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APPA Publishes Thought Leaders Report

APPA has published its first Annual Thought Leaders report, *University Facilities Respond to the Changing Landscape of Higher Education*, which stemmed from a summit of educational leaders including university presidents, provosts, trustees, and senior facilities officers. The report includes a list of the current Top Ten Critical Facilities Issues.



The report has been sent to all APPA Institutional representatives and is available in PDF format at www.appa.org. A printed copy may be requested by calling 703-684-1446.

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View of Elon University campus in North Carolina. Elon was one of six universities and colleges to win the prestigious Grand Award in the 2006 PGMS Green Star Awards competition.

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A special spring offering of the Supervisor's Toolkit will be held April 15-19, 2007 in San Jose, California. Registration opens February 1. The Toolkit is a unique program, taught by Master Trainers in human resources and tailored specifically to the education facilities professional. It provides a pragmatic approach to developing supervisors through personal and professional growth. To register, call 703-684-1446 or visit www.appa.org/education for more information.

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PGMS Announces Grand Award Winners

The Professional Grounds Management Society (PGMS) recognized six universities and colleges as Grand Award winners in its 2006 Green Star Awards competition. Four others were named as Honor Award winners.

Grand Award winners in the University and College Grounds category include: Elon University; Pomona College; University of California at Davis; and University of Wisconsin at La Crosse. The University of Tennessee at Martin and Harvey Mudd College received Honor Awards in this category.

Honorees in the Urban University Grounds competition include Grand Award winners San Francisco State University and Xavier University in Cincinnati, as well as Honor Award

winners University of Maryland and University of Southern California.

RecycleMania Continues

Are you part of the mania? RecycleMania is a 10-week competition among university recycling programs in the United States that provides students with a fun, proactive activity in waste reduction. This year's competition will run from January 28, 2007 to April 7, 2007. Last year, participants recycled a record 18.6 million pounds.

For more information, visit www.recyclemaniacs.org.

Nalco Becomes ENERGY STAR® Partner

APPA Business Partner member Nalco Company recently became an ENERGY STAR partner to better help customers maximize energy savings and minimize total cost of operations.

ENERGY STAR is the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) national program for superior energy management. Energy is the single largest operating expense for most of Nalco's industrial and institutional customers, including commercial buildings.


The EPA estimates that by 2010, the savings from energy-efficient investments will reduce annual greenhouse gas emissions in the United States by 2.4 million and save taxpayers more than \$750 million per year.

EPA to Launch Compliance Center for Colleges

The National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO) and the EPA recently agreed to a \$350,000 five-year plan to build a compliance assistance center for colleges and universities. This will enable higher education institutions better understand and

comply with environmental laws. APPA is a participating organization in the center's development.

The center, which will also benefit grade schools, will be the 15th in a network of EPA-supported centers for various economic sectors. Specifically, it will provide tools and information for improving environmental management on campuses. It will also offer a virtual campus tour online that will enable users to quickly and easily target priority issues.

The environmental performance of colleges and universities is profiled in EPA's 2006 *Sector Strategies Performance Report*. The report highlights proactive programs at a number of schools to reduce air emissions, minimize waste, conserve water, and practice green construction. The report is available at: www.epa.gov/sectors/performance.html. 

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