“Courier Briefs”

MCEIA Conference

Make your plans for the upcoming MCEIA Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana November 6-8, 2005.

Information on registration can be found at www.mceia.org

Bob Penkala and Nancy Stupsker are leading the ever important NUTS AND BOLTS OF INTERNSHIPS session. If you have new colleagues in your office, this would be a great way to get them up and running with very usable information.

Early Registration!!
- September 2, 2005
Information:
www.mceia.org

Dianna Cooper-Bolinskey
Associate Director for Experiential Learning

I just want to extend an invitation to join the Midwest Cooperative Education and Internship Association for the annual conference in Indianapolis, IN from November 6 - 8, 2005. Our focus is on development and enhancement of cooperative education and internship practices, both with colleges and employers. We expect about 250 attendees, so it's a large enough group to benefit from the array of practices and differences, but small enough to allow ample time to get to know each other. Check out the registration packet attached for more detail regarding the break out sessions, presenters, social events, and highlights! Hope to see you there!

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A great big Thank You needs to go out to all who planned and executed the fantastic working Annual Meeting in Augusta. A wonderful time was had by all with good food, lively conversation, an insect free bonfire, and a lot of great camaraderie.

Thanks to Rita Bantom, Peg Pierce, Nancy Stupsker, and Diane Grimord who lead the gathering.

MCCE NEWS

Jeanne Mallak - Delta College

Delta right is undergoing a "program review" of its cooperative education program. Rick Kogelman and Jeanne Mallak will have some changes to be made after the year-long study. It would be appreciated if any group in the MCCE has undergone similar situations and would be willing to share experiences, outcomes, etc. Rick said this happened a few years before Jeanne entered our program at Delta. The situation which brought up the review, was Audrey Savage retiring.

Mission and rationale statement are now on Delta’s website and other changes will be on their way.

Tom Demmon reports from Grand Valley University

The most noteworthy thing I can think of is that we linked 100% of our 66 new engineering co-op students with employers. They began their first assignments on May 9 and will complete two more work terms, each with the same company, in a rotation with academic semesters. Our engineering seniors will graduate on August 5 at our Engineering Design Conference, with a keynote speaker (yet to be confirmed), co-op educational session, appreciation luncheon and review of all of the Senior Projects in our Keller Engineering Laboratories Building (KEB). A $16 mil expansion of the KEB is in the planning stages. How's that for news? If you want more details contact me.

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Have a Great Summer!