

Nebraska Actuaries Club

2003 – 2004

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The first meeting of the 2003-2004 year for the Nebraska Actuaries Club was held on September 25, 2003 at the Holiday Inn in Omaha.

The featured speaker for the meeting was Ernie Goss, Professor of Economics at Creighton University. Professor Goss' presentation was entitled "The Economic Outlook: National, Regional and Local". His presentation is available on the NAC website. Two workshops followed his presentation. Sheryl Babcock, Physicians Mutual, and David Cook, Milliman USA, co-facilitated a discussion of various life and annuity topics. Mike Carstens, Physicians Mutual, facilitated a discussion of various health topics. Thanks to Marilou Halim, Physicians Mutual, and John Kaspar, Mutual of Omaha, for helping to plan the meeting as members of the Program Committee and the Arrangements Committee, respectively.

Club President, Max Rudolph, Mutual of Omaha, opened the business portion of the meeting. There was no old business to report on.

Club Secretary/Treasurer, Linda Whitmire, Ameritas, provided the Treasurer's report, indicating a balance of \$9,777.52 as of 9/18/2003. She then announced those individuals who passed May exams and introduced several new members to the Club. In addition, the use of the website to provide meeting information was discussed and was favorably received.

Cecil Bykerk, Mutual of Omaha, introduced returning member, Warren Luckner. Warren has returned to UNL as Director, UNL Actuarial Science Program. Max presented Warren with a gift from the Club and everyone was reminded of a reception for Warren at UNL on October 6, 2003.

Max noted that the Scholarship Committee this year consists of Marv Ehly, Assurity Life; Bob Jurgensmeier, Lincoln Benefit Life; and Bill Hanus, Ameritas. The committee is in the process of sending scholarship information to all the high schools in the state.

The next meeting will be held on November 24, 2003 at the Qwest Convention Center in Omaha. A speaker from the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta will speak on catastrophic losses and a forum on Risk-Based Capital C-3 Phase II will also be provided.

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