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Happy Saint Patrick's Day SRAPPA!

I hope all of you are having a wonderful day! As I've mentioned before, the groundbreaking, first-ever Tri-APPA (APPA, SRAPPA & TNAPPA) takes place July 12-14 in Nashville. A driving factor in why your SRAPPA Board agreed to this extravaganza was the unique opportunity for as many of our members who normally attend the regional meetings to experience an International APPA event in the heart of the Southeast. We worked hard with APPA staff to meet that goal, and this event will be one to remember!

I'm pleased to announce the SRAPPA member rate for Nashville 2016 is just **\$600!** At this great rate, we want to see multiple members from each school, engaging not just with our regional folks but those from around the world. As always, the educational opportunities at an APPA event are first rate, and networking opportunities are phenomenal. If you know of institutions who aren't APPA/SRAPPA members, tell them to join and get a great rate to the premier educational facilities event of the year!

Speaking of the Hall of Resources, we've also acquired a great deal for those Business Partners who exhibit at SRAPPAs but not APPAs. **Until April 30th**, a basic exhibition booth will cost just **\$2,500** for SRAPPA members and \$5,000 for non-members. Express to our non-member firms that with a basic Business Partner membership of \$1,500, they will get this fabulous member deal and price!

Don't forget about the great SRAPPA Credentialing effort, with EFPs costing just \$450 (\$1100 value) and CEFPs for \$550 (normally \$1300) for 2016 and 2017. This package includes the online prep course and test, plus another test attempt within 30 days. PLUS, SRAPPA provides a refund of \$100 & \$150 for EFPs/CEFPs respectively once the test is passed. Let's get going so we can drive APPA professionalism!

I'd also like to welcome VAPPA as a fully chartered state chapter of APPA. They completed the process at their state meeting the first week of March. Hopefully SCAPPA will complete the charter process in the future, and Kentucky is working to start a chapter. Here are the remaining 2016 state conferences:

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| ○ WVAPPA | April 10- 11 | Flatwoods, WV |
| ○ FLAPPA | April 13-15 | Valencia College |
| ○ NCAPPA | May 18-20 | UNC Wilmington |
| ○ GAPPA | May 28- June 1 | Jekyll Island Georgia |
| ○ TNAPPA | July 12-14 | Tri-APPA, Nashville |

I encourage all of you to participate at your state meetings and to engage your local K-12 systems, community colleges, and others, to join you and illustrate the benefits of our various APPA organizations.

May each of you have a great Spring Break and a joyous Easter season. Make your Nashville plans now!

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