



May 2007 Conference to be held at Purdue University Calumet

The 10th Annual Indiana Academic Advising Network Drive-In Conference will be held on the campus of Purdue University Calumet in Hammond, IN. The Conference date is Friday, May 11, 2007 and will be at the Calumet Conference Center at the south end of the campus.

The Conference will begin with registration at 8:00 a.m. Alan Welch, Director of the Advising Center in the College of Science at Purdue University, will be this year's guest speaker. The theme for the Conference is "The New Advisor—Emerging Roles." Many advisors no longer have specific, full-time advising rolls. They must recruit, teach, and perform other duties in this cost cutting time.

For those advisors who need hotel/motel information, a list of the motels near the campus will be on the Conference page located on IAAN's website. The motel information is also in this newsletter on page three.

For a map of the PUC campus, please copy the URL below into your Internet Browser. <http://www.calumet.purdue.edu/campusmap.pdf>

IAAN's new website address:

iaan@calumet.purdue.edu

IAAN Mission

The Indiana Academic Advisors Network (IAAN) is a group of professionals from colleges and universities across the state of Indiana. The organization was formed to foster the personal and professional development of its members. The membership of IAAN is comprised of faculty members, administrators, peer advisors and other professionals who are concerned with the advising needs of students.

The goal of the organization is to promote communication among its members. By joining IAAN members will get the opportunity to share ideas, learn about new programs, and meet colleagues with similar professional interests and situations.

IAAN will also provide to its members additional services, such as professional referrals, job placement information and an in-state resource clearinghouse. Because IAAN is a National Academic Advising Network (NACADA) allied organization, members will also be able to obtain links to other professionals, associations, and resources beyond Indiana, extending members' networking and information circle.

Parking for the IAAN Conference is Free

This May's IAAN Conference at Purdue University Calumet will be held at the south end of the campus, just off the 173rd street entrance. The Calumet Campus Center, a building dedicated for conferences, meetings, and weddings, is the last building in the south lot.

Parking is free to all. The only stipulation is that attendees do not park in the designated staff and faculty spaces. These spaces are marked with black and gold signs which state that the space may be used after 4:30 p.m.

Purdue Calumet is easily accessible via I-80/I-94. Exit at Indianapolis Boulevard North. Turn right at the second stoplight, 173rd Street, and then turn right at the University entrance. The Calumet Campus Center is the last building in the lot.

New Discount for Conference fees this year

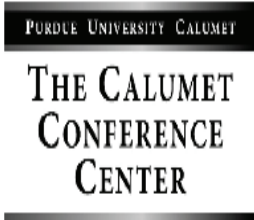
This year's Conference will introduce a discount not offered in previous years. For any institution sending more than five (5) individuals to the Conference, there will be a \$10 discount for the sixth, seventh, and remaining individuals who attend.

In other words, the first five individuals from one institution will pay the \$50 rate, while anyone else attending the Conference from the same institution will have to pay \$40.

This is the first year for that discount. It is designed to encourage institutions to allow more individuals to attend the once a year conference.

Annual Election to be held during Conference Luncheon

Once again, Board positions are coming up for re-election. They will be voted on during the lunch section of the May Conference. Anyone wanting to serve as IAAN Secretary or Regional Representative should contact IAAN President, Kathie Wentworth, at wentworthk@tristate.edu.



Nearby Hotels

Hotels within One – Two Miles:

Courtyard by Marriott	I-80/94 & Kennedy Ave., Hammond	219/845-6350
Fairfield Inn & Suites	I-80/94 & Kennedy Ave., Hammond	219/845-6950
Residence Inn by Marriott	I-80/94 & Kennedy Ave., Hammond	219/844-8440
<i>-- For one-stop service for these hotels, please call 219/228-3066 --</i>		
	<i>Marriott Hotels</i>	<i>1-800-MARRIOTT</i>
Home-Towne Lodge	I-80/94 & Cline Ave., Hammond	219/554-0000
AmeriHost Inn	I-80/94 & Indianapolis Blvd., Hammond	219/845-4678
	<i>AmeriHost Inns</i>	<i>1-800-434-5800</i>
Best Western	I-80/94 & Cline Ave. South, Hammond	219/844-2140
	<i>Best Western</i>	<i>1-800-WESTERN</i>

Hotels within Four Miles:

Hampton Inn & Suites	8936 Calumet Ave., Munster, Indiana	219/836-5555
	<i>Hampton Inn & Suites</i>	<i>1-800-HAMPTON</i>

Hotels within 16 miles:

Radisson Hotel at Star Plaza	I-65 & US 30, Merrillville, Indiana	219/769-6311
	<i>Radisson Hotels</i>	<i>800-333-3333</i>

Casino Hotels Available upon request.

Nearby Restaurants

For those who will be attending the Conference and spending the night, the following restaurants have been tested by a majority of Purdue Calumet employees and found to have some of the best foods in the area.

Giovanni's
603 Ridge Road
Munster, IN

Freddy's Steak House
6442 Kennedy Avenue
Hammond, In

House of Pizza
7008 Indianapolis Blvd
Hammond, IN

Anthony's Café
2936 Highway Av
Highland, IN

There are other restaurants in and around the area. If you are interested in a specific type of food, please contact Cathi Kadow at catkadow@calumet.purdue.edu.