

The **COES Mentoring Program May 2010 Mentee Newsletter** focuses on resources, upcoming events, mentoring tips and other items to help you get ahead this summer.

\* **Summer is a great time to focus on getting publications out the door.** Refereed journal publications are key to your long-term career success. They increase your grant success rate, are important at promotion and tenure time, advance your reputation, and more. Set aside time each day to work on publications all summer. Schedule the time on your calendar just like you would for a class and don't let other things interfere.

\* **Be sure to schedule some time this summer to meet with your Mentor.** Take advantage of the relaxed atmosphere to meet in a different location or at different times that you have during the academic year. It is also a good time to plan for some longer conversations that focus on topics such as goals for next year. Find more ideas for topics of conversation on the COES Mentoring Program website at: [http://www.latech.edu/coes/owise\\_coesmentoring.shtml](http://www.latech.edu/coes/owise_coesmentoring.shtml)

\* **Did you know that purchases to be charged to the 2010-2011 budget can be made in June, as long as they are not invoiced or delivered until July 1?** To find out how and get other questions about purchasing during May and June answered, contact Carrie Kelly in the Accounting and Purchasing Office: [ckelly@latech.edu](mailto:ckelly@latech.edu).

\* **Planning to submit a Board of Regents Research Competitiveness or Enhancement proposal this fall?** Watch for summer on-campus workshops on the Board of Regents Research Competitiveness Subprogram (RCS) and Board of Regents Enhancement Program. The RFP is posted (usually in July) on the Board of Regents (BoR) Office of Sponsored Programs website. Notices of intent for RCS proposals are usually due about the time Fall Quarter starts. Get a head start and prepare your notice of intent and proposal this summer. Check out the BoR Office of Sponsored Programs website at: <http://web.laregents.org/> and click on "Funding Opportunities" on the top menu bar.

\* **Summer is a great time to catch your breath.** Plan now to get away for a week or two and spend some time with your family and friends to refuel. You will find that you are ready to start the fall with a sense of enthusiasm and will be more productive all year.

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