

Professional Development Trustee's 2014 Mid-Year Report

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It doesn't seem possible; the start of my third year as the National Association of Activity Professionals' Professional Development Trustee! The 2013 National Conference in St. Louis, Missouri was successful and I am thankful and appreciative to each member of the St. Louis Local Arrangements Committee for his/her service, dedication and true sense of teamwork! Thank you from the bottom of my heart! Our conference was well received by our members and we heard many positive comments and written suggestions/communication for future conferences! Once again, thank you.

One of the true "thinking outside the box" action items I was able to accomplish was the addition of our opening Wednesday Pre-Conference Session with Karen Schoeneman; offering our members a free 4-hour educational session in addition to all the other break-out sessions! Many thanks and kudos goes out to the National Association of Activity Professionals' Credentialing Center for their financial assistance. Without their support, we could not have offered this exceptional educational session to our members. This was truly a prime example of organizational teamwork in action!

As I write this Mid-Year Report, we are most excited and anticipating a great 3rd Annual Education Summit; this year in the beautiful city of Sacramento, California. Michele Nolta, Bonnie Jacobs, and Betsy Best-Martini will all be presenting at this year's Summit; how exciting is this! Our Education Summit conferences have been very successful and it's wonderful to know that our members enjoy attending other educational opportunities offered by NAAP throughout the calendar year.

Along with the planning and delivery of the Education Summit and National Conference, I am actively involved in the following monthly duties and responsibilities as your Professional Development Trustee:

- Board Conference Calls
- Board Emails and other Social Media communication
- Writing articles for the NAAP Newsletter
- Weekly communication with Board Members
- Leading NAAP's Professional Development Committee
- Promoting NAAP at local, state and other national conferences and association meetings
- Securing CEU/CE approval from the National Association of Activity Professionals Credentialing Center and the National Certification Council of Activity Professionals for both the National Conference and Education Summit
- Working closely with Board Members regarding policies and procedures

I look forward to 2015 and our National Conference in Daytona Beach, Florida. Be ready for great learning opportunities and some wonderful fun in the sun!

Respectfully submitted,

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