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St. Louis, November 3-7, 2010, Hyatt Regency St. Louis at the Arch

Welcome Conference Attendees

The 35th Annual POD Conference has been a huge success—thanks to the excellent planning of the POD committees. Lots of positive feedback from first-time attendees on the openness and sharing from our "seasoned" PODders, but that's what we in POD do—we share, we network, we offer expertise.

POD Conference Conversation on Twitter

For those of you on Twitter, you can follow the conference backchannel conversation. Visit twitter.com and search for "#POD10"

Visit tinyurl.com/pod10twitter to learn how you can get started using Twitter and contribute to the discussions and posting.

Join Us for Breakfast

Just a reminder that lots of great conversation happens over our POD-sponsored breakfasts each morning. It's a chance to meet new PODders, network for new ideas, and discuss sessions already attended. Join us 7:00-8:15 on Sunday in the Grand Ballrooms D & E on 4th floor. See you then!

Lost and Found

If you have lost a personal item (coats, ties, glasses case, etc.), stop by the POD Registration Desk (Coat Room on 4th floor) to inquire about your lost item.



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Start Your Morning with Yoga

Start your morning with Michele DiPietro as he leads the group (beginning levels to more advanced) with yoga practice. 6:00-7:00 a.m. at the Gateway (18th floor), East on Sunday. Bring a mat if you have one, bottle of water if you wish.

Small College Saturday Dinner

Interested in meeting with other people from small colleges for dinner Saturday? Sign up on the table across from the POD registration area so reservations can be made. Dutch treat—you're responsible for the cost of your own meal! Meet at 6:15 p.m. on Saturday in the lobby to go to dinner at Caleco's (about 2 blocks away).

Highlights from the Twitter Backchannel (**#pod10**)

- At the POD 2010 conference. Todd Zakrajsek, Karron Lewis, and Michael Reder are phenomenal speakers! (@OnlineTrnr)
- As of Fall 2007 Natl Ctr for Ed Statistics says 48.7% of faculty were part-time faculty and that is increasing! (@scastriotta)
- I miss not being there at #POD10 with all of you! But LOVE the tweets! Thanks so much for the connection to the conference!!! (@cwehlburg)
- Applying learning principles to fac dev what motivates faculty? Efficiency & focusing on small incremental changes (@bridgetarend)
- Good set of context and content questions before course design. What if these fed into database that provided relevant examples? (@jjulius)

Saturday Night—Reset Clocks/Watches!

Just a gentle reminder that on Saturday evening you need to reset your clock/watches to reflect the time change.

2010 POD "Small Colleges" Sessions

*Starred sessions are specifically focused on faculty development within the small-college context. Lots of sessions this year have been intended for small colleges or the presenters work at small colleges:

*Speed Networking and Speedstorming: Speed Dating Adaptations for Small Colleges, Sal Meyers, Interactive Session, Sterling 6, 3:00-4:15.

The Lively Discussion: Discussion Protocols for **F2F and Online Classes**, Dakin Burkick, Interactive, Grand Ballroom H, 4:30-5:45.

*Starting and Sustaining Faculty Development at Small Colleges (Part 2), Michael Reder, POD Sponsored Session, Mills 3, 4:30-5:45.

Technology, Technology Coordinator, and Faculty Development: Chutes and Ladders,Charles Snare and Susan Hines, Roundtable, Mills 4, 4:30-5:45.

*Using SoTL Faculty Retreats to Increase Research Productivity, Harriette Richard, Linette Fox, Phyllis Dawkins, Grand Ballroom F, 4:30-5:45.

Awards at the POD Awards Banquet

At Friday evening's POD Awards Banquet, the following POD members were honored: **Spirit of POD**—2 awards: Wayne Jacobson

(University of Java) and Lynn Sorenson (Brighe

(University of Iowa) and Lynn Sorenson (Brigham Young University)

POD Innovation Award—Jim Therrell (Central Michigan University)

Menges Award—Kiernan Mathews (Harvard University) and Christy Crutsinger (University of North Texas); and Elizabeth Evans (Concordia University Wisconsin)

Upcoming Conferences

Just a note: Organizational Development Institute, Leading from the Middle: Faculty Development and Organizational Change. January 25-26, 2011. POD in conjunction with AAC&U conference in San Francisco. For more information, go to www.podnetwork.org/conferences.

Just a note: From HERE to the HORIZON, June 15-18, 2011, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. 31t annual STLHE conference. For more information, go to stlhe2011.usask.ca.

POD 36th Annual Conference— Mark Your Calendar

Mark your calendar for the 36th Annual POD Conference, Oct. 26-30, 2011, in Atlanta, GA, at the Hilton Atlanta. Joint POD/HBCU conference.

Round of Applause

Yes, POD did it again! The organization put together yet another fantastic POD conference. A huge round of applause (and thanks) to the conference team and the rest of the group: Peter Felten, POD President 2010-2011 Shaun Longstreet, Conference Co-Chair Suzanne Tapp, Conference Co-Chair Michael Palmer, Program Co-Chair Martin Springborg, Program Co-Chair Hoag Holmgren, POD Executive Director All the Volunteers at the Registration Desk All the POD Presenters All the Vendors All the Hyatt staff All the others who helped out but might not be included in the above listing. We couldn't have done it without you!

Have a Safe Return

Have a safe return home, back to where you can put to practice all the great things you heard about and learned at this year's POD conference.