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<http://www.naeop.org>

Messages from the Co-Presidents

Dear fellow colleagues/GAEOP members,

Hope you have that great, needed summer break from your busy life of work/service in our GA school systems.

But, once the break then we start up again with children, parents, schedules and I ask that you plan now to include GAEOP on your calendar of events 07-08.

Though we are busy and always going to or from some event, let me ask that you each take time out for yourself in the professional field. May you grow in knowledge and abilities in your work. GAEOP can help you to accomplish this with workshops through our conferences—two a year—spring and summer. Also, take the time to dream, relax of which is also included with each conference. Go with our theme this year and let it be true for you DARE TO DREAM AND MAKE IT A REALITY.

My dream for you is that you learn, profit, enjoy, and make long lasting friendships through GAEOP. The ladies of 1937 that formed our organization felt the need for a state organization to offer opportunities for professional growth and development. It is here, **GAEOP 2007**. Please be an active part of this great organization.

Watch for upcoming info for our super fall conference Oct. 25-27 in Rome, GA. Pencil in these dates on your calendar. You truly will regret it if you miss it.

Thanks,
Paulette Woodard, CEOE
Your GAEOP co president 07-08

Ciao, Hola, Bonjour, Yo and Hello..... to everyone!

I hope you all are ready for a new and exciting year with GAEOP. We have great plans for this year and with your help we can accomplish what we set out to do.

Paulette Woodard and I are “Co-Presidents” this year, something new and different. We felt with everyone’s busy work schedule that having someone to assist with the responsibilities of this office might work quiet well. So far it seems that this can work. But we also need your help and ideas and enthusiasm. “Dare to dream and make it a reality.”

We are planning the fall conference around all of you, and the theme of GAEOP. We know it will be a wonderful! It’s going to be at the Holiday Inn Skytop Conference Center—Rome. Situated atop Rome’s rolling hills, this 200 room hotel offers banquet and meeting space, a full service restaurant, a lounge with nightly entertainment and indoor/outdoor heated pool. The weekend of the conference is: Chiaha Festival, a craft festival of individual artists & craftsmen, in a beautiful park along the banks of the Oostanaula River. We hope to see you all there. Bring your friends and family and enjoy the weekend together!

If you have ideas you wish to be heard please feel free to contact me, bpisano@mcg.edu

And if you would like to help on any of GAEOP’s committees please let us know. We hope to hear from you and see all soon.

Thanks so much,
Barbara Pisano, CEOE
Co-President 07-08

Fall Conference 2007—October 25th—27th—Rome!

The GAEOP Fall 2007 Conference will be held in Rome at the Holiday Inn—Skytop Center October 25th—27th.

An Executive Board Meeting is planned for Thursday Evening, workshops on Friday followed by a banquet and then a guest speaker and business meeting on Saturday.

Please reserve the dates and make plans to join us in the mountains!

Report from the NAEOP 2007 Conference

Dear fellow GAEOP members,

Thanks for allowing me to attend and represent Georgia at the NAEOP conference in Seattle Washington, July 16-21, theme "Capture the Sound of Seattle". I learned even more from the excellent workshops given that expand on professionalism, potential, pride, purpose and laughter – a smile to wear daily on our job meeting and helping the children, parents and staff of our school districts.

Seattle is a beautiful city with The fantastic Washington Educational Office professional's organization attending to the needs of our NAEOP for the week.

As a first timer to a national meeting I was given a royal welcome. Did you know you and I have a big team of dedicated, concerned fellow office professionals across the nation? Indeed we do, NAEOP. Fortunately, just a step on down you will find that same uniqueness with our very own Georgia association-GAEOP. Growth professionally through workshops with great teachers and earning our certification as a better educational office professional awaits one and all in GAEOP and NAEOP.

NAEOP said good-bye to our out going President Gloria Tisdale and her staff then welcomed our new NAEOP president, Linda Sockwell and her staff. There were many great workshops to learn from- THE SOUND OF SUCCESS BEGINS WITH YOU, HOW TO BECOME THE HERO OF YOUR OWN LIFE, DREAMING AND BELIEVING, PERSONAL SAFETY, THE EFFECTIVE OFFICE PARTNERSHIP, BRINGING YOUR BEST TO SCHOOL, PSP QUESTIONS, TAKING CARE OF NO. 1, ARE YOU A FRED, AND NO SECRETARY LEFT BEHIND. There were many exhibits and a great hospitality room open daily to welcome everyone. The business of NAEOP was handled with multi-

mate organization and professionalism. Early daily we had an opportunity for a morning walk together.

Then, I had the awesome, humbling experience to carry our Georgia flag in ceremony at the beginning session.

Our own Southeast area hosted an area breakfast with the outgoing Pam Posey, director presiding and welcome to our incoming director, Melissa Carpenter. Georgia was represented by Mattie Strozier and me.

I was honored to stand for Georgia giving our roll call of two GAEOP members present and 13 honorary members present. To top off this great adventure I proudly again represented Georgia as I received my award certification as a Certified Educational Office Employee and Professional Standards Bachelor Degree, Option II. It is my deep desire that each of you would consider working toward your own certification in GAEOP and NAEOP. You will receive the needed hours for certification from the workshops you attend with your organization, NAEOP and any courses you take and workshops you may attend (with your school district). They do add up with time.

Let us look to the future with the upcoming NAEOP meeting July 7-11, 2008 in Colorado our own Georgia association meeting Oct. 25-27 in Rome, GA and our Southeast area meeting March 28-30, 2008 in the Ozarks, Rogers, AZ.

Thanks again, GAEOP for allowing me to represent you in Seattle!

Paulette Woodard, CEOE, GAEOP co-president 07-08

Membership Update—It's another new year!



The new membership year is upon us. The form to renew your GAEOP membership is shown to the right, please complete the form and mail it in with your dues check.

You can also find the form online at the GAEOP website (<http://www.geocities.com/gaeoponline>) and you can fill it out online (it's a dynamic PDF file...) and send that in.

Either way, please take a few minutes today to fill out and return your membership!

GAEOP needs all it's members to be successful!

Unfortunately, due to them being misplaced somewhere the many boxes of GAEOP things, membership cards were never distributed last year. This year, we will be making new cards for everyone who joins! We are working on a way to get cards for those who were members in 2006-2007.

GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATIONAL OFFICE PROFESSIONALS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Membership Year: July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008

New Membership	\$20.00	Past President's Council (GAEOP)	\$5.00 (in addition to dues)
Renewal Membership	\$20.00	Retired Membership	\$5.00 (annual)
Associate Membership	\$20.00	Life membership	\$300.00 (May be paid in quarterly payments)

Please print or type information! You may fill this form out online (www.geocities.com/gaeoponline/membershipform.pdf) and print it out!

Name: (Mrs., Ms., Miss, Mr., Dr., Rev.) _____
 What do you like to be called? (i.e. "Beth" or "Liz" if your name is "Elizabeth") _____

Are you a member of **NAEOP**? ____ (Please check if Yes)

Do you hold a PSP certificate? If so, what level? _____

Do you hold a GCEOP certificate? ____ (Please check if Yes)

Home Address & Information:

Home Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip(+4): _____
 Telephone: (Home Phone) _____ (Home Fax) _____
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Work Address & Related Information:

School System: _____ County: _____
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 Job Title: _____
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 City: _____ State: _____ Zip (+4): _____
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Which address should GAEOP use to contact you? Home ____ Work ____ (Please provide both above!)

Service Area: (please check one)

☐ Elementary ☐ Middle School ☐ Secondary ☐ Higher Education ☐ State Department
☐ Administration ☐ Vocational ☐ Retired ☐ Other (Specify) _____

How did you hear about GAEOP? _____
 Recruited by: _____

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1. My husband and I divorced over religious differences. He thought he was God and I didn't.
2. I don't suffer from insanity; I enjoy every minute of it.
3. I Work Hard Because Millions On Welfare Depend on Me!
4. Some people are alive only because it's illegal to kill them.
5. I used to have a handle on life, but it broke.
6. Don't take life too seriously; no one gets out alive.
7. You're just jealous because the voices only talk to me.
8. Beauty is in the eye of the beer holder.
9. Earth is the insane asylum for the universe.
10. I'm not a complete idiot -- Some parts are missing.
11. Out of my mind. Back in five minutes.
12. NyQuil, the stuffy, sneezy, why-the-heck-is-the-room-spinning medicine.
13. God must love stupid people; He made so many.
14. The gene pool could use a little chlorine.
15. Consciousness: That annoying time between naps.
16. Ever stop to think, and forget to start again?
17. Being "over the hill" is much better than being under it!
18. Wrinkled Was Not One of the Things I Wanted to Be When I Grew up.
19. Procrastinate Now!
20. I Have a Degree in Liberal Arts; Do You Want Fries With That?
21. A hangover is the wrath of grapes.
22. A journey of a thousand miles begins with a cash advance.
23. Stupidity is not a handicap. Park elsewhere!
24. They call it PMS because Mad Cow Disease was already taken.
25. He who dies with the most toys is nonetheless dead.
26. A picture is worth a thousand words, but it uses up three thousand times the memory.
27. Ham and eggs. A day's work for a chicken, a lifetime commitment for a pig.
28. The trouble with life is there's no background music.
29. The original point and click interface was a Smith and Wesson.
30. I smile because I don't know what the heck is going on.

THIRTY LINES TO MAKE YOU SMILE