



NY State Newsletter



State Directors Update

Welcome to the 2009-2010 academic year. I hope that everyone had a great summer and has started the year off well. In the following newsletter, you will find information about happenings in New York and Region I. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or information that you have regarding NIRSA, Region I, or New York State.

My goals this year include visiting several of your campuses to meet the staff and see your facilities, providing a workshop in the summer of 2010, and completing three newsletters. As I compile the newsletters, I will be sending e-mails every few months to collect any information you would like to share with the membership.

Thank you for your dedication to NIRSA.

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Members on the Move

Todd Jackson

Jackson, Director of Intramurals at Cornell University, will be leaving Cornell for Carnegie Mellon, where he will serve as the Assistant Director for Athletics, Instructional Programs and Recreation

Karen Rochford

Rochford, who has been interning for almost two years at the University at Buffalo, has been promoted to Assistant Director for Marketing & Sport Clubs.

Syracuse University is currently conducting a national search to add an Assistant Director for their five (soon to be six) campus fitness facilities

From the R1 VP:

First, I would like to take a moment and congratulate Jen on her hard work and dedication to New York State, Region 1, and NIRSA.

I know many of us are facing challenges in this new economy—restrictions in travel, budget cuts, furloughs, and salary reductions. I am interested to hear what is happening on your campus and within your state.; please email or contact me on issues you and your colleagues are experiencing.

As you have seen, the NNC and the NIRSA Board have been releasing some statements for our members. I will keep our region up-to-date on opportunities that may exist to ease some of the financial hardships (Foundation scholarships, contingency awards, etc).

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Student's Section

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Joe is currently working on a contact list of campus student reps; please contact him with your campus student rep.



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Spotlight Member



Hi, my name is Damian Flint, and I am your Region I Student Representative. I am an undergraduate student majoring in Sport Management at The College at Brockport, where I am also a student supervisor for Recreational Services.

I am an Australian native who has a love of sports and outdoor recreational activities. My sporting background includes having played semi-professional Rugby League. I have also worked as a sports supervisor for Royal Caribbean International Cruise Lines, a position that enabled me to gain firsthand experience in the sport and recreation industry.



In my spare time, I enjoy spending time with my wife along with my "Recreational Services Family," who are very much a part of my everyday life.

Long-term goal: Secure a management position at an educational institution in the sport and recreation industry.

Short-term goal: Complete my undergraduate degree and obtain a graduate assistantship.

Favorite food: Spaghetti

Favorite movie: Rudy

Favorite quote: Winner, Winner Chicken Dinner!!

Upcoming Region I Events

Region I Conference in Philadelphia, Pa.

Thursday, Nov. 12th through Saturday, Nov. 14th

For more information on registration, hotel info, presenting, and sponsorship, checkout <http://thepirsa.com/>



NCCS Regional Flag Football Championships

Oct. 23-25, 2009 •Springfield College

Contact: Tom St. John (413) 748-3613 and/or Dave Hall (413)748-3284

Nov. 20-22, 2009 •University of Maryland

Contact Kurt Klier • (301)226-4444



National Recreation Facilities Institute, Presented by Mondo

Oct. 27-30, 2009 • Baltimore, Md.

Contact: Karen Bach • (541) 766-8211



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New Facilities

University at Buffalo



Clark Hall (South Campus) is currently undergoing a Cardio Room makeover. The current room houses 12 cardio machines, and the expansion will offer more machines for student, faculty/staff, and community recreation permit holders. The old cardio room will be turned into a dance studio for the Student Association.

Syracuse University



Syracuse University is currently building a new Residence Hall that will have a 7,000-square-foot fitness center and 2,500-square-foot multi-use dance studio, scheduled to be open in January.

Cortland



Cortland is in the final stages of the Program Study for their new \$51.2 million Student Life Center, with the schematic design phase to begin soon and occupation to be in January 2013. Julian Wright and his staff are very excited about this project, which will be the first

dedicated building for student recreation in the 64-school SUNY System. The facility will have between 120,000 - 130,000 sq. ft. and will include a variety of physical recreation spaces (leisure pool, multi-purpose courts, MAC court, climbing wall, suspended jogging track, fitness facility, outdoor pursuits center, group exercise rooms, spinning room, and racquetball courts), as well as a variety of social spaces (food service, lounge area, and game room).

Brockport



Next year, Brockport is going to be breaking ground on a \$39 million Special Event Recreation Center, scheduled to open summer 2012.

Upcoming NY State Events

Spinning Instructor Certification and Continuing Ed—October

Contact Jen Gudaz at jag245@cornell.edu for more information

AFAA Certifications—Personal Training; Mat Science I and II; Practical Pilates; and Floor, Core, and More for Personal Trainers.

Various dates in October, and November—Checkout AFAA.com, or call Cortland State at (607) 753-4943.

AFAA Certification—Practical Pilates—November 8, 2009

Contact Binghamton University at (607) 777-2958