



**68TH ANNUAL
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It's the time of year to start planning for the 2009 NAIA National Convention! The 68th Annual NAIA National Convention will be held at the Kansas City Marriott Downtown, Kansas City, Missouri, April 17-21, 2009. The NAIA is putting together an outstanding program that will include professional growth workshops, NAIA rules education workshops and the third annual NAIA/NACMA Marketing and Promotions workshop on Friday, April 17.

The 2009 Convention officially begins on Saturday, April 18, with committee meetings, workshops and the first general session. The Gender Equity Committee will start up with its career symposium, taking aim at educating student-athletes interested in pursuing a career in athletics.

Sunday, April 19, will include council meetings, workshops and the opening of the exhibit hall. The NAIA will officially open the convention with the NAIA luncheon as Colleen Hacker, Ph.D., will give the keynote address. Jim Carr, NAIA President and CEO, will deliver the Annual State of the Association Address later that afternoon. Sunday evening, the Heart of America Athletic Conference is sponsoring a reception for all convention attendees at the College Basketball Experience at Sprint Center.

Monday, April 20, brings more workshops and committee meetings and the Convention Caucus. Monday will conclude with the prestigious NAIA Awards Banquet, where the entire convention will recognize and honor individuals (Hall of Fame Inductees, Athletics Director of the Year, etc.) for their accomplishments.

The 2009 Convention will come to a close on Tuesday, April 21, with the 68th Annual Meeting. Be sure to look over the convention schedule in this brochure and online on the NAIA Web site, www.naia.org for more details.

We are offering online registration for both the convention and the hotel. If you have any questions about registering, please contact Kathy Busch at 816.595.8101. We look forward to seeing you in Kansas City!

OFF-SITE EVENT: COLLEGE BASKETBALL EXPERIENCE

WARNING... THIS IS NOT A MUSEUM... YOU MAY SWEAT! The Heart of America Athletic Conference is sponsoring an off-site reception for all NAIA National Convention attendees and their guests at the College Basketball Experience at the Sprint Center on Sunday, April 19. The College Basketball Experience will be open from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. for a reception and tour. All you need to do to attend is check the Heart of America Athletic Conference reception box on the online registration form under special events. For more information on the College Basketball Experience, visit www.collegebasketballexperience.com. There are many interactive exhibits and activities, so dress casual!



REGISTRATION DETAILS

Registration for the 68th Annual NAIA National Convention can be completed online.

Your registration must be received by **March 19, 2009**. Registration is \$295 for attendees and \$50 for attending guests/spouses. Registration fees received after **March 19, 2009**, will be \$320. *Requests for refunds will be considered on the following basis: Requests received through **March 19, 2009**, will be refunded \$270. Requests received **March 19 - April 17, 2009**, will be refunded \$150. After April 17, 2009, no refund requests will be considered.*

Online

Go to the NAIA Web site, www.naia.org, click on the Convention link and click on the link to the registration form provided on the page. After completing the form, click "Submit" to send the form to the national office for processing. You will receive confirmation of your registration via e-mail. You will have the option to pay by check, purchase order or by credit card.

If you have questions, please contact Kathy Busch at 816.595.8101.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

****Hotel reservations can be made online or by phone only****

Online

A link to the Kansas City Marriott Downtown reservation Web site will be on the NAIA Convention page (located at, www.naia.org). **When you arrive at the Kansas City Marriott-Downtown home page, you must enter the code NCVNCVA in the GROUP CODE before reserving your room to receive the NAIA National Convention rate of \$119.** Reservations must be received by **March 19, 2009**, to be assured of housing and convention rates. Secure your room with a credit card. You will receive confirmation from the hotel.

By Phone

If you choose to reserve by phone, call **1-800-228-9290**. Please be sure to mention you are reserving a room with the **NAIA National Convention**. Reservations must be received by **March 19, 2009**, to be assured of housing and convention rates. Secure your room with a credit card. You will receive confirmation from the hotel.

For more information on the convention hotel (Kansas City Marriott Downtown) please see page eight (8).

2009 CONVENTION SCHEDULE

ALL MEETING TIMES AND WORKSHOPS ARE TENTATIVE AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

FRIDAY, APRIL 17

1 p.m. - 4 p.m.	NAIA/NACMA Workshops
4 p.m. - 5 p.m.	NAIA/NACMA Networking Reception

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

8 a.m. - 9 a.m.	Conduct and Ethics Committee
8:30 a.m. - Noon	National Administrative Council
9 a.m. - Noon	NAC Competition Committee
	NAC Awards and Statistics Committee
	NAC Rules and Ratings Committee
	NAC Experience and Enhancement Committee
9 a.m. - 10 a.m.	Eligibility Software Workshop
9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	<i>Champions of Character</i> Integration Committee
9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Basics of Eligibility
10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Council of Presidents Audit Committee
10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Online Reports Workshop
11 a.m. - Noon	NACMA Panel Discussion
11 a.m. - Noon	Constitution and Bylaws Committee
	Online <i>Champions of Character</i> Training
11:15 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.	NAC Executive Committee
11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Hiring and Evaluating for <i>Champions of Character</i>
Noon - 1 p.m.	Convention Freshman Orientation
1 p.m. - 2 p.m.	Guests Welcome Reception
	General Session I: Legislative & Current Issues
1:30 p.m. - 2 p.m.	Gender Equity Committee Career Symposium
	Registration
2 p.m. - 5 p.m.	Council of Presidents Executive Committee
2 p.m. - 6 p.m.	Gender Equity Committee Career Symposium
2 p.m. - 6 p.m.	National Administrative Council
2 p.m. - 3 p.m.	Conference Commissioners Association New
	Commissioner Orientation
	New FAR Workshop
3 p.m. - 4 p.m.	FAR/Registrars Workshop
	Workshop: Video Streaming (presented by Jump TV)
5 p.m. - 6 p.m.	Council of Presidents Orientation
6 p.m. - 7 p.m.	Conference Commissioners Association Business Meeting
6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Women of the NAIA Social
7 p.m. - 8 p.m.	Conference Commissioners Association Reception
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	National Coordinating Committee
	Presidents Reception

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

7:15 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Fellowship Breakfast
8 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Council of Presidents Breakfast
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Council of Presidents
8:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.	Ratings Task Force
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Gender Equity Committee Career Symposium

Sunday, Cont.

9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Committee on Conference Administration
9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	FARA Business Meeting
9:30 a.m. - 11a.m.	Online Reports Workshop
	<i>Champions of Character</i> : Best Practices Panel Discussion
10 a.m. - Noon	Association of Independent Institutions
11 a.m. - Noon	Eligibility Software Workshop
	National Eligibility Committee
12:30 p.m. - 2 p.m.	NAIA Luncheon
2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Council of Presidents
2 p.m. - 3 p.m.	Eligibility Software Workshop
2 p.m. - 4 p.m.	Gender Equity Committee Career Symposium
	Committee on Conduct in Competition
2 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	NAIA Exhibit Hall Open
2:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.	Basics of Eligibility
3 p.m.- 4 p.m.	Online Reports Workshop
4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	General Session II: State of the Association
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Off-site event: College Basketball Experience at the Sprint Center (Hosted by the Heart of America Athletic Conference)

MONDAY, APRIL 20

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Conference Commissioners Breakfast
8 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Presidents Forum
8 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Convention Survey Committee
	Conference/Independent Eligibility Chairs
8 a.m. - 1p.m.	NAIA Exhibit Hall Open
8:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.	Conference Commissioners Workshop
9 a.m. - 10 a.m.	Gender Equity Workshop
10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Council of Faculty Athletics Representatives
	Athletics Directors Association Business Meeting
11:30 a.m. - 1p.m.	Eligibility Case Studies
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	<i>Champions of Character</i> Integration Committee
11:45 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Presidents Luncheon
1 p.m. - 2 p.m.	Conference Commissioners Business Meeting
	Athletics Directors Association Workshop
	<i>Champions of Character</i> Workshop: Program Centers
2 p.m. - 3 p.m.	Conference Commissioners Association Caucus
	Online <i>Champions of Character</i> Training
	Gender Equity Committee
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	American Red Cross: ARC Leadership on Campus Training
3:45 p.m.- 4:45 p.m.	General Session III: Convention Caucus
5 p.m. - 6 p.m.	NAC Caucus
	CFAR Caucus
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	NAIA Awards Banquet

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

8 a.m. - 9 a.m.	Workshop: National Championship Opening Rounds - What We Have Learned
9 a.m. - 10 a.m.	Athletics Directors Association Workshop
10 a.m. -10:45 a.m.	Delegate Registration
11 a.m. -12:30 p.m.	General Session IV: 68th Annual Meeting
12:45 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	National Coordinating Committee

CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Saturday, April 18

2 p.m. - 3 p.m.	Conference Commissioners Association New Member Orientation
6 p.m. - 7 p.m.	Conference Commissioners Association Business Meeting
7 p.m. - 8 p.m.	Conference Commissioners Association Reception

Monday, April 20

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Conference Commissioners Breakfast
8:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.	Conference Commissioners Workshop
1 p.m. - 2 p.m.	Conference Commissioners Association Business Meeting
2 p.m. - 3 p.m.	Conference Commissioners Association Caucus

PRESIDENTS FORUM

8 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Monday, April 20

Topics Include:

- ◆ NAIA-NCAA Discussions
 - ◆ Legal Issues and Risk Management
 - ◆ Role of Athletics in Higher Education
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PROFESSIONAL GROWTH WORKSHOPS

The NAIA National Convention will feature many professional growth workshops. Look for topics and updates on professional growth workshops on www.naia.org

2009 NAIA NATIONAL CONVENTION SPONSORS



The ADA Workshop is sponsored by Career Athletes. Career Athletes is the Official Career Education Provider of the NAIA.



OAI is the sponsor of the NAIA Luncheon and the NAIA-NACMA Marketing and Promotions Workshop. OAI is the Official Signage Provider to the NAIA.



Worth is the sponsor of the "Women of the NAIA" Social and the Fellowship Breakfast. Worth is the Official Softball of the NAIA.



Master's Transportation is the sponsor of the ADA Business Meeting. Master's Transportation is the Official Bus Transportation provider of the NAIA.



The Awards Banquet is sponsored by Mutual of Omaha. They are the Official Catastrophic Athletics Injury Insurance Carrier of the NAIA.



The ADA Workshop is sponsored by Jostens. Jostens is the Official Supplier of Recognition Rings to the NAIA.



The Presidents Luncheon is sponsored by Summit America Insurance Services. Summit America is the Official Athletics Insurance and Risk Management Consultant of the NAIA.

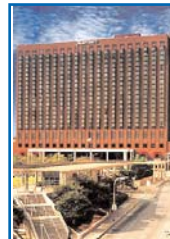


The Conference Commissioners Breakfast is sponsored by GameTapexchange.

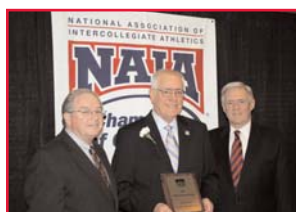
Watch for updates regarding sponsors and professional growth workshops in our monthly e-mails and on the NAIA Web site, www.naia.org.

KANSAS CITY MARRIOTT DOWNTOWN

The headquarters hotel for the 2009 NAIA National Convention, the Kansas City Marriott Downtown, is one of Kansas City's finest. Located in the heart of the city's business, government and theater districts, the stunning Kansas City Marriott Downtown provides a delightful stay for business and leisure travel. This two-tower complex, unique among Kansas City hotels, combines newly restored historic elegance with modern luxury. To see why the Kansas City Marriott Downtown is the most eventful place in Kansas City, guests will just need to walk a few steps from their rooms. This is where they will find the Kansas City Convention Center, the Folly Theatre, the Music Hall, the Lyric Opera and the Power and Light Entertainment District.



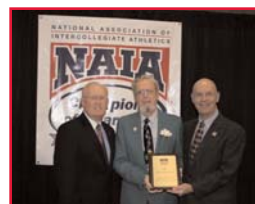
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Winner, Gary Lance
Southern Nazarene University
(Okla.)

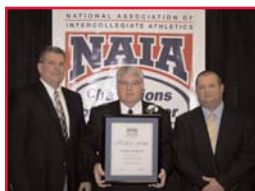


2006-2007 Athletics Director of
the Year, Mike Fratzke
Indiana Wesleyan University



2006-2007 Charles Morris Award
Winner, James Thompson
Tennessee Wesleyan College

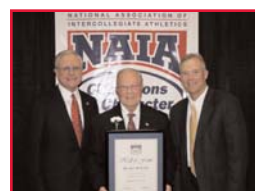
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GROUND TRANSPORTATION

There are several ground travel alternatives for NAIA convention attendees after their arrival at the Kansas City International Airport. Super Shuttle of Kansas City has offered NAIA National Convention attendees a rate of \$17 one way, or \$28 per person for a roundtrip to the Kansas City Marriott Downtown. To take advantage of this service, visit the NAIA National Convention web page and click on the link to Kansas City Super Shuttle arrangements. For those who prefer private transportation, cab fares average between \$40 and \$45; and a newly constructed car rental facility is just a bus ride away from each terminal.