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Letter from the AD-NRHH

HEY IACURH!

AAAND we're back!! For many (if not all) of us, school is back in session, the residence halls are packed full of new and returning students, and the year is in full swing. What an exciting time it is to be a residential student leader! Whether you're an RA, CA, hall advisor, RHA/NRHH executive, hall council president, or even just a resident who loves IACURH - this is one of the best times of the year. You're meeting new people, experiencing new classes, and hosting new programs - all things worthy of some recognition!

As we start the new year, this is a great opportunity to find and experience something new. And with each next experience comes something talk worthy. It might be that program you went to during Welcome Week, it might be a really awesome set of t-shirts that your RHA used for promotion, or it could be your Residence Assistant who took a lot of time to create door decs, decorate your hallway, and welcome you to life on campus. Recognize it! The little things really add up this month, as this is a time where students are welcome to their new home or BACK to their home on campus.

Make that extra effort to say thank you, write an OTM, submit a bid intent, write a post-it note saying YOU ROCK and slap it on someone's desk or door, participate in iRECOGNIZE. This month is one of the FIRST months of our schoolyear where we can recognize all of the amazing people and programs while also encouraging them to keep up the excellent work. This month I challenge you to recognize excellence wherever you see it, because its around you somewhere!

Brianna Gomez
IACURH AD-NRHH

The IACURH Recognition News is a monthly newsletter for the Intermountain Affiliate of College and University Residence Halls. The newsletter serves as the primary communication platform for regional recognition. Main functions of the newsletter include announcing Regional OTM Winners spotlighting positional excellence, serving as a forum for shout outs, and recording conference recognition. The newsletter is distributed each month after Regional OTM Winners are selected.

All issues of the IACURH Recognition News can be found on the IACURH Regional Website.

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REGIONAL OTM WINNERS

Check out our regional winners (resulting in six NACURH OTM winners) this month. If you're looking for great examples of OTMs, look no further!

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POSITIONAL SPOTLIGHTS

Another round of positional spotlights honoring those who work hard to keep our campus life amazing!

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WHO'S WHO AND WHAT'S HAPPENING

Congratulations to our brand new vice chairs and check out our new "Of the Month" categories for the RNews!

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SUPER SHOUT OUTS

Take a look at the shout outs section to see all of the monkey love from August!

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IACURH OTM LEADERBOARD | AUGUST 2013

Total OTMs

Total OTM Submissions: July 2013

1	 Colorado State University	39
2	University of Utah	17
3	Boise State University	14
4	Utah State University	12

Regional Winners

Total Regional Winners: July 2013

1	 Colorado State University	8
2	Brigham Young University	7
3	University of Colorado-Boulder	5
	University of Utah	5
4	Northern Arizona University	3

July 2013 OTMs

1	 Colorado State University	15
2	Arizona State Univ. - West	10
3	University of Utah	5
4	Northern Arizona University	4
	Utah State University	4

NACURH Winners

1	 Brigham Young University	6
2	Colorado State University	4
3	Arizona State Univ. - Poly	2
	University of Utah	2
4	Northern Arizona University	1

NACURH Winner Checklist

- Advisor
- Executive Board Member
- First Year Student
- Institution Faculty/Staff
- Organization (2)
- Residence Life Faculty/Staff
- Resident Assistant
- Residential Community
- Spotlight
- Student
- Community Service Program
- Diversity Program
- Educational Program
- Passive Program
- Social Program

Banana Points: July 2013

1	 Colorado State University	70
2	Brigham Young University	32
3	Northern Arizona University	29
4	Arizona State Univ. - West	15
5	Arizona State Univ. - Tempe	8

Total Banana Points from OTMs

1	 Colorado State University	141
2	Brigham Young University	103
3	University of Utah	59
4	Univ. of Colorado - Boulder	55
5	Arizona State Univ.- Poly	39

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REGIONAL OTM WINNERS | JULY 2013

Advisor



Rob Budach

Arizona State University-Tempe
by Annie Souza

Executive Board Member



Jackie Butler

University of Arizona
by Erin Thede

First Year Student

Not Awarded

Institution Faculty/Staff



Jessica Shipley

Northern Arizona University
by Frankie DiFranco

Organization



Orientation & Transition Programs

Colorado State University
by Mya Wells

Residence Life Faculty/Staff



Bailey Borman

Arizona State University-West
by Nicholas Cruz

Resident Assistant



Michael Cook

Brigham Young University
by Dom Bills

Residential Community



NAU Summer Academy Staff

Northern Arizona University
by Frankie DiFranco

OTM Update

Another great month:

SIX NACURH WINNERS!

Major shout outs to Brigham Young University, Colorado State University, and Northern Arizona University!

Keep up the great work IACURH! Continue showing NACURH what it means to be the best, the best by far! :)

OTM Tip Every Category

Did you know....

You can get 10 extra banana points for submitting OTMs in every category?!

Who's going to be the first school to submit in every category in one month?

One Banana Two Banana

Earn 2x banana points in July by submitting in the "Two Banana" category below:

First Year Student



Spotlight

Presidents Day

Colorado State University
by Larry Chillson Jr.



Student

Frankie DiFranco

Northern Arizona University
by Ian Quick



Program Categories

Community Service Program

Community Smokers of Fort

Collins

by Naomi Lyle



Diversity Program

Friday Afternoon Club Summer

BBQ

by Sierra Hastings



Educational Program

Welcome to CSU!

Colorado State University
by Isabel Corrado



Passive Program

Not Awarded

Social Program

Roaring 20s: Bow Ties and

Class

by Carrie Olson



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POSITIONAL SPOTLIGHTS | AUGUST 2013

REGIONAL EXEC of the month



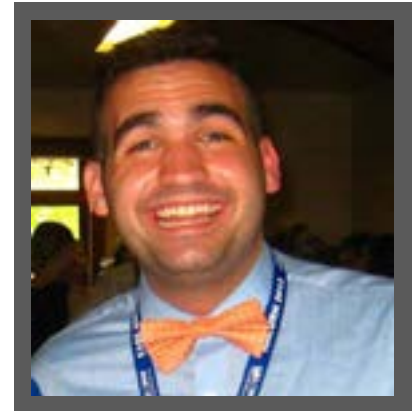
Marlene Smith
RCC of Presidential Relations
and RHA Development

Hosted by University of New
Mexico

"This past month Marlene has been superb! She has worked hard to connect with all of the RHA Presidents in the region, even reorganizing her schedule so she can have 1on1's with them. SHE'es taken great strides in preparing them to start training and organizing the year. Marlene is doing a great job!

-Brett Kohring, Director

NCC of the month



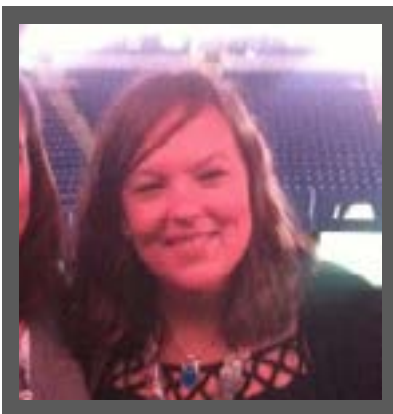
Dom Bills

Brigham Young University

"This month, Dom has done an amazing job within the region and outside of the region, as well. Dom has reached out to NCCs across the country to get conversations going about resources for NCCs. He led a Skype chat that had representation from 4 regions, and is continuing to reach out to NCCs in each of the 8 regions. With the help of other IACURH NCCs, Dom has reached out to the 8 Regional Directors to get them on board with creating better resources for their NCCs. In addition, he has been working hard to get everything squared away for the IACURH Conference, by finalizing details for both delegates and boardroom attendees. Great job, Dom! I know everyone is excited for IACURH 2013!!"

-Kyleen Miller, RCC-NCCTD

NRHH PRESIDENT of the month



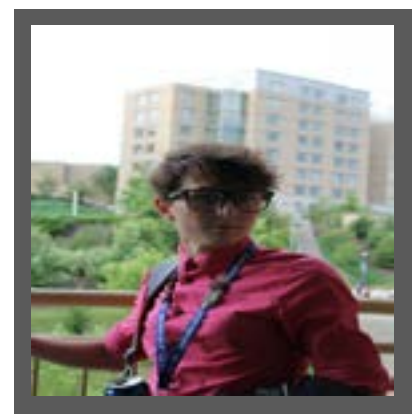
Jenn Gray

University of Arizona

"Jenn Gray is basically a rock star NRHH President. That's really all there is to it. In the past month, she has done SO much at the UA. She organized a recognition project for the professional staff at UA, organized exec board training for her chapter's e-board, and presented a session on NRHH for the Hall Involvement (HI) team at UA. In addition to fulfilling NRHH tasks, Jenn also serves as VP of Business Administration for her RHA and participated in RHA training during July. If all that wasn't enough, Jenn still finds a way to make time for her NRHH monthly and taking time to communicate with me! Thanks for being wonderful, Jenn! "

-BriGomez, AD-NRHH

RHA PRESIDENT of the month



Kira Kiko Lian

University of Utah

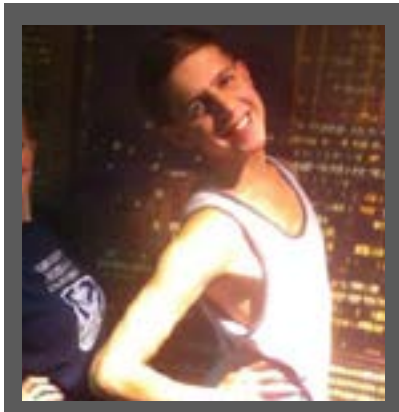
"Kira has been great this past month! She has been on top of her presidential roles and being a great resource to not only other RHA presidents but to me as well. She's been on top of her game getting her school's RHA ready for the school year while still staying regionally involved. I'm excited for Kira to have the spotlight! This one is for you, thanks for everything!"

-Marlene Smith, RCC-PRRHA

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WHO'S WHO AND WHATS HAPPENING IN THE INTERMOUNTAIN

MONKEY of the month



**Frankie
Difranco**

Northern Arizona
University

This summer, we've noticed one student who's passion for the region has only continued to grow since he first got started at NACURH 2013. Frankie has worked extremely hard and it shows in his OTM success, excitement about his hall council, and his increased involvement in not only IACURH but NACURH! Frankie's started his NACURH involvement with a bang - serving on the IACURH OTM selection committee, NACURH OTM selection committee, a NACURH committee, and an IACURH committee. We're so impressed, Frankie! Thank you!

what is the monkey of the month?

The Monkey of the Month recognizes outstanding leadership and contributions to the Intermountain Affiliate and NACURH each month by students who are NOT RHA Presidents, NCCs, or NRHH Presidents. The Monkey of the Month can be a first year student, an RHA or NRHH executive board member, a general member of RHA or NRHH, and anyone involved in regional/national initiatives!

The Monkey of the Month will be selected by all of the regional executives as a group, so feel free to email us about outstanding monkeys at your school!

COMMITTEE MEMBER of the month

what is the committee member of the month?

The Committee Member of the Month will recognize a fabulous, hard working committee member from each committee on a rotating basis. A new committee will be spotlighted each month with their committee member of the month.

The Committee Member of the Month will be selected by the chair(s) and vice-chair of the committee each month!

COMING SOON!

**Who will be our first
committee member
of the month?**

It could be YOU! :)



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meet your new **VICE CHAIRS**



NRHH INITIATIVES
AARON RINGSBY
University of Colorado-Boulder



**RESOURCES AND
DEVELOPMENT**
AUSTIN LUJAN
Arizona State University-Polytechnic



**PRESIDENTIAL
RELATIONS**
CHARITY MAEDA
Utah State University



RECOGNITION
REGGIE DEPIERO
University of Wyoming



STRATEGIC PLANNING
TRAVIS BARRUS
Utah State University



SPIRIT AND TRADITIONS
SHANNON MULQUEEN
University of Northern Colorado

iRECOGNIZE

INTERACTIVE RECOGNITION | AUGUST 2013

iRECOGNIZE is your chance to get involved in the recognition action. These recognition projects are designed for your participation. Check 'em out!

Earn Banana Points every time you participate!

Recognize our new vice chairs!

Take a minute to recognize the outstanding leaders who have volunteered their time and energy to serve as our committee vice chairs!

Send some monkey love to the new vice chairs as they get ready to help lead our committees to success this year!

CC ia_nrhh@nacurh.org or send in a screenshot of your recognition for banana points this month!



f Facebook Fan Fare Recognition as easy as...

1

Go
Go to the **IACURH**
Facebook Page.

2

Post
Post a congrats or
recognition message
to the vice chairs!

3

Tag
Tag your host
institution and any
individuals/groups!

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Zack Sullivan



Thank you so much for helping me out with the questions I had! You have made affiliation for me a smoother process. Again, thank you so much and I look forward to continue working with you this year!

-Nick Cruz, ASU-West

UNC RHA Executives



Thanks to the UNC RHA Executives for an awesome exec retreat full of tons of laughs and productivity. Also, thanks for helping me to be a student first by helping me get my final paper submitted during the retreat! I can't wait to see what this year will bring. You guys rock!

-Angela Wirsching, UNC

Dominique Grande



I feel like you are constantly worth recognizing! Thank you so much this month with helping me with my OTM questions and concerns and helping fix them! And thank you for putting up with my naggy self haha! *Throws glitter at Dominique*

-Frankie Difranco, NAU

Brett Kohring



You're off to a fantastic start! This year with you as Director will make IACURH an even more unstoppable region to be a part of.

-Alyssa Napuri, ASU-West

Kendra Hunter



Always being there for students and providing support for their future and assisting them to farther their education.

-Alvaro Salcedo, ASU-West

Mason DeWitt



I think you just need some recognition for being like the greatest Hall Director ever! You are always so willing to help me and you are always there to make Taylor Hall the best place it can be. I look up to you immensely and just wanted you to know I am so happy for all you have done for Taylor Hall and NAU! Especially endorsing my idea for a unicorn mascot! UNICORN POWER! *throws glitter at Mason*

-Frankie Difranco, NAU

Amanda Butkiewicz



It seems as if we can't get rid of you! When I received an email from you the other day I couldn't believe it. Your dedication is phenomenal and you truly are somebody that sets a great example for others to follow. Thank you for all the work you continue to do and have done for the RHAs of Arizona!

-Nick Cruz, ASU-West

CSU Cabinet



Shout Out to the CSU RHA &NRHH Cabinet for rocking their way through training!!! It is going to be an amazing year!

-CSU NCC

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Alvaro Salcedo & Alyssa Napuri

To my favorite NRHH and RHAW Presidents. I couldn't have asked for better leaders of two of my favorite organizations. You two are seriously rocking and I can't imagine our RHA and NRHH without the leadership of you two. This year is going to be a great year! I can feel it! Keep up the great work guys! !

-Nick Cruz, ASU-West

Incoming CC Presidents

You are all amazing and I know each and every one of you are going to do great things for ASU-T!

-Jen O'Brien ASU-Tempe

Austin Lujan

Austin, You sir are an IACURH Star! You were so helpful with my proposal to my university's residence life department! You were so eager to post in the NRHH President's Facebook Page to get info that I needed from schools and I appreciate that! You're always so helpful to me and are also there whenever I need you! You are AMAZING and your constant enthusiasm for your organization and even your job within ASU-Poly's Residence Life is inspiring to say the least.

-James Walker, UNM

ASU Poly

Keep up the great work on getting everything ready for fall! You warm my heart.

-Jen O'Brien ASU-Tempe

Dom Bills

Thank you for sharing the IACURH Logo keep up the good work.

-Alvaro Salcedo, ASU-West

Joshua Dawson

Shout out to Joshua Dawson for working hard in preparation for our kick off RHA event, The Sun Devil Sun Down Luau. All your hard work is going to pay off!

-Megan McLeroy, ASU-West

ASU-West Executive Board

You have done a good job at our training. Looking forward to work with you this upcoming year. You are such a good bunch!

-Alvaro Salcedo, ASU-West

Dom Bills

Shout out to Dom Bills who put together an awesome article on writing OTMs. It has some great tips and reminders and is a good resource to reference when trying to write quality OTMs! Well done!

-Angela Wirsching, UNC

Tiki Luau Team - ASU-Tempe

I know this year's Tiki Luau is going to be the best yet!

-Jen O'Brien ASU-Tempe

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Erolinda Becerra



Erolinda, you are quite amazing. I'm seriously in shock and awe at the things you are doing Downtown. Keep up the great work because in the end all that is going on is going to make a stronger and better leader than you already are! :)

R-O-C-K You Rock You Rock!

-Nick Cruz, ASU-West

Ian Quick



Ian! Thank you such much for the thought OTM you wrote on me! It was completely unexpected and it brought a big old glittery smile to my face! I am honored to call you an amazing friend and an ever more amazing student leader through your time in Taylor Hall Association! I look forward to seeing you grow as a leader this upcoming year in THA and at NAU! *throws glitter at Ian*

-Frankie Difranco, NAU

ASU-West and DPC Advisors



For stepping it up to a new role. You R-O-C-K. Be there to support the students

-Alvaro Salcedo, ASU-West

Erolinda Becerra



Taking initiative and taking over other roles as she is in charge of communicating with our region.

-Alvaro Salcedo, ASU-West

Alessandra Castro



For working so hard to get our RHA Camp in great shape!

-Joshua Dawson, ASU-West

Leah Novak



For working so hard with us to make the Luau a possibility.

-Joshua Dawson, ASU-West

Andrew Cannella



NRHH Chapter of the Sun Devil's Vice Chancellor for stepping into his position whole-heartedly and determined!

-Joshua Dawson, ASU-West

Kasey Lichvar



An ASU West Community Assistant, for always having that energy and enthusiasm her residents need!

-Joshua Dawson, ASU-West

Alvaro Salcedo



Keep up the awesome work and dedication as the new Executive Director! You're doing AMAZING.

-Megan McLeroy, ASU-West

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Alyssa Napuri



Great job rewriting the NRHHW constitution!

-Megan McLeroy, ASU-West

Nick Cruz



Coming back and killing it at school with your work and everything you do for RHA

-Alyssa Napuri, ASU-West

Stephanie Valentino



Great job stepping up to your new position within ASU's West location! Keep up the great work!

-Alyssa Napuri, ASU-West

Cory Shapiro



Shout out for being an amazing Assistant Director for Residential life at ASU West! We appreciate all that you do and can't thank you enough!

-Megan McLeroy, ASU-West

Kyleen Miller & Nate Tack



I appreciate you two more than you know! Thank you for always keeping me motivated and I can't wait to see you fools soon! :)

-Bri Gomez, AD-NRHH

RNIEWS

You can submit recognition to the newsletter at ANY TIME and recognize ANYTHING: individuals, groups, schools, residents, professional staff, people from your school, people from other schools, regional executives, national executives, committees, and more! **Look for the announcement in the Monkey Monday preceding the 17th of each month as a reminder!**

submit SHOUT OUT

A shout out is a small piece of recognition to say "good job" to someone. Shout outs are published in each issue of the newsletter.

Include the following information:

- Your Name:
- Your School:
- Your Nominee's Name:
- Your Nominee's School:
- What you want to say!
- Pictures/Fun Additives! (optional)

Ideas:

Shout outs could recognize someone in the region who helped you, a group that is doing outstanding, or someone who impressed you at a conference!

submit ARTICLE

An article for the newsletter is any in depth look at something pertaining to recognition. Articles can be of any length and anyone can submit!

Include the following information:

- Your Name:
- Your School:
- Article Title:
- Pictures/Graphics/Charts! (optional)
- Captions
- Sidebars/Supplemental Information

Ideas:

Articles could describe recognition projects or programs, provide advice for OTM writing or recognition, or recognize an individual or group!

submit iRECOGNIZE

An iRECOGNIZE is an interactive recognition initiative that is included in each newsletter. Anyone can submit an idea or subject for iRECOGNIZE:

Include the following information:

- Your Name:
- Your School:
- Your Subject (if applicable):
- Initiative/project name:
- Initiative/project description:
- Initiative/project instructions:

Ideas:

Initiatives could involve polls, Twitter, Facebook, email, eCards, or anything else to get schools involved. The more creative the better!

Submit shout outs, articles, and iRecognize ideas to ia_nrhh@nacurh.org by the 15th of each month.

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