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A Message from the President

by Nancy Rountree



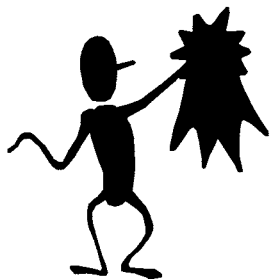
As this semester comes to an end and the holidays quickly approach, there are a few things I would like to share with you.

As you may or may not know, BSUAOP is officially affiliated with both the state and national office professional associations. We also thank Valencia Garrett for spending many hours separating buildings and numbers of people into manageable sizes for our six area representatives to handle. At our next board meeting we will review the reorganization of our campus areas.

We just held our annual Christmas Auction and it was a fabulous success! Lois Santillanes and her committee did a great job getting auction items, silent bid items, and other craft items together to entice our BSU Christmas shoppers. The Christmas Auction was held in November this year for the first time and the comments about the earlier date have been very positive. Mark your calendars for our December luncheon on Tuesday, December 11th.

With the holiday season upon us, take a minute to reflect on family, friends, home, and country. In Oprah Winfrey's "O" magazine for December, she shares the message of hope to bring a measure of inspiration to her readers for this holiday season. These are a couple of quotes I found most thoughtful: "Hope is only the love of life" by Henry Amiel, Swiss writer; and "We must be the change we wish to see in the world" by Mahatma Gandhi. Enjoy the season.





The Professional Standards Program (PSP) Celebrates You!!!

By Rhonda Miracle, PSP Chair

The continuing growth of educational office professionals is essential in our rapidly changing work environment. The National Association of Education Office Professionals (NAEOP) provides the opportunity for recognition to members who enhance their professional competencies through academic programs, conferences, institutes and organizational involvement. The Professional Standards Program (PSP) offers various certificates acknowledging individuals like you who are dedicated to professional and personal advancement.

I know many of you have the education, experience and professional activity requirements needed for one of the nine certificates available. Why not start gathering the needed documentation now to meet either the January 15 or May 15 application deadline? Begin the process today so that you may be celebrated at the NAEOP national conference to be held in Boise in July, 2003. BSUAOP had four members awarded their PSP certificates last year, which was the most ever in one year. Let's make 2001-02 and 2002-03 even better.

Please contact me by phone (4313), email (rmiracle@boisestate.edu), or in person in TS102 to set up an information exchange meeting. I will gladly help guide you through the simple steps needed to complete your application so you can receive the recognition you so richly deserve.

Ways and Means Committee by Valencia Garrett, Chair

The See's candy bars have arrived!

If you would like a box or two to sell in your office, please let me know. Call me at extension 1368 or email me on Groupwise. We have all four flavors available again this year—milk chocolate, milk chocolate with almonds, milk chocolate with toffee nuggets, and dark chocolate with almonds. We sell them for one dollar each.

The revenue we earn from this project helps pay for our President to go to the annual NAEOP conference. At this conference she is our representative and votes on issues that affect the state and local affiliates.

We are looking for ideas to generate revenue. In the past we have sold boxed holiday candy, and Home Interior candles. If you have an idea that you would like to share, please contact me.



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**DECEMBER MONTHLY BSUAOP LUNCHEON**

By Vice President Cindy Bancroft-Stigall



Our last monthly luncheon for 2001 is slated for Tuesday, December 11th. I'd like to personally invite each and every one of our members and co-workers here at Boise State University to attend. We are going to deviate just a bit from the normal format of lunch and a speaker.

The events of the past few months have drawn our attention back to what makes this nation great—THE PEOPLE! With this in mind, our luncheon theme will focus on recognizing the outstanding BSUAOP members who, through hard work and dedication, have obtained their PSP this year. We will recognize members who have earned the BSU Admin Trak award as well.

Along those lines, we are asking that each person bring a canned food item for the Idaho Food Bank. If you wish to participate in an ornament "seek and recover" exchange, bring a wrapped ornament, but don't plan on keeping it! Since this luncheon falls on the heels of the holiday lunch and auction, any items that didn't sell during the auction will be available for purchase during our December lunch...so by all means bring your checkbook or wallet!

'TIS THE SEASON

by Connie Robinson, Area II Rep.

Magic is in the air and in the eyes of little children!

There was also quite a bit of it floating around the Holiday Auction. For those of you who were unable to attend—make sure you mark your calendar for next year's fun. Seeing Kenny in the reindeer antlers was priceless.

During the hustle and bustle of the season—baking pies, making cookies and candy for Santa, shopping, wrapping and delivering presents, decking the halls and caroling—please be good to yourself by scheduling in some personal time to relax. You'll be able to squeal with glee and perhaps see the season for what it is through your inner child's eyes. The magic isn't gone—just sometimes forgotten in the fast pace we live in now.

Wishing you all a mystical and joyous Holiday season!

Reflections from the Pres-Elect

This is the season to pause and reflect over the events of the year. This has truly been a great year for me. I attended my first IAEOP and NAEOP conferences. What a delight! It was a very rewarding experience to network with others around the state and country and get to know our very own BSUAOP members a little better.

Planning Professional Development Day this year was a wonderful learning experience. I am so grateful to my committee and others who have "been there before" for their advice and support. It is always a pleasure for me to serve others in our organization.

John Greenleaf Whittier says it best in his quote, "For somehow, not only at Christmas, but all the long year through, the joy that you give to others, is the joy that comes back to you." And yes, it does! The more you give, the more blessed you are.

Have a joyful Holiday season!

By Gay Barzee, President-Elect

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