Sign up for the Spring Academy & Toolkit

Register for the Leadership Academy April 15-19, 2007 at the San Jose Fairmont Hotel in San Jose, California. This is your opportunity to explore and discover your leadership potential. You will also increase your awareness of the key issues and gain skills to identify effective solutions.

There is a special offering of the Supervisor’s Toolkit also April 15-19, 2007 in San Jose, California. The Toolkit is a structured, open-ended, and pragmatic approach designed to help supervisors realize both personal and professional growth.

To register for either program, call 703-684-1446 or visit www.appa.org/education for more information.

Smart and Sustainable Campuses Conference

The second Smart and Sustainable Campuses Conference will be April 18-19, 2007 at the University of Maryland College Park. APPA is a partner in hosting the two-day symposium, which will focus on smart growth and sustainable practices that serve the economy, the community, and the environment. Conference partners include: NACUBO, U.S. EPA, AASHE, CSHEMA, C2E2, SCUP, and the University of Maryland College Park. Register at http://www.nacubo.org/x8593.xml.

Final Report Shows Facility Conditions Affect Student Recruitment and Retention

In the most comprehensive study to date, authors David A. Cain and Gary L. Reynolds collected data from more than 16,000 college students from 46 institutions in the U.S. and Canada. They found a distinct, impor-
Financial Book Package at APPA's Bookstore

Need to bolster your professional financial abilities? The APPA Bookstore is offering a financial book package to help hone your skills. Books can be purchased in a package for a discount or ordered individually. The package includes:
- Basics of Budgeting
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Two Campus Housing Resources Available

The APPA Bookstore has the following books available for purchase:

Campus Housing Construction, by Norbert W. Dunkel
An examination of all the stages of constructing new campus housing from initial concept to closing documents. New products, techniques, and processes are highlighted.

Campus Housing Construction and Renovation: An Analysis of Cost and Design, by James C. Grimm and Norbert W. Dunkel
A compilation of design and cost data on 42 projects received from 37 institutions in the U.S. and Canada. The data were collected from 1998-1999. The projects are presented on two categories: renovations and residence hall construction.

Higher Education Institutions Graded on Sustainability

The Sustainable Endowments Institute recently released its College Sustainability Report Card, giving high grades to colleges and universities

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on their environmental efforts. However, many of those same institutions received much lower grades in categories that measure green investment decisions and willingness to share information about how they use their endowment money.

The College Sustainability Report Card graded 100 leading schools based on 26 indicators, from green building initiatives to endowment investment policies, and used an A to F letter grading system to evaluate performance.

The full report, including individual school profiles, is available at www.endowmentinstitute.org/sustainability.

New Graduate Degree in Global Social and Sustainable Enterprise

Colorado State University is enrolling students for its new 18-month master of science in business administration degree in Global Social and Sustainable Enterprise set to begin in August. This program will teach students to use entrepreneurial, sustainable approaches to address great global challenges of poverty, environmental degradation, and poor health. The curriculum requires summer field work in partnership with international companies, non-governmental organizations and microfinance organizations. Students will take traditional master's level courses in marketing, finance, leadership, and entrepreneurship, but all courses have been designed with deeper coverage of cross-cultural issues, nonprofit perspectives, and environmental and social policy implications. For more information, visit www.biz.colostate.edu/ms/gsse.

Department of Energy Partners with Universities for Nuclear Energy Research

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) will award $5.7 million to nine universities for research grants under the Nuclear Energy Research Initiative (NERI).

The grants are designed to strengthen and focus DOE's research for the Generation IV Nuclear Energy Systems Initiative and the Nuclear Hydrogen Initiative.

Selected universities will contribute to the development of advanced nuclear technologies through a variety of projects. Each project's lead university will contribute an additional 20 percent cost share, totaling $7.4 million.

Generation IV Nuclear Energy Initiative recipients include: North Carolina State University and University of Illinois-Urbana. Nuclear Hydrogen Initiative recipients are: University of California- Los Angeles and University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Sustainable Living Roadshow Seeks Campus Hosts

The Sustainable Living Roadshow is a caravan of educators and entertainers who give renewable eco-festivals at college campuses throughout the United States. This fall, the Roadshow is partnering with the Solar Living Institute (the producers of SolFest) to travel cross-country from California to Florida and organizers are seeking campus hosts. The Roadshow includes a fleet of experiential learning villages, featuring workshops, speakers, and entertainment which demonstrate practical solutions to social and environmental issues created by our modern industrial and centralized society. If your campus is interested in hosting the Roadshow, visit www.sustainablivingroadshow.org.

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