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September 2010

Highlights:

Fall Conference

November 11 & 12, 2010

- Hotel Deadline is Oct. 15
- Registration deadline is Nov. 2

Website is live!

www.kaceweb.net

More info will follow as we finalize the member login!

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President's Message

Dear KACE members,

The summer has come and gone too quickly. With the start of fall semester KACE Committee Chairs have been busy: Megan Boone is finalizing the Website, Amanda Tudor has planned the fall conference and Holly James has emailed all members about the conference, Gladys Johnson has emailed out the nomination forms for KACE Awards, Mary Raider from Eastern Kentucky University has been appointed to the Board as the Long Range Planning Committee Chair taking Brooke Brown's place and she has secured General Butler State Resort Park for the KACE Fall 2011 Conference.

Now it is time for you to get registered for the KACE 2010 Fall Conference. The Brown Hotel is a magnificent hotel with old world charm and character. It is perfect for our conference. I encourage you to make your hotel reservations now to guarantee your room. Reservations must be made by October 15, 2010. Amanda has worked hard on the conference and the sessions look wonderful, and the Thursday evening dinner mystery theatre

should be very entertaining.

I also encourage you to take time to nominate students, employers and colleagues who are deserving of the KACE Awards. Our awards are only given out every other year so it will make it extra special to recognize outstanding students, individuals that have given back to the profession and to the Association, and an employer that has promoted student and career employment and the values of KACE at this fall's conference.

Please consider running for an open Director/Chairperson position on the Board. With our Constitution and Bylaws vote this spring, Directors will be elected at the fall conference based on open Chairperson positions, so we will be voting on the best candidates to fill Chairperson roles. The nomination forms will be emailed out in October so be thinking about who will be good leaders for our association – it might be you!

As this will be my last newsletter article as President of KACE, I want to publicly



thank the Board members and Chairs who served with me this past year: Amanda Tudor, President-Elect; Teresa Elmore, Secretary; Amy Monson, Treasurer; Meredith Austin, Audit Chair; Megan Boone, Website & Communications Chair; Holly James, Membership Chair; Mary Raider, Long Range Planning Chair; Julie Saifullah, Constitution & Bylaws Chair; Rebecca Tinker, Research & Innovations Chair; and Gladys Johnson, Awards & Scholarship Chair. Our Board has been very productive and the volunteer time these Chairs devote to KACE is invaluable and much appreciated. I look forward to serving as Past President as Amanda leads us in 2011.

I look forward to seeing you in November in Louisville!

Donna Brumfield

Don't miss the Fall Conference!

Register today for the Fall Conference! Registration is online at

www.kaceweb.net/fallconference

The conference will be Thursday, November 11 and

Friday, November 12, 2010 at the Brown Hotel in Louisville, KY.

Hotel registration deadline is October 15 so don't delay.

Speakers from Veteran Affairs,

Department of Justice, and Greater Louisville will make for an informative conference.

Roundtable discussions of best practices are always a favorite. We hope to see you there!

A taste of one of our Fall Conferences! Photos from Fall 2009



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Shifting Skill Demands—Transferable Skills

**“email
Lesah@skillscan.com
for a free trial of
SkillScan”**

Submitted by Lesah Beckhusen
Given the shifting demands of the labor market and increased need for knowledge workers, individuals are being forced to change jobs more frequently and often re-tool for a new career. To help clients prepare for this new reality, SkillScan's transferable skills card sort system provides clients with the language for identifying their strongest skills, a framework for connecting their skills to new job functions and a vocabulary for articulating their strengths in the job search. If you are an existing user of SkillScan, use these tips to enhance your counseling skills:

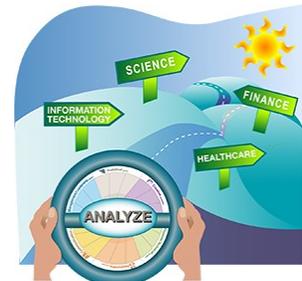
Research project: have students identify their top 3 skill sets and list them in a key word search box on an internet job search site such as monster.com, simply

hired.com, etc. Note the typical job functions that come up using key words/skills.

Brainstorming activity: using the client's top 3-5 skills or top 3 skill sets, have them write up and share examples of how they have used these skills in past activities along with their top 2-3 specific industry interests to see the types of career ideas their peers suggest. Refer to my free Brainstorming Exercise at www.skillscan.com, Learning Center - Resources.

Futures exercise: in a career planning class, have students identify 3 jobs that will be in high demand in the next 3 – 5 years (think Healthcare, Clean Tech, Cloud Computing). For each job, list the transferable skills and knowledge-based skills that will be needed to enter these fields.

If you are unfamiliar with SkillScan, email Lesah@skillscan.com for a **free trial** of SkillScan's newest online assessment, called **Career Driver Online**. This will give you a glimpse of how the print-version works. You may also preview the print-version on 30 day trial. For more information on SkillScan, please check out my website at www.skillscan.com!



You play a key role in steering your clients through the shifting sands of the U.S labor market.

Nominations still open for KACE Awards



Each academic year, KACE members encounter many outstanding students, staff, faculty and organizations that have been instrumental in the success of our programs. KACE would like to provide you an opportunity to nominate some of these outstanding individuals. We offer awards in the following categories: Outstanding

Faculty, Outstanding Student, Outstanding Leadership and Service, Outstanding Organization and Distinguished Service.

The deadline is soon! Your nominations should be returned by October 1, 2010 in order to give the Awards Committee ample time to review the nominations.

Winners will be announced at the Fall Conference on Thursday, November 11 during the Awards Ceremony & Networking Luncheon.

If you have questions or need a nomination form, please feel free to contact Gladys Johnson at 859-622-1298 or at gladys.johnson@eku.edu.

Members On the Move

Keley Smith-Keler, Past-president of KACE, is no longer in the state of Kentucky. Keley began in July as the Director/Coordinator of Project Prosper at Western Iowa Tech Community College. Project Prosper is a collaborative effort to develop community partnerships that strengthen families and help young people avoid substance abuse and behavioral problems. Keley is happy to

be closer to her family. Keley can be reached at keley_smithkeller@witcc.edu. She will be missed as a leader within KACE!

Megan Boone is still involved with KACE but has moved from the University of Kentucky to Morehead State Universities Career Services office.

We'd like to welcome our new members since the last edition of our newsletter.

-Aaron Heflin, Staffing Specialist with LifeSkills

-Melanie Moore, Career Services Director with ITT Technical Institute

-Shirl Short, Director with Northern Kentucky University

Please join us in making them feel welcome!

*Best wishes
to Keley &
Megan!*

Member Spotlight: Shirl Short

Interviewed by Julie Saifullah

Q: How long have you been a member of KACE?

A: I'm a recent member.

Q: Why did you join KACE?

A: I joined because I'd heard that KACE is a great place to network with career development professionals and employers from around the state. It's also a great place for professional development opportunities.

Q: Where is your hometown?

A: Altoona, PA

Q: What is one interesting fact fellow KACE members should know about you?

A: I don't know if they should know this, but I am a certified

hypnotherapist.

Q: What is the strangest thing you ever did?

A: Prior to the showing of a Kodak Mexico travelogue fund raiser that I organized many years ago, I performed the Mexican hat dance with one of the presenters.

Q: How did that go?

A: It went better than you might think. The audience loved it.

Q: What is your favorite candy?

A: Dove dark chocolate

Q: What is the strangest food you ever ate?

A: Haggis

Q: How was it?

A: Well, they told me a wee dram helps it go down.

Q: What do you do for fun?

A: Read

Q: What is your favorite book?

A: Pride and Prejudice is my favorite book

Q: What is your favorite vacation destination?

A: Any place with mountains and lakes

Q: What place would you like to visit?

A: Scotland and Italy -- again

Q: What is your favorite thing about yourself?

A: I'm good at coming up with puns that make people think and laugh.

Q: How did you get your first name?

A: From the ever popular child star of many years ago, I suppose.

Shirl Short is a new KACE Member. Currently working as Director at Northern Kentucky University Career Center. She's a Master Career Counselor with experience at Xavier University and University of Cincinnati.

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Serving the state of Kentucky

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We're on the web
www.kaceweb.net

Our Mission and Purpose

The purpose of this organization is to bring together students, educators, and employers with an interest in (1) the formal integration of a student's academic study with work experience and (2) the student's ultimate career employment.

The specific association objectives are:

1. To enhance understanding of the significance and value of the cooperative plan of education and its relationship to career development and ultimately career employment.
2. To promote the continued development and refinement of the practices and procedures utilized in cooperative education, career development, and career employment through research and the active interchange of ideas, information, and experiences.
3. To encourage the utilization of the cooperative education plan and career development services by students, educators, and employers.

We're always seeking new KACE members!
E-mail potential members to Holly James, KACE Membership Chair at
holly_james@georgetowncollege.edu

Kentucky Career Development Association (KCDA)

Submitted by Jamie Johnson
As a KACE member and current President of the Kentucky Career Development Association (KCDA) 2010-11), I would like to invite you to become part of KCDA. This past Spring and Summer KACE and KCDA co-hosted two successful events together. Many of you are now KCDA members, too. While our focus is on the Career Counseling, we hope everyone who is interested in promoting Career Development in the Commonwealth of Kentucky will join us. We invite anyone who is working in the Career



Development field to join us. We have some exciting events and changes coming this year. Our Fall Member Meeting will be held in Louisville, at the Kentucky Counseling Conference, Oct 21 from 5:00 - 6:00 pm, followed by a Networking Dinner at The Cheesecake Factory. If you plan to also attend the Kentucky Counseling Association

Conference, our KCDA sponsored event, Run for the Majors, will be presented from 4:00 - 5:00 pm. For more information on the KCA Conference to go www.kyca.org.

If you would like more information or to join KCDA, contact Amanda Tudor at amanda.tudor@eku.edu and she can assist you with setting up a membership. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, too. My email is jamie.johnson@uky.edu. We hope to see you in Louisville!