

Fall 2002



↑ At the Region III Meeting in June, Diane Mondry, ACTE President, is given a gift of cheese (the wine was a bonus) to thank her for fulfilling her promise to "move the cheese in ACTE!"

(pictured front row, I-r) Mark Sponagle; Diane Mondry, ACTE President; Jan Bray, ACTE Executive Director; David Twente (back row, I-r) Barbara Mountjoy, Elaine Morris

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Congratulations Bob!



I am grateful to the members of Missouri ACTE for electing me to this leadership position and I am enthused about having the opportunity to join with the Executive Team and the Board of Directors in serving the organization and our constituents.

Following in the footsteps of all of my predecessors in this role, one of my top priorities

will be to continue the tradition of excellence in designing and promoting our annual summer conference. Hosting the conference in 2003 in my hometown of Springfield will be a special joy and privilege for me.

The matter of Professionalism is also at the top of my agenda and, along with my peers in MAWD (Missouri Association for Workforce Development), I will try to bring focus to the importance of continuous improvement in the occupational skill and competency levels of workforce development staff members, as well as teachers of career and technical education.

Each of our committees and all of our divisions have adopted a strong Program of Work for the coming year and I will work to see that our collaborative efforts are both comprehensive and coherent.

I believe we, in Missouri, can develop a strong and unified voice which will have a major impact at local, state and national levels on the advancement of career and technical education as a vital means of helping more and more people reach their potential as productive citizens in a competitive society.



A Message From Our President

"I dare you!" "Well, I double dare you!" These might be words exchanged between two children on the playground, but before this argument ensued, we might just see two children standing up for what they believe in

In the summer of 2001, I shared with you my passion for career and technical education at the annual conference. Since then, I have accepted the challenge of being your Missouri ACTE President. Throughout the coming year, you will hear me "standing up for what I believe in" and that, my friends, is career and technical education! I believe schools today are faced with extraordinary challenges in preparing young people for postsecondary education and careers. Strong and innovative career and technical education programs can be in a position to make a momentous contribution to meeting the needs of ALL students.

You can be proud of the reputation Missouri ACTE holds throughout the country. In the past year as I've worked with David Twente, Mark Sponagle, Barbara Mountjoy and Donna Vossen, I've had the opportunity to see first-hand how our state association has garnered support for career and tech ed programs throughout the state and on Capitol Hill. Rest assured, Missouri ACTE's voice is heard loud and clear. The Mentor-a-Legislator initiative developed by the Legislative Committee will prove to have an impact as Missouri faces an election year that could ultimately change the makeup of the House and Senate. The work of Gamble and Schlemeier, our governmental consultants, strengthens our voice among the legislators and constituents of career and technical education.

The committees make up the backbone of our association. When they met in July, I saw the committees brainstorming to develop a Program of Work that will drive our association this year. Budget decisions will be based upon the committees' recommendations for the endeavors we will undertake in the year ahead. The committee chairs and their members keep the association on track. Each division has a representative on the committee and that person serves as the liaison by bringing news back to his/her respective division. This is the best way to make our association a cohesive group; one that gets input from ALL divisions.

Several new committee chairs have graciously stepped forward to lead the committees: Deborah DeGan-Dixon, Program Improvement; Jeff Keis, Membership; John Michael, Professional Development; and Bob Green, Diversity Action. The returning committee chairs, with experience under their belts, will undertake their tasks with a renewed sense of ownership.

My thanks to each of the returning committee chairs for their leadership: Michael Young, Awards; Sharon Kosek, Legislative; Karen Mason, Policy; and Dean Hicks, Public Information.

Your association leaders and DESE representatives, along with the Missouri ACTE staff, Donna Vossen and Margie Wilson, worked diligently to bring you an outstanding summer conference. The conference evaluations were favorable, but as always, there is room for improvement. The Program Improvement Committee will delve into the evaluations and act on your comments and suggestions. It has been suggested that we change the structure of our summer conference in order to offer sessions that appeal to

all divisions members. This idea will be investigated in the months ahead. I welcome your comments on this change. Feel free to email me, Donna Vossen, or members of the Program Improvement Committee with your comments or suggestions.

The House of Delegates met on Wednesday afternoon during the summer conference. One action item and one action resolution were passed. The members of the House of Delegates set the dues at \$18 a year. Considering that most state association dues are double or triple that, members are fortunate that we can carry out the mission and purpose of Missouri ACTE for such a small dollar amount per person. The House of Delegates also passed a resolution to support the repeal of government pension offset and windfall elimination provision. This is another example of how our association can present a unified front to affect change in policies.

I invite you to come see for yourself, at the upcoming ACTE national convention, just how Missouri's reputation holds strong year after year. Make plans to travel to Las Vegas in December and be a part of Missouri's representation as we unite our efforts for the sake of career and technical education. Come on.... "I dare you."



ACTE Convention
December 12-15, 2002
Las Vegas
Convention Center



Can your days become any busier? I suppose they can, but I don't see how. I hope it will be a consolation to you to know that ACTE also is working right here in our state, at the Regional level and also at our national office.

After a fairly quiet August recess, Congress returned to Washington to begin the last period of this year's scheduled legislative session. The ACTE Public Policy Department has kept us well informed on important legislation and advised us that we must speak out in the coming weeks. We must convince the House of Representatives that the President's budget is not adequate for career and technical education programs, nor for education overall, and that we need an increase of \$274 million for the Carl D. Perkins Act and Education Appropriations Bill. It is imperative that each of us contact our member of the U.S. House of Representatives by telephone, fax, or e-mail. You can find complete contact information for your member of Congress by visiting the Legislative Action Center on the Government Relations page of ACTE's web site: http://www.acteonline.org/main/qovrel.html

By this time, I am sure you all know that the National ACTE convention will be held in Las Vegas, December 12 - 15, 2002. For your information, both the MGM and New York-New York hotels have lowered their room rates for the convention. The new rates are \$89 and \$85, respectively.

ACTE Executive Director, Jan Bray files a weekly report with each Regional VP. Region III VP, Dan Smith, then forwards this to each region representative. I am so impressed with her work. She seems to be so forward thinking. Jan, our officers and key staff members are meeting with many organization and individuals each week; constantly elevating Career and Technical Education for all connected individuals to view.

An interesting meeting is in the near future, according to Ms. Bray. With help from Frontline Global Resources, a meeting is scheduled with Carol D'Amico for October 7th. This meeting will explore the future of career and technical education. As part of this "think tank" meeting, both ACTE and Carol will be inviting several individuals to participate who have researched the profession or demonstrated "out of the box" thinking. This is what national staff hopes will be a first step in reaching consensus with Carol on how CTE should be shaped in the future.

It's not too late to plan to join thousands of your education colleagues at the biggest career and technical event of the year. Experience the magic of interacting with more than 8,000 educators, exhibitors and business leaders as we come together to learn from the past and plan for the future. And like the slogan says, "See you in Las Vegas."

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Legislative Committee Report

By Sharon G. Kosek
Missouri ACTE Legislative Committee Chairperson

It is very important that we remember to vote on Tuesday, November 5. Remind your friends and relatives to support those who

are friends of education. Also take time to let your candidates know the educational issues, the importance of Career and Technical Education, and its vital role in preparing our workforce.

If you would like to participate in the Mentor-a-Legislator program, you certainly are encouraged to do so. Please email me at sharongkosek@hotmail.com and I will email you an application to complete and return to me. The more people that participate, the more our voice will be heard. Our Committee's goal is to have state-wide coverage for both State and U.S. legislative members.

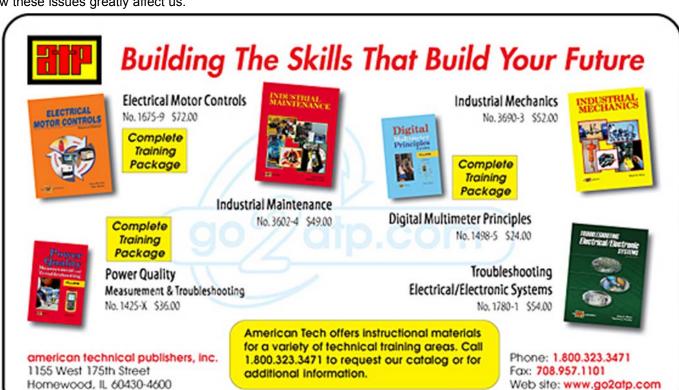
Our Missouri ACTE Legislative Committee is working to gather information from other organizations and voice our concern regarding the need for the repeal of the GPO (Government Pension Offset) and the WEP (Windfall Elimination Provision) that are unfair to most technical educators. GPO eliminates or reduces the spousal benefit by two-thirds the value of a teacher's retirement benefit. WEP reduces, but does not eliminate, a portion of an individual's Social Security earned from other work outside of his/her employment. If you are unfamiliar with issues, talk to a retired technical educator and they will better explain how these issues greatly affect us.

On February 5, 2003, we will celebrate Legislative Day in Jefferson City. With so many new legislators, it is very important that we make personal contact with as many of them as possible. Missouri ACTE has a reputation for bringing the best brunch in the state into the Rotunda to feed staff members and legislators. We all appreciate the great work of the Waynesville Technical Academy Culinary Arts Program and the leadership provided by Dr. Bob Chapman. Remember to budget funds in your division for your expenses. If you have not attended previously, make this your first visit. It will be well worth your trip.

The ACTE National Policy Seminar will be held on March 16-18, 2003, in Washington, DC. Please make plans for your division to send representation to this very important event where our voices are heard as Career and Technical Education advocates. It is so very important that we have constituents from across the state to visit with our Representatives and Senators from Missouri.

Remember to recognize your legislators for their support during Career and Technical Education Week, February 9-15, 2003. Invite them into your school for a visit.

As Legislative Chair for Missouri ACTE, I would like to express our thanks for the great leadership provided by Gamble and Schlemeier for our organization.



3 Week Study Visit Awards to Japan 2003 Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher Program

Program Background

The Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher Program (FMF) is a professional development opportunity for U.S. primary and secondary teachers and administrators to participate in a three-week study visit to Japan. The program, which is fully funded by the Government of Japan, aims to increase the level of understanding between Japan and the United States and to provide a significant opportunity for the professional development of educators.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens who are employed full-time in any discipline as a teacher or administrator for grades 1 through 12. Individuals complete an application, including a two-part essay describing a follow-up plan for imparting the knowledge gained through the experience to their classrooms, schools and communities. Two letters of reference as well as the approval of the applicant's supervisor are required.

Application screening is conducted independently by panels of educators. The merit-based review focuses on each applicant's professional and personal merit and motivation, giving careful consideration to the thoroughness and feasibility of the follow-on plan.

The Study Visit

The program in Japan includes an orientation and introduction in Tokyo. Participants then travel in small groups to prefectures outside Tokyo to visit local schools, to interact with teachers and students and to meet local and regional government and industry officials. Included is a homestay with a Japanese host family. The program concludes in Tokyo before returning home to the U.S.

2003 Applications

For your convenience, the application is now available **online**. You may access the complete application at http://www.iie.org/pgms/fmf. Follow the instructions to submit the application directly to the Institute of International Education.

As a secondary means, interested individuals may request a 2003 application packet by calling the Institute of International Education at **1-888-527-2636**. The application deadline is:



December 10, 2002





Vocational Education Makes Living the American Dream Possible

"I'm living the American Dream," David Watkins said. "I own a retail business in my home town." St. James, Missouri, population 3,700, is the home of David's dream. David is a 1998 graduate of Rolla High School. In his junior and senior years of high school, David spent half of his classroom time at Rolla Technical Institute studying and practicing computer maintenance/network technology, the trade that he utilizes in his business.



← David Watkins proudly stands in front of Forest City Computers, his own personal "American Dream."

David owns Forest City Computers in St. James, Missouri. David Watkins accepted employment with Technology Express of St. Louis, Missouri after graduation from Rolla High School. His duties included setting up computers and network systems for companies all over the United States. Among the beneficial rules of business David acquired on-the-job was the belief that service after the sale is the key to a loyal clientele.

He takes pride in providing a good service at a reasonable rate. When I asked David to tell me about his business, he said, "We provide services from the mouse to the modem." Today, Forest City Computers employs two additional technicians who also embrace David's philosophy about providing a "good product at a reasonable rate."



David Watkins

About six miles away, Travis Hunter is enjoying his work and the opportunities provided to him by Cuba High School and the vocational technical education he received at Rolla Technical Institute (RTI). Hunter Masonry, owned and operated by Travis Hunter, is working on new construction in Phelps County between Rolla and St. James. Travis is a 1998 graduate of Cuba High School and Rolla Technical Institute where he learned Masonry.

Immediately following high school and for the next four years, Mr. Hunter was employed as an apprentice for Spencer Bricklaying of St. Louis. In addition to on-the-job-training at Spenser, Mr. Hunter began building brick mailboxes and other small masonry projects on the weekend for local Cuba residents. As he built his clientele, Mr. Hunter was able to purchase industrial equipment and by 2000-2001, he had paid for the equipment and had begun to visualize a masonry business in his hometown. Travis credits his success to good work standards such as good workmanship and reliability.

"Word-of-mouth has provided all the advertising," Travis said. He further explained that his instructor Harold Martin always told his students, "Learn to work and everything good in life will come to you." Travis has based his business philosophy on Mr. Martin's wise words.

→ Travis Hunter and Harold Martin take a minute to "look back" at their accomplishments a job well done!



In 2001, Travis left his job in St. Louis and started Hunter Masonry of Cuba. Today, he has two employees and has jobs schedule a month in advance.

A sample of Travis's work can soon be seen on TNN on a new Duck Hunting show. Mr. Hunter built a large stone fireplace for The Upland Game Ranch, the new site for the TNN Duck Hunting show. The producer of the show chose Travis's fireplace as the backdrop for the conversation and interview part of the broadcast. Looking back at a well-constructed piece of work is very satisfying for Mr. Hunter. He takes pride in a job well done. When I asked what he enjoys and dislikes about his work, he said, "The weather, but what is really important to me is a backward look at my finished work."

Although the two businesses are very different in the service they provide to the community, the paths these young men chose were similar. They each were sent to their area vocational school by their respective high schools for two years of training. Travis Hunter trained in Masonry and David Watkins in Electronics and Computer Maintenance. Each accepted well paying jobs with larger companies upon graduation where they gained on-the-job experience. They planned



Travis Hunter

well and accepted the instruction and advice of their instructors at RTI, as well as those who mentored them on the job.

Hard work, good job skills, and the entrepreneurial spirit seemed to play an important role in their success.

I am delighted to report that David Watkins is correct. The American Dream is alive and well in rural Missouri. And, following in Travis Hunter's foot steps, I am grateful that RTI instructors Harold Martin from Masonry and Doyle McClellan from Computer Maintenance allowed us to share in the admiration of their finished work.

For masonry services Travis Hunter may be reached at Hunter Masonry, 29 Highland Drive, Cuba, Missouri 65453 or by phone at 573-885-9510.

For computer software, custom built computers, and repair services, David Watkins can be reached at Forest City Computers, 211 Jefferson Street, St. James, Missouri 65559 or via e-mail at forstcty@fidnet.com.

MBEA

Hillsboro High School Program of Excellence Secondary



Hillsboro High School is located in rural Jefferson County, a suburb of St. Louis. The school has a student enrollment (Grades 9-12) of 1067, with 74% of the student population enrolled in business classes. The department feels their strength comes from dedicated instructors who work together as friends, as colleagues, and with a student-based philosophy. The department has four full-time faculty members, plus a department chair who also serves as A+ Coordinator and Tech Prep Director. They bring to the Business Department, 93 years of teaching experience.

In addition to the four pre-vocational and five vocational business classes offered at Hillsboro, the business students also have access to a variety of vocational offerings at Jefferson College Area Technical School; or they can take advantage of the articulation of four classes allowing the students to gain up to 12 credit hours upon graduation from high school.

The department offers a Jr. Achievement program, supervised business experience, and an active FBLA. With the new high school and funding from enhancement grants, the department has been able to equip four business labs with upgraded software and a lecture room with multimedia equipment. The upgraded facilities allow for more class offerings, utilization of more technology, and greater alignment with the needs of business and industry. Their 180-day vocational follow-up showed 90% of the students enrolled in a post-secondary program or working full-time in a business related field.

A former student said, "As a graduate of Hillsboro HS, my own decision to become a business teacher was based on the wonderful experience I had there. Keeping pace with technology and the skills needed in today's ever-changing workplace remains first and foremost their top priority."

Denise Herbers New Professional of the Year



Denise Herbers is a full-time business teacher at Lee's Summit High School. She currently teaches Desktop Publishing/Web Page Design, Advanced Web Page Design, and Computer Applications. During her three years of teaching, she has also taught Keyboarding II, College Notetaking, and Business Administration. Denise is

responsible for maintaining the school's website and cosponsors the FBLA chapter.

Denise has always been an active professional. She holds membership in numerous professional associations and has presented several workshops for MBEA, NCBEA, and NBEA. She formerly served as a Pi Omega Pi Student Representative, was a co-presenter of a research project for Delta Pi Epsilon, and received the Northwest Missouri State University Tower Service Award for outstanding service to her University.

Denise earned her bachelor's degree from Northwest Missouri State University in 1998, served as a graduate assistant from January to July of 1999, and has earned her certification as a Microsoft Office User Specialist. Her expertise is utilized as she serves on several committees. She represents the business department on the Site-Base Team, is a member of the MBEA Marketing Linkage Committee, and serves on the Northwest Missouri State University Advisory Committee for the OIS/MIS Departments.

The department chair at Lee's Summit High School characterized Denise by saying; "She works tirelessly to address the needs of the students enrolled in her classes and, consequently, is held in high regard by both students and her co-workers. Her creativity shines in the classroom."

The assistant principal gave the following testimonial: "Denise provides high interest activities that stimulate her students' desire to learn. Denise spends no time in her classroom disciplining students. She has worked with them to learn self-discipline. Her classroom environment is organized to promote learning."

MBEA

Joanne Newcomer Distinguished Service Award



Joanne Newcomer began her contributions to business education in 1969 as a classroom teacher in Farmington, Missouri. She taught evening classes for Southeast Missouri State University and took on FBLA responsibilities when she moved to Dexter High School in 1972. In 1982 Joanne joined the staff at the Department of Elementary & Secondary Education as a Supervisor of Business Education, becoming Director in 1987.

For 20 years, Joanne has demonstrated outstanding leadership for business education in Missouri through curriculum development, teacher in-service activities, local funding for business programs, program evaluation, and dedicated commitment to professional and student organizations.

Joanne earned her bachelor's degree at Murray State University in Murray, Kentucky, and her masters at Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau. Her service and contributions to business education have been recognized on the local, state, regional, and national levels. She has served on the Policies Commission for Business & Economic Education, served as president of the National Association for State Supervisors of Business Education, and served as program chair for the National Business Education Association. Her honors include Who's Who in Missouri Business Education, NASBE Outstanding Leadership Award, NCBEA Administrator Distinguished Service Award, and the NBEA Outstanding Administrator Award.

Because of Joanne's leadership and initiatives, business education will continue to grow in Missouri. She instituted a statewide training program for MOUS, a partnership opportunity with Cisco Corporation in Network Administration, and a statewide summer institute for business educators. Her passion for excellence in business education, professionalism, positive values, and determination for the success of our business students will be carried forward by those business educators she has touched.

Twana J. Hulen Outstanding Business Educator Secondary



Twana Hulen came to the classroom from the business sector and for the past ten years has made significant contributions to business education.

Twana earned an Associate's degree from Moberly Area Community College and then went to the University of Missouri/Columbia where she earned her bachelor's degree, masters, and Educational Specialist. For the past ten years she has been the business instructor at Northeast R-IV High School in Cairo, Missouri. She has

also served as adjunct faculty for William Woods University and Moberly Area Community College.

Twana is very active in local, state, and national professional business organizations. She has held numerous leadership roles for her local CTA and the Northeast District of MBEA. She was named the Northeast Business Educator of the Year for 2001-2002

In 1997 Twana began her service as treasurer for the Missouri Business Education Association. She continued through the ranks as secretary, president-elect, president, and currently holds the position of past president. Twana served a three-year term on the executive committee of Missouri ACTE and is a past historian for Delta Pi Epsilon.

Twana's dedication to her students and community are paramount. She sponsors FBLA, coaches the High School Academic Bowl, serves as a class sponsor, and manages the concession stand. She is a volunteer accompanist, a 4-H leader, and board member, elder, choir director, organist, and chair of the worship committee for her church.

Probably her greatest pride comes from authoring eight vocational grants that have enhanced and expanded her business program. Twana's FBLA president says, "She does not quit teaching when the bell rings."



Last hour he was drawing doodles in his notebook,

this hour he's working with his advertising team

to create Web and print media campaign.

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MCEA

The following teachers were recognized at the summer conference for their contributions to the Marketing and Cooperative Education programs throughout the state as our award winners:

Missouri ACTE Teacher of the Year Nancy Krider Lake Career & Technical Center



Nancy has been teaching at the secondary level for 20 years. She has also taught marketing, management, accounting, finance and economics for MO Baptist College and State Fair Community College. Nancy has gained many experiences as she worked for Wal-Mart at the general offices in Bentonville, Arkansas, and just recently completed an internship with the Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce.

MCEA Teacher of the Year Cindy Herman Clayton High School



Cindy has been teaching for 27 years. This is her seventh year at Clayton High School where she is the Practical Arts and Technology Department Chair at the high school and the Practical Arts Curriculum Coordinator for the District.

Cindy has been a DECA Advisor for over 23 years, is the District Advisor and Competitive Events Director for DECA District #8, serves as a new-teacher mentor for the State

Department, and has worked on several state curriculum projects.

She attended the 16th Annual United States Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship National Conference as a Coleman Scholar, attended the 19th Annual Entrepreneurship Educational Forum as one of the national winners of the Entrepreneurship Education Scholarship, was one of ten teachers selected to receive the Kaufmann Center/DECA Entrepreneurship Scholarship to further study in entrepreneurship education, and presented at the National ACTE Conference.

Cooperative Education Program Award Michael Young Oak Park High School



Michael has been a marketing instructor since 1990. He has served on the Missouri ACTE Awards committee since 1994, serving as chairman since 2000, and serves as one of our voting delegates. In addition to teaching, he has coached on two state championship football teams. Michael serves as a state and district mentor.

MCEA New Professional Cathy Benson Carrollton AVTS



This is Cathy's fifth year of teaching Fundamentals of Marketing and Coop at the AVTS. Prior to teaching Cathy owned a flower shop in Carrollton. She comes from a family of teachers and graduated from CMSU with a marketing degree.

Innovations in Marketing Education Susie Needles Lee's Summit High School



The Lee's Summit DECA Chapter partnered with the special education students. The partnership is between marketing students (in Building A) and EMH students (in building B) the marketing students helped the EMH students open a school store called the Tiger Hut. The Tiger Hut is a smaller version of the Tiger Post, the school store that is operated by marketing students.

The Tiger Hut (TH) is run by special education students that we consider Special Olympians. The profit they receive from the TH went toward the Special Olympics held the last of April.

When the Tiger Hut was started, the EMH students met several times with the Marketing II students who helped them prepare a survey to determine which products would sell best in Building B.

Once both groups decided which products would sell best, the Tiger Hut was opened. In the beginning, the EMH students sold product from a table and a cart. They have since moved their operation into the classroom.



MoEFACS

By Linda Rice, Bolivar High School, 2001-2002 MoEFACS Awards and Recognition Committee Chair

MoEFACS recognized outstanding Family and Consumer Sciences educators and programs, as well as business partnerships during the 2002 Missouri ACTE Summer Conference.

The 2002 MoEFACS Recognition Award is presented to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Baker and the Columbia Holiday Executive Center. The Columbia Public Schools Family and Consumer Sciences Department nominated the Bakers. Both Mr. and Mrs. Baker have served on the Columbia District Partners in Education ever since its inception during the 1989-90 school year. Initially the partnership began with the Bakers' willingness to allow job shadowing and student internships at their facility. This led to the enhancement of the professional quality of the high school culinary arts programs. In 1994, the Holiday Inn Select was instrumental in hosting the first annual "Select Student" reception honoring outstanding Family and Consumer Sciences students at the junior high and high school levels. For over 10 years the Holiday Inn has also sponsored a \$500 scholarship to any Columbia High School senior planning to attend the University of Missouri in the hotel management and hospitality field. In addition to meeting student needs, the Bakers awarded grants to two Columbia Family and Consumer Sciences Teachers to intern for 80 hours each with various Holiday Inn Select departments. For the past two years, the Holiday Inn Select has hosted the FCCLA State Conference. Linda Turner, Columbia Public Schools, Family and Consumer Sciences Department Chair states "The Holiday Inn Select/Executive Center, led by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Baker, has made extremely significant contributions to the improvement, promotion, development and progress of Family and Consumer Sciences education both locally and statewide."

The MoEFACS PRIDE Award is presented annually to individuals and/or programs that have done an outstanding job of publicizing Family and Consumer Sciences Programs. This year's recipient is Susan Rathbun and the Humansville FCCLA Chapter. The Humansville FCCLA Chapter, under the supervision of Mrs. Rathbun, designed and guilted a special commemorative September 11 quilt. After selling raffle tickets for the quilt, over \$1000 was raised. The money from the raffle sale was then sent to a New York City Fire Department. The work of these students received local, state and national media attention. Area television stations featured the guilt project. Country Woman magazine also did a feature article on the project, and a proclamation recognizing the work of the Humansville Chapter was read on both the Missouri House and Senate floors. Also recognized as a PRIDE Award nominee this year was Angela Beth Imel of Hazelwood Central High School.

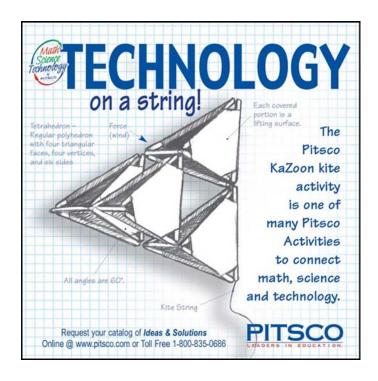
The recipient of the 2002 MoEFACS Teacher of the Year is Charlotte Gray of Wentzville High School. As a Family and Consumer Sciences teacher of thirteen years, Charlotte is a positive role model for all students and provides them with the information to be successful parents, community leaders and professionals. She continually prepares students for real-life experiences. She not only encourages leadership and high work ethic from her students, but she exemplifies it herself through her own professional involvement. Charlotte has been an active member of the Association of Career and Technical Education (ACTE), the Missouri Association for Career and Technical Education (Missouri ACTE), the National Association of Family and

Consumer Sciences Teachers (NATFACS), and the Missouri Educators of Family and Consumer Sciences (MoEFACS) since 1987. She is presently serving on the Missouri ACTE Awards Committee and has served on and chaired many MoEFACS committees. Charlotte is currently serving as secretary of the National Association Teachers of Family and Consumer Sciences (NATFACS) and has chaired numerous working committees in that organization.

Charlotte received both the Wentzville High School and Wentzville School District Teacher of the Year in 2000. In letters of recommendation received with her nomination as MoEFACS Teacher of the Year, Charlotte received many high accolades. Among them, from NATFACS Executive Secretary Betty Brown, "Charlotte is a professional in both attitude and actions, ... an outstanding representative and spokesperson for us (family and consumer sciences)." Colleague and Family and Consumer Sciences teacher Teresa Durbala says of Charlotte, "she embodies the professionalism needed to lead others, as well as the compassion and empathy required to be an effective citizen, a quality leader and most of all, a professional educator."

Charlotte's principal, John Waters states, "Ms. Gray exemplifies the qualities of an outstanding educator that places the success of her students as her number one priority." Student, Clare Looser, describes her teacher as... "someone who is great at what they love." The Missouri Educators of Family and Consumer Sciences is please to have awarded the 2002 Teacher of the Year Award to Charlotte Gray. Also recognized this year, as a Teacher of the Year Award Nominee, was Brenda Smith of West Plains High School.

The following retired teachers were recognized for their years of service in family and consumer sciences education: Lutricia Stephens, 34 years; Sandra Wynn, 28 years; Dr. Bessie Hampton, 47 years; Janet Ward, 31 years; Kathleen Cox, 29 years; Virginia Watson, over 23 years; Mary A. Wills, 39 years; and Kathleene James, 40 years.



MoSAHOE

Awards Breakfast

The 2002 Missouri State Association of Health Occupations Educators held their annual awards breakfast on Wednesday, July 24th. It was very exciting to see all of the wonderful teachers being honored by their peers. The awards were as follows:

Outstanding New Teacher
Joanna Perkins RN

Outstanding Service Award Sandra Richardson RN, MSN

Secondary Health Occupations Educator Brenda Noland RN, BSN

Recognition Awards:

Golden Valley Memorial Hospital Leora Bremer RN, BA Audrain Medical Center Marlene Martensen Dale Pearson RN, CEN

Retiring Educators:

Marlene Martensen
JoAnn Chalfant
Sandra Richardson RN, MSN
Diane Chudomelka RN, BSN, MSEd
Leora Bremer RN, BA
Carolyn Golhofer RN

The awards breakfast was held at the Holiday Inn North. Family and friends gathered to help celebrate the achievements of these fine professionals. Each winner was selected from applications sent to the awards committee in April and selected in May. Melissa Falkenrath, RN, Administator at Waynesville Technical Academy- School of Practical Nursing assisted in the presentation of the awards, and did a wonderful job.

The process for the Awards selection for 2003 will start with the applications coming out in January to the schools with the deadlines being the end of March for nominations. Health Occupations Educators: please take this opportunity to recognize those people who go beyond what is expected and help them get the thanks they deserve. Also thank to all who helped this years awards breakfast be so successful.

Phyllis Graves; Chairperson



MPA

Award for Vocational Director of the Year Ed Stephens

Carthage Technical Center Carthage, MO Award nominated by: Sue Linthicum

Award for Placement Coordinator of the Year Felix Witkowicz

Manual Career and Technical Center Kansas City, MO Award nominated by: John Michael

Award for Employer of the Year Ray Roberts

3M Columbia, MO Award nominated by: Glenda Jordan

MTTA



← MTTA Past President Teresa Stark presents Rick Zumbrunn with the MTTA Teacher of the Year (less than 5 years) Award.

→ MTTA Past President Teresa Stark presents Steve Reed with the MTTA Teacher of the Year (5 years or more) Award.





← MTTA Past
President Teresa
Stark presents
Harold Martin with
the MTTA
Outstanding Service
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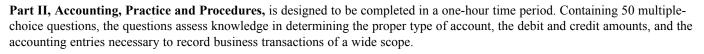
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MBEA

MBEA 11TH Annual Fall Conference Plans

The Eleventh Annual Fall Conference of the Missouri Business Education Association will be held on November 22 and 23 at the Holiday Inn SunSpree Resort at the Lake of the Ozarks.

The Opening session on Friday night will feature Tom Krause presenting "Without Messes There Are No Successes - Put Enough Paint on the Brush." Mr. Krause is the author of the book Touching Hearts - Teaching Greatness, co-author of Chicken Soup for the Coaches Soul, and contributor to other Chicken Soup books. This presentation will look at perfectionism and proper perspectives on life that lead to success and happiness. Make your own sundae will follow the opening session ... an excellent time to renew acquaintances and visit with our exhibitors.

New and exciting concurrent sessions are planned for you on Saturday morning, following the Country Breakfast Buffet. Bring the family and enjoy a weekend at the Lake of the Ozarks. Casual dress is acceptable for all sessions. For registration information, contact Becky Beydler at bbeydler@hotmail.com or the MBEA conference web site: http://www.dese.state.mo.us/divvoced/conferences.htm#MBEA. join us!



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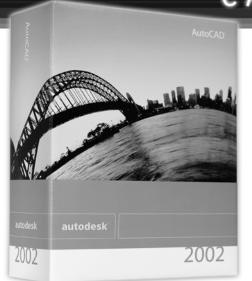
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MCEA

MCEA Elects Officers

At the Missouri ACTE Conference this summer, the MCEA Division elected the following officers to serve for the 2002-2003 school year:

President: Cindy Herman, Clayton High School

President-Elect: Michael Young, Oak Park High School

Secretary: Barba Parrish, Lamar AVTS

Board Member: Barbara Hutchison,

Caruthersville High School

Board Member: Cheryl Yung, Warrensburg AVTS

Professional Development Conference January 31 - February 2, 2003 Radisson Hotel; Clayton, MO

The 2003 MCEA Professional Development Conference will be held Friday, January 31, through Sunday, February 2, at the Radisson Hotel in downtown Clayton. Clayton is the home of the St. Louis County Government Center as well as the St. Louis County Justice Center. It is the location of over 2,000 business and professional firms and the corporate headquarters for sixty-four companies. Clayton is also the home to forty-six "Forbes 500" companies. The program will include presentations from industry leaders such as:

◆ Fred Firestone: Owner of Sempact, Inc., a St. Louis-based training company that works with clients including DuPont, Hewlett-Packard, 3M, Laclede Gas, AT&T and the US Postal Service. Mr. Firestone also writes a column for St. Louis Small Business Monthly.

- M. Rose Jonas: President of The Jonas Company that works with client companies in the areas of career development, employment, strategic planning, team building, executive coaching and communication. Dr. Jonas is known as "The Job Doctor." She appears frequently on local and national television. For ten years she was featured weekly on KSDK-TV morning news program, dispensing career advice to viewers. She is the author of the newly released The Campaign that Couldn't Be Won and the upcoming Lie on Your Resume and Other Useful Career Tips from the Job Doctor. She has also been published in such national magazines as USAir, Lears, BBW, Parenting and Parents Magazine.
- ◆ Dr. Dale Guthrie: has been involved in library services for over 25 years as a Professor in the School of Information Science and Learning Technologies at the University of Missouri-Columbia, as Director of Instructional Technology and Library Services, and as a K-12 media specialist. He currently teaches as an adjunct professor for both the University of Missouri and Southeast Missouri State University. He served on a five-member committee for DESE to research copyright and create a manual for educators.
- ♦ Julie Holt: presenting "The Great Game of Business" a premier management philosophy where employees are motivated, informed, and excited about coming to work because they know how and why their jobs affect the company's bottom line. This tried and true method of running a company was created by Springfield ReManufacturing Corp and in less than 20 years they have increased their stock by 81,000 percent and started 32 successful companies!

Congratulations to ALL the Missouri ACTE Award Winners!

MoEFACS

2002 Missouri ACTE/MoEFACS Summer Inservice Conference Summary

By Debbie Pohl, Supervisor, DESE

The Missouri Educators of Family and Consumer Sciences (MoEFACS) held their annual summer inservice conference in conjunction with the Missouri Association for Career and Technical Education (Missouri ACTE) Summer Conference, July 23-25, 2002 at the Clarion Hotel in Springfield. The theme for this year's inservice was "Celebrate the Past and Plan for the Future". Throughout the week, conference attendees participated in a variety of sessions on family and consumer sciences and vocational education topics and issues. More than 400 Missouri family and consumer sciences educators were in attendance.

Several workshops were held preceding the conference, including a two-day workshop for new family and consumer sciences teachers and those returning to the field. Joy Behrens and Karen Mason, both MoEFACS Past Presidents, coordinated this information-packed inservice which included presentations from a number of veteran family and consumer sciences teachers from across the state.

A two-day pre-conference course entitled "Nutrition and Physical Activity for the Classroom" was offered for graduate credit through the University of Missouri-Columbia. Ann Cohen and Candance Gabel, State Nutrition Specialists from University of Missouri Outreach and Extension, conducted this session. Participants had

the opportunity to explore information and hands-on activities to assist them in implementing nutrition and physical activity into the family and consumer sciences curriculum.

On Monday, Janet Ward, family and consumer sciences teacher and consultant from North Carolina provided a hands-on workshop to assist with teaching food science labs. Goodheart-Willcox Publishers sponsored Ms. Ward's presentation. Also on Monday, a workshop titled "FCCLA Showcase of Programs" was offered. Sharon Robbins, family and consumer sciences instructor and FCCLA advisor from Fredericktown High School, and a panel of FCCLA advisors from across the state presented information on FCCLA state and national programs and awards.

The conference officially opened on Tuesday morning featuring the Missouri ACTE opening general session and the MoEFACS division meetings and luncheons. As part of the day's activities, the MoEFACS Mentor Committee provided an opportunity for new and returning professionals and their mentors to get acquainted and network. That afternoon, the MoEFACS Annual Business Meeting was held, along with the MoEFACS Reception sponsored by Glencoe/McGraw-Hill Publishing Co., the Missouri Beef Industry Council, and the Dairy Farmers of America.

On Wednesday, the MoEFACS Annual Business meeting and a number of concurrent and networking sessions and a general session for all Missouri ACTE division members were held. Session topics included: Helping Children Understand Divorce; Organ Donation; Food Science For The Classroom; Character Education; Benefits Of Insurance; Online Resources For Project-Based Learning; Information On The 3rd Cycle Of MSIP; and Curriculum Alignment. The MoEFACS Awards and Recognition Luncheon was the highlight of the day, honoring MoEFACS members with numerous awards and teacher retirees for the year. Luncheon attendees were also treated to entertainment provided by the 2001-2002 State Executive Council of the Missouri Association of FCCLA.

The last day of the conference included the ever-popular carousel presentations by the 2001-02 family and consumer sciences competitive grant recipients and others, and a humorous and entertaining keynote provided by Bobbe White, laughter leader and trainer from Quincy, Illinois.

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MoSAHOE

Dear Readers.

This summer's Missouri Association for Career and Technology Educators (Missouri ACTE) Conference held in Springfield, entitled "Celebrating Our Success," was a great success for the MoSAHOE division.

We started off the week on Monday with our Division Board Meeting from 3:00-6:00 pm. We have a great Board and our President Elect, now President of our division, Sherry Struckhoff, was in charge of this year's calendar events. She worked very hard to arrange a very diverse number of educational programs for our continuing educational needs.

The Jordan Valley Ice Park was full of exhibitors ... something for everyone and COOL! We had a great turn out for the "New Professional Box Luncheon" with approximately thirty in attendance! Tuesday went on with several concurrent sessions for anyone's needs: "Try Laughter ... Just for the Health of it!" was presented by Bobbye White, a national known speaker, where we had standing room only. The day ended with a MoSAHOE Opening Business Meeting and then onto Wednesday.

A great start, our annual Awards Breakfast: Always at the Holiday Inn North, we had a fantastic array of food placed before us ... no one could go away hungry! And then the Awards:

Secondary Health Occupations Educator Brenda Noland RN, BSN

Outstanding New Teacher Joanna Perkins RN, BSN

Outstanding Service Award Sandra Kay Richardson RN, MSN

Recognition Awards: Golden Valley Memorial Hospital; Leorna Bremer RN, BA.; Audrain Medical Center; Marlene Martensen; and Dale Pearson RN, CEN

Retiring Educators: Marlene Martensen; JoAnn Chalfant; Sandra Kay Richardson RN, BSN; Diane Chudomelka RN, BSN, MSEd; Leora Bremer RN, BA; and Carolyn Gollhofer, RN

The day went along with concurrent sessions with our individual cluster meetings including "The In's and Out's of Certification," "Where's the Money?," "Sexual Harassment and Laws for Teachers," "Use of Cooperative Learning to Promote Critical Thinking in Students," "How to Enhance your Lab...Grant Writing," "Use of Cooperative Learning to Promote Critical Thinking in Students," "Embracing Change," "If I only had a Brain," "How to Assess Critical Thinking," "Alfa Dog," "Unfinished Business." and at the local Ozark Technical Community

College [OTC], you could attend a computer session: "Presenting with PowerPoint" or "Surf the Web"! As you can see there was something for everyone!

The next day, Thursday, we started off with concurrent sessions: "Embracing Change," "Panel of Teaching Techniques," "Generation X," and again, you could go to OTC for a "Presenting with PowerPoint" presentation. We closed the day with a closing Business meeting and a closing speaker who spoke on, "Sex, Lies and Clean Living." You had to be there!

We also had great breaks between meetings sponsored by: Instructional Materials Laboratory [IML]; Elsevier Science; and, ATI Testing. Also, there were Missouri ACTE Board of Directors, Committee and House of Delegates meetings. There was something for everyone!! Overall, the best part was being with other health educators that are needing the same thing you do: Information on how to be successful, support, encouragement, a pat on the back (You Can Do It!), and the best part is all the great smiles! :-)

In closing, I myself was encouraged, educated, and given a great start for a successful school year!

Respectfully.

Joanna Perkins, RN, BSN MoSAHOE Secretary



MTTA

Summer Conference Highlights

Missouri Trade and Technical Association members kicked off the 33rd Annual Joint Summer Conference with a luncheon prior to their Opening Session/Business Meeting on Tuesday, July 23.

At the MTTA Opening General/Business Session, a plaque of appreciation was presented to Dr. Shirley Lawler, Dean of Technical Education, Ozarks Technical Community College and gift certificates were presented to Rita Jackson and Susie Doran of Ozarks Technical Community College for their support and work in making the conference a success.

The following MTTA Awards were presented:

MTTA Teacher of the Year (Less than 5 years)

Rick Zumbrunn Northland Career Center

MTTA Teacher of the Year (More than five years)

Steve Reed Franklin Technology Center

MTTA Outstanding Service Award

Harold Martin Rolla Technical Institute

Following a Legislative challenge, MTTA members collected \$1,076.07 for PAC.

At the Opening Session, Sally Werner, RTEC Coordinator at Mineral Area College was elected MTTA President Elect. Outgoing President, Greg Bauer presented to the members the new MTTA President, Don Reeves. Mr. Reeves is a Collision Repair Technology Instructor at Ozarks Technical Community College.

MTTA and MoSAHOE members enjoyed networking at their annual reception held Tuesday evening at the Sheraton Hawthorn Park Hotel.

Over 500 MTTA members attended carousel sessions on Wednesday morning, July 24. Session topics included:

- ► Cross-Curriculum Industrial Education
- ► Classroom Safety/Injury Prevention and Treatment
- ► Advisor 101 Running a SkillsUSA-VICA Chapter
- Union Apprenticeship Training for Skills and Career Success
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Each cluster conducted informative workshops/technical updates on Wednesday afternoon and Thursday.

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MVSNA

Summer Conference reported By Karen Wheatcraft, MVSNA President

MVSNA Division, which consists of the sections Vocational Resource Educators, Basic Skills, Vocational Evaluators and Skill Related, held their summer conference in conjunction with Missouri Counselor Association and Missouri Placement Association at Carver Middle School. Jim Kern was the opening speaker for all groups on Tuesday afternoon. He gave an interesting talk about improving relationships with others.

On Wednesday there were 37 break out sessions that covered a variety of topics that ranged from Developing Job Sites, What you Need to know about Sexual Harassment, and Mental Health Issues on Self-Mutilation. The National Guard provided the program at the luncheon on Wednesday. They gave an informative talk about where Missouri National Guard has helped and provided services in the state and around the world.

The MVSNA awarded 3 scholarships each for \$300 to Darla Duemey, who attended Grand River Technical School, Lori Ford, who attended Lewis and Clark Career Center, and William Payton, who attended Lex-La- Ray Technical School.

The MVSNA held its annual awards ceremony on Wednesday.

- Cindy Grizzell, Vocational Resource Educator at the Waynesville Technical Academy, was presented the Outstanding Achievement Award for her outstanding performance as a VRE.
- ▶ Heidi Bryant, was recognized for her support of special needs students in vocational programs and received the Indirect Support Service Award. Heidi is employed with the Park Hill South High School in Riverside, Missouri.
- ➤ The Direct Support Service Award was given to Linda Neeley. Linda, a Health Services Instructor, has been supportive of special needs students at the Brookfield Area Career Center.
- ▶ Richard Peterson, as Vocational Preparation Instructor, for the Northland Career Center received the Linda Beachboard Beginning Teacher Award. This award recognized Richard, as being an outstanding new vocational special needs educator.
- ▶ Gary Shults, Vocational Preparation Instructor at the Waynesville Technical Academy received the Commitment to Excellence Award, which honors new vocational instructors who are committed to working with special populations.

- ► The Distinguished Service for Educational Achievement was presented to Bob Chapman. Bob is the Vocational Director of Waynesville Technical Academy. This award recognizes Bob for going above and beyond the call of duty on behalf of special needs students and programs.
- Representative Bill Ransdall received the Distinguished Service for Community Achievement for having put forth a great deal of effort and support on behalf of special needs students and programs.
- ▶ Finally, the top honor, Teacher of the Year, was presented to Cindy Grizzell, who exemplified what working with and for special needs students is all about.
- Scott Engelmann was recognized for his work as President of MVSNA for 2001-2002.

At the present time MVSNA is working on arrangements for next year's conference to be held at the newly remodeled Oasis Motel and Convention Center. Members will enjoy holding their meetings in the same place as their headquarters.

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