

**Joni L. Pabst, CAA
2008
Conference Site: San Diego, CA
29th NIAAA President**

Joni L. Pabst, CAA, was a successful At-Large-Candidate from Region C at the Orlando National Conference in 2005 and served on the NIAAA Board of Directors from 2006 through 2009. Joni was the third NIAAA President from Arizona and the 4th female to serve as President.

Joni has served in a number of roles with the NIAAA. She became a member of the Awards Committee in 2000 and in 2004 served as Vice Chair for the Awards Committee. Joni served on the 2nd Strategic Planning Committee in 2004 and was a member of the 2001 Blue Ribbon Panel at the conference in Orlando.

During her term as President, Joni challenged the 8 NIAAA Sections to increase their membership in the national organization and growth during 2008 grew to just over 7900. The NIAAA had the largest Professional Outreach in 2008 with monies from the Endowment. The communities served during that time were: Baltimore (30), Washington State (50) and Oregon (30).

The Leadership Training Program continued to grow with new courses and a well-planned review and updating of past courses. As well, the IAA journal continued to be solely printed by the NIAAA. The NIAAA staff continued to settle in to the new offices at 9100 Keystone Crossing in Indianapolis and was able to bring on part-time staff to assist with the growth of the organization. The Board continued to promote the Student Scholarship program with the top male and female winners sharing their essays at the First General Session of the national conference.

The Frank Kovalski Professional Development Award continued to recognize leaders within our NIAAA family who work is exemplary in promoting the Leadership Training Program. During Joni's term in 2008, she worked forward in anticipation of inducting the first NIAAA Hall of Fame Class in 2009.