

December 2009

It's December - Thanksgiving has come and gone. We wait for the cold and snow. For me, the reprieve from winter weather has been wonderful.

The NHCRA Board continues to look for ways to provide benefits to our members. We are in the process of updating our website and adding articles and links of interest. If you are aware of something to share with others, please let us know.

Our newest initiative has been a success. We heard from many of you that there are few opportunities to talk informally with others in the dispute resolution field about issues of importance, frustrations, concerns and challenges, or simply how things are going. We have created that opportunity through a series of networking groups throughout the State. The groups are based on geography and are open to anyone in the dispute resolution field. We define that field broadly to include practitioners in all areas, including mediators, facilitators, arbitrators, lawyers, court personnel, judges, and others. Each group will set its own schedule and explore topics of interest.

Below is the list of volunteer coordinators for the groups which are currently scheduling meetings.

Please feel free to contact one of the coordinators if you are interested in participating.

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We look forward to some interesting conversation and opportunities to learn from one another. The Board wishes you and yours a fun-filled, restful and conflict free holiday season.

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