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Welcome 2009!

Welcome to the winter 2009 edition of the ACHE Northeast Regional newsletter. It is offered as a forum to share information from our region to its members regarding local and national events of interest to those involved in continuing and higher education.

We would welcome articles from members of the region as a means to share information on all aspects of continuing and higher education.



Attend the ACHE Northeast Spring Conference

This years ACHE Northeast Regional conference is planned for Friday April 24th, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. It will be held at Onondaga Community College in Syracuse, New York. The topic will be *Administration, Technology and Unlocking the Barriers to Successful Distance Learning*. It will provide Administrators, Continuing Education, Continuing Professional Education staff, Faculty,

and Instructional Designers an opportunity to gain relevant information on how to address the ever widening issues of technology, and meeting the increasing demands of distance learning.

If your institution:

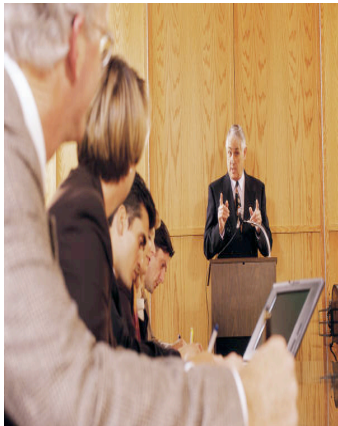
- Offers online instruction
- Is looking to bolster its online offerings
- Is having a difficult

time adapting to new technologies

Or if your institution is looking for innovative ways to:

- Reach nontraditional students and
- Market programs to adult learners

Then you will definitely benefit from attending.



"Bad times have a scientific value. These are occasions a good learner would not miss"
 -Ralph Waldo Emerson-

Regional Conference Presenters

Presenters at this year's ACHE Northeast Region Spring Conference will be: Michael Berta of the University of Phoenix discussing the Administrative challenges of distance learning and Pam Youngs-Maher of Onondaga Community College to address the Academic perspective on distance education.

There will also be a panel of experts for an afternoon Q & A session. Our afternoon panel will consist of: Administrative Lessons Learned featuring John Locke of Keuka College and Charles W. Jeremy Jr., of Cornell University; Faculty Lessons Learned featuring James Antonakos of Broome

Community College and Jim Carey of Onondaga College as well as a panel of students from Elmira College and Onondaga Community College to share first-hand information on both the benefits and shortfalls of distance learning. Keith LaSota of Keuka College will be the luncheon keynote speaker.

2009 National Conference Information

This years ACHE National Conference title is: *Unlocking the Transformative Power of Continuing Education*. The conference will be held from November 15th-

18th at the Sheraton Society Hill in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Some topics covered at this year's

conference will include innovative methods for:

- Reaching nontraditional students and
- Market programs to adult learners



Special Interest Article: Despite Increases in Continuing Education Enrollments Adult Enrollments Continue to Decline

Four year institutions and community colleges are currently experiencing record enrollment increases. Most attribute these increases to tough economic times that have spurred record unemployment, record under-employment and a need for re-training in what some are calling new, "recession-proof" jobs.

Despite the recent need for better trained workers one group that is still in decline in institutions of continuing education is the adult

learner (ages 25-49).

Here are some facts published by the Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy regarding adult attendance in continuing education programs:

- Growth in the New York labor market will be concentrated among high-skilled jobs requiring postsecondary education
- New York State has one of the lowest rates of adult college attendance

in the US. It is ranked 43rd in the nation.

- Adults represented one-third of all New York's undergraduates in 1995, and just over one-fifth in 2005

To view the entire report go to:
http://scaany.org/resources/documents/working_to_learn



Call for Newsletter articles

We would like to invite Regional members to submit articles of interest for inclusion in the next issue of the ACHE NE newsletter. This is a great way for our colleagues to pass on information about

themselves, share information about their educational organizations, programs or community that may be of interest to our ACHE membership.

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