

MCPA News

May 2009

Conference Notes – We are a little over four months until our next MCPA Conference at The Ohio State University in Columbus. The conference this year will be held Sunday, October 4th through Wednesday, October 7th. The Blackwell will serve as the host hotel which is located on the Ohio State campus. Entertainment will include a fashionable wine tasting, a Mexican Fiesta, Buca di Beppo, and lunch at the Ohio Stadium with a conference photo on the football field!

Sarah and the entire Ohio State staff are planning some outstanding events including a session on Strategic Planning entitled “Thriving During Tough Times”. This event will require advance sign up so the facilitator can prepare the necessary material. Other conference sessions will focus on construction and graphics of new parking facilities, security, sustainability, and the always popular and informative roundtable discussions.

As an incentive, those that register for the Conference before August 1st will have their name entered for a free Wii game unit. Registration information will be sent out in June. For specific questions, please contact Beth Kelley-Snoke at 614-292-9944 or Kelley-snoke.1@osu.edu.

MCPA Board – Elections for the MCPA Board will be held at the annual conference in October. There will be three general board member openings as well as the vendor position. If you are interested in serving on the MCPA Board, please contact Scott Rhoad at rhoad@ucmo.edu.

Pyramid of Success – The MCPA sponsors an award for professional excellence known as the Pyramid of Success. Buddy Knox will chair the Committee that will be reviewing nominations. You should be receiving in late July a request to submit names for the Committee to consider. Please take time to consider members you believe are deserving of this award.

Other News

- **Tour of University of Denver** – at the IPI Conference in Denver this month, Buddy Knox gave Steve Spradling of Oklahoma State and Eric Rosie and Hugh Kierig of WVU a tour of their parking facilities at DU. They are very impressive. Attached is a recent photo of the parking permit counter that Buddy sent. He has a very cordial and supportive parking staff.



- Congratulations to **Casey Jones** of the University of Colorado for his election as Vice-Chair of the IPI.
- **Larry Keller** Retires. Longtime member of the MCPA, Larry Keller of Wichita State University has retired from his position from at WSU. Larry, who was a MCPA Board member, will be missed by all.
- **Patrick Kass** to Wisconsin – Madison. Patrick Kass, formerly with the University of Arizona, is trading his sunscreen for a snow shovel as he has taken on the position of Director of Transportation Services at the University of Wisconsin – Madison.
- Any other member news or photos that you would like known please email to hugh.kierig@mail.wvu.edu.
- **Future Conferences Sites**
 - Oklahoma State University – October 10-13, 2010 (save the dates)
 - University of Denver – 2011
 - West Virginia University – 2012
 - University of Arkansas – 2013
 - Black Hills State University – 2014