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County Treasurers Meet in Spokane

The Washington State Association of County Treasurers (WSACT) met for its 97th Annual Conference at the splendidly refurbished Davenport Hotel, in downtown Spokane, last month. Presiding over the meeting was San Juan County Treasurer Kathy Turnbull. Hosts were Spokane County Treasurer Linda Wolverton and Lincoln County Treasurer Linda Fisher, who with conference coordinator Debra Poindexter (Spokane County), left no detail to chance. The magic of the Davenport Hotel pleasantly transported conference attendees back into the era of the early 1900's with its meticulously restored decor, while still providing state-of-the-art meeting facilities.

This year's conference was dedicated to long-time Island County Treasurer, colleague and friend, Maxine Sauter, who passed away last November. Welcoming speakers were Senator Bob Morton, Representative Alex Wood and Spokane County Clerk Tom Fallquist, WACO Vice President. The week was filled with a plethora of workshops. The first afternoon, a golf tournament was held and for others Treasurers Linda Fisher, Lincoln County, and Del Shove, Okanogan County, led a workshop on disaster preparedness weighing heavily on their experiences with courthouse fires in their counties, followed by a related talk about the security of data.

On the first full day of the meeting, Gonzaga University President Father Robert Spitzer gave a very spirited presentation concerning ethics in government, followed by interesting workshops on the State Constitution by Hugh Spitzer, Foster Pepper & Shefelman, and the "Current Economic

Environment and How it is Affecting Our Investments" by Girard Miller, President and CEO of the ICMA Retirement Corporation.

Other workshops during the week included the following topics: counterfeiting, check fraud and identity theft; excise and real estate tax; foreclosure and bankruptcy safety relating to seizure of property (hazardous); special assessments; levies; arbitrage; and disclosure liability among others. Information in all of the presentations was timely and thorough.

Despite the full agenda, there was time for entertainment and a bit of frivolity. During one luncheon, everyone was enchanted by a vintage fashion show. Delegates were treated to an evening at the Davenport Mansion with entertainment by the wonderful singing voice and very funny chatter of Ann Fennessy who gave a history of the music in this country. On banquet night, many people took advantage of the opportunity to rent period costumes, and following dinner, the Spokane Civic Theater presented Noel Coward's amusing "Fallen Angels" in the form of a reader's play.

Everyone left the conference a bit more enlightened, a bit more cultured, a bit heavier from the frequent and fabulous meals, and most of all, vowing to return to the Davenport Hotel!

WSACT officers for the ensuing year are President Kathy Turnbull, San Juan County; Vice President Judi Morris, Jefferson County; Secretary Lisa Frazier, Mason County; and Treasurer Bob Lothspeich, Whitman County. Vancouver will be the site for the 2004 conference.

County Clerk Loses House to Wildfire

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Okanogan County Clerk Jackie Bradley and

the other families whose homes were destroyed by a brush fire fanned by high

winds, yesterday. At least six homes were a total loss within 10 minutes, including Jackie's. She was able to save her cat and only a few personal possessions as part of the town of Okanogan was evacuated. This is especially devastating for Jackie because her husband, Bob, recently passed away and this was the home in which they resided for over 30 years. Okanogan County Assessor, Scott Furman lives just across the street from Jackie. Thankfully, his home was spared and he reports that people were up most of the night watching for flare-ups.

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At this time, any correspondence can be sent to Jackie at her office at P.O. Box 72, Okanogan, 98840. The phone number there is (509) 422-7275 and someone in the clerk's office can put you in touch with her if you would like to offer your concern and help.

Watch for Registration Notice for Fall WSAC Eastern District Meeting

Registration forms for the Fall WSAC Eastern District Meeting September 11 and 12 will be mailed and posted on the WSAC website next week. Host Walla Walla County has planned a spectacular field trip to the nation's largest wind energy farm and one of the county's premium wineries.

Two roundtable discussions are being arranged: one on the topics of watershed planning and salmon recovery and the other on state agency land acquisition and maintenance. State Parks Director Rex Derr also is coming to discuss his vision for the future of state parks and gather Eastern Washington perspectives on that topic.

Save the date: Fall WSAC Western District Meeting November 7

WSAC Western District officers have scheduled a half-day meeting for the Western Washington Commissioners, Councilmembers and Executives for November 7. The likely site is Port Townsend; details are being arranged. The meeting will begin by 9:00 a.m. and end shortly after lunch, allowing most to make the trip a one-day affair.

The agenda will focus on legislative concerns and include a roundtable with

legislators from Western Washington.

Rural Economic Development Roundtable Scheduled

The Rural Issues Subcommittee of the WSAC Legislative Steering Committee has arranged an excellent roundtable opportunity with Senator Tim Sheldon, Chair of the Senate Economic Development Committee and several key state agency officials in Yakima on Thursday, August 7.

The Rural Issues Subcommittee is open to any WSAC member with rural issues of interest and is chaired by Douglas County Commissioner Mary Hunt. The Committee will meet August 7, from 2 – 5 p.m. at the Oxford Suites. The rural economic development discussion will take place from 2 – 4, followed by a discussion of the potential Lake Roosevelt Superfund designation, led by Stevens County Commissioner Merrill Ott.

Others participating in the rural economic development discussion include Wendy Holden, Assistant Director for Trade and Economic Development, Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development; Linda Crerar, Policy Assistant to the Director, Department of Agriculture; and Jim Lowery, Executive Director of the Rural Development Council.

Please advise Barbara Warden, WSAC staff, at (360) 753-1886 or via e-mail at bwarden@wacounties.org if you plan to attend.

NOTE: Legislative Committee schedules and agendas can be found at <http://www.leg.wa.gov/wsladm/calendar.cfm>

Budget, Finance and Taxes

County Ponders Higher Tax

(Published 12:01AM, July 15th, 2003-
Aaron Corvin; The News Tribune)

Pierce County leaders are working on a plan to boost the sales tax to the highest level in the state, raising as much as \$25 million annually to pay for more cops, prosecutors and judges.

Area officials are reviewing two options and expect to put the plan on the countywide ballot no earlier than November. County leaders favor asking for an increase of 0.3 percent - the highest the state Legislature will allow and the higher of two options under consideration. A county task force says the other option - an increase of 0.2 percent - while "nearly adequate," would not do enough to "change current law enforcement and justice trends in the county."

In 2002, violent crime in Pierce County increased by 16 percent, going from 869 incidents in 2001 to 1,008. Property crimes rose 1.5 percent, from 11,402 to 11,568. County officials said the 0.3 percent option buys the most tools to cut the county's crime rate. Pierce County Councilman Paul Bocchi (R-Lakewood) said the 0.3 percent option would empower the county to "really do policing instead of just reacting to crime." The 0.3 percent option, for example, affords the county 77 new sheriff's deputies to serve unincorporated areas. That's 19 more than the 58 recommended in a 2001 performance audit of the Pierce County Sheriff's Department. A 0.2 percent increase would pay for 58 deputies. The department is budgeted to have 269 patrol deputies this year.

Either tax option, if approved, also would give most parts of Pierce County the highest sales tax rate in Washington. If the 0.3 percent increase were approved, Tacoma residents, for example, would pay 9.1 cents on every dollar. That would surpass Snohomish County, which has an 8.9 percent sales tax in many parts of the county, and King County, which has an 8.8 percent sales tax in most parts of the county.

One of the big questions is when to put a ballot measure before voters, said Bocchi, who is co-chairman of the county's Criminal Justice Task Force. "There is some debate about that," he said. "The core of the debate is do we have enough time to run a good campaign and really explain it?"

David Graybill, president and CEO of the Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber of Commerce, said it would be "premature" to judge the county's work on a public safety tax package. He said there is "real apprehension" on the part of retail businesses about the county's overall sales tax rate. However, he said, county voters have supported tax increases "when they know what they're buying" and when those taxes will help their quality of life.

The reason the county is reviewing tax options to boost public safety stems from legislation approved last month by state lawmakers. The Legislature authorized cities and counties to seek public votes to raise local sales and property taxes. It set the maximum sales tax request at 0.3 percent and required one-third of the money collected to be spent on criminal justice services. It also required any ballot measure to appear at a primary or general election.

County Executive John Ladenburg is recommending the County Council put the issue on the November ballot. Waiting until next year is a bad idea, Ladenburg said, particularly because it's a presidential election, and "it'll be a much heavier ballot."

Last week, the Criminal Justice Task Force, which includes Prosecuting Attorney Gerry Horne and Sheriff Paul Pastor, presented its report to the County Council. The seven-member council, which must agree to put a ballot measure before voters, will begin discussing the issue in committee sometime in August, said Councilman Calvin Goings (D-Puyallup). Then, in September, the full council will decide whether to go to voters in November.

Meanwhile, Ladenburg is talking to city officials from Tacoma to Lakewood

to Fife to hash out how the new tax money would be spent. That's because the Legislature required the county and its cities to share money raised by an increase in the sales tax.

The 0.3 percent option raises about \$25 million annually countywide, with about \$15 million going to Pierce County and about \$10 million distributed to cities on a per capita basis. Under that plan, Tacoma would receive the most: \$4.9 million. The 0.2 percent option raises \$16.7 million, sending \$10 million to the county and \$6.7 million to cities.

The County Council wants to make sure the cities agree that the new tax revenue would be spent on criminal justice, Ladenburg said. "We're also looking for the cities to give us an idea of how many law enforcement officers they would hire if we get this," he said.

Pierce County voters last approved a public safety-related sales tax increase in 1996. That was a 10th of a percentage point increase to build a new jail, which opened this year.

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Where the Money Would Go

A look at Pierce County's proposals for spending a sales tax increase. If it is 0.2 percent (about \$10 million annually goes to the county)

- 58 patrol deputies and support staff
- 8 jail officers
- 5 to 6 prosecutors
- 2 Superior Court judges and additional support staff
- Juvenile Community Detention program serving 30 kids

If it is 0.3 percent (about \$15 million annually goes to the county)

- 77 patrol deputies and support staff

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- 18 jail officers and 1 inmate manager

- 11 prosecutors, 3 victim witness advocates, 3 legal assistants

- 3 Superior Court judges and additional support staff

- Juvenile Community Detention Program serving 40 to 50 kids

- Drug treatment for 36 people

- 3 domestic violence centers in outlying areas Source: Pierce County Criminal Justice Task Force

Rethinking role of King County

(Published, Sunday, June 29, 2003 in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer Editorial Board)

King County is in financial trouble. It's not the kind the county will get out of with a mere upturn in the economy. The trouble is deep-seated, systemic and, if left unresolved, we're told, "every year ...

county general government service budgets will be cut and service levels will suffer."

This warning comes not from a gaggle of tax-and-spend liberal politicians and vested bureaucrats but from a task force led by two hard-nosed business types: Bob Wallace, Eastside businessman and former chairman of the Greater Seattle Chamber of Commerce, and John Warner, retired Boeing executive. Their conclusion: King County can't continue to deliver government services at current levels. The county has some of the same internal efficiency and labor challenges faced by many large organizations, public and private. It needs to streamline, consolidate, dig for efficiencies and enlist labor in confronting revenue realities. But King County also faces unique challenges as the regional government of a largely urban county. City incorporations and annexations have left behind pockets of unincorporated urban areas, which require urban-level services (water, sewer but don't generate enough tax money to pay for them. In 2003, the task force estimates, this "urban subsidy" will

drain \$42 million away from the regional services the county should be providing.

Those unincorporated urban areas must be annexed into adjacent cities, the task force argues, leaving the county to serve overall regional needs (transit) and rural-level services to unincorporated rural areas.

As an annexation incentive, the task force says the county must begin with the 2004 budget to cut service levels in urban unincorporated areas. Cities need to step up to their responsibility to be the suppliers of urban-level services. And state government needs to step up, too, by allowing the county to impose a utility tax in its unincorporated urban areas to help pay for urban services.

With expenditures projected to grow at a rate of more than 5 percent a year and revenues capped at a rate of about 2 percent, it's easy to envision the "train wreck" task force co-chairman Wallace warns is coming if the tough choices and hard changes aren't made now.

Courts, Public Safety, Law & Justice

Local Governments Receive Federal Homeland Security Funds

Washington state is receiving more than \$40 million in federal homeland security money made available in the federal fiscal year '03 budget and '03 supplemental budget. Local governments, either individually or through their Regional Homeland Security Coordinating Districts, are receiving a significant portion of this assistance. No local match is required.

For detailed information about local distributions contact Jim Schoonover of the state Emergency Management Division (j.schoonover@emd.wa.gov) or your county director of emergency management.

Following is a general breakdown for how the funds are being distributed and for what purposes:

For FFY '03. Total to Washington: \$11,294,000. Funds are already obligated

- Equipment (\$7,926,000): \$6,340,800 (80 percent) of the equipment is allocated to local jurisdictions. The key factor in determining how much and what type of equipment each jurisdiction received was based upon priorities submitted by the jurisdictions. The remaining 20 percent is allocated to interoperable communications equipment for the Washington State Patrol.
- Training (\$594,000): For centralized awareness level training for first responders by various training and educational institutions throughout the state.
- Exercises (\$1,981,000): Each of the nine Regional Homeland Security Coordinating Districts (RHSCD) has received \$204,000 (for a total of \$1,836,000) for tabletop and functional exercises. Every county participates in one of these regions. The remaining \$145,000 will administer the exercise program and conduct state-level exercises.
- Planning and Administration

(\$793,000): \$300,000 was awarded to counties (\$6,000 plus proportion based upon population), \$100,000 is paying for a statewide critical infrastructure study, and \$393,000 is funding the State EMD Terrorism/Homeland Security Program.

For FFY '03 Supplemental. Total to Washington: \$29,917,000. State will obligate funds by July 28, 2003.

- \$3,989,000 of the funds are provided for 1) public safety agency overtime costs; 2) contract security personnel costs; and, 3) state-ordered National Guard deployments required to augment security at critical infrastructure during the period of hostilities with Iraq (during the time period of March 17, 2003 through April 16, 2003) and future periods of heightened threat.
- \$25,928,000 of these funds will be used as indicated below with 80 percent (\$20,742,400) passed through to local governments to be used in the categories indicated below. Twenty percent is retained at the state level. Unlike previous grants, no categorical funding breakout is required; however, the funds must and will be used as indicated below.
- ✓ EQUIPMENT: To enhance capabilities in the areas of law enforcement, emergency medical services, emergency management, fire service, hazardous materials, public works, public health, governmental administrative, public safety communications, healthcare and public health at the state and local levels. The equipment for local jurisdictions will be purchased by the local jurisdictions using state bulk purchasing contracts and pursuant to state and federal guidelines.
- ✓ TRAINING: To enhance the capabilities of state and local first responders. Allowable training-related costs include overtime costs associated with attendance at

specified courses.

- ✓ EXERCISE: To plan for, design, develop, conduct and evaluate exercises that train emergency responders and assess the readiness of jurisdictions to prevent and respond to a terrorist attack.
- ✓ PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION: To pay for activities associated with the completion of the FY 2003 assessment and strategy update process, as well as for costs associated with implementing overall state homeland security strategy.
 - The \$5,185,600 retained at the state level is intended for the Washington Military Department to administer the grant program and activities, and to the Washington State Patrol for interoperable radio equipment.
 - The recommended local government portion of the funding is as follows
- ✓ \$60,000 to each county and each of the nine regions for a total of \$2.88 million. These funds may be used to support personnel, e.g. provide for full-time county emergency management director.
- ✓ \$17.58 million to be distributed to the nine Regional Homeland Security Coordinating Districts based upon population. Regions may distribute these funds to individual counties, tribes, cities and other entities based upon regional needs and collective priorities.
- ✓ \$240,000 to support a study of local emergency management programs and conducted by the Task Force on Local Program Assessment, which was established in January 2003 by the state Emergency Management Council.

Elections, Licensing and Recording

Local Records Grant Program Accepting Applications

Secretary of State Sam Reed has announced the 2003 - 2005 Local Records Grant Program, designed to preserve and protect the records of local government in Washington State.

The Washington State Archives Local Records Grant Program supports local public records management and

preservation efforts. Grants are funded with fees collected by county auditors. This is a competitive grant program; the number of grant applications and the requested level of grant funding generally will exceed the total award amount available per grant cycle. The grant program project duration will be from January 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005.

"Preserving government records is a vital part of our democracy," said Secretary of State Sam Reed. "The

grants program will assist local government agencies in protecting our valuable legal and historical records."

Last year, this pilot program provided \$100,000 in competitive grants to seven local government agencies to improve management of their public records.

Applications for the 2003 - 2005 grant program are due August 1, 2003. The Local Records guidebook and application can be downloaded at www.secstate.wa.gov/archives.

Environment, Land Use and Resources

Title II and III Applications Due

Titles II and III of Public Law 106-393 offer counties an opportunity to expend 15 to 20 percent of their allocation of total federal payments to states on various local projects. Now is the time your county should be deciding how to divide the 15 to 20 between Title II and Title III projects.

We encourage commissioners and council members to work closely with the Resource Advisory Committees (RAC) in electing this split. Title II applications for proposed special projects on federal lands are due to your RAC for review in July. Title III applications for proposed county projects also should be completed no later than this month, and submitted to the Board of County Commissioners or County

Council.

If you have any questions, or need assistance with this application process, you can contact Karl Denison, US Forest Service at (360) 956-2306, or Nicole Simpkinson, WSAC at (360) 753-1886. Project funds will be distributed in October, 2003.

Association News

Washington State University: Zuiches Steps Down as WSU Dean, Cook Named Interim Dean

<http://wsunews.wsu.edu/detail.asp?StoryID=3993>.

What It Means to Be An Urban Environmentalist

Dwight Pelz, King County Councilman: "I have come to believe there is a deep confusion in Seattle about what it means to be an environmentalist within a city -- to be an urban

environmentalist.

* Read the full article at:

http://seattlepi.nwsource.com/opinion/131097_pelz17.html

Boards and Commissions

Shorelines Hearings Board Alternates Sought

WSAC is looking for county legislative officials or senior county planning staff to volunteer as prospective county representatives to the Shorelines Hearings Board. The Shorelines Hearings Board is a state agency that hears appeals of county or city permitting decisions within the 200' shoreline jurisdiction. The Board decides whether the local permit

decision was consistent with the local shoreline plan.

The Shorelines Hearings Board is a six-member body, consisting of the three members of the Pollution Control Hearings Board, appointed by the Governor, a representative of the Commissioner of Public lands, and a county and city representative. The lead county representative is San Juan County Commissioner Darcie Nielsen, who the WSAC Board designated to serve earlier

this year. This recruitment is for additional county commissioners or councilmembers, or for senior county staff who have the support of their board or council to serve as alternates on the Shorelines Hearings Board.

Those interested should send a letter of interest to Paul Parker at WSAC. The WSAC Board will be designating additional alternate members when it next meets.

Training and Upcoming Events

Mark your Calendars for CPO 2003.....

2003 CPO Scheduled Courses

<u>July</u>	RESOLVE Conflicts and Build Relationships (Full day Elective course – 4 credits)	July 30, Spokane
<u>September</u>	Ethical Dilemmas: Integrity as a Tool for Successful Public Officials (Full day Core course – 4 credits)	September 30, SeaTac
	Conducting and Managing Effective Meetings (Half day Elective course – 2 credits)	September 30, SeaTac
<u>October</u>	Making a Difference in County Communication: Speak and Write More Confidently (Full day Elective course – 4 credits)	October 30, Eastern WA Location TBD
<u>November</u>	Making a Difference in County Communication: Speak and Write More Confidently (Full day Elective course – 4 credits)	November 6, Western WA Location TBD

CPO Credit Update: Your CPO Transcripts have been updated with the 2003 course credits for all classes held to date. If you would like to check your credit totals, request your transcript. We have several county officials who will receive their CPO designation at the Joint Fall Conference. An awards ceremony is being planned for those who have completed the requirements. There is still time to complete your requirements. Those officials currently needing the Ethics class to complete their core requirements can register attend and receive their certification at the conference.

Early in September you will all receive a new training needs assessment. This assessment will be very important as we plan the 2004/2005 training calendar. Always, if you have suggestions or comments about the program, please share them with us.

<i>Training or Workshop</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Information</i>
SEPTEMBER 2003			
WAPA Special Assault Training Program	Leavenworth	September 3 - 5	(360) 753-2175
WAPA Juvenile Training Program	Leavenworth	September 7 - 9	(360) 753-2175
April 2004			
WAPA Spring Training Program	Spokane	April 21-23	(360) 753-2175

Calendar of Events

<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Information</i>
2003			
IACREOT Conference	Denver, CO	July 29 - August 3	www.iacreot.com
Western Councils of Governments Annual Conference	Mt. Bachelor Village Resort, Bend, OR	August 12 - 15	(360) 577-3041 Steve Harvey or (509) 943-9185 Gwen Rasmussen
WCIP Board of Directors Rate Setting	Wyndham Gardens, SeaTac	August 21	(360) 586-0466
Washington State Association of County Assessors' Fall Conference	Red Lion, Kennewick	September 8 - 11	(360) 336-9370
County & Regional Planning Directors/City Planning Directors Joint Conference	Campbell's Resort, Chelan	September 9 - 12	www.geocities.com/wsacrpdc
WSAC Fall Eastern District Meeting	Marcus Whitman Center, Walla Walla	September 11 - 12	(360) 753-1886
Association of County Human Services (ACHS)	Moses Lake	September 17 - 19	(360) 786-5585
WCIF/WCIP Insurance Advisory Committee 2004 Renewal Meeting, WCIP and WCIF Board of Directors	WestCoast Hotel, SeaTac	September 18	(360) 586-0466
Washington State Emergency Management Association (WSEMA) Fall Conference	Red Lion Hotel, Pasco	September 23 - 24	John Scheer at jscheer@co.franklin.wa.us
WACO/WSAC Joint Fall Conference	DoubleTree Hotel Seattle Airport	September 29 - October 3	(360) 753-7319
WCIF Board of Trustees	DoubleTree Hotel, SeaTac	October 1	(360) 586-0466
WSAC Fall Western District Meeting	DoubleTree Hotel, SeaTac	October 2	(360) 753-1886
WCIF/WCIP A.C.E. Committee Meeting	Yakima	October 15	(360) 586-0466
L & I Retro Fall Meeting	TBD	October 16	(360) 753-1886
WASPC Fall Conference	Campbell's Resort, Chelan	November 17 - 20	(360) 486-2380
Association of County Human Services (ACHS)	Seattle	November 19 - 21	(360) 786-5585
2004			
NACo Legislative Conference	Hilton Washington & Towers, Washington, DC	February 27 - March 2	www.naco.org
WSAC Spring Eastern District Meeting	Campbell's Resort, Chelan	April 8 - 9	(360) 753-1886

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WSAC Spring Western District Meeting	Heathman Lodge, Vancouver	April 22 - 23	(360) 753-1886
WASPC Spring Conference	Yakima Convention Center, Yakima	May 24 - 27	(360) 486-2380
National Sheriffs' Association	Seattle	June (TBD)	www.sheriffs.org
WSAC 98 th Annual Summer Convention	Pierce County, Sheraton, Tacoma	June 22 - 25	(360) 753-1886
WAPA Summer Conference	Chelan	June 23 - 25	(360) 753-2175
NACo Annual Conference	Maricopa County, Phoenix, AZ	July 16 - 20	www.naco.org
County & Regional Planning Directors/City Planning Directors Joint Conference	Campbell's Resort, Chelan	September 14 - 17	www.geocities.com/wsacrpdc
WACO/WSAC Joint Fall Conference	Spokane	October 4 - 8	(360) 753-7319
WASPC Fall Conference	Shilo Inn, Ocean Shores	November 15 - 18	(360) 486-2380
2005			
NACo Legislative Conference	Marriot Wardman Park Hotel, Washington, DC	March 3 - 4	www.naco.org
WASPC Spring Conference	WestCoast Wenatchee Center Hotel, Wenatchee	May 23 - 26	(360) 486-2380
WSAC 99 th Annual Summer Convention	WestCoast Hotel at Columbia Center, Kennewick	June 13 - 16	(360) 753-1886
WAPA Summer Conference	Chelan	June 22 - 24	(360) 753-2175
NACo Annual Conference (City & County of Hawaii)	Honolulu, HI	July 15 - 19	www.naco.org
County & Regional Planning Directors/City Planning Directors Joint Conference	Campbell's Resort, Chelan	September 13 - 16	www.geocities.com/wsacrpdc
WACO/WSAC Joint Fall Conference	Ocean Shores	October 3 - 7	(360) 753-7319
2006			
WSAC 100 th Annual Summer Convention	TBD	June TBD	(360) 753-1886
NACo Annual Conference	Denver, CO	July 21 - 26	www.naco.org
2007			
NACo Annual Conference (Sponsored by the counties in the Metropolitan Richmond Area)	Richmond, VA	TBD	www.naco.org