



Dear Central Florida ASPA Member:

On February 1, 2008 over 130 people attended the 7th Annual Central Florida Community Partners Nonprofit Conference, which our chapter co-sponsored. This year the program offered both an academic and a practitioner tract.

The academic tract offered the following: *A Study of Poverty in Central Florida*, Dr. James Wright; *A Generational Study*, Dr. Charles Dziuban; *Community Return on Investment*, Dr. Eric Scorsone; *Capacity Building*, Dr. Kapucu with students Tolga Arslan, Maria Augustin, Cristina Berrios, Katrina Daniels, Claudine Hawthorne, Bridget Healy, and Valynn Sala-Diakanda.

The practitioner tract offered these presentations: *Strategic Planning and Management: 5 Lessons Nonprofits Must Know*, Dr. Ronnie Korosec; *Impact Your Organization Today: 60 Ideas in 60 Minutes*, Margaret Linnane; *Legislative Landscape*, Kelly Morrell, Fred Kittinger, and Dr. Dan Holsenbeck; *Grant Makers Panel*, Dr. Ann Manley, Mark Brewer, Patty DeYoung, and Jan Stratton.

The keynote speaker at the Nonprofit Conference was Dr. Susan Eagan the Executive Director of the Mandel Center for Nonprofit Organizations. As a national leader in the field, Dr. Eagan provided conference attendees with “*A National Perspective on Nonprofit Management.*”

Our next event is the 2nd *Annual Conference for Public Administration* on **March 28th** from **8::30 AM** to **3:30 PM** at the Fairwinds Alumni Center focusing on “Innovation in Government”. This conference will provide a forum to highlight professional experiences and research in many topic areas. The keynote speaker for the conference is Stephen Goldsmith of the Harvard University Kennedy School of Government. For more information and to register online visit the website: http://www.ce.ucf.edu/pc_course.asp?prog=1012

Also, if you would like to become more informed on events and opportunities our Chapter is working on, we urge you to become a member of our Listserve today. To sign up for our Listserv go to: http://aspaonline.org/mailman/listinfo/centralflorida_aspaonline.org

On behalf of our Board of Directors, I would like to encourage you to attend the 2nd Annual Public Administration Conference on March 28, 2008!

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