FROM THE PRESIDENT:

If working hard but having fun is the prescription for immunity to the passing of time, then that's been my "medicine" this past year! I can't believe this year has passed so quickly. Where did all those days and hours go?

I know that I spent a considerable amount of time enjoying the successes of PACRAO's two summer seminars. Each seminar was designed to meet the needs of local-area staff in Flagstaff, Arizona, and in Santa Barbara, California. The seminar evaluations speak for themselves: they proclaimed success and asked for more of these programs.

Presently, your PACRAO Board is planning two more seminars for 1991. Our hoped-for site for March 1991 is Vancouver, British Columbia! PACRAOans from British Columbia, Washington, and Idaho would help sponsor the event. The March date is being considered because it coincides with an annual workshop for British Columbia registrars. The second site remains unnamed, but it is likely to be in Northern California in mid-summer. There will be more on these seminars in upcoming issues of the PACRAO News.

By now you should have received your outstanding 1990 PACRAO Conference packet. I am certain that you share my enthusiasm for the opportunity to meet together November 4-7, in Portland. Bob Tufts, conference chairperson, and Irma Rodriguez, program chairperson, have put together an excellent program guaranteed to provide a full range of high-quality professional activities. I look forward to seeing you in Portland, in November. Airfares were never lower!

PACRAO members are encouraged to bring spouses, children and friends to Portland. The City of Roses is a terrific place to visit. Mt. St. Helens, Mt. Hood, the Columbia Gorge, the beautiful Oregon Coast, the Japanese Gardens, and the Pittock Mansion are popular sites worth a visit. Downtown includes historic Pioneer Square, Chinatown, and Old Town and provides upscale shopping, wonderful bookstores (one takes up an entire city block), and great restaurants. Come to Portland prepared to be both challenged and delighted!

Deserving only praise for their untiring efforts are the Portland 1990 Conference Local Arrangements Committee! Their devotion to PACRAO is matched only by their pride in bringing us the best of the Northwest.

PORTLAND PUTS ON THE FINISHING TOUCHES:

Final preparations are well underway for the 64th Annual PACRAO Conference at the Hilton Hotel in downtown Portland! November 4-7 should be marked on your calendar; registration and program materials should have reached you in late August. If you did not receive material, call Marilyn Kennedy at Mt. Hood Community College (503) 667-7368 for registration information.

In Sunday's Opening Session, our keynote speaker, Margaret Carter, will challenge us with provocative thoughts on higher education. The innovative General Session will bring to the membership Kia-how-ya (greetings) and a discussion of the history and future of Native Americans. Bob Tufts and the hard-working Local Arrangements Committee are putting the final touches on hospitality, tours, exhibits, special events and more!
REMEMBERING MEMBERSHIP:

PACRAO has exceeded its membership goal. Thirty-eight new member institutions and individuals have joined us since March! Already a vibrant association, PACRAO can look toward even greater conferences, seminars, ideas and networks. We welcome:

- Northern Alberta Institute of Technology, Alberta
- Southern Alberta Institute of Technology, Alberta
- Royal Alexandra Hospital School of Nursing, Alberta
- Alaska Junior College, AK
- Lamont Junior College, AZ
- American Institute, AZ
- Western Penticton Bible College, BC
- British Columbia Institute of Technology, BC
- Saddleback Community College, CA
- Chaffey Community College, CA
- University of Judaism, CA
- Antioch University of Southern California, CA
- Sacramento City College, CA
- Art Institute of Southern California, CA
- Southern California Institute of Architecture, CA
- University of Southern California, CA
- Pacific Lutheran University, WA
- San Diego State University, CA
- University of California, Los Angeles, CA
- San Francisco State University, CA
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas, NV
- University of Hawaii, Honolulu, HI
- University of Hawaii at Manoa, HI
- Hawaii Pacific College, HI
- Warner Pacific College, OR
- North Slope Higher Education Center, AK
- Olds College, Alberta
- St. John's Seminary, CA
- Pacific Graduate School of Psychology, CA
- San Francisco Theological Seminary, CA
- DeVry Institute of Technology - City of Industry, CA
- American Film Institute, CA
- West Valley College, CA
- Coleman College, CA
- Leland College, HI
- Kaplan University, CA
- Northern Nevada Community College, NV
- Eikko, NV
- Columbia Basin Community College, WA
- Phillips Junior College, WA
- College Chico, WA
- Big Bend Community College, WA
- Renton Vocational-Technical Institute, WA

Quick Analysis: For those schools for which descriptive data were available, we paint this broad picture of our membership:

- Half of our member schools have enrollments below 4000.
- One tenth of our member schools have enrollments above 18,000.
- About 35% of our member schools are private.
- Two-year institutions comprise 50% of our membership.

As of August 24, 1990, PACRAO has 370 members. We are still waiting for about 30 late dues payers, and we know there are some more non-members just on the verge of applying. We’ll keep you, our faithful readers, posted.

SUCCESS SEMINAR
AT THE BEACH:

The PACRAO Summer Success Seminar played to a full house July 24-25 in Santa Barbara! There were 10 sessions that captured the interest of 89 registered participants. Some of the comments received on evaluation forms are worthy of reprinting!

"The presenters were so outstanding that I felt cheated to get only an hour with each of them."
"I was unable to do all the (campus) staff could not have had the opportunity."
"Perfect. Every word was helpful."
"Each one hour session should have been 12 hours!"
"I will implement every single thing I learned."
"This confirmed that what I'm doing is right!"
"I need this. Now I don't feel so crazy! "Do it again!"

AACRAO IN PARADISE:

What could be a more appropriate setting for AACRAO's Annual Meeting than beautiful Hawaii? AACRAOans will gather in paradise next year at the luxurious Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel from April 14th to the 19th to rub elbows with each other, exchange ideas, and discover the latest professional developments in stimulating, action-packed sessions. The special event will be an authentic Hawaiian luau at the exclusive Paradise Cove Park, where attendees will be greeted with fragrant flower leis, dine on a sumptuous buffet of local dishes, and enjoy a spectacular Polynesian Extravaganza show.

For those who need remedies and relief from office burn-out, there will be a variety of therapeutic activities to choose from, like frolicking in the pristine waters of the Pacific Ocean, lounging on white sandy beaches, cruising on a catamaran at sunset, shopping for island specialties, or just sipping Mai Tais and enjoying the view of Diamond Head from the lanai of an ocean view room. The choices are endless.

AACRAOans would want to make every effort to attend a meeting in its own neighborhood, particularly at the site that has been arranged by Travel Planners Inc. (TPI), the official conference travel agency. TPI fares are GUARANTEED for 1991, at rates that are LOWER than 1990 public fares. For example, a roundtrip from Los Angeles or San Francisco for travel on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday, is a low $368 through TPI, while the comparable 1990 public fare is $442. TPI is also offering a variety of tours, including one day tours to the neighbor islands of Maui, Kauai, or Hawaii. Longer pre- and post-conference tours may also be arranged through TPI.

In short, the next AACRAO meeting is one that AACRAOans cannot afford to miss. Mark your calendars today. Make your reservations tomorrow. Paradise is in your future.

AACRAO RECOGNITION AWARDS:

February 1 is the deadline to file your application with AACRAO in order to nominate your AACRAO Hawaii session for special recognition. Guidelines and eligibility requirements are available from AACRAO:

Awards of Recognition
Professional Development Committee
AACRAO
One Dupont Circle, N.W.
Suite 330
Washington, DC 20036-1171
(202) 293-9161

We hope PACRAO members will come forward to claim recognition for their wonderful contributions to the Hawaii program!
The balloting for positions on the 1990-91 PACRAO Nominations and Elections Committee has been concluded. The committee will meet following the annual conference in Portland in November to nominate a slate of officers and a slate of N&E candidates for the 1991-92 year. I am pleased to announce that the 1990-91 committee will be made up of the following members:

Matt Telin, University of Idaho, Chair
John Smith, Seattle Central Community College, Chair-Elect
Fred Rosmanitz, University of Calgary
Rose St. Onge, Loyola Marymount University
Roger Swanson, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo
Jesse Welch, Oregon Institute of Technology
Deanna Wong, San Francisco State University

The alternates are Irma Rodriguez, Fullerton College, and Mary Lou Bayless, Glendale Community College.

I would like to thank the members of the 1989-90 Nominations and Elections Committee for their efforts in developing an N&E slate for your consideration. The PACRAO members serving with me on the 1989-90 committee were Matt Telin (Chair-Elect), Ann Blackburn, Char Yamada, Jeff Tanner, Robert Tufts and Chuck Fields.

I would also like to thank the members who returned ballots for this election. I hope all PACRAO members will help next year's committee by nominating colleagues for officer positions or for the 1991-92 Nominations and Elections Committee.

Nancy C. Sprotte, Chair
1989 N&E Committee

July 5 - 6 marked the dates of the PACRAO Summer Seminar 1990 at Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, Arizona. Forty five attendees from institutions in Idaho, California, Arizona and Nevada indicated great satisfaction with the program, presentations and facilities. Christine Wilkinson and Roger Swanson were at their best as conference presenters at this very successful seminar.

Molly Carder
Northern Arizona University