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TRiO Advocate

Save The Date



Hyatt Regency
Albuquerque, New Mexico

The annual conference for the Southwest Association of Student Assistance Programs will be **November 7-10, 2010** in beautiful Albuquerque, New

Mexico.

We will be staying at the exquisite Hyatt Regency in the heart of Albuquerque. It is the only four diamond hotel in downtown Albuquerque. It is within easy walking distance to shops and galleries.

The conference will have exciting speakers and workshops for all TRiO Professionals. Please put the date on your calendar and plan to attend. You will be glad you did!

We will also be in need of excellent workshop presenters, so if this is you, please be on the look out for the call for proposals. Registration will be done through c-vent and the site should be ready to go June 1, 2010. Be sure to make this great event. If you have any questions, please call or email Deborah Evers at 405.744.4214 or eversd@okstate.edu

Eddie Anaya



It is with deep regret that we must inform you of the loss of our TRiO Champion, Eddie Anaya.

Eddie died on April 7, 2010, in Lubbock Texas. He was the Executive Director of LEARN Inc. He was surrounded by his family and friends when he went to meet the Lord.

Eddie Anaya, Executive Director of LEARN Inc. and lifelong

community leader, built a career around helping disadvantaged students and adults achieve goals that would better their lives through education. A first generation college student himself, Eddie worked his way through college at South Plains College, where he received an Associate in Applied Science in Mid-Management in 1975. He then transferred to Wayland Baptist University in Plainview, Texas, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Business Management in 1977. Eddie began his service to students at WBU

while working as an Administrative Assistant to the Dean of Admissions and Registrar. In 1979, Eddie began what was to be a 30-year career with LEARN Inc. He first worked as a counselor for Educational Talent Search and worked his way up to Assistant Director in 1985, Project Director in 1987, and in 1988 was named Executive Director of Talent Search and of Educational Opportunity Center in 1991. Under his leadership, both programs have been a voice for the disadvantaged (con't pg 3)

President's Report



Barry Lofton

Dear SWASAPians,

The SWASAP Board of Directors have been very busy sharing and executing strategies and best practices as we continue to be a leader in the advancement of the TRiO community. I would like to express my sincere thanks to the Board for its outstanding work and commitment.

We have been charged with a number of assignments from COE Board Chair, Deborah Northcross. We will certainly meet these challenges as we share the common goal of assisting students as they pursue their dreams.

SWASAP has proven that **TRiO Works** and we will continue to provide

students a pathway toward a postsecondary education.

I'm proud to represent the members of SWASAP and look forward to seeing you in the near future.

Keep doing your great work!

Best Wishes,
Barry Lofton



SWASAP Secretary
Susan Cramp

From the Desk of the SWASAP Secretary...

Greeting SWASAPIANS! I wanted to take this time to welcome all SWASAP Members to the TRiO Advocate. The SWASAP Board is excited and looking forward to the great articles and information published in the TRiO Advocate.

I decided to write an update on the SWASAP Secretary Position in the hope that SWASAP Members will discover the desire to serve our great association and seek an office position. According to Article 7, section 7.1.4 the Secretary shall:

- keep the minutes of the meetings of the members and of the Board.
- give all notices in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law.

be custodian of the Association's records and of the seal of the Association.
perform other duties assigned by the President or the Board.

In preparing for our SWASAP Board Meetings, I send email notifications, the agenda and other pertinent information to the SWASAP Board. I also make hotel accommodations for the SWASAP Board by working closely with the hotel staff. While at the Board meetings, I take the minutes of the general Board Meeting and email committee reports after submitted by the Committee Chairs.

At the beginning of the year, in preparation for our first Board Meeting, I make binders for each Board

Member and include copies of the SWASAP By-Laws, Strategic Plan, and other required handbooks or information submitted by the SWASAP President and other Executive Officers. In October, I develop the end of the year packet to be presented at the SWASAP Business Meeting at the regional conference in November.

Currently, I am the Chair of the Membership Committee and the committee purpose is to increase the enrollment of TRiO Professionals in the SWASAP region. On behalf of the Membership Committee we ask your assistance in this matter. Are all of your TRiO Staff paid SWASAP Members?

I look forward to serving the SWASAP Region and please let me know if you have any questions.

Yours in TRiO,
Susan Cramp

TRiO ADVOCATE

CALLING ALL SWASAP CULINARY CONISSEURS!

Do you have a succulent specialty to share with your fellow SWASAPians?



The SWASAP Publications Committee is now requesting your finest recipes!

Plans are in the works to create and develop a

SWASAP Cookbook

To raise funds at this year's SWASAP Conference in Albuquerque, NM!

...BUT WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOUR HELP!

Please share one of your favorite:

~Appetizers~

~Entrees~

~Side Dishes~

~Special Sauces~

~Desserts~

And make your unique recipe famous!

Please submit all recipes, as well as suggestions and ideas, to Katrina Walley at katrina.walley@clovis.edu.



Goals are
dreams with
deadlines.

~Diana Scharf Hunt

Eddie Anaya

at the local and national levels, enrolling over 47,000 area students and adults into programs of higher education and assisting over 68,000 with the federal student aid process. Eddie also extended his leadership and expertise to new programs by serving as a trainer for the Council of Opportunity in Education's New Talent Search/ EOC Directors Institute. Throughout his administration at LEARN Inc., Eddie was active in numerous civic organizations. In TRiD, he served as president of the Texas Association of Student

Special Services Programs (state), president of the Southwest Association of Student Assistance Programs (regional) and board member on the Council for Opportunity in Education (national). Locally, Eddie was a member of the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), Lubbock Independent School District Partners in Education, Texas Tech University's Chancellors Minority Council, Lubbock Hispanic Chamber, Hispanic Agenda Association, South Plains Tech Prep Board and South Plains Closing the Gaps P-20

Council.

Mr. Anaya was also recognized for his notable achievements in education. He received awards from Outstanding Young Men of America, City of Lubbock Human Relations Commission, Texas Association of Student Special Services Programs, Louisiana Association of Student Assistance Programs, Southwest Association of Student Assistance Programs, Southeastern Association of Educational Opportunity Personnel Programs and

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Lubbock Independent School District Adopt-a-School. In 2008, Eddie was presented the prestigious Walter O. Mason Lifetime Achievement Award by the Texas Association of Student Special Services Programs for his lifetime of public service in the federal TRiD programs. Upon his acceptance, Mr. Anaya stated, "Education is the key to improving individual lives and the community as a whole. LEARN and other TRiD programs offer a hand up, not a handout, and afford students and adults the opportunity to make their dreams of a college education a reality."

AASAP

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The Daily Siftings Herald

Representatives from colleges and universities throughout Arkansas were in Washington recently on behalf of TRiO programs, which help first generation, low-income students receive mentoring and training to help them adjust to college and succeed academically.

The group met with both U.S. Senator Blanche Lincoln and U.S. Representative Mike Ross. They met to discuss

Lincoln's efforts to increase federal funding for TRiO programs to improve education in Arkansas.

"It was a pleasure to meet with TRiO representatives who positively impact the lives of thousands of Arkansans," Lincoln said.

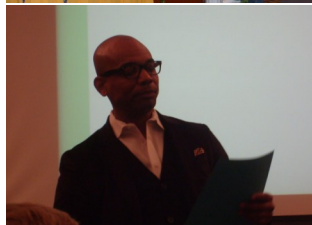
"We certainly have a stake in helping these young men and women reach their full potential, and investments in their personal success will impact not only the well-being of them and their families but their communities as well."



AASAP Leadership Conference

The annual AASAP Leadership Conference was held April 9th at SAU in Magnolia, AR.

The morning started with breakfast, a welcome from Mr. Roger Giles (Vice President for Administration & General Counsel), a pep rally introductory cheer from the SAU cheerleaders, and fabulous motivational speaker, Coach Eric Bozeman. It continued with educational break-out sessions. At lunch Ms. Lucy Jones, former AASAP and SWASAP President, presented a thought-provoking speech. After lunch there was a business meeting. Great job SAU!



2010 SWASAP Scholarship Committee

Members:

**Scott Cady, Kimberly Caruso,
Delicia Ramirez, Juan Rivas,
Cassie Tavorn and
Brina Ford, Chair**

IT'S TIME!

It's that time again! Last year SWASAP was able to provide \$11,500 in scholarships to our students! What a great way to be able to serve and meet the needs of students! The members of the 2010 Scholarship Committee are excited to serve and are looking forward to another successful competition this year

The 2010 SWASAP Scholarship application can be found on the SWASAP website (www.swasaptrio.org) in the News section. Notices have been sent to TRIO listserv and State Presidents to inform you of its opening and posting to the website.

Remember, for your students to be eligible for scholarships you must be a member in good standing of SWASAP! If you have yet to become a member do that today! The membership application can be found on the SWASAP website under the about us tab.

Please read all scholarship documents carefully before passing them on to your students and if you have questions please contact the Scholarship Chair, Brina Ford.

It is an honor for me to serve SWASAP and our students as 2010 SWASAP Scholarship Chair and I look forward to a successful competition. If you have any questions please contact, Brina Ford at: bford@se.edu or 580.745.2883

Please encourage your students to apply! It is a great opportunity to receive additional funds for college! Good luck!

2010 SWASAP Scholarship Committee

Don't miss out on an opportunity for your students !

What is Fair Share?

KEEP TRIO MOVING AND WE ALL BENEFIT!

The Council for Opportunity in Education depends on institutional memberships, subscriptions, and personal contributions as its major source of operating revenue. Fair Share is the sharing of budgetary responsibility needed for the Council for Opportunity in Education to operate based on the relative number of TRIO projects in an area. The Council's Board of Directors votes on the General Administrative Budget (GAB) of the Council. The GAB supports the critical work of the Council not supported by outside grants. The Fair Share is then calculated using the GAB amount.

The Council for Opportunity in Education is offering Institutions and Agencies that memberships will expire between July 1, 2010 and December 31, 2010 a \$400 discount if membership is paid by June 30, 2010. Please visit the COE website for more information at www.coenet.us.



TRiO Day 2010 in Oklahoma

The Oklahoma Division of Student Assistance (ODSA) proudly held TRiO Day 2010 at the Oklahoma State Capitol on February 17, 2010. The theme for this year was “I Am TRiO,” and TRiO was certainly in the house as more than 900 participants from across the state packed the capitol.

ODSA President Mary Meeks got the proceedings underway with a grand welcome as she recognized students from four of Oklahoma’s six original TRiO programs (funded in 1964). The original programs in attendance included the Upward Bound programs of East Central University, Langston University, Southeastern Oklahoma State University, and Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

SWASAP President Barry Lofton served as Master of Ceremonies and introduced each of the dignitaries who spoke in support of TRiO. Secretary of State Susan Savage presented ODSA with the

official Proclamation from Governor Brad Henry, proclaiming this to be National TRiO Day in the state of Oklahoma. Speakers included Lt. Governor Jari Askins, Chancellor Glen Johnson (Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education), Dan Mahoney (Vice President, Oklahoma City Thunder), Senator Kenneth Corn, Senator Jay Paul Gumm, and Representative Todd Thomsen. The 2009 National TRiO Achiever, Representative Anastasia Pittman, was presented with a special plaque to commemorate her service to TRiO programs this past year.

One of the great highlights was listening to three outstanding personal testimonies from TRiO students Devin Newsom (current student at the University of Oklahoma and graduate of the OSU-OKC Educational Talent Search), Nekia Franklin (University of Oklahoma Project Threshold SSS participant), and Taylor Painter (Southeastern Oklahoma State University Student Support Services participant). Each student shared their stories and spoke eloquently about the impact that TRiO programs

have made on their lives. These students perfectly represented everything that is great about TRiO programs.

In addition to everything going on inside the capitol, there were great things happening outside, as well. The ODSA Emerging Leaders class collaborated with the Oklahoma Regional Food Bank for the annual service project. Under the leadership of the ELI members, monetary donations were accepted online and several hundred pounds of food were collected on site as programs arrived at the capitol. Each program was challenged to organize food drives on their respective campuses and schools, and thanks to these efforts it was determined that the goals for the service project were more than met.

All in all, it was evident that TRiO programs are alive and well in the state of Oklahoma as staff and students from across the state united to bring TRiO Day to life once again. In fact, TRiO Day 2010 was one of the leading news stories on Oklahoma City television Channel 9! The link can be accessed from both the SWASAP and COE websites. Thank you to all who made this venture such a success!



TASSSP

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On February 28, 2010, Texas TRiO servants gathered in Fort Worth, Texas at the DFW Marriott Hotel and Golf Club at Champions Circle for the 37th Annual Conference. With the Texas Motor Speedway close by, convention participants were motivated to focus on the conference theme “Keeping TRiO in the Pole Position”. Under the careful planning of Past President, Jeff Kahlden, this conference maintained the focal point of advocacy for the students served by TASSSP members and TRiO personnel across the nation. During the conference, attendees received valuable updates and experienced outstanding keynote speakers SWASAP President, Barry Lofton, provided regional greetings and information to TASSSP members. Gary Patterson, Head Football Coach for Texas Christian University, encouraged staff to serve students with conviction and genuine caring in his keynote speech on March 1, 2010. Brenda Faulkner also gave a lesson in building TRiO pit crews on that day. On Tuesday, March 2, 2010, Dr. Arnold Mitchem along with Kimberly Jones gave participants an fervent charge to focus on the moral imperative of protecting TRiO programs at the local and national level. Participants also attended

empowering professional development sessions. Not only did the 37th annual TASSSP Conference enlighten participants on targeted advocacy for disadvantaged students, it celebrated TRiO Achievers and servants. Four TRiO achievers shared their stories of accomplishment and were honored for their persistence in education. Awards were also bestowed upon TRiO staff for 5, 10, 15, 25 and 30 years of faithful service to disadvantaged learners of all ages. All in attendance were further encouraged to continue to do good works with TRiO students. One of many highlights during this symposium, was the success of the TASSSP Fair Share Individual Contribution 2009-2010 campaign. With the charge lead by then President Elect Keylan Morgan, onsite collection of donations was phenomenal. TASSSP proudly submitted approximately \$1,700.00 to COE on behalf of the membership. The conference activities culminated with the installation of new officers for the executive board on March 3, 2010. There was much celebration of the elections held for the office of

President-Elect in which there were three (3) candidates. The 2010-2011 board members are: President, Keylan Morgan, President Elect – Martin Lopez, Past President-Karen Wilkerson, Secretary-Vicki Coley, Treasurer-Pat Hammit, North Zone Representative-James Spigner and South Zone Representative-Delicia Ramirez. Immediate Past President, Karen Wilkerson charged the new board with continued focused leadership and commended Past President, Jeff Kahlden, for the well planned conference.

Randy "you can call me **TRiD**" Scott

SWASAP Freelance Journalist

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Today is the big day ! A day full of Fools, who likes to have fun one shape or another. That Day is April Fool's Day or as some call it All Fool's Day. A holiday of uncertain history, which is known as the most light hearted day of the year. A holiday related to the turn of the century by many cultures . The English gave April Fool's Day its first widespread celebration during the 18th century. For some cultures as the Roman and the Hindu peoples used April 1 as the beginning of the New Year's Day. Its origins are uncertain. April Fool's Day is observed throughout the Western



world, like sending a new employee on a wild goose chase looking for something that don't exist . Telling a story which isn't true but getting others to believe it , playing pranks on each other etc . Oh by the way ! The French called April 1 , Poisson d'Avril or April Fish Day . Yes it true! The French children would at time tape a picture of a fish on the back of their schoolmates, shouted out loud Posson d'Avril when the prank was discovered. Sound like some of the things we do today to our friends , like put a sign on their back saying kick me in which someone does . They say April Fools Day was brought to the United State in the 1600's by English , Scottish and French settler . It is believed that France influence this day

with the help of King Charles IX which changed the new year from March 25 to January in 1564. They say in Mexico and in Spain too, April Fool's Day is on December 28 which is called the Day of Holy Innocents. It is foolish to lend someone anything , especially money on that day because it doesn't have to be returned. Instead, the borrower sends the lender a box of candies with a note that he or she been fooled. While I'm sitting in this cell , how about sending me a few dollars or a box or two of chocolates .Maybe a letter or two, I love to know what you're thinking ! All I do is exercise my mind and body looking for the end of my time here . Just joking , Happy April Fools Day to You All!
Big Brother In Christ **
Randy

Though no one can go back and make a brand new start, anyone can start from now and make a brand new ending.

~Author Unknown

Teriki's Trivia

1. What happened to golfer Lee Trevino, on 27th June 1975?
2. An array is a group of what kind of animals?
3. In Ohio, by law pets have to carry what?
4. Which Saint said, 'Lord grant me chastity, but not yet'?
5. A bind is a group of what type of fish?
6. What animal is the symbol of long life in Korea?
7. Cheers exterior shots featured a real bar...what was its name?
8. How did Alfred Nobel make his money?
9. Ringo Star narrates which children's TV series?
10. Mary Cathleen Collins became famous as which Hollywood star?

Answers →

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Publications and Technology Committee:

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Brina Ford, Teriki Hicks, Randy Scott,
Katrina Walley and Kris Simpson—Chair

If you have newsworthy items to share with your regional association, please send them!

TRiD Works!

Trivia Answers:
1. Hit by Lightning
2. Hedgehogs
3. Lights on tails at night
4. St. Augustine
5. Salmon
6. Deer
7. Bull & Finch
8. He invented Dynamite
9. Thomas the Tank Engine
10. Bo Derek