

I would like to thank everyone who attended the 2011 NATYCAA Convention at the World Center Marriott Resort in beautiful Orlando, Fla., from June 15-17. It was a memorable professional experience highlighted by several outstanding presentations.



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The annual golf outing was held at Hawk's Landing Golf Resort. Special thanks to Ron Case for all his efforts in organizing this event. This year's championship team included several members from the Florida contingent. Some of the other tournament competitors felt they had an unfair advantage of being acclimatized to the heat and humidity. That evening's social was held at the Amway Arena. NATYCAA extends its gratitude to Daktronics for sponsoring this wonderful event.



President John Volek, Sierra College, welcomed everyone to the Convention with this year's theme; Challenge & Opportunity. I had the honor of introducing our keynote speakers, John Toner and Homer Rice, retired athletics directors and NACDA Past Presidents, who spoke on the topic of leadership. Not only were they informative, but provided insight into some history few others in the room were probably aware of. NATYCAA was extremely fortunate to have two of the most visionary and iconic leaders in the history of intercollegiate athletics share their time with them.

They were followed by Stephanie Hazzard and Mark Krug of the NJCAA, Michael MacEachern from SSAD, and Chuck Smith from Tyler Junior College who presented an "Introduction to Social Media." Tom DiCamillo, incoming president of CoSIDA, spoke on the "Value of Sports Information Directors." The morning session concluded with Hal Maxfield, NACDA's attorney, who provided valuable information on the "Legal Implications of Social Media."

The Awards Luncheon highlighted the day. Several individuals and institutions were recognized. A special Hall of Fame induction included Mike Cleary, retiring Executive Director of NACDA. NATYCAA especially wishes to recognize Cleary for all of his contributions and support. We would not be the organization we are today without his leadership and guidance.

During the afternoon session, NATYCAA conducted its annual business meeting and recognized their corporate sponsors for their continued support.

The second day proved to be just as informative. Dr. Bernard Franklin from the NCAA presented the "Value of Intercollegiate Athletics." He was followed by Dr. Dan Kinney, president, Iowa Western CC and Dr. Ron Thomas, president, Dakota CTC, who spoke on "Cost

AWARD WINNERS

NATYCAA Cup

NJCAA Scholarship Division — Iowa Central Community College
 NJCAA Non-Scholarship Division — Gloucester County College
 State Association Division — Mt. San Antonio College

NATYCAA Scholar-Athletes of the Year (sponsored by Summit America Insurance)

Allyn Parrino — Monroe Community College
 Chris Soenksen — Iowa Western Community College

L. William Miller Award

Bob Myers – Solano College

NATYCAA Hall of Fame

Mike Cleary
 Rick Golas
 Jim Harvey
 John Stauff

Containment." The morning session concluded with a panel of athletics administrators who spoke on "How to Reduce Costs Without Reducing Opportunities." Our Convention wrapped up with a session on "Current Issues in Sport Safety," presented by John McFarland and Dr. John Hill.

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The executive committee will be meeting in January to plan the 2012 Convention, which will take place June 24-26 in Dallas, Texas. It looks to be an exciting year as NATYCAA celebrates its 25th anniversary. We hope all two-year college athletics administrators take advantage to join this wonderful professional organization and we look forward to seeing you this coming June in Dallas.

A special thank you to NACDA, and specifically Pat Manak, our national office contact, for all of the support in helping make NATYCAA a first class organization. Check out the NATYCAA website at www.natycaa.com.

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