

# SLGFA E-Updates

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## IN THIS ISSUE:

### 1. SLGFA 2003 Conference Pictures are HERE!

See how the DoubleTree meeting rooms were transformed into a tropical paradise at this year's conference. Tropical fish and other sea creatures were splashed around tables and presentation easels. Treasure chest booty, palm trees, a grass hut and tiny bubbles floating in the air added to the tropical ambience. Just open the thumbnail photos and view beauty, color, and the ungraceful in action by clicking on this link:

<http://www.slgfa.org/slgfa/conference/2003/Pictures.asp>

### 2. SLGFA Launches Electronic PLUS MPN Implementation

Mark the financial aid calendar for June 30, 2003 to begin implementing the new PLUS MPN electronic application with SLGFA. What does the implementation process involve? Click on the provided link to read about PLUS MPN implementation. <http://www.slgfa.org/slgfa/pubs/mpn/MPNPlusImp.asp>

### 3. CSI Training – Episode 2

In the last episode of E-Updates, SLGFA's CSI Team analyzed the information about *Life of the Loan* training. We solved the where and when, but registration and hotel reservations were still a mystery. Click on the following links to find more clues: <http://www.slgfa.org/slgfa/pubs/updates/CSIPart2.asp>

### 4. E-Legislation

Education and financial aid are impacted by federal and/or state legislation on a daily basis. Most of the time the process is slow and other times it moves very fast. The Internet is a great source for all this information. But how does a person sort it all out? Where's the best resource? Who are the experts? What if it were compacted in one place?

Education legislation or **E-Legislation** will be a part of future E-Updates. This section will not only include what's happening in Washington, but also what's happening in Arkansas. Future articles will include quotes directly from sources in Washington and Arkansas about various issues and how they will impact schools and lenders. This week's guest is SLGFA's Policy and Compliance Division Manager, Becky Collins. She recently returned from Washington, D.C. and she shares information she heard during the NCHelp meetings. Click here to read more about it. [http://www.slgfa.org/slgfa/pubs/updates/E-Legislation/Becky\\_V5-2003-7.asp](http://www.slgfa.org/slgfa/pubs/updates/E-Legislation/Becky_V5-2003-7.asp)

### 5. Common Manual Restructuring Almost Complete

The Common Manual Restructuring Subcommittee announced Wednesday, April 7, that revisions to four core chapters were near completion. Chapters 5 through 7 were restructured into two shorter chapters and appendix H was redesigned to be more accessible and efficient. To read more about *Common Manual* restructuring progress, click on the following link:

<http://www.slgfa.org/slgfa/pubs/CommonManual/Restructuring/PR04-07Restructure.asp>

## **Revisions to the *Common Manual***

SLGFA is pleased to provide the *Revisions to the Common Manual* that were approved March 2003 (Batch 102) by the *Common Manual* Governing Board. These revisions have also been included in the integrated version of the *Common Manual*. Questions regarding the *Common Manual* should be directed to the SLGFA Policy & Compliance Division at 800-622-3446. For more information, click on the provided link:  
<http://www.slgfa.org/slgfa/pubs/cm-revisions/Marchrevisions/March2003/Batch102.asp>

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