It's already time to think about Convention 2010!

Deadlines for proposals and nominations are approaching. Visit http://www.lahperd.org/convention.html for details.

2010 LAHPERD Convention
“Measure Up”
November 3-5, 2010
Crowne Plaza Hotel
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Rachel Andrus, LAHPERD president, has announced that Bill Dickens, professor at Northwestern State University, has been named LAHPERD’s next executive director. Dickens will assume this role May 31, 2010.

Dickens is an experienced LAHPERD member, officer, and advocate. Dickens’ experience led him to hold other offices including SDAHPERD president.

Earlier this year, Helene Afeman, the organization’s current executive director, announced her intent to step down from the post she has held for two years. Upon that announcement, Andrus formed a search committee to find Afeman’s successor.

The search committee, including Andrus and other officers, is confident that Dickens’ commitment to LAHPERD, its mission, and its members will be noticed and well-received by the organization’s members and national affiliates.

Thank you, Helene!

Don’t be dismayed at goodbyes. A farewell is necessary before you can meet again. And meeting again, after moments or lifetime, is certain for those who are friends.

—Richard Bach

Andrus Encourages “Going Tech”

I am very proud to serve as your president! We are the voice in Louisiana to teach our young people how to live a healthy and active lifestyles through physical activity, recreation and dance. We all have a passion...health and happiness through movement! Let’s continue to find ways to spread this passion to everyone.

One way to spread the passion is through technology. We conducted our first webinar meeting March 14. Due to time restraint and budget cuts, LAHPERD found the need to try this, and it was successful. Attendees participated from their homes and offices; one tuned in from Indianapolis! How AWESOME!

A second way to spread the passion is to reach out to the younger generation. The board felt the need to bring LAHPERD to the younger generation in ways that appeal to them. To that end, Christina Villareal has volunteered to maintain a LAHPERD Facebook account. We hope that the older generation decides to get on board once we see how advantageous this new outreach will be.

I am very excited about the Recreational Conference May 13-15 in Baton Rouge, co-hosted by LAHPERD and Southern District. Kathy Hill, Jill Jonas, and Cheryl Northam have worked diligently to make this conference fun, entertaining, and inexpensive to all who attend. Spread the word to your city’s Recreational Director and Mayor that the Conference is open to the public. Form a team of five and plan to sign up for the Amazing Race Friday afternoon.

I am also excited about the appointment of Bill Dickens as our Executive Director. He brings a wealth of knowledge and experience. Helene will be missed, but we all understand that family is priority.

Hope to see you in Baton Rouge!

APPLICATION FOR LAHPERD MEMBERSHIP

Name: 

Last 

First 

Middle Initial 

Address: 

Street or PO Box 

City 

State 

Zip 

Office Phone ( ) 

Home Phone ( ) 

Email: 

A. Membership (Check One)
The $1,000,000 professional educators liability insurance program is mandatory for all teachers in elementary, secondary or college in public, private, parochial schools.

1. $40.00 Student (University attending) ( )
2. $55.00 Professional (Parish/University) ( )
3. $15.00 Student (University attending) ( )
4. $25.00 Professional (Parish/University)
(Teachers not eligible for this category) ( )
5. $30.00 Associate (Agency/library) ( )
6. $5.00 Retired ( )
7. $50.00 Honorary Life ( )
8. $150.00 Three year membership with insurance (Parish/University) ( )

B. Membership Background (Check One)

1. New ( ) 2. Renewal ( )

C. Division Interest (Check One)

1. Health ( ) 2. Physical Education ( ) 3. Recreation ( ) 4. Dance ( ) 5. General ( )

D. MAJOR EMPLOYMENT RESPONSIBILITY

1. Athletic Director ( ) 4. Department Head ( ) 7. Supervisor ( )
2. Athletic Trainer ( ) 5. Intramural Director ( ) 8. Teacher ( )
3. Coach ( ) 6. Allied Health Field ( ) 9. APE ( )

E. EMPLOYMENT LEVEL

1. Elementary school ( ) 4. University ( )
2. Secondary school ( ) 5. State ( )
3. Middle school ( ) 6. Agency (Hospital/YMCA) ( )

F. RESOURCES (Check areas where you desire involvement)

1. Membership ( ) 2. Convention ( )
2. Jump Rope for Heart ( )
4. Advocacy/Leg. Fit. Day ( )
5. Hoops for Heart ( )
6. Other ( )

I was recruited by: 

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c/o Health & Human Performance
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MAY 13-15, 2010
BATON ROUGE, LA
LOD COOK HOTEL & CENTER – LSU CAMPUS
Reservations: 225-383-2665
(Room cost at Lod Cook includes a full breakfast each day)

“ADVENTURES ON THE BAYOU”

NAME: ___________________________
ADDRESS: ___________________________
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City State Zip
EMAIL: ___________________________

Room rates: Standard King and Double ($100); King & Double Suite ($130); Triple ($110/$140); Quad ($120/$150)

T-shirt size: (circle) S M L

REGISTRATION FEE: $75.00
Make Checks Payable to “Gulf South Outdoor Education Conference”

Registration fee includes: Welcome reception, two box lunches & one dinner.
Mail registration to: Kathy Hill, 112 Long Fieldhouse, LSU-Kinesiology, Baton Rouge, LA 70803. Questions: Contact khill@lsu.edu

New V.P.s Excited to Serve

Vice President for Physical Education
I hope everyone is well and enjoying nice weather for outdoor activities!

The opportunity to serve as your new vice president for physical education is exciting. I have taught for 14 years with the majority of my experience in physical education in the Baton Rouge area, but the last four years have been in adapted physical education in East Baton Rouge parish while coaching at University Lab School.

I am excited about our convention that will start with a pre-convention day at Episcopal High School in Baton Rouge on Wednesday, November 3, with Bonnie Hopper as our presenter. If you were able to catch her short presentation at the general session last November, then imagine the excellent “stuff” that we will come away with after a full day plus sessions during convention. Make your plans now to attend the 2010 convention!

Finally, if someone you know is worthy of an award or would be an excellent presenter, or if you have convention topic ideas, please contact me at sgremillion@ebrschools.org.

Thank you for your time!
Susan Gremillion, Vice President for Physical Education

Vice President for Sport and Leisure
I look forward to serving as your sport and leisure vice president. I have taught for 19 years, and, currently, I teach health and P.E. and coach softball at Airline High School. Our division is looking for a vice president-elect and award nominees in all areas. Please contact me at tracey.rambin@bossierschools.org if you are interested in serving or nominating someone.

Tracey Rambin, Vice President for Sport and Leisure

Motivated Members Needed to Step Up

LAHPERD needs dedicated members to fill “elect” leadership positions within the organization. If you have considered becoming more involved, here is your opportunity to step up to the plate. “Elect” officers work together within and across divisions with current V.P.s and chairs. Collaboration is key to success, and no one works alone! If you are interested in joining us as an officer, please notify your division V.P. and Jill Jonas at jonas1134@cox.net.

We are seeking nominations for the following:

V.P.-Elect for Sport and Leisure
Chair-Elect for Athletic Training
Chair-Elect for Coaching Education
Chair-Elect for Community Outdoor Recreation
Chair-Elect for Fitness Leisure/Aquatics
Chair-Elect for Sport Management

V.P.-Elect for Health
Chair-Elect for School Health
Chair-Elect for Health Promotion and Wellness

V.P.-Elect for Dance
Chair-Elect for Dance Education
Chair-Elect for Performance Dance

V.P.-Elect for General
Chair-Elect for Ethnic Minority
Chair-Elect for Exercise Science
Chair-Elect for Future Professionals
Chair-Elect for Higher Education
Chair-Elect for Research

V.P.-Elect for Physical Education
Chair-Elect for Adapted P.E.
Chair-Elect for Elementary P.E.
Chair-Elect for Middle/Secondary P.E.

This is your chance to make a difference! Are you ready?
CONFERENCE AGENDA

Thursday, May 13, 2010
12:00-2:00
Check-in and registration

2:00-3:00
Shoe and Clothing Selection-Jenni Peters
The Edible Garden-Dr. Birgitta Baker and Jr. Master
Gardner Program-LSU Agriculture Center
Birding

3:15-4:15
Smart City Initiatives
The Latest in Outdoor Cooking Ware-Backpacker
of Baton Rouge
Trail guides/Orienteering

4:30-5:30
Exergaming-BREC
Louisiana Outdoor Outreach Program-LOOP
The Latest and Greatest in Camping Equipment-The
Backpacker of Baton Rouge

5:45-7:00
Opening General Session
Introduction of Corporate Sponsors
Welcome: Mayor Kip Holden
Keynote Address: Mark Fenton

7:00-8:00
Welcome Reception

Friday, May 14, 2010
7:30-8:30
Nordic Walking with Mark-Nordic Walking Master
Coach

9:00-11:00
Canoeing-Byron Almquest
Fishing-Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries
Ropes Course

11:15-12:15
Yolo Boarding-Troy Archer
Lunch on the beach

12:30-2:30
Canoeing-Byron Almquest
Fishing-Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries
Ropes Course

3:00-5:00
Canoeing-Byron Almquest
Fishing-Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries
Ropes Course

5:30-6:30
"The Amazing Race" Louisiana style
"Live at Five" Downtown

On your own:
Golf (LSU Golf Course)
Run/Walk the Lakes
Workout (LSU Recreational Center)
Dinner

Saturday, May 15, 2010
7:30-8:30
Joggin'/Walkin' with Jenni-Jenni Peters

9:00-11:00
Geocaching/Walking/Cycling
Archery
Kayaking

11:00-11:30
Check-out

11:30-12:15
Lunch (Boxed lunches served)

12:30-2:30
Geocaching/Walking/Cycling
Archery
Kayaking

2:45-4:45
Geocaching/Walking/Cycling
Archery
Kayaking

5:00
Dinner (Dinner served on-site or "to go")

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"Indianapolis 26"

Special THANKS to the following people who represented Louisiana in presentations, committee
assignments and research at the recent AAHPERD
annual exposition in Indianapolis. If we have missed
someone, we apologize for the oversight.

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