host and coordinator," she adds, "I gained much from learning all of the elements from the planning end. I also found it very worthwhile to see other facilities through the tours. I suppose, though, the contacts/resources for future information and projects were the most important things I gained."

"I gained a new network of colleagues of which I now can now turn to for advice and sound information," says Nathan Martin. "My knowledge changed based on the AED training I received. I was updated and certified in AED training and to teach AED training as part of my American Red Cross Instructor duties."

One of the architects who attended had a different experience.

"Listening to concerns about the architectural process, what architects do well, what we do poorly, how can we better communicate — these are the many things that you learn more from networking than from more the formal sessions. For me, hearing about the kinds of institutions being built or have been built, is important so that I can see trends," reflects Anita Moran.

Previous participants are looking forward to the 2002 symposium in Michigan.

"I am very interested in attending the 2002 event!" says Jacque Hamilton. "There were two educational tracts — Design/Construction and Operations/ Management. Attendees at the first symposia were able to choose presentations from either tract. Presenters in the Design/ Construction area were generally architects who have designed outstanding facilities for institutions in NIRSA. The Operations/Management tract served those who were looking for better ways to use what they have. These sessions were presented by experienced NIRSA members willing to share their expertise on an element in the realm of facilities - this could be anything from budget management to weight room layouts and equipment selection," she adds.

# **Outstanding Sports Facilities 2002 Winners**

The Outstanding Sports Facilities Awards are given each year to the winners of the most innovative facilities of recent construction or renovation. Since the Facilities Awards Program began in 1987, 61 NIRSA facilities have been chosen as exemplary. The 2000 and 2001 Award Winners Gallery are on the NIRSA website, *nirsa.org*. The following winners of the 2002 Outstanding Sports Facilities received their awards at the recent Annual Conference in San Antonio.

These nine winners represent:

- \$165,367,786 in new construction
- \$13,338,794 in equipment and furnishings
- \$1,081,078 in total square feet

# CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT UNIVERSITY

The Freeman Center (new)

DOUG SHIPLEY, Director

ARCHITECT: Marcellus, Wright, Cox, and Smith, Richmond, VA

Construction: \$13,849,240 Equipment /furnishings: \$947,973 Square feet: 112,580

# GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY Student Recreation Center (new)

SCOTT LEVIN, CRSS, Director of Recreational Sports

ARCHITECT: KPS Group, Atlanta, GA
Construction: \$25,600,000
Equipment/furnishings: \$1,500,000
Square feet: 161,112

ASSOCIATE ARCHITECT: Hastings & Chivetta Architects, Inc.

#### KENT STATE UNIVERSITY Student Recreation and Wellness Center (new)

PAUL MILTON, Director of Recreation Services

ARCHITECT: The Collaborative, Inc., Toledo, OH

Construction: \$19,800,000 Equipment/furnishings: \$1,200,000 Square feet: 153,000

ASSOCIATE ARCHITECT: Hastings & Chivetta Architects, Inc.

# LOYOLA COLLEGE IN MARYLAND (BALTIMORE)

## Fitness and Aquatic Center (new)

PAMELA WETHERBEE-METCALF, Director of Recreational Sports ARCHITECT: Sasaki Associates,

Watertown, MA

Construction: \$21,000,000 Equipment/furnishings: \$621,179 Square feet: 115,154

## FORT LEWIS COLLEGE New: Student Life Center (new)

JACK KRIDER, Director of Recreational Services

ARCHITECT: Sink Combs Dethlefs, Denver, CO

Construction: \$6,618,546 Equipment/furnishings: \$330,000 Square feet: 49,632

## LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY Fritz B. Burns Recreation Center (new) with 50 meter outdoor pool

TREY DUVAL, CRSS, Director, Facility

Operations

ARCHITECT: Cannon Dworsky, Los

Angeles, CA

Construction: \$15,000,000 Equipment/furnishings: \$337,642 Square feet: 85,000

# UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA (TWIN CITIES)

# St. Paul Gymnasium (addition/renovation)

DR. JAMES TURMAN, CRSS, Director/ Vice Provost

ARCHITECT: Stageberg, Beyer, Sachs, Inc. Minneapolis MN

Inc., Minneapolis, MN

Construction: \$3,500,000 Equipment/furnishings: \$3,318,000 Square feet: 56,000

[18,600 additional]

# WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY Student Recreation Center (new)

KATHLEEN HATCH, CRSS, Director
ARCHITECT: Yost Grube Hall, Portland, OR
Construction: \$30,000,000
Equipment/furnishings: \$1,700,000
Square feet: 160,000

#### WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY Student Recreation Center (new)

DAVID TAYLOR, Director, Student Recreation Center

ARCHITECT: Moody/Nolan, Inc., Columbus, OH

Construction: \$30,000,000 Equipment/furnishings: \$3,3840,000 Square feet: 170,000

# New NIRSA Natural High Information Available

A new NIRSA Natural High brochure and Resource Manual



was presented at the 2002 NIRSA Annual Conference, and a new NNH website was launched May 1, 2002.

The brochure, which will be distributed in NIRSA membership materials, marketing mailings and at trade shows, defines wellness and the NNH program. It details how and why institutional members should become involved, and lists other available resources.

The revised resource manual contains: the steps to implement the program; innovative how-to's and programming ideas; ways that others have integrated the program on their campuses; a list of health and wellness websites; and information on social norming and life-skills training.

The Natural High website, www.nirsa.org/naturalhigh, is the online forum to share ideas and materials. It has downloadable flyers, workshops, mini-posters, camera-ready art, and an online discussion board that is a virtual clearinghouse for posting programming ideas, questions, or concerns. The website will be the premiere location to access the most current and widely accepted information on health and wellness issues for recreational sports professionals. Institutional members that have their own NNH websites will be directly linked to the NIRSA Natural High website.

The NNH materials have a new, exciting look to increase program rec-

ognition. Currently the NNH program seeks to secure outside funding. To obtain NNH materials or information, contact Meg Kobe, NNH program coordinator, at (541) 766-8211 x34 or meg@nirsa.org.

# **Intramural Team Name Sparks Lively Debate**

In March, a University of Northern Colorado intramural basketball team made national news when it changed its name to the "Fightin' Whites" in protest of a local high school team's name, the "Fightin' Reds." The team, whose official name is "Native Pride," is mostly Native American and Hispanic. Team members said their previous complaints that the high school's mascot, an unflattering caricature of an Indian, is a degrading stereotype, and it was frustrated that pleas to stop its use were ignored. The players decided to use some provocative humor to stir up the debate.

It did. The college received approximately 1,600 emails with varying opinions. The story made the Associated Press, *Denver Post*, Public Radio, and even Jay Leno's monologue. The team set up a website to sell T-shirts bearing the team mascot — a 1950s-style caricature of a middle-aged man — and the slogan "Every thang's gonna be all white!"

On the NIRSA listsery, several members discussed the issue and recommended that it be a topic of discussion at the Annual Conference in San Antonio.

At the time this newsletter went to press, Scott Schuttenberg, coordinator of Recreation and Club Sports at UNC was unable to comment on the school's course of action.

In a small survey of NIRSA intramural directors, most reported that they handled their team names the same way that Joseph R. Gratz, assistant director Intramural Recreational Sports at University of Southern Indiana, does.

"We here at USI screen names as I'm sure most schools do and we operate under the G-rated policy," he says. "Anything we deem not G-rated gets changed. We haven't had any problems to date and there always seems to be one or two a year that slip through before we know what it means or stands for. Teams take their name changes well, and usually joke about how they tried to get it through, and laugh about what it was changed to as we try to keep it humorous."

"However, this name issue appears to have more to it because of some underlying currents associated with it that make it a more sensitive matter. This should create some good discussion throughout the intramural community on its policies and procedures in this matter. I'm guessing it will be the topic of conversation at the NIRSA Annual Conference," says Gratz.

"For questionable team names, my Student Program Coordinators go through and flag any names that just jump off the page or have one of those hidden or double meanings," agrees Mirum G. Washington White, CRSS, director of Intramural Sports & Special Programs at the University of Arizona. "They then provide me with the names and we walk through each one. Typically, if a change is needed, we try to stay as close to the name as we can. Therefore, it might become an acronym or we might simply change the team name to the captain's last name. I then call the team captains to make them aware of the change and to provide what I call a 'teachable moment.' As an example, what the name was, why it was changed, how inappropriate phrases, words or terminology could have an adverse impact on the campus community. I also refer them to a statement in our handbook," White adds.

Steve Rey, director of intramural sports at the University of Southern Mississippi reports, "We review all team names prior to printing the league schedules. If we feel a team name is not appropriate, we contact them to change their name. If they do not want to, we send their appeal to the Intramural Sports Advisory Board. It reviews the appeal, and either accepts or rejects the name. If it is rejected, the team has to change their name," Rey says.

"Our advisory board has never accepted a team name that our staff has rejected. Additionally, they have written a letter of reprimand to the team for using an inappropriate name. Most teams that have their team name rejected, change their name to initials, and in one case that was denied," Rey added.



2003 NIRSA Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition will be April 1-5, 2003 in Cleveland, Ohio.

# NIRSA Grant Funds Research on Women's Careers in the Profession

Editors Note: The following summary was submitted by Glenna Bower and the NIRSA Research Committee, and edited for space.

Through the NIRSA research grant member-service program, the NIRSA Research Committee recently funded "Women Working in the Administration of Campus Recreation: Career Paths and Challenges." The committee — chaired by Sue Delmark at the University of North Texas - funded the project at \$1,808. The researchers — Glenna Bower, M.A., and Mary Hums, Ph.D. — gathered workplace information focusing on career paths and issues facing women employed in administrative positions in campus recreation. Although the number of women working in this field has gradually increased over the past ten years, what have their careers in administrative positions been like? What are the issues women working in this still male-dominated profession need to know? What career advice would be useful for women wanting to enter this field? This study addressed these and other issues in detail and provided useful career information for women and men working in campus recreation administration, and for NIRSA as it continues to promote diversity in leadership positions.

Three hundred seventy-six women listed in the 2000-2001 NIRSA Recreational Sports Directory as holding administrative level jobs in campus recreation, participated in the study. The authors gathered information from these women on (a) their individual career paths, (b) the most and least enjoyable aspects of their jobs, (c) the greatest challenges they face in their jobs, (d) career advice they would offer to women wanting to enter this profession, and (e) their short-term and long-term career aspirations, as well as general demographic information.

The most interesting information came from the responses to the open-ended questions that dealt with the work environment. Gendered responses to the openended questions emerged repeatedly. Women felt they were not given the respect they deserved, and constantly had to prove themselves, especially when it came to running a facility. Other recurring themes dealt with the "good ole boy" network and issues of the "glass ceiling."

These comments paralleled the comments of women in professional sport (Hums & Sutton, 1999; 2000) and in national sports organizations (McKay, 1996). The results also provided contradictions with respondents indicating one aspect of the job they enjoyed most was interacting with people, while also indicating one aspect of the job they enjoyed least was interacting with people.

In terms of career advice, the women indicated two different categories of advice. The first category was basic and useful for both men and women such as how to network, do internships, and get experience. The second category was directed more specifically to women, and included advice such as "to always act professional," and "to be prepared for a male-dominated environment."

This study is part of an on-going line of research on career paths of women working in sport management. Similar studies have been conducted with women working in the management of professional baseball (Hums & Sutton, 1999), professional basketball (Hums & Sutton, 2000), and disability sport (Hums & Moorman, 2000). Because of the limited research on the careers of women working in campus recreation administration, this study provided interesting insight into a previously unexplored area.

The full report for the study was submitted to the *Recreational Sports Journal* for consideration in a future issue. The researchers presented the results at the 2002 NIRSA Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition in San Antonio, Texas. Contact Glenna G. Bower, 1713 Pollack Avenue, Evansville, IN 47714, at (812) 461-5269 or gbower@usi.edu for more information.

#### What's New with the **Research Grant Program?**

In 2002, the NIRSA Research Committee and the NIRSA National Center will collaborate to create a research agenda for the Association. The agenda (subject to approval by the NIRSA board) will guide the research efforts of the Association.

Although the Association will not award research grants in 2002 while the agenda is being created, the board directed that the Research Committee collaborate with the National Center this year to design and execute a memberwide study to produce a long-range strategic research agenda that meets NIRSA's goals and objectives. This strategic research agenda will direct that all future research grant applicants present proposals consistent with the needs identified in that comprehensive research agenda. This will not only benefit the grant applicants, but also the mission of NIRSA.

The data obtained from NIRSA's current Strategic Marketing Initiative now underway will also provide information that may be used to help establish this research agenda.

We'd like to thank the following companies for their continued support of the recent 2002 Recreational Sports Exposition held in San Antonio.

C.C. Creations for providing the Conference notebook

Woodway USA for sponsoring the Welcome Reception: Piñata Fun Night

Sayings For You, Inc. for providing the Conference Pen

NIRSA Insurance/P5 Sports & Special Risk for sponsoring the Quick Byte Cyber Café

Sports Imports for sponsoring the Conference Tote Bag







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thank-you song in sign language was projected on a large screen, which allowed participants to see the power of communication.

Lake Forest's Program Chair Tina Kercheval reports, "In the past, we've used donations like this to fund language experience field trips, purchase instructional materials for our lending library, or specialized counseling services for children. We've had a lot of support from the University of Florida and many UF students volunteer in our program."

One of those students is UF senior, Hillary Snapp. A group exercise leader for UF's Recreational Sports, Snapp has been a dedicated volunteer with the hearing program for the past two years. As a Communication Sciences and Disorders major, she has a passion for her chosen profession.

"Communication is such a vital part of life," Snapp says. "Working with these children has made me understand the power of intervention. Giving just a couple of hours each week makes such a difference in the lives of these kids, and the interaction with volunteers and teachers may be the only intervention these children receive."

"The goal of FitFest was to promote both healthy lifestyle choices and philanthropy in a fun way that benefits the student and the greater Gainesville community," says Cher Harris.

Some of the group exercise formats used in the FitFest included Latin Spice, Gator Funk, Kick Boxing, Yoga, and Sports Conditioning. Prizes went to the first 50 FitFest participants to raise \$50, and the person who raised the most money won a \$300 mountain bike (donated by Chain Reaction). Everyone who raised \$10 or more had their names automatically entered into a raffle and won gift certificates to area restaurants and clothing stores.

The University's Recreation Department plans to continue to have FitFest as an annual event at the Student Recreation and Fitness Center on National Recreational Sports & Fitness Day.

"We believe this event has strong potential to grow in both participant numbers and in the amount of support that can be raised for charitable organizations within our community," adds Harris.

# **NIRSA Membership Review**

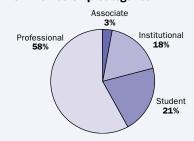
NIRSA membership is up 15 percent from 2001, with new NIRSA professionals (those having one year of membership) composing an overwhelming majority. As of February 2002, NIRSA's membership contains:

Professional Members	2,338
Student Members	858
Institutional Members	718
Associate Members	140
TOTAL	4,054

NIRSA Institutional Members are currently composed of 718 institutions. The breakdown by setting is as follows:

4-Year Institutions	625
2-Year Institutions	60
Correctional	19
Military	14
Parks & Recreation	5
YM/WCA & Clubs	3
K-12 Schools	1
Other	2

#### **NIRSA Membership Categories**



## **Professionals By Length of Membership**



# **Associate Members By Category**



# Tee Off for the NIRSA Foundation

When planning your state workshops and regional conferences, keep in mind the opportunity to host a golf tournament that benefits the NIRSA Foundation. Guidelines and an application to register a state or regional NIRSA Foundation golf tournament are available online at *nirsafoundation.org* or contact Sarah Williams at (541) 766-8211 x25 or *foundation@nirsa.org*.

# **Does Your Library Carry the Recreational Sports Journal?**

Since the academic calendar is soon coming to a close, be sure your library has this valuable resource available for students. More than 16 research-related articles appear annually in the *Recreational Sports Journal*. Encourage your library or resource desk to order online *nirsa.org/world/solutions/periodicals.htm* or contact the NIRSA National Center at (541) 766-8211 or *foundation@nirsa.org*.

# Catch the Fitness Wave at the New NIRSA Fitness Symposium

The first NIRSA Fitness Symposium is in San Diego, California on January 29-31, 2003. Promoting the theme "Surf's Up! Catch the Fitness Wave to the Future," this symposium invites both new and seasoned fitness professionals to meet, network, and advance the future of fitness in NIRSA.

Fitness professionals will learn strategies and techniques in the areas of management, personal training, programming, and research development. The Fitness Committee is now recruiting NIRSA presentation proposals of these four tracts. Each proposal should provide innovative information and experience. Presentation proposal forms can be found at *nwww.nirsa.net/education* and are due by June 10, 2002. For more information, contact the Fitness Committee chair Nora Hudson at (601) 266-5405 or *nora.hudson@usm.edu* 

# **NIRSA September 11th Remembrance Fund**

In March, NIRSA President Patti Bostic and Executive Director Kent Blumenthal presented the United Way of New York City with a check for \$1,384, which represent contributions from NIRSA members and staff to a September 11th fund through the NIRSA Foundation. While there, they learned that during the past six months, the city has been able to move forward, and the United Way hopes to soon move its focus to community needs unrelated to 9/11.

They also learned that two million people around the world generously contributed more than \$456 million. This includes \$116 million collected through the "America: Tribute to Heroes" telethon. To date, the September 11th Fund has provided \$205 million in cash assistance and services to 39,000 individuals in 41 states and 16 countries. This represents the 3,248 surviving families and people who were severely injured; the 32,500 people who lost their jobs because of the attacks; and the 3,000 people who were displaced from



President Patti Bostic and Executive Director Kent Blumenthal present a check to Linda Iglesias and Cate Dolan at the United Way of New York City.

their homes. Funds have also gone toward the recovery effort at Ground Zero and at the Pentagon, and to rebuild communities devastated by the terrorist attacks. The Fund has supported the hundreds of nonprofits and small businesses in their efforts to rebuild the community.

The Fund expects to grant an additional \$250 million to meet future long-term needs. For additional information, visit the United Way of New York City website at: www.uwnyc.org/640/

The NIRSA Foundation, in cooperation with the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association, is dedicated to enhancing the future effectiveness of the recreational sports community and to maximizing that community's impact on society.



# **NIRSA Foundation Scholarships**

The 2002 NIRSA Foundation scholarship winners are listed below.

# 2002 NIRSA Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition Scholarship Recipients

WINNER	SCHOOL	SCHOLARSHIP SPONSOR
Jonah Goobic	James Madison University	William Wasson Scholarship*
Matthew Horst	University of Southern Mississippi	Brunswick Bowling & Billiards
Tom Woodman	Minnesota State University, Mankato	Cybex International
Robert Borden	Ball State University	Mondo USA/Kiefer Specialty
		Flooring, Inc.
Danielle Lewis	Oregon State University	Robbins, Inc.
Jessica Infante	Indiana State University	Sports Imports, Inc.
Bryan Stednitz	University of Southern Mississippi	The Active Network
Allison Bertilrud	Augustana College, Sioux Falls	NIRSA Foundation
Jennifer Windrum	University of Rhode Island	NIRSA Foundation
David Hagedorn	Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville	NIRSA Foundation
Ryan Lahne	Purdue University, West Lafayette	NIRSA Foundation
Grant Gaudette	University of California, Santa Barbara	Region VI So Cal Scramble
Felipe Olvera Jr.	California State University, Sacramento	Region VI So Cal Scramble

<sup>\*</sup>The NIRSA Foundation scholarship winner with the highest GPA is designated as the William Wasson Scholarship recipient, which is funded by the William Wasson Endowment. For information about how to apply for 2003 NIRSA Foundation scholarships, contact Sarah Williams at (541) 766-8211 x25 or foundation@nirsa.org.



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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.

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## New Recreational Sports Journal Editor Selected

In March, the NIRSA Foundation Board of Directors selected Dr. Lynn Jamieson, chair of Recreation and Park Administration at Indiana University, to be the new editor of the Association's scholarly publication, the *Recreational Sports Journal*. Dr. Gary Miller, associate director of Campus Recreation at the University of Illinois (Urbana/Champaign), has skillfully and tirelessly performed this duty for the past 12 years and his current three-year term expired in April. This month, under the support of the NIRSA Foundation, the publication will have a new look along with its new name, *Recreational Sports Journal*.

## **Proposed NIRSA Bylaw Amendments**

NIRSA members may submit proposed changes for NIRSA Bylaws to Phillip Johnson, chair of the Bylaws Committee. Copies of the current bylaws may be downloaded from the NIRSA website, nirsa.org by utilizing the email Autoresponder system (send an email to bylaws1@nirsa.org), or by contacting the NIRSA National Center. Proposed changes should be submitted no later than August 15, to Phillip Johnson, CRSS, Miami University (Oxford), Recreational Sports Center, Oxford, OH 45056. Phone (513) 529-8173 or johnsop2@muohio.edu.

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In the whirlwind of day-to-day operations, there are many stellar moments, although sometimes things fall through the cracks. Often we never know about the great or the not-so-great service you receive unless you tell us. Regardless of the issue, NIRSA's Executive Director wants to hear from you. Call Kent J. Blumenthal directly at (541) 766-8211 x12. If he's not available, please leave a message — he will get back to you!

#### **NIRSA eFAST NEWS**

NIRSA eFAST NEWS remains one of the primary means of communication with

#### calendar of events

#### Make Your Plans Now to Attend

#### April 1-5, 2003

NIRSA Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition: Cleveland, OH

#### March 30-April 3, 2004

NIRSA Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition: Albuquerque, NM

#### 2002

#### June 10-13, 2002

School of Recreational Sports Management, Level II: Tempe, AZ \*CRSS TESTING

#### June 11-13. 2002

Executive Institute: Tempe, AZ \*CRSS TESTING

#### June 19-20, 2002

Board of Director's Summer Meeting: Corvallis. OR

#### September 18-21, 2002

Board of Director's Midyear Meeting: Cleveland, OH

#### October 2-3, 2002

MN/Dakota State Workshop: Location TBA

## October 2-5, 2002

Facilities Symposium: Ann Arbor/Detroit area, MI \*CRSS TESTING

#### October 31-November 2, 2002

Region II Conference: Miami, FL \*CRSS TESTING

#### November 7-8, 2002

IN State Workshop: Evansville, IN \*CRSS TESTING

#### November 21-23, 2002

NIRSA Soccer Sport Club Championships: Bakersfield. CA

#### December 5-7, 2002

Region I Conference: Waterville Valley NH \*CRSS TESTING

#### December 11-12, 2002

**Executive Committee Meeting: TBA** 

#### December 12-14, 2002

NIRSA Marketing Symposium: New Orleans, LA \*CRSS TESTING

#### 2003

#### 2003/TBA

Region III Student Lead-On: IL or IN

#### January/February 2003

NIRSA Fitness Symposium: San Diego, CA \*CRSS TESTING

#### 2003/TBA

Region II Conference: Athens, GA

#### 2003/TBA

Region V Conference: CO or WY

#### April 10-12, 2003

NIRSA Volleyball Sport Club Championships: Columbus, OH

#### June 19-21, 2003

NIRSA Sport Club Symposium: Denver, CO \*CRSS TESTING

#### October 9-11 2003

NIRSA Aquatics Symposium: Minneapolis, MN

\*POTENTIAL CRSS EXAM SITE. To take the CRSS exam, contact the NIRSA National Center Education Department for an application, then return it with the appropriate documentation and fee, a minimum of 30 days prior to the preferred testing date. Upon review, applicants will be notified of their eligibility to take the examination.

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## **Photos Wanted for NIRSA Publications**

If you have any action photos (color, black and white, but not digital) of your recreational sports participants, the NIRSA National Center would like to use them to illustrate the NIRSA Know, Recreational Sports & Fitness magazine, brochures and website. Please send either the originals, on a disc as tiffs only (no jpegs), along with cut lines, photographer attribution, and any needed photo releases to: Editor, NIRSA, 4185 SW Research Way, Corvallis, OR 97333-1067.