

# Mission:

To promote excellence of current and future Parks and Recreation professionals through advocacy, education, networking, and training.

### What we do:

- Committed to provided meaningful information training and resources for continual improvement and success in your profession.
  - Annual Conference and trade show 3 day event over 25 breakout sessions
  - Business Institute 1 day training with intensive workshops
  - Risk Management School
- Job Center
- Membership Directory
- Scholarship programs for students and professionals
- Networking opportunities



http://www.wrpatoday.org/2016-annual-conference

### We're all looking forward to the 2016 keynote speakers!



Coach Colleen Hacker, five-time Olympic coaching staff and certified consultant, will provide insight into the psychology of high performing athletes, relating these unique insights to peak performance, both in sport and in business. She is the first female recipient of the International Applied Sport Psychology Award, and at Pacific Lutheran University she received the Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award, among many other accolades.



**Ben Klasky**, nonprofit CEO, public speaker, and social entrepreneur, will speak about the benefits of outdoor education and exploration among children. As the director of Islandwood, an outdoor education organization, Ben will impart what he has learned from years of using nature as a classroom.

Don't miss out on your chance to see Coach Colleen Hacker and Ben Klasky!



We are here to be a strong resource, a support network and liaisons between University's Recreation, Tourism and Sports Management students and WRPA.



**WRPA** 

Student Connections Committee - SCC

Annual Conference May 3, 2016 Tuesday

STUDENT Pre-Conference Institute - Included in your conference registration.

Geared towards prepping students with advice, tools, knowledge and confidence to have a successful conference experience and connecting you with professionals.

- Conference Prep 101
- Professional Development
- Volunteer/Room host training
- Mock Interviews/Resume Review
- LUNCH
- Job Fair

Student Full Conference Rate: \$59 (professional full conference rate: \$269!!)

(includes Student Pre-conference Institute, Lunch on all days and a one year WRPA Membership - some minimal conference volunteering required)

#### **HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS IN EVERETT:**

**Hampton Inn Seattle/Everett:** \$113 per night: request WRPA conference rate. 425-349-4466 **Holiday Inn Downtown Everett:** \$107 per night: request WRPA conference rate. 425-339-2000

Share a room with 1/2/3 other students to drive the cost down. Or stay with local family or friends

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