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CONFERENCE 2002 WRAP UP

Thank You!

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- ◆ **CareerOffice.net**
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Fall 2002 to all members!! I hope that everyone enjoyed their summer, especially their time at our 2002 Annual Conference in Naples. This year's theme was "Taking it to the Next Level" and I want to thank all the Conference Committee Members who did that very thing! This year's conference included dynamic speakers, insightful breakouts, a Coaching Skills Training Track, Annual Business Meeting, Association Awards, and of course wonderful food and networking events like a sunset cruise and formal dinner/dance. I hope everyone who was unable to join us this year will mark down June 18th-20th, 2003 on their calendar, we will be hosting our 2003 Annual Conference at the beautiful Adam's Mark Hotel by the river in Jacksonville.

Your Board of Directors held their Fall 2002 Meeting on August 18th and 19th at our Jacksonville hotel site. The topics discussed ranged from Conference 2003 planning to setting Association goals for the coming year. I would like to encourage you to contact any board member with any comments or suggestions regarding our association. Your Board has set a goal to "add value" to your membership and we want your feedback and input to make this happen.

Finally, I would like to thank you for the privilege and opportunity to serve as your President for the second year. I am very honored to represent this great association and will continue to focus on accomplishing the mission of "Keeping Florida First!" Please feel free to contact me at jthornburg@officedepot.com.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Thornburg



BROWNLEE AWARD RECIPIENT 2002

MYRNA HOOVER



The John T. Brownlee Award is the highest honor given by FCPA. It is given to the member who best exemplifies the leadership qualities of John T. Brownlee, whose high standards were practiced in both his professional and personal life.

Myrna Hoover, Associate Director of Career Placement at Florida State University is the 2002 award winner! FSU

Career Center Director Jeff Garis presented Myrna with the award at the Annual FCPA Business Meeting in Naples. Myrna is a Lifetime member of FCPA and has been involved in the organization for 15 years. Myrna has been involved with various conference committees from evaluations to registration and has served on the Board of Directors as Newsletter Editor, Secretary, Vice President, President and Past President.

One member who nominated Myrna said, "I first met her when I was a student at FSU. She was my first exposure to Career Services and she was awesome. Myrna helped me navigate the on-campus process from my career services orientation to celebrating my job offers! I have had the pleasure of working with her as a partner for the past 12 years. She has been a mentor to me and has helped me develop my leadership skills through FCPA involvement."

Please join us in congratulating Myrna on this well-deserved honor.

FCPA'S NEW WEB SITE MAKES ITS DEBUT

Be sure to check out the new and improved FCPA web site (www.fl-cpa.org) for up to date information on association-sponsored programs, news, award deadlines and membership information. Some of the helpful tools available to members include a searchable membership database, list serve, conference registration, photo gallery and electronic new membership registration.

Do you have an idea on how to improve the web site? Please forward any web site related ideas, updates, questions or corrections to Raymond Rogers at rrogers@rollins.edu.





Congratulations

- ◆ Co-Operative Education Student of the Year – **Harpreet Kathuria** (Florida Institute of Technology)
- ◆ Four-Year Experiential Education Student of the Year – **Melissa Sullivan** (University of Florida)
- ◆ Two-Year Experiential Education Student of the Year – **Tina Mehalic** (Valencia Community College)
- ◆ John T. Brownlee Award Winner – **Myrna Hoover** (Florida State University)

For additional photos from the 2002 Conference, go to the [Photo Gallery](#) page of the FCPA web site.

Another Thank You

Thank you to the following employees, companies and FCPA members for contributing so generously through door prize donations for the 2002 Conference.

- ◆ Daytona Beach Community College
- ◆ Enterprise Rent-A-Car
- ◆ Federal Bureau of Investigations
- ◆ Florida Atlantic University
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EXHIBITORS SHOWCASE AT FCPA 2002

FCPA would like to thank exhibitors who participated in the 2002 conference: CareerOffice.net; College Central Network; eCampusRecruiter; and MonsterTRAK. The exhibit area at the conference this year was in a very visible location, and there were a number of times built in to the schedule for attendees to meet the exhibitors and learn about their services. New to the conference this year was an exhibitor showcase, where the exhibitors were able to conduct presentations and demonstrations for conference participants. The showcase seemed to be a hit, so FCPA looks forward to continuing that tradition in the future. FCPA would like to say a special thank you to MonsterTRAK for sponsoring the Exhibitor Break. If FCPA members have contacts they would like invited as exhibitors to next years conferece, please let me know!

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