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## Yesterday's Proof – Today's Ways, and Tomorrow's Changes

### *NIC's Annual Conference*

On August 27-29, 2005 at the Marriott Washington Hotel in Washington D.C., members of State Boards of Cosmetology from all over the country will assemble for the Annual Conference of NIC. The purpose is to share with each other the most current ideas relative to the administration of Cosmetology license laws, plus examinations.

This year's conference promises to be one of the most important and informative in the history of NIC. The agenda is truly outstanding in every phase. It provides for an educational program designed to be of practical material to benefit all attendees.

The purpose is to keep focus on NIC and their 50 years of accomplishments by **Yesterday's Proof** of ideas that helped make **Today's Ways** and prepare the Council for **Tomorrow's Changes** for the future.

However, this prospectus will be meaningless and valueless if members do not attend the conference. In order that it be successful, one must come and participate in all activities. No progress can be made unless all members are determined and sincere in their desire and determination to advance and move forward to carry out NIC plans and projects. "Let us join in a united effort to be progressive in our

thinking, progressive in our planning and progressive in our actions." I once quoted when I was president. As board members, you can do a great deal to help chart the course of the Cosmetology profession to its rightful position as one of the leading vocations in the 21st Century. Please make plans to attend. **See you all in Washington D.C.**

*Lois Wiskur*



## A Merger That Has Sustained 50 Years of Success

The merger between the National Council of Boards of Beauty Culture and the Interstate Council of Boards of Cosmetology represented a stepping stone towards greater accomplishments in the field of cosmetology. Because of this union the new group would profit from their experiences and the mistakes of the two organizations. By erasing the past they could move on to greater achievements. This brought the two groups to an agreement in Louisville, KY in 1955 to merge the two organizations. Together they worked side by side for a year with many discussions on the objectives and standards and then officially

merged on July 12, 1956 in Dallas, TX. The results of this merger was a new organization, the National Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology, Inc. An election was held with Queen Ann Sims of South Carolina becoming the first president to serve the newly formed group. One of the main goals of the new organization was to modernize license law administration and better enforcement for cosmetology, according to Jacob Yahm, who that time was elected at that time editor

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**Above: 1957-1958 Elected Officers**

Seated, left to right: Agnes L. Giordano, Aurie Gosnell, Bill Stafford - President, Pearl Ware. Standing: Mr. Godefroy, Michael J. Murphy, Evelyn Wilburn, Elsie Tinsley, Marie Hanley.

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# Executive Board Profiles

## Geneal Thompson Idaho Region 4 Director



**Education/School:**  
B.A. English Education/Minor Business Education.

**Current Employment Occupation:**  
Esthetician/Electrologist — Sole Proprietorship - works and owns business.

**Three words that best describe you:**  
Diligent, kind, tenacious.

**What made you decide to run for NIC office and what experience do you bring to NIC?** Esthetics. I bring 16+ years of working in esthetics and watching and being a part of it's growth. I have good connections within the esthetic industry.

**If there is anything you've learned about NIC by being an officer it is:** I have just started this journey... but NIC is a team working together. They demand that it not be any other way. I like that.

**What future goal do you see for NIC:** I see testing standards brought to a more challenging level and therefore, raising the standards of the industry.

**What would people be surprised to know about you?** I was a competitive swimmer. I love Tai-Chi and Pilates.

*Geneal is a member of the Idaho State Board representing the Estheticians.*

## NIC DIRECTORY

The NIC Directory has been sent to all state board offices with additional copies for each member of your board. You may download a copy of the NIC Directory from the NIC website at [www.nictesting.org](http://www.nictesting.org). Any membership changes during the year should be forwarded to the NIC office at the following email address: [dnorton@nictesting.org](mailto:dnorton@nictesting.org).

## LaFaye Austin Oklahoma Secr./Treasurer



**Education/School:**  
Enid Beauty College.

**Current Employment Occupation:** A.J. Hair Leader Salon & Health Care Giver, Master Instructor.

**Three words that best describe you:**  
Honest, dependable, confident.

**What made you decide to run for NIC office and what experience do you bring to NIC?** I wanted to represent the State of Oklahoma and NIC in making a difference for our profession on a local and national level; years of experience of the practice of cosmetology; instructing students and working with legislators on issues that affect the cosmetology profession.

**If there is anything you've learned about NIC by being an officer it is:** I firmly believe that an officer must be knowledgeable in every issue that comes to the executive board in order to make an informed intelligent decision that affects our profession and all states because these states look to the Executive Board for good, sound leadership.

**What future goal do you see for NIC:** That delegates from all states attend conferences in order to build national and international working relationships and effective partnerships with all states and common interest groups.

**What would people be surprised to know about you?** Whether I'm being the praise and worship leader at church, caring for the developmentally disabled, running for public office, practicing my profession, caring for my family or just having fun, I will not accept anything less than 100% of myself.

*LaFaye is currently a member of the Oklahoma Board of Cosmetology and a past Region III Director of NIC.*

# Message

## From the President



Well another year has past and the Executive Board is quite pleased with the National Examination Committee for the development that has occurred, as well as, the progress that has been made toward creating similar regulation in our great industry. There will be great reports and new avenues for all our members created from the hard work of all members this year. I would like to take this time to encourage all of you to participate in the upcoming conference in Washington D.C. August 27th-29th.

There have been many concerns voiced in the past, about how the Executive Board has responded to other organizations in the business of testing and administration services. I am pleased to let you know that there will be new faces at the conference this year. Promissor and Thomson Prometric will sponsor some

functions at our meetings in D.C., and this will give everyone the opportunity to ask the questions that have not been addressed at the NIC conference in the past.

You, the Boards, will also release and review during this conference the new tasks for the Esthetics and Cosmetology Practical Examinations. I extend many thanks to all the subject matter experts who have worked so hard on these examinations as well as everyone who completed the job task analysis surveys.

We look forward to seeing all of you at the conference in August.

Sincerely,

Kirby Morris  
NIC President

## State Happenings

**Arizona:** The Board will begin offering online licensing services beginning July 1, 1005.

**Arizona:** The Board, along with the Federal Internal Revenue Service has developed and disseminated flyers called "Cosmetology and the Art of Doing Business." "Federal Guidelines for Cosmetology and Barbering" flyers are also available to the salons and are online.

**North Dakota:** Accepts entire training program online for instructors.

**Colorado:** The Boards once again survived sunset review and can continue to function until 2015 when the review comes due.

**California:** Legislation is purposed for better enforcement on disinfectant procedures for foot baths. Legislation to eliminate the boards has been pulled.

## Conference Keynote Speakers

**Dr. Katie B. Catalon.** Catalon retired after thirty years of dedicated service as a cosmetology teacher from the Charleston County School District. She attended the College of Charleston and has performed course work at Clemson, South Carolina State, Citadel, Charleston and Southern Universities. She is the author of two published books and is currently President of the National Beauty Culturist League, Inc., board member of the Charleston Chronicles and may other civic, business and cosmetology associations too numerous to mention.

**Kristine Iverson.** Iverson is the Assistant Secretary of Labor for the Congressional & Intergovernmental Affairs.

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## 50 YEAR MERGER...

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of the bulletin. Jack once quoted "Paramount importance was the subject of license law examining," and that was the direction the new council took.

For the past 50 years NIC has worked hard to continue to hold up to the visions from the merger. This profound proof is shown as NIC continues today by the evidence of its strong maintenance it has on the testing program.

Today NIC has focused on the many ways of the organization by working daily on the continuance of its projects—testing, national endorsement, all aspects of legal legislation for licenses and other matters that affect cosmetology and the industry.

NIC is now ready to look forward to the happenings of tomorrow that will become the future of the council. Along with the influence from the boards and their experiences, they will help lead NIC ahead in this 21st Century. Working internationally with the testing program has promises of a strong successful future for the council.

We will not only be celebrating the accomplishments of NIC but also encourage each state to think critically about the Council's road to the future on another 50 years of equal success.

*Lois Wiskur*

# History of Great Leaders in Cosmetology

## Nicholas F. Cimaglia, 1898-1984

Nicholas F. Cimaglia, a great supporter, advisor and friend, was the “patron saint” of all cosmetology, with a special emphasis on cosmetology education and the NIC testing program. His great devotion, his foresight, vision and dedication were responsible for many of the advances made in the field of cosmetology education during the past decade.

Among his many, many accomplishments, Nick was a co-organizer of the National Association of Cosmetology Schools (now known as the American Association of Cosmetology Schools) and of the Teacher’s Education Council (TEC). He also helped organize and was a supporter of the National Accrediting Commission of Cosmetology Arts & Sciences (now NACCAS). With reference to accreditation, it is fairly safe to

say that there would be no Cosmetology accreditation today without the efforts of Nick. His wise counsel, advice and guidance helped build all these great national organizations to their present strength and success.

Nick Cimaglia received more honors, awards and tributes than any other individual in the fields of barbering and cosmetology. Among them was the tribute to him: the past presidents of AACS named the most important and prestigious award granted in the field of Cosmetology Education in his honor, calling it the N.F. Chimaglia Award. NIC also



had named an award in Nick’s honor to be given to an outstanding member. That award was last given in 1994 to an NIC recipient and sadly to say, it is no longer given.

Nick was very instrumental in helping Aurie Gosnell form a committee with his employees to help work on the content outline material for the NIC test. Also, he had allowed the publishers of his cosmetology text books help gather material to be used in the development of questions for the item bank. Through these great efforts the formation of the NIC text book committee was established and is still in effect today as a committee of NIC. He had so graciously entertained the cosmetology industry leaders (with special attention always to NIC) once a year at the Milady headquarters, which also included the text book meeting to show his appreciation and support to the cosmetology industry.

Nick had great passion for his business, Milady Publishing Corp., cosmetology education and also NIC testing and what it stood for in the industry. His best and dearest friend Jacob Yahm recognized him as the “patron saint” of all cosmetology and that he was and will always be to NIC.

*Lois Wiskur*

## Excerpt from the Past...

### Resolution on Practical Exams

At the NHCA convention in Washington, D.C., the presidents of the three major professional organizations in the cosmetology field signed a joint resolution opposing the elimination of the Practical (Performance) Test for licensure.

The presidents expressed themselves by indicating that this action (taken by several states) was retrogressive and contrary to the best interests of the public.

Excerpt from the Resolution:

We as a National Organization concerned with the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the public submitting themselves to beauty salons believe that they receive such services by qualified cosmetologists and WHEREAS, We sincerely believe that the Practical (Performance) Exam is essential in order to determine the readiness of people entering the cosmetology profession to offer services to the public efficiently for their protection and WHEREAS, It is our sincere belief that the elimination of the Practical (Per-



formance) Exam is a retrogressive act and detrimental to the best interests of those people seeking cosmetology services and to the protection of their health, safety, and welfare.

Above is a photo of the three presidents signing the Resolution: Left to right: Jerry Ahern—President of NAACS, Lois Wiskur—President of NICS, and Richard M. Swinney, President of NCA (Formerly NHCA)

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## Board Administrators to Meet at Conference

The Board Administrators will meet on Thursday evening, August 25th and continue the meeting on Friday, August 26th. Kevin Heupel, CO, and Darla Fox, MO, are co-chairing the meeting. All registration forms and fees for both, the Administrator meeting and the conference should be sent to Debra Norton at the NIC office. If you have any questions about the meeting please contact Kevin at (303) 894-7800 or Darla at (573) 751-1052. For more information on registration go to [www.nictesting.org](http://www.nictesting.org).

# NATIONAL-INTERSTATE COUNCIL OF STATE BOARDS OF COSMETOLOGY 50TH ANNIVERSARY – WASHINGTON, D.C.

## Tentative Conference Agenda

*Yesterday's Proof - Today's Ways - Tomorrow's Changes*

### THURSDAY - August 25, 2005

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. NATIONAL EXAMINATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. BOARD ADMINISTRATORS' MEETING

### FRIDAY- August 26, 2005

7:30 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. BOARD ADMINISTRATORS' MEETING  
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. CONFERENCE REGISTRATION  
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION  
7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. WELCOME Reception - Sponsored by LG, PCS & SMT

### SATURDAY - August 27, 2005

8:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. BREAKFAST, Opening Ceremonies - Sponsored by Super Cuts  
10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. GENERAL SESSION/Call to order. Roll Call of states; Presentation & Approval of conference rules; Approval of Conference Agenda; Approval of 2004 Conference Minutes; Committee Appointments; Audit, Budget and Nominating; Books to Audit Committee; Presentation of Election Procedures; First Reading and presentation of Proposed ByLaw Amendments; President's Report  
11:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Introduction of Education Chair, Overview of Education Program  
11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. *Airbrush Tanning Safety & sanitation - Amy Thorlin*  
12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Lunch - Sponsored by Ultronics  
2:15 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. *What's New in Pedicure Sanitation - Jim Casteel*  
3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. *Regulating Tattooing - Paul Roe*  
4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Financial Report; Honorary Membership Report; Strategic Planning Committee - Elliott

### SUNDAY - August 28, 2005

7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. BREAKFAST - Sponsored by Milady an Imprint of Delmar Learning  
9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Call to Order, Roll call of states  
*The Value of Association Membership - David Costello*  
10:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. *Why we need Endorsement - RoseAnn Perea*  
11:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. *Distance Learning - Letha Barnes and Judy Rambert*  
12:00 p.m. - Nominating Committee Report  
12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Lunch-Sponsored by Pivot Point  
2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. *Legislative Update - LaFaye Austin, Facilitator - open discussion*  
2:45 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. *Survey Says (National job task analysis for Cosmetology & Esthetics) - Kirby Morris*  
3:15 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Election of Officers; Committee Reports: ByLaws, Policies, Audit, Budget, and Conference Site Reports  
7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. DINNER/SOCK HOP - Motown Sound

### MONDAY - August 29, 2005

8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. GENERAL SESSION/Call to order; Roll Call  
*Advanced Esthetics Licensure, To be or Not to Be - Donn Kerr*  
9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. *Salon Health and Safety -Audrey Prositt - OSHA*  
10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. *Selfless Public Service - Kristine Iverson, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Congressional & Intergovernmental Affairs*  
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lunch- on your own  
1:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. *Wrap-up Session - Education Committee*  
1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Unfinished Business, New Business, Resolution; RECESS  
2:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Orientation - Newly Elected Board Members  
3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. NEC Meeting  
3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Executive Board Meeting  
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 Dinner/Dance; Installation of Officers; Adjourn

# NIC Conference Agenda

The NIC Conference will be held at the Marriott Washington Hotel at 1221 22nd St. N.W., (corner of 22nd & M Street) Washington, D.C. The Agenda this year is one of great interest and excitement and concerns all State Boards.

The start of the Conference will be a welcome reception on Friday evening, August 26th, from 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm. Entertainment will also be provided on Sunday evening, August 28th, featuring a Sock Hop with dancing to a Motown sound. A jazz night is also being planned for the installation banquet on Monday, August 29th.

**Conference Registration Fees:** Early registration before July 15th - \$300; general registration July 15th-August 20th - \$325; and at door \$375.

**Hotel Accommodations:** The deadline for hotel rooms is July 26th, and the room rate is \$150.00 a day plus applicable tax for a single or double. For reservations call 800-228-9290 or (202) 872-1500.

**Ground Transportation:** Super Shuttle provides services from Reagan National Airport to the hotel at \$12.00 for one person and the fare from Dulles Airport to the hotel is \$25.00 for one person (all fares are subject to change.) Contact information 800-258-3826, (202) 296-6662 or [www.supershuttle.com](http://www.supershuttle.com) for advance reservations.

Information on the registration may be downloaded from NIC's website at [www.nictesting.org](http://www.nictesting.org). Any questions should be directed to Debra Norton, Conference Coordinator, 7622 Briarwood Circle, Little Rock, AR 72205; (501) 227-8262 or [debranorton@sbcglobal.net](mailto:debranorton@sbcglobal.net).

# Region I & II Meeting Held

Missouri hosted the Regions I & II Joint meeting on April 30 through May 2, 2005, at the Sheraton Westport Plaza in St. Louis. There were 11 states represented with 34 attendees. Also in attendance were Kirby Morris, NIC President, Rosanne Kinley, NIC Vice President, Eddie Jones, Board Administrator's Representative and Michael Hill, NIC Past President.

The meeting was kicked off with the welcome reception Saturday evening. It was an opportunity to network with old acquaintances and meet new friends.

Sunday and Monday's agenda covered a wide variety of informational and educational programs including: Chemical Exfoliation and the Importance of Two Tier Esthetics, presented by Saphonia



Gee; Sunshine Law Review & Legislative Process, presented by Kristi Wilson; Inspections vs. Investigations, presented by Jeff Griffin; Computer Cyber Crime, presented by FBI Special Agent Scott Aikens; On Line Applications and Web Development, presented by Dan Stevenson; and Broadcasting Meetings Live, presented by Ken Bishop. Topics for round table discussions included. NIC National Endorsement, Code of Ethics, and, Appropriate Practice for Brazilian waxing, Tattooing and Permanent Make-up. All topics generated a great deal of interest and participation by attendees.

Appreciation is extended to Milady, Pivot Point, Professional Credential Ser-



vices, Inc., Supercuts, Missouri Association of Cosmetology Schools, and Current Trends Academy of Hair for sponsoring, breakfast, lunch and the breaks for both days.

# Regions III & IV Meet

LED's, airbrush tanning, and distant learning were among the topics of discussion at the Region III and IV meeting in Portland, OR, April 23-24, 2005. There were 31 people in attendance with 8 states present.

Speaker Tim Gilberg spoke on light wave therapy and lasers and what safety issues to consider when using lasers and the types that are recognized as class one in the medical field.

Oregon board member, Deely Klarr, spoke on the regulations of airbrush tanning and its importance on ventilation. She stressed what safety measures need to be taken by wearing a mask when applying the product to the skin. The prod-



uct contains sugar beets and can be harmful to an individual's mucous membranes when ingested.

Also, round table topics that were discussed included: distance learning, tattooing, waxing, body wraps and permanent cosmetics. Following the round table, NIC President Kirby Morris gave a presentation on National Endorsement.



# 50 Years of Leadership and Milestones

**1955** – Merger of National Council of Boards of Beauty Culture and Interstate Council of Board of Cosmetology voted on in Louisville, KY.

**1956** – Queen Ann Sims, SC, elected the first President of NIC and served only one year. The conference was in Dallas, TX, and the first executive board was elected and a new charter was written. Jacob Yahm was elected editor of the Bulletin with Milady Publishing Co. as the printer.

**1957** – Bill Stafford, TX, was elected President. The Conference was held at Pittsburgh, PA.

**1958** – Bill Stafford was reelected President at the Conference in New Orleans, LA.

**1959** – Elsie Tinsley was elected President with the Conference in Seattle, WA.

**1960** – Elsie Tinsley, MT, was reelected President.

**1961** – Don Johnson, CA, was elected President. Mr. Johnson never served his time in office, so First Vice President Evelyn Wilburn, MS, stepped in as acting President.

**1962** – Evelyn Wilburn, MS, was elected President.

**1963** – Evelyn Wilburn was reelected President.

**1964** – Lorraine Piens, MN, was elected President.

**1965** – Lorraine Piens was reelected President.

**1966** – Roxie Capshaw, OK, was elected President and only served one year.

**1967** – Aurie Gosnell, SC, was elected President.

**1968** – Aurie Gosnell was reelected President at the Conference in Atlanta, GA.

**1969** – Nancy Godfrey, AL, was elected President at the Conference in Honolulu, HI. The testing program was approved with 13 states participating: Alabama, Idaho, Maine, Minnesota, Mississippi, Nebraska, Nevada, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia, Oklahoma and South Dakota.

**1970** – Nancy Godfrey was reelected President. The testing program was started with 15,127 exams given the first year.

**1971** – Gertrude Woolridge, VA, was elected President and only served one year. 17,328 exams were given.

**1972** – Irene Bode, MA., was elected President at the Conference in Boston, Mass.

**1973** – Irene Bode was reelected President at the Conference in Las Vegas, NV. This was the first Conference Lois Wiskur attended and she hasn't missed one since. Marguerite Preston, Mich., was the Bulletin Editor. NIC developed the Instructors and Manicurist Exam.

**1974** – Helen Wilson, MS., was elected President at the Conference in Scottsdale, AZ. 22 states were

in the testing program.

**1975** – Helen Wilson was reelected President in Brownsville, TX. First Conference attended by Pat Nix, Veda Traylor and Peggy Dietrick. 24 states were in the testing program.

**1976** – Zada Noe, NC, was elected President at the Conference in Richmond, VA.

**1977** – Zada Noe was reelected President in Miami, FL. Special election at spring board meeting for 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President and 3rd Vice President and Treasurer to fill board vacancy of officers who were removed from the board. NIC opposed merger of Barber and Cosmetology Boards by a motion.

**1978** – Norman Gauvin of NH was elected President in New Orleans, LA.

**1979** – Norman Gauvin was reelected President in San Diego, CA. Sunset was discussed at Conference. Practical Exam Committee was set up for discussion.

**1980** – Pat Nix, IN, was elected President in Merrimack, NH. 29 states in testing program.

**1981** – Pat Nix reelected President at Lake Tahoe, Incline Village, NV. First conference attended by Debra Norton.

**1982** – Joel Mumphrey, LA, was elected President. The Conference was held in Nashville, TN.

**1983** – Joel Mumphrey was reelected President at Des Moines, IA. NIC recognized Nick Cimaglia at the Conference as an outstanding leader in the industry.

**1984** – Tom Ross, OH, was elected President at Las Vegas, NV, and served only one year. N.E. Cimaglia passed away. NIC had developed and provided five different exams.

**1985** – Lois Wiskur, SD, was elected President at the Denver, CO, Conference. The Nick Cimaglia Achievement Award was created.

**1986** – Lois Wiskur was reelected President at the conference in ShangriLa, OK. Administrators held first official meeting. NIC-NCA-AACS sign joint resolution opposing the elimination of the practical performance test for licensure. Aurie Gosnell received the Nick Cimaglia award.

**1987** – Dorothy Turner, MT was elected President at the Rapid City, SD conference. Bill Stafford was the recipient of the Nick Cimaglia Award.

**1988** – Dorothy Turner was reelected President at the conference in Baltimore, MD. O. Wayne Corley was the recipient of the Nick Cimaglia Award.

**1989** – Veda Traylor, AR, was elected President at the conference in Portland, OR. Tom Ross was the recipient of the Nick Cimaglia Award.

**1990** – Veda Traylor was reelected President in

Hot Springs, AR. Practical test discussed and is developed. NIC develops Barber Exam.

**1991** – Alma Tilghman, NC, was elected President in Portland, ME. Practical Exam is used in 3 states. Minnesota's Board is abolished.

**1992** – Alma Tilghman was reelected President in San Antonio, TX. Jacob Yahm was honored for his contributions to NIC at the Conference. 42 states are using some form of the test. Booth rental becomes an issue.

**1993** – Carol Micciche, PA, was elected President in Raleigh, NC. Jacob Yahm named NIC Bulletin Editor Emeritus. Jerry Brooks becomes Editor of Bulletin. Sue Samson was the recipient of the Nick Cimaglia Award.

**1994** – Robert Schroeder, OH, was elected President at the Conference in Boston, MA. Lois Wiskur recipient of Nick Cimaglia Award. Ohio goes to Continue Ed. Rhode Island combines Cosmetology and Barber Board. Disinfection standards developed for NIC Exam Program.

**1995** – Ray Gambrell, SC, was elected President at the Boise, ID, Conference. NIC does task analysis for testing program.

**1996** – Peggy Moon, GA, was elected President at the conference in Washington, D.C.

**1997** – Michael Hill, AR, was elected President at the Conference in Charleston, SC. First conference Aurie Gosnell missed due to illness.

**1998** – Michael Hill was reelected President in Atlantic City, NJ. 35 states on Basic Cosmetology Exam, 14 different types of exams offered. 16 states on NIC practical exam.

**1999** – Larry Walthers, NV, was elected President at White Fish, MT. NIC contracts with Laser Grade. Rader training program developed for practical exams.

**2000** – Larry Walthers reelected President at the conference in Las Vegas, NV. 32 states using NIC Exam. 53,030 Exams administered.

**2001** – Kirby Morris, WY, was elected President at the Oklahoma City, OK conference. NIC begins working on an international agreement with China for the testing program.

**2002** – Kirby Morris was reelected president at Hilton Head, SC. Jacob Yahm passed away. The Aurie Gosnell Recipient Award was created with Aurie being the first recipient of the award.

**2003** – Wendell Peterson, MT, was elected President at the Conference in Sacramento, CA. Kirby Morris was recipient of the Aurie Gosnell Award.

**2004** – Kirby Morris, WY, was elected President at the Conference in Richmond, VA. Minnesota's Board of Barber & Cosmetology has been reinstated.

Make plans to attend  
NIC'S  
ANNUAL CONFERENCE



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## Bulletin

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# Eight States Allow Examinations by Computer

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In February 2005, NACCAS mailed its annual survey to all of the state licensing agencies for cosmetology. So far, eighteen (18) states have responded, with interesting information. The survey has sections for basic statistics, changes in law, and a special topic. This year the special topic section focused on use of the internet and licensing of instructors.

Eight states wrote that they allow the written portion of the cosmetology licensing examination to be taken on line. Two states allow all or some of the instructor training program to be offered using distance learning methods. New Mexico accepts up to 25% of a program by internet, and North Dakota accepts the entire training program on line. In both states, the state board has a procedure for approving the distance learning program.

In regard to requirements for training and licensure of cosmetology instructors, NACCAS asked: In order for a person to become a cosmetology instructor, must he/she complete an approved training program? And If Yes, how long is the required training program?

Thirteen states require additional training for an instructor's license, ranging from 150 to 1000 hours. Some of these states allow years of experience to substitute for hours of training. Four states referred NACCAS to another state agency.

NACCAS asked if instructors need to complete continuing education units in order to maintain their licenses. Nine respondents said yes. Five did not give an answer; three said no. Of those who require CEUs for instructors, five said the requirements could be met through distance learning programs offered by out-of-state providers. Three of these states said they had a procedure for the state board to approve the distance learning programs.

NACCAS requires the schools seeking accreditation to fulfill all state requirements. Your returned surveys help NACCAS coordinate compliance with you.

If you have not returned your survey yet, please do so. If it is lost, please contact Mrs. Sue Daniels at (703) 600-7600 ext. 141 for another copy. Later this summer, NACCAS will consolidate the answers to the basic statistics portion of the survey and e-mail or send these to participating states.

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