2013 ACUI Annual Conference

During spring break, a few student affairs professionals and Student Activities Council executive members attended the 2013 Association of College Unions International (ACUI) Annual Conference in St. Louis, MO. This was a wonderful conference attended by many amazing professionals from across the country and the world. This conference provided a great opportunity to network and learn about college student unions. Like most professional organizations, ACUI has sectioned off the country into regions, and Missouri falls into Region 11. Each year at the annual conference, there is a competition known as “Battle of the Regions”, and for the first time EVER Region 11 won the “Battle of the Regions”. Way to go Tara Benson, member of the Conference Planning Team, Terry Weber, Regional Director for Region 11, and Whitley Denson, graduate assistant in the Office of Student Engagement. Way to represent the state of Missouri and also Missouri State University.

Pictured Right: Terry Weber, Jeremy Schenk, Kelli Farris attending the association Closing Banquet.

Mark your calendars!

Student Affairs Social Time!

Everyone is invited to join Dr. Doman and other student affairs professionals at the Missouri State University Baseball game against instate rival—MIZZOU!

Tickets for faculty/staff are $2.50. We will be meeting behind the 3rd base dugout for a fun evening of America’s greatest past time!

Come out and cheer on the BEARS!!!
Campus Recreation and Foster Recreation Center

Congratulations to Campus Recreation, as they were selected as a 2013 Creative Excellence Award recipient at the NIRSA National Conference for their Website Design (1st) and Comprehensive Brochure (2nd-tie). Both projects were cooperative efforts with Web and New Media and Publications. Additionally, the Foster Recreation Center has been selected as a 2013 Recreation Management Innovative Architectural & Design Award recipient and will be featured in the May 2013 issue of Recreation Management. This is phenomenal news for Campus Recreation, and we look forward to many more recognition opportunities for the staff and building of this stellar department.

Unlimited BearFit Passes – Now Discounted!

Purchase an Unlimited Spring BearFit pass for only $20 beginning April 1 and pick from over 30 classes per week. Classes are taught by amazing student instructors and are always looking for new class participants. The complete schedule can be found at http://www.missouristate.edu/recreation/Fitness/BearFit.htm. Passes are good through May 16.

Youth Swimming Lessons

Summer is right around the corner, and young ones are going to be begging to go to the pool to cool off and splash around. Campus Recreation offers youth swimming lessons at the Foster Recreation Center for children ages 3-12. Our small class sizes mean that your child will get the most out of each class. Lessons are 45 minutes on Friday evenings beginning April 5. The registration deadline is April 3. Fee $55.
“In the discussion of Inclusive Excellence, what does “inclusive” mean? Is it merely a synonym for “diversity”? No, there is a broader meaning. Inclusion implies more than the presence of ethnic and cultural diversity. According to the American Association of Colleges and Universities, inclusion is ‘the active, intentional, and ongoing engagement with diversity—in the curriculum, in the co-curriculum, and in communities.’” - Dr. Gilbert Brown, 2012-2013 Provost Fellow for Public Affairs

The Public Affairs Conference is a highlight on the Missouri State University calendar each year. This year’s conference theme is Inclusive Excellence and the conference will be held the week of April 9-12, 2013 around the university campus. This is a great opportunity to gain professional development with the outstanding speakers that the conference planning team have rounded up for this year.

Plenary speakers set for next week’s conference are Maura Cullen, Diversity Speaker and Trainer; Freeman Hrabowski, President of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County; Charlton McIlwain, Associate Professor of Media, Culture and Communication at New York University; Dennis Reigle, Special Projects Business Advisor at the American Institute of CPAs; Edward St. John, Professor, Department of Educational Leadership and Policy at the University of Michigan. These five speakers bring a great deal of knowledge and expertise in his/her area, and will provide great insight for Public Affairs Conference.

All sessions for the Public Affairs Conference are held in the Plaster Student Union. A schedule of sessions and events can be found on the Public Affairs website. Click Here for a direct link to the website.