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NORTHEAST COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES SECURITY ASSOCIATION

"AMERICA'S OLDEST CAMPUS LAW ENFORCEMENT ORGANIZATION"

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A Letter from our President:

Colleagues,

It's hard to believe the year is almost over and commencements are on the horizon once again!! As I talk with fellow directors and chiefs at other institutions, some of us have had somewhat of a peaceful year and others have been quite busy. Top on the discussion list is that word we would love to forget but are all forced to have in our vocabulary....BUDGETS. It has been challenging for all of us over the past few years to make ends meet and do more with less. I know from working with budgets that one of the first areas we tend to cut from is our Professional Development lines. Why? Because it's the easiest place to find extra funds.

As we get closer to the annual NECUSA conference, scheduled for June 25th – 28th in Princeton, NJ, the Board of Directors is seeing the challenges this has caused first-hand. The registrations for the conference are coming in at a turtle's pace. The Board has spent hours working through ways to enhance conference attendance; i.e. allowing non-NECUSA members to attend the conference at a reduced rate, allowing current members to split the conference registration fee into two separate budget years, etc. but still to no avail. The Board feels we have put together a well-rounded annual conference and we know it will be both educational as well as enjoyable for all.

In order for us to more accurately prepare from a food and logistics perspective, we are asking you to take a look at the agenda (www.necusa.org) and consider registering for this conference as soon as possible. The hotel has been very gracious and agreed to extend the deadline of reserving rooms to May 31st. The Board of Directors does not want to face the decision of having to cancel the conference; however, if registration does not increase significantly by May 15th, we could be forced to make this challenging decision.

Please peruse the website and if you have any questions, feel free to reach out to any of the board members. We thank you for your consideration and hope to see you in June.

Respectfully submitted, Cindy Burger- NECUSA President

NECUSA 64th Annual Conference is fast approaching !!!!!

PRINCETON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY JUNE 25-28 2017

www.necusa.org/necusa-conference-information/64th-annual-necusa-conference-2017/

Colleagues, I once again want to stress upon you the importance of NECUSA and the value I see in making "the oldest campus security organization in the country" one of the organizations you join and support via conference attendance:

- A Board committed to the success of NECUSA members
- Expanded professional development training opportunities for administrators and line officers
- New website
- Partnership with D. Stafford & Associates and NACCOP
- Cost effective Professional Development opportunities
- Peer Review opportunities
- Membership includes entire department, not just Director
- Better exposure to (not from) vendors (sustaining members)
- Private members-only (institutional) feature to website
- Deeply discounted Title IX, VAWA, Clery opportunities via D. Stafford & Assoc./NACCOP
- Revamped, training intensive/focused conference
- Networking and collaboration with regional colleges and universities
- A family atmosphere, as opposed to an impersonal "number"

I hope this is enough to remind you of what a great organization NECUSA is, and the value of being part of a regional organization made of up colleges and universities who are more likely to be experiencing the same issues you are, and therefore will be of the most value in sharing solutions to issues you are experiencing. Thank you for taking the time to read this, and I hope you all have a peaceful end to your respective semesters.— Chris Lloyd, Secretary