Santa Barbara’s Stearns Wharf, in walking distance of the CCME Symposium, 2-5 February 2004

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Partake in a Little Bit of the Grape

VINEYARD TOUR
Monday February 2, 2004
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
$20 per person

Begin your conference on a high note! Tour the beautiful Fess Parker Vineyards in the heart of the central coast’s wine country. Wind down the back hills beyond Santa Barbara for cheese and wine tasting at its best.

(See Application on CCME’s web site for registration)
CCME Board Member Nominations

It’s that time again to nominate yourself or someone else for an office in CCME. We rely on good people to volunteer their time and effort to plan our symposiums. The initial appointment is for two years for all offices. Your participation in board meetings includes two physical board meetings and telephonic conference calls each year. For the year 2004, the following offices are up for election:

President-Elect (Position requires two years as a previous CCME Board Member.) President-elect serves one year, with the follow-on year being President.

Vice President for Institutions

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Please visit the CCME web site at www.ccmeonline.org for nomination applications, or submit online to: mebane.Harrison@cnet.navy.mil

Santa Barbara Attractions

Things to do……
Shopping, shopping, shopping!

Paseo Nuevo - Paseo Nuevo is one of Southern California's favorite get-away places. Here you'll discover a picturesque world of Spanish-style courtyards, winding paseos, gently flowing fountains and lush tropical flowers. Paseo Nuevo includes Nordstrom, Macy's, and more than 50 specialty shops.

El Paseo - Historic El Paseo, California's first shopping center, was built in the 1920s and features a variety of unique gift shops, jewelry stores, galleries and restaurants nestled amid romantic gardens and Spanish courtyards.

La Arcada - On the north end of the downtown State Street shopping district is La Arcada Court, a Spanish paseo and courtyard with exotic plants, trees, tiled fountains and an amazing collection of life-like bronze statues. La Arcada has a variety of interesting shops, galleries, restaurants and Cafes.

Restaurants, restaurant, restaurants!

The Palace (8 East Cota St; 805-963-5000). Cajun cuisine connoisseurs might look no further.

Chad's Restaurant (625 Chapala St; 805-568-1876). A Victorian home, a packed Friday night happy hour and fine regional American Cuisine.

Piranha (714 State St; 805-965-2980) and Arigato (1225 State St; 805-965-6074). The award for finest Sushi on State Street might have to be shared by two perennial pleasers.

Pascucci (729 State St; 805-963-8123). Inexpensive, stunning decor and incredible edible Italian lunch and dinners are just the beginning of the story about Santa Barbara's very own.

Sponsorship Opportunities Available

There are still varied sponsorship opportunities available for the CCME Symposium in Santa Barbara. To sponsor a break the fees are: Full sponsorship $1200 or Half Sponsorship (shared with another organization) $600. All sponsors will be recognized both in the printed program, signage during the break and via a public announcement during the symposium.

The exhibitor spaces are sold out, however, we have added another opportunity for you to market your organization or institution. For $50 you can send a brochure, flier or any other marketing tool and we will include the item in our vendor bags. Each attendee will receive a vendor bag when they check in, so we will need 350 of the item you want to be included in the vendor bags.

If you have any questions or want more information, you may reach me by calling (360) 257-1277 or email me at: bockman@chapman.edu, or by writing me at:

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SOC Workshop in Santa Barbara

Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges (SOC) will host a SOC College Workshop on Monday, February 2, 2004 in Santa Barbara, CA. The SOC College Workshop will be conducted at the Radisson Inn (1111 East Cabrillo Blvd, Santa Barbara) from 9 a.m until noon on Monday; the workshop will be held in conjunction with CCME's Annual Symposium which runs Feb. 2-5 in Santa Barbara.

The SOC College Workshop provides consortium updates and program information for institutional representatives of all 1700 SOC member institutions; an overview of the SOC degree network system will also be presented. Non-member colleges/universities who want to learn more about serving military students through Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges are welcome to participate. For more information about the SOC College Workshop in Santa Barbara, contact Kathy Snead (800-2368-5622, sneadk@aascu.org)
Draft Agenda for 2004 CCME Symposium

Monday, Feb 2

0900-1200 SOC College Workshop
1300-1600 Wine Tour
1700 Guest Speaker Reception
1800 President’s Reception

Tuesday, Feb 3

0800 –1600 business sessions

Opening (Welcome by Fess Parker)
Gary Woods, Department of Defense
College Presidents Panel
Lunch (Sponsored by CCME)
The Nature of Terrorism in an Academic Setting
Corporate Education Panel
Marylee Baker & Joyce Taylor, Department of Homeland Defense
Jeff Cropsey, Navy
Reception – hosted by University of Maryland University College

(Note: The US Secretary of Education has been invited to provide the keynote address)

Wednesday, Feb 4

0830-1630 business sessions

Newcomers Breakfast (sponsored by CCME) (start at 0730)
Show and Tell sessions – 1) ACE Military Program, 2) Outcomes Assessment in Distance Learning Today, 3) Synergistic Relationships Between Recruiting and Colleges, 4) The Digital Divide; Changing Perspectives of Traditional Education, 5) Maryland Teacher Certification Program
Dian Stoskopf, Army
Dr Jerry Heeger, UMUC president
Army Guard and Reserves
Panel of eArmyu and NCPACE contractors

Thursday, Feb 5

0800-1500 business sessions

DANTES
CCME Presentation
Jim Sweizer, Air Force
Navy and Marine Corps Reserves
Vern Taylor, USMC
Air Force Guard and Reserves
Chauncey Veatch, 2002 Teacher of the Year

1800- CCME Banquet
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Transportation to hotel:
Airlines that serve Santa Barbara airport include: United Shuttle, American Airlines (American Eagle), US Airways, America West, Alaska Airlink, and Northwest.

The Doubletree has a complimentary shuttle bus to/from the Santa Barbara airport. Call from the baggage terminal and a shuttle will be along shortly.
The Radisson does not have a shuttle.
Taxi – cost is approximately $20 each way.

Bus service is available from LAX; cost is approx $65 round trip. Check out www.sbairbus.com or call 800-423-1618.
Driving your rental car from LAX is approx. 1-1/2 hrs. (good luck!)
Amtrak serves Santa Barbara for those who enjoy rail travel.

The Doubletree Hotel valet parking - $9.50 per day; self-parking $5 per day
The Radisson Hotel does not charge for parking.

While at the hotels, directly across the street along the shore is the waterfront trolley that can take you into downtown (State Street) for shopping and dining. The fare is only 25 cents! Go to www.santabarbaracarfree.org for other ways to enjoy SB w/o a car.

Local Information:
Go to www.santabarbara.com for current temperature, calendar of events and things to do the Santa Barbara area.

Restaurants within walking distance of the hotels:
Inside the hotel is Rodney’s Steak House and the Café Los Arcos. There are many fine restaurants, as well as casual dining, within a very short distance from the FP. The Concierge Desk at the hotel maintains a wonderful directory to assist you in your culinary quest.

Symposium Highlights:
• CCME will offer a winery tour on Monday afternoon. There will be limited seating (46) so reserve and pay early. The cost of $20 includes the narrated bus trip, winery tour, and wine & cheese served at one of the wineries. This will be great fun before the conference begins!
• Plan to attend the President’s Reception Monday evening, 6-8pm.
• First-time symposium attendees are invited to the Newcomer’s Breakfast on Tuesday morning at 7:30
• A great line-up of exhibitors will be displaying Mon. p.m. – Thurs noon
• Thursday evening’s banquet will be a smash – don’t miss it!
Touring Santa Barbara

The self-guided Red Tile Walking Tour, which is bounded by Victoria, Chapala, Ortega and Santa Barbara streets, touches many of the city's landmarks. Of special interest is the County Courthouse (1100 Anacapa Street), an architectural masterpiece completed in 1929. The Spanish-Moorish structure features tropical gardens and lush lawns. In addition, historic adobes and El Presidio de Santa Barbara State Historic Park (123 E. Canon Perdido Street; 805-966-9719) are snapshot-worthy. Hop aboard the Downtown Waterfront Trolley, which cruises the length of the Red Tile district for just 25 cents, or rent a whimsical quadricycle on State Street or Cabrillo Blvd. Santa Barbara's historic Stearns Wharf features the Sea Center (Stearns Wharf; 805-962-0885), with live displays and touch tanks, and the Arts and Craft Show (Sundays; along Cabrillo Blvd.). From Stearns Wharf you will see a multitude of sailboats and fishing boats in and about the nearby Santa Barbara Harbor. A centerpiece at the Harbor is the Santa Barbara Maritime Museum (805-962-8404). This wonderful seaside museum features ship models, historic exhibits and floating exhibits.

If you're in search of a garden spot, there's a place for you. The Santa Barbara Botanic Garden (1212 Mission Canyon Rd; 805-682-4726) offers trails that wind through canyon, desert and other settings. Discover a variety of delectable items and much more when you visit the Farmers Market (Tuesdays; 500 and 600 blocks of State Street; and Saturdays; between Santa Barbara and Cota streets; 805-962-5354).

One of Santa Barbara's treasures, the Old Mission Santa Barbara (2201 Laguna St.; 805-682-4713) was founded in 1786. Its unique stone facade, which was copied from an ancient Roman book on architecture, has made the mission a popular subject for photographers. Rooms filled with artifacts and an old cemetery are open for exploration. The Santa Barbara Museum of Art (1130 State St.; 805-963-4364) is known for innovative exhibitions and an unforgettable permanent collection, plus education programs for kids of all ages. Marvel at Greek and Roman antiquities, as well and works from nineteenth- and early twentieth-century American, French and English artists.
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