President's Message
(Don Sprowl)

Thank you again, everyone, for a great annual conference this past March. At my first INAIR conference five years ago I was struck by the collegial, welcoming, and helpful spirit of our group. That spirit was evident again this year in your interactions together and I think it is what makes our Association so valuable – institutional research is so multi-faceted that no one can know it all and we all need help with the pieces that others know so well. You all are the reason I keep coming back.

Best Paper. Anyone who presented at the annual conference is eligible to submit a paper for consideration for Best Paper of the 2012 Annual Conference to be awarded at next year’s conference. The paper is a written version of your presentation developed to essentially-publication-ready maturity. The deadline for paper submission has been extended to July 1, 2012. Please e-mail your papers to me.

AIR Forum. For those of you attending the AIR Forum in New Orleans in June, we will have an INAIR Affiliate meeting on Monday, June 4, 5:45 – 6:15 pm in Salon 828. We will have an update of INAIR news and then break up into dinner groups as desired.

Summer Executive Board Meeting. Your Executive Board will meet later this summer to discuss all things relating to INAIR. If you have ideas for ways to improve the Association, ways to improve the annual conference, ways to invest and utilize our resources, or anything else that the Board should work on, please let me know by e-mail.

Thanks all and have a great summer!
Vice President's Message
(Steve Graunke)

Hello everyone,

First of all, I want to thank Don Sprowl, Tanlee Wasson, and everyone involved in planning and facilitating the 2012 INAIR conference! We all appreciate the opportunity to network and learn from one another every year, and last year’s event was certainly one that will be remembered fondly. Individual presentations can now be viewed on our website at http://www.inair.org/page.asp?page=1283.

Planning has already begun for the 2013 INAIR conference. I’ve already spoken to a number of folks who have ideas to share or just want to help in the planning. Don’t worry, I haven’t forgotten you! Expect to hear from me within the next few months about ways you can help. Preliminary plans for the 2013 conference should be announced at the INAIR organization meeting at AIR in June. In the meantime, if you have any ideas for themes, content tracks, or anything else, please feel free to send me an e-mail. I’m always open to great ideas!

Also, don’t forget about the many professional development opportunities available over the summer through AIR. The online Data and Decisions Academy offers a number of self-paced professional development opportunities for members (http://academy.airweb.org/). Of course, there will be plenty of great sessions (including many by INAIR members) at the AIR Forum June 2-6.

Have a great summer, don’t work too hard, and hope to see you in New Orleans!

Steve Graunke
From the Membership Committee
(Lynn Lukins)

The membership committee would like to focus its efforts now on the recruitment of student members, both undergraduate and graduate. To sweeten the deal for these students, we would like to offer to pair them with a mentor who currently works in IR. Are you interested in volunteering to be a mentor? If you are an instructor, would you be willing to talk to your students about INAIR?

As we focus our attention on student members, our social media presence becomes more important. Please “like” our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/IndianaAIR. INAIR also now has a presence on Linked In. To get to this group, please log in to your Linked In account, select “Groups” from the drop down menu to the left of the search box, type in “INAIR” in the search box, and click the “Join Group” button to the right of our organization name.

Please be sure to visit both our Facebook and Linked In pages regularly and join in/start conversations on the pages. The goal is for our sites to be places where IR practitioners regularly visit to share ideas and information and keep up to date with one another.

The membership committee is also looking for new members. Be part of the fun of recruiting new people to our great organization, and showing them just how fun IR can be.

For more details about any of these items, please contact Lynn Lukins at lynn.lukins@harrison.edu.

From the Publications Committee
(Brent Drake)

Thanks to everyone who contributed to this newsletter, please send items of interest each time. I'm completely open to suggestions for content so just send me an email at bmdrake@purdue.edu if there is something you would like to add.

Take a look at everyone's AIR presentations on the last page, support our INAIR members with attendance at their sessions as you can. I look forward to seeing everyone at the affiliate meeting on June 4. See you in New Orleans!

Brent
Job Openings

Information Management Analyst, Office of Institutional Research – Indiana University Purdue University Columbus. For more information see, http://www.inair.org/page.asp?page=1273


Calendar of Events

May 24-25, 2012, Salford Analytics & Data Mining Conference, will be held in San Diego, CA. For more information see: http://www.salforddatamining.com/

June 2-6, 2012, Association for Institutional Research Annual Forum, will be held in New Orleans, LA. For more information see: http://www.airweb.org/EducationAndEvents/AnnualConference/Pages/default.aspx


October 28-30, 2012, Assessment Institute, will be held in Indianapolis, IN. For more information see: http://planning.iupui.edu/institute
INAIR Members presenting at AIR

**Sunday**

**Monday**


Victor Borden, *Predicting Academic Risk and Using the Results Wisely*, 10:15-10:55 AM


Amy Petts & Bill Knight, *Living Learning Communities Help male Students Develop Mature Interpersonal Relationships and Tolerance*, 11:10-11:50 AM

Amber Lambert, Louis Rocconi, Amy Ribera, Angie Miller, & Yiran Dong, *Faculty Lend a Helping Hand to Student Success: Measuring Student-Faculty Interactions*, 12:05-12:45 PM

Debra Winikates, Stephen Thorpe, & Husam Zaman, *Establishing a New Office of Institutional Research: Historical, Foundational, Novice, and International Perspectives*, 1:00-2:00 PM

Brent Drake, *Using Grouped Data to Predict and Compare Academic Success Rates*, 2:15-2:55 PM

Thomas McGuinness, Emily Calderon Galdeano, Lian Niu, Gary Pike, Jennifer Lee, Todd Lundberg, &Jacob Fowles, *A Divergent Path: The Role of Intent in Understanding Student Success*, 3:20-4:00 PM

Victor Borden & Yang Hu, *Graduation Rate Performance, Institutional Rankings, and Performance Funding*, 3:20-4:00 PM

**INAIR Affiliate Meeting**, 5:45-6:15 PM, Salon 828

**Tuesday**

Brent Drake, *an Examination of Factors Impacting Four-Year Graduation Rates at a Large Public Research Institution*, 1:55-2:35 PM

Margaret Dalrymple & Bethany Butson, *Discovering What First-Year International Students Need for a Successful Academic Experience*, 3:30-4:10 PM

Michele Hansen, Daniel Trujillo, Lauren Chism, *The Synergy of and Readiness for High Impact Practices During the First-Year of College*, 4:25-5:05 PM

**Wednesday**
Steven Graunke, *INAIR Best Presentation: Disparate Views of Academic Environments: A Comparison of Faculty Perceptions and Student Reports of Engagement and Learning*, 8:50-9:30 AM

**Poster**
Jessica Ickes, *Assessing Student Growth During Study Abroad*