NEW NCACTE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NAMED

During its April 11, 2015 Board Meeting, the NCACTE Board of Directors selected Ruth Huff to become the next Executive Director for NCACTE effective August 1, 2015. Ruth has an impressive service history as a NCACTE and ACTE leader. She has served as NCACTE President on three different occasions, ACTE Region II Vice President, member of the ACTE Board of Directors, and as chair of several different state level committees for many years. Ruth’s leadership experience and enthusiasm for NCACTE should help her to be very effective as Executive Director of the state association.

2015-16 PRESIDENT-ELECT

Carol Harper has been elected President-Elect for 2015-16. Carol will be installed as the new NCACTE President-Elect during the Assembly of Delegates meeting at Summer Conference.

TOM JONES BIDS FAREWELL

Tom Jones, who has served the past 12 years as the executive director of NCACTE, will retire from his position on July 31, 2015. Tom has served in challenging years for CTE, advancing and promoting CTE and its teachers association, as well as developing new initiatives and directions during his tenure. We wish Tom and his wife Brenda a restful and eventful retirement!

Please join us for a special reception honoring Tom on Monday, July 13, from 7:00-9:00pm during CTE Summer Conference in Greensboro.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S MESSAGE
Tom Jones, NCACTE Executive Director

Since our last published newsletter, NCACTE has held its Raleigh Legislative Policy Seminar and Board of Directors’ Meeting. This event took place Feb. 22-24, 2015, at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Raleigh, N.C. Over seventy people participated in this event. NC-DPI Career & Technical Education staff members were present and lead curriculum update sessions and Summer Conference planning. Time was provided for state level committee meetings and division meetings. Rep. Charles Jeter from Mecklenburg County was one of our luncheon speakers.

Our NC-DPI staff had arranged for students to be a part of our legislative visits. Unfortunately, a snow storm prompted many people to leave on Tuesday morning (the day our visits were scheduled) and the cancellation of schools forced us to change our plans. About twenty of us remained and followed through with our legislative visits. The weather had also forced the cancellation of many legislative committee meetings which allowed those of us who made the visits to get to see many of the legislators that we would not have normally seen.

The weather also played havoc on the National Policy Seminar. Chip Lucas, our NCACTE Legislative Committee Chair made the trip and provided leadership for the few people who attended from North Carolina.

Since the inclement weather forced us to postpone our Board of Directors’ meeting that had been scheduled for Tuesday, February 24th, we rescheduled the Board meeting for Saturday, April 11th, at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Raleigh. During this meeting, Ruth Huff was selected by the Board to become NCACTE’s next Executive Director effective August 1st. Ruth has an impressive service history as a NCACTE and ACTE leader. She has served as NCACTE President on three different occasions, ACTE Region II Vice President, member of the ACTE Board of Directors, and as chair of several different state level committees for many years. Ruth's leadership experience and enthusiasm for NCACTE should help her to be very effective as Executive Director of the state association.

The Tellers Committee met on April 17th to count ballots for President-Elect. Carol Harper was elected President-Elect for 2015-16. Carol will be installed as the new NCACTE President-Elect during the Assembly of Delegates meeting at Summer Conference.

Remember to register for the CTE Summer Conference, July 13-16, 2015, at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro. All state and division officers and state level committee members should plan to participate in a leadership training workshop that is scheduled 9:00 am-11:00 am on Monday morning, July 13th, during Summer Conference. This training is for everyone who will be a part of the 2015-16 Board of Directors and for everyone who will be a member of a state level committee.

SUMMER CONFERENCE SCHEDULE—FOR NCACTE OFFICERS & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- **Sunday, July 12, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm** NCACTE Executive Committee Meeting
- **Monday, July 13, 9:00 am-10:00 am** NCACTE Division Treasurers' Meeting
- **Monday, July 13, 9:00 am-11:00 am** NCACTE Officer/Committee Training
- **Monday, July 13 11:00am-12:00 pm** NCACTE Committee Meetings
- **Monday, July 13, 3:00 pm-5:30 pm** NCACTE Board of Directors’ Meeting
- **Monday, July 13, 5:30 pm-8:30 pm** Exhibitors’ Showcase
- **Monday, July 13, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm** Reception Honoring Tom Jones
- **Tuesday, July 14, 8:00 am-12:00 pm** Exhibitors’ Showcase
- **Tuesday, July 14, 3:30 pm-5:30 pm** General Opening Session
- **Tuesday, July 14, 5:30 pm-8:30 pm** Exhibitors’ Showcase & NCACTE President’s Reception
- **Wednesday, July 15, 7:00 am-8:00 am** NCACTE Board of Directors’ Meeting
- **Wednesday, July 15, 5:30 pm-8:00 pm** NCACTE Assembly of Delegates
- **Thursday, July 16, 3:30 pm-5:00 pm** NCACTE Executive Committee Meeting

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From Your President

Brantley Murphy

As this school year comes to a close and we reflect on the successes and challenges of the past, NCACTE members should be proud of what has been accomplished this year. Our successes have not come easy, as anything worth doing requires hard work, but we have faced our challenges together and grown stronger as an organization. As we make plans for the summer and next year, let us use our experiences to become even better.

Our fall conference was held at Atlantic Beach and was designed to allow opportunities for attendees to interact with each other and share ideas and strategies. The conference evaluations provided positive feedback and indicated that members valued the opportunities to work together across divisions. As we plan future events, we should continue to include team building and cooperative activities that highlight what we have to share with each other.

The spring policy seminar allowed members to conduct a “Town Hall” style meeting to brainstorm about issues affecting NCACTE. Members found that many share the same concerns, but we must work together to find solutions to those problems. Thanks to all members who worked so hard to organize students and displays for our legislative visit. Mother Nature and her surprise snowfall closed schools and cancelled student trips, but a few members still made it over to the legislative building to speak with lawmakers. Hopefully the great planning that went into this year’s seminar can be replicated next year minus the bad weather!

When Tom Jones announced his retirement plans last summer, NCACTE had to make arrangements to select a new executive director. Four well-qualified candidates from a variety of backgrounds were interviewed by the search committee. The Board of Directors approved Ruth Huff to take the position of NCACTE Executive Director this summer. Ruth has a long history of service to NCACTE and has experience in many leadership roles at the state and national level. She is passionate about the organization and is sure to deliver that enthusiasm as Executive Director.

Summer conference is a time for renewal and for transition. Many divisions have shared that their leadership may benefit from two year terms instead of one year terms to allow division officers to be more effective. Those types of adjustments require bylaws changes, but more importantly they require discussion and sharing among members. We have tried to demonstrate and implement effective communication at the NCACTE level this year, but there is always room for improvement. Take advantage of opportunities to learn from members of your own division, as well as pick the brains of members of other divisions. Get involved beyond our state. Seek out opportunities to participate at regional and national levels of ACTE and/or your division. We need to cultivate our own leaders for the future. By talking with our colleagues and working together we can support each other in our efforts for continuous improvement.
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From Your Past President

Ruth Huff

It has been a pleasure to serve as your past-president this year. Over the past 3 years I have enjoyed the tasks associated with being an executive officer for NCACTE. During this time we have accomplished many changes and improvements in the association. Still, there is much work to be done. My present task is to chair the membership committee and to support the President.

Membership is critical for the advancement of Career and Technical Education. When legislators and congressmen look at our membership numbers it appears we only have a few of the over 6,000 teachers who care what happens to CTE. We must work to show them we are all concerned about the students we reach and the difference we make in their lives. Too many times we just sit back and allow others to do the work for us. As we approach the end of this school year and begin to finalize plans for Summer Conference we must begin now to save money for our membership dues. From now until July $60.00 is not too much to put back to join this valuable organization. This $60.00 will get you a membership into NCACTE and your respective division. To also join ACTE you will need $80.00 more to receive more benefits from the National organization.

What do you expect from the association? Advocacy, staff development, new ideas, or shared classroom activities and many other benefits you need to explore. You must join to reap all the benefits of membership. If you feel something is lacking from the organization, let the leaders know so this can be addressed. Many of you have ideas that could benefit our members, but do not offer the suggestions to make it happen. Join the association and let’s make it happen together. As we work to hire a new Executive Director, there will be changes and a perfect time to become active and support our efforts.

Please bring your gaming skills to summer conference as we will have a carnival theme with each division having a game of their own, as will the NCACTE booth, during registration. Come by these booths, and see what you can win. Let’s join our efforts together to help CTE and NCACTE grow.

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From Your President-Elect

Christy Cheek

Spring time! It is my favorite time of the year. Most people may think of spring as a time to clean out their closets, dust everything in sight, wash windows, and prepare a garden. But, when I think of spring, I think of the beauty that surrounded me as a child growing up on an apple farm. The trees would bloom and the sights and smells of “apple-life” signaled that a new crop would be ready soon. Recognizing that a new crop (and ultimately a bountiful harvest) was and still is dependent on many factors, so too is “new” in our organization.

As NCACTE prepares to say goodbye to a leader who has made a profound impact on Career and Technical Education, it is also a time to reflect on the factors that made our organization strong in the past, analyze what is needed for the future and design a plan that supports commitment, sustainability, and innovation. To this, I think it is important for us to remember why we became educators and how we can make a positive impact in students’ lives daily. I know for me, Career and Technical Education provided me the connection to academics and brought that true relevance that I had to see. During this pivotal time in our organization’s history, I think it is important to merge our voices for a collective vision, assure all members that they are important and valued, and seek input from stakeholders on how to grow.

NCACTE’s success has been and will continue to be in the human capital that our organization holds. Its success lies in its members and we must do everything possible to respect and honor the past and look to the future to ensure continued advocacy for Career and Technical Education. I urge everyone to ask a fellow educator to join us as we continue promoting Career and Technical Education and what it does for students across North Carolina.

I also want to thank the Technology Engineering and Design (TED) division for the work they did at the spring STEM conference in Asheville. This innovative professional development took place May 14-15th, and was open to all divisions so any teacher or support staff could attend. The conference revolved around STEM and showed how STEM education could be infused into all curriculum areas. Participants were able to see how the Biltmore Company used STEM strategies to sustain and grow their business during a behind the scenes tour; also a 3-D printer showcase allowed participants to listen and engage with representatives to see how to use this type of technology as a tool in their classrooms; and participants were able to attend a literacy session to learn how to engage students and break down those difficult literacy barriers students struggle with. I applaud them for offering quality professional development to everyone, so that all divisions could benefit and members could work together.

In closing, the countdown is on. I encourage you to thank a fellow educator for what he/she does each day. Tell him/her how exciting it is to be a CTE teacher and how awesome it is to be connected to a program that changes students’ lives each day. I hope everyone has a wonderful end of the school year and I look forward to seeing you this summer.

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Dear Colleagues,

In agriculture, we always welcome the rebirth that spring brings because we understand that with rebirth comes new opportunities. Our students and teachers have had many opportunities to lead and grow our profession over the last few months. Here are a few of the highlights:

On February 12, FFA members from all over North Carolina participated in FFA Legislative Day in Raleigh. This special day allowed students to learn the legislative process and how laws are made. It also gave students an opportunity to meet with their own senators and representatives and ask questions they believe are important to the future of agriculture.

Throughout the months of March and April, North Carolina FFA partnered with university and corporate sponsors to allow students opportunities to compete in various Career Development Events. Students showcased public speaking skills, judging skills and decision-making skills that will benefit them not only as they further their education but also as they begin choosing careers. Students also participated in MEGA leadership conference in Greensboro which is a two-day intensive leadership experience for our chapter leaders.

It wasn’t all fun and no play for our teachers. New teachers are encouraged to take part in the DELTA induction program at the North Carolina FFA Center at White Lake. This two-day program was held in March and meets twice per year to assist new teachers in classroom management and how to run the day-to-day aspects of a total agriculture program.

Twelve teacher leaders in the agriculture division also participated in the second annual Ag Ed Leadership Cohort in February. This program targets teachers with 10-20 years of experience and helps to develop their skills as leaders in agricultural education and is sponsored by the North Carolina Small Grain Growers Association.

As we near the end of the school year we all look forward to the North Carolina State FFA Convention to be held on June 16-18 in Raleigh. Students will compete in state-level Career Development Events, be recognized for past accomplishments and our new state FFA officers will be selected. We look forward to introducing them when we see you all at CTE Summer Conference in July.

Sincerely,
Kaye Harris
North Carolina Agriculture Teacher’s Association President
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As we enter this time of year where we are closing one school year and planning for the next, I am reminded of these words from Tony Robbins, self-help guru and life coach: “It’s not about your resources; it’s about your resourcefulness.” I believe this describes the current plight of educators. Budget shortfalls and pending budget cuts are pressing us more and more to be resourceful as we promote CTE, take advantage of opportunities, and work together to carry forth the mission of CTE.

We appreciate the most recent efforts of our NCACTE Legislative Committee for taking advantage of an opportunity to prepare presentations and handouts for the annual NC ACTE Legislative Seminar held in Raleigh in February. These members include George Brooks (Cumberland County), Todd Williams (Iredell-Statesville), Carol Harper (Rowan County), Lisa Roberts (Buncombe County), Chip Lucas (Cumberland County) and Daryle Nobles (Fayetteville Tech). Also, special thanks to former President Fleming, Legislative Committee Chair Chip Lucas, Executive Director Tom Jones, and lobbyist Dave Simpson who made presentations to nearly 100 attendees and two lawmakers. Their participation was part of a three-day NCACTE event that included visits to the NC legislative office buildings to visit with legislators from their home districts. According to Chip Lucas, CTE Director at Cumberland County Schools, “We had another excellent NCACTE Legislative Policy Seminar with two outstanding legislative presentations and our members visiting with lawmakers.” These are great examples of members taking advantage of opportunities to make a difference by helping our voice be heard!

Hats off to the good work being done throughout the state by the Education and Workforce Innovation Commission Award recipients. School districts, community college partners, and business and industry have stepped up to Governor McCrory’s challenge to create programs that support students from diverse regions, and ensure that all students have access to career and college opportunities. These award winners are utilizing their innovative grant funding in remarkable ways. Several districts have plans to establish, build, reinvent, and/or sustain a variety of career academies—many focused on STEM—from elementary level to high school (Charlotte-Mecklenburg, Surry County, Davidson County/Lexington City/Thomasville City, Duplin County, Buncombe County, Beaufort County, Durham Public Schools.) Other districts are working to increase their capacity to build career and college promise pathways by developing plans in collaboration with their service-area community college (Chatham/Harnett/Lee/ Central Carolina Community College; Winston-Salem/Forsyth County/Forsyth Technical College; Rutherford County Schools/ Isothermal Community College.) The Granville/Franklin/Vance/Warren County school districts are collaborating with Vance-Granville Community College to support advanced manufacturing career pathways and training alliances. These are all great examples of members working in collaboration with one another and taking advantage of funding resources to address education and workforce needs in their communities!

Whether or not you were a part of the legislative activities in February or a member of that was a grant recipient, you are ALL an integral part of the NC ACTE Administrators who strive daily to use your resources to create opportunities to fulfill the CTE mission “to empower all students to be successful citizens, workers and leaders in a global economy.” Your school district, community, and state are better because of the good work that you do! We wish you a smooth closing to this school year and look forward to seeing you at the CTE Summer Conference in Greensboro, NC, in July 12-14, 2015.

Respectfully submitted, Trina Williams
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Business Education Division
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NC ACTE BE-DIVISION LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

It is that time of year! We are currently seeking nominations for the various officer, committee chairs and committee member positions for the business division for the 15-16 school year. Please carefully read the qualifications for each officer/committee chair position. The following is the list of officers/committees:

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NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION

National Board for Professional Teaching Standards has revised its certification process. The revision will affect all teachers, including CTE Business Teachers. Teachers seeking Certification for the first time in 2015 will now have three years to complete the process. Each year specific requirements will have to be completed. For more information on the process visit the National Board Web Site.

SUMMER CONFERENCE

The North Carolina’s 2015 Career and Technical Education Summer Conference will be held July 12-16, 2015, at the Sheraton Greensboro Hotel at Four Seasons/Joseph S. Koury Convention Center. In addition to your participation in workshops your assistance will be needed to facilitate workshops so please be on the lookout for information from DPI requesting facilitators.

Please check the NC CTE DPI and the BFIT Moodle PLC Web Site for updated information as the time draws closer.

Our BFIT (Business, Finance, Information and Technology) consultants, Deborah Seehorn, Linda Lay, and Kim MacDonald provide us with lots of valuable information to help us grow professionally as well as information we could use in our classrooms so be sure to join your program area Moodle PLC. You will not regret it.

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If you are interested in serving, please complete this form: http://goo.gl/forms/7ENBl53cm0
IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE NC FBLA STATE ADVISER
Mary Jane Thomas To Advisers

There are several items that I would like for you to consider and discuss with your students prior to the conference:

**Dress Code:** The dress code will be strictly enforced. Students not in proper business attire will not be on stage at the closing session. A committee of three will admit students to the stage. Those not in appropriate attire may pick up their award from the stage at the end of the ceremony. Boat shoes (i.e., Sperry) are not appropriate business shoes. Spaghetti straps will not be permitted to the stage. You may want to schedule a business dress day at your school before SLC to make suggestions to your students. Please review the dress code with your students prior to the conference. You will find a copy of the dress code under the 'Documents' tab at [www.ncfbla.org](http://www.ncfbla.org). Students may borrow ties, shoes, etc. before the conference. They need time to do that if he/she does not currently have appropriate business attire.

**Non FBLA Patrons:** Please remind your students that there will be non-FBLA patrons visiting at the Sheraton Greensboro while we are there for the 2015 NC FBLA State Leadership Conference. Please talk with your students about conducting themselves in an orderly fashion while on the elevators and in the halls. Again, NC FBLA is a professional student organization, and we should represent ourselves in this manner throughout the hotel. It would not hurt to review the Code of Conduct, again, before the conference.

**Awards Ceremony:** There will be a committee of three evaluating dress code for the awards ceremony. The decision of the committee will be final. Students may pick up their awards/medallions after the ceremony at Registration Desk V where school packets will be waiting. I will have a meeting immediately after the awards ceremony with the newly elected state officer team.

**Workshops:** Kelly Helner will be conducting a workshop for advisers. Julie West will be conducting a middle school workshop for advisers. Many of you have questions about the competitive events program or the calendar which will be answered in these workshops. I encourage you, whether you are a new or veteran teacher, to attend these adviser workshops. These workshops would be an excellent opportunity to answer questions you may have.

**Workshop Expectations:** As I walked through workshops last year, students were on their cell phones. We cannot expect our workshop presenters to return year to year and hold a positive image of NC FBLA without the respect of your students. Please discuss appropriate behavior during workshops and sessions. Neither advisers nor students should be on their cell phones during workshops or sessions. Please discuss this with your students and model appropriately. If there is an emergency, you or your students need to excuse yourself from the workshop or session to respond. Cell phones should be on silent. Please discuss proper cell phone usage before the conference.

Thank you.

Mary Jane Thomas, NC FBLA State Adviser
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Hello fellow colleagues. It’s Beth Alexander, your 2014/2015 NCTIETA president again. I hope everyone is ready for an exciting Summer Conference. We have a lot of activities, workshops, and Professional Development for you. Mark your calendars for July 12-15.

We are recruiting for a President elect for NCTIETA. We will train and prepare you for your duties. We are also looking for help on several committees. Please let me know if you are interested in any of these tasks so we can begin training. (beth.alexander@carteretk12.org)

In Carteret County, there is an event called Paws Pet House Challenge. Students from all three High Schools design and build Dog Houses with money donated by Paws. The houses are displayed at the Home Garden show in March. They are sold in a silent auction and proceeds benefit the Pet Adoption and Welfare Society of Carteret county Humane society. Prizes are awarded in various areas, and are donated from local building supply businesses. The pictures shown below are from West Carteret High School.

I also wanted to show you how a Drafting student used his Auto-CAD, drafting skills to design a Surf board rack that would fit into the back of his truck. He took the appropriate measurements based on his truck bed and surfboards. The design was transferred to a working drawings using AutoCad. To bring his design to life and for it to be more meaningful, he then built it in his construction shop class. It is enlightening to see our students use learned skills to benefit their lives. This is what, I as CTE teacher, takes pride in.

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IMC Division

Summer Conference is fast approaching and we will be recognizing Regional Instructional Management Coordinators of the Year at our divisions Instructional Management of the Year Awards Ceremony and Banquet. At the ceremony one of the Regional Instructional Management Coordinators of the Year will be named the 2015 Instructional Management Coordinator of the Year to represent all IMC’s.

The Instructional Management Coordinators Awards Ceremony and Banquet is open to members of the NCATE IMC Division. Other NCACTE division members and IMC’s who are not a current member of the NCATE IMC Division may attend the awards ceremony by joining the division by June 30th or by completing the Instructional Management Coordinator of the Year Awards Ceremony and Banquet registration form posted in the NCACTE section on the IMC Moodle and mailing it along with their payment to Penny Lewis at the address below by June 30th.

Penny Lewis, North Lenoir High School, 2400 Institute Road, La Grange, NC 28551

In order to be considered for the Regional Instructional Management Coordinator of the Year, the individual must be a member of the NCATE IMC Division. Also, in order to vote in your User Group for the Regional Instructional Management Coordinator of the Year, you must also be a member of the NCATE IMC Division.

In other news, we are busy planning our IMC Fall Mini Conference scheduled for October 5-6, 2015. Registration information will be coming soon and posted on the IMC Moodle in the NCATE section. If you are interested in offering a professional development session, or would like to request professional development in a particular area, please contact Madeline Tucker at madeline.tucker@onslow.k12.nc.us or Kim Brewington at kim.brewington@ccs.k12.nc.us. NCACTE members will receive a discount on their IMC Fall Mini Conference registration. This is just another great reason to be a member of our IMC Division.

Below are some other benefits to being a member of our IMC Division:

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The 2014-15 year is swiftly coming to an end. The IMC Division of NCATE is seeking additional members to participate in leadership and planning roles for the 2015-2016 year. If you are willing to serve as an officer, on a committee, or in any other capacity, please contact Madeline Tucker or Kim Brewington.
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After NC DECA CDC, the North Carolina DECA Winners will head to sunny Orlando, FL for DECA ICDC from April 24-29th. Congrats to all our NC DECA members who earned the privilege to go!

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Virtual Enterprises International (VEI) is offering summer mentorships and internships at different advertising agencies. See the PDF to learn more. (Login required).
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FROM THE KITCHEN

ALMOND CHICKEN STIR FRY

Ingredients:

- ¼ cup + 2 T soy sauce
- ¼ cup water
- 1 T + 1 t sugar
- 1 T + 1 t cornstarch
- 1 T + 1 t vinegar
- 2 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 2 T olive oil
- 1 cup raw almond slivers
- 2 t minced garlic
- 1 cup basmati rice

Directions:
1. Cook rice according to package directions.
2. Meanwhile, combine ¼ cup soy sauce, water, sugar, cornstarch and vinegar. Set aside.
3. Cut chicken in thick STRIPS (not cubes!). Toss with remaining 2 T soy sauce.
4. In a large frying pan or skillet, heat 1 T oil over medium heat. Add almonds and stir fry 2-3 minutes or until almonds begin to turn golden. Stir constantly because they will burn. Remove almonds and set aside.
5. Add remaining oil and increase heat to medium high. Add garlic and chicken. Cook 5-6 minutes or until chicken is no longer pink.
6. Stir in soy sauce mixture. Stir constantly, mixture will begin to thicken (because of the cornstarch).
7. Add almonds. Stir to coat almonds well.
8. Serve over rice with extra soy sauce, if desired.

WEB TOOL SPOTLIGHT: WEEBLY.COM

Allow students to easily create their own website to present their project or to use as a blog throughout a project. In Stephanie Griffin's Interior Design II class, students must create a website to offer a product or service for sale. Students must update their sites throughout the semester. With its user-friendly features, Weebly allows students to use their creative to display projects.
FUNDRAISING - MORE THAN A BAKE SALE

Running a FACS classroom or maintaining funds for an FCCLA chapter can be a challenge. Especially now that there are child nutrition laws that prevent the sale of food to students during the school day. Here are some ideas—hopefully at least one to help give you some fresh ideas to generate funds.

- Host a Parents Night Out—Have ECE or Parenting students plan activities for children and charge a small fee for a night of babysitting.
- Have a cupcake or cookie decorating afternoon. Allow Foods/Culinary/Prostart students to teach their peers to decorate after school. Students walk away (and head home) with a new skill and a treat. It may even help recruit students to your program.
- Invite community youth to a kid’s cooking class. Hold the class on a Friday evening and Saturday. A great way to show the community the value of your FACS program.
- Encourage activity! Host an afterschool Dodgeball tournament or a community Corn Hole Contest.
- Work with the theatre department at your school to host a dinner theatre.

TEACHER SPOTLIGHT: MICHAEL HOLMAN

NCAAFCS 2015 TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Michael Holman, East Chapel Hill High School FACS teacher and FCCLA adviser was recently awarded the 2015 NCAAFCS Teacher of the Year Award at the Annual Spring Meeting in Hickory, NC. Michael Holman moved to North Carolina to become a Family and Consumer Sciences Teacher in 2007. Since arriving in North Carolina, Michael has worked at two different high schools working with two different populations of students. In both schools Mr. Holman has worked tirelessly to increase student opportunities and awareness of FCS and related careers. Mr. Holman has taught by example that hard work and dedication can lead to great fulfillment and job satisfaction. Michael is an active FCCLA adviser currently serving on the District Leadership Counsel, on the FCCLA State Management Team, and named one of the North Carolina FCCLA Master Advisers for 2014. Michael has served faithfully on the NCAFCS executive committee and board of directors since 2010 and is currently serving as president. He has presented multiple times at the NCAFCS (North Carolina Association of Family and Consumer Sciences) Spring Conference ESAE Round Tables and has presented at the NCDPI CTE Summer Conference. He has worked with North Carolina Department of Public Instruction FACS Consultants in the planning and execution of summer conference for the last three years and had the opportunity to develop a training session for new and lateral entry FACS teachers on why they should join a professional organization in 2014. He is currently serving on the NACTE Board of Directors as the Ways and Means Chair. He has been an active member of NACTE- FACS and NCALIVE divisions since 2009.

Michael is a native of Fairmont, WV and a graduate of Fairmont State University.

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CLYDE A. ERWIN FCCLA PARTNERS WITH FFA FOR FARM DAY

In collaboration with the high school FFA, Clyde A. Erwin High School’s FCCLA offered Farm Day for 60 Kindergartners and 1st Grade students at the Hyder Mountain Horse Farm in Clyde, NC. Different stations were offered for the children to engage in farm to table activities. Stations included milk and cheese making, a petting farm, baby chicks and a chicken dance, farm games, horseback riding and pond fishing. Lunch was also provided as well. Clyde A. Erwin High School FCCLA adviser, Lacey Grogan-Davis helped organize this event for their youth in the community. She added, “It was a great day for all ages—leadership skills and hands-on experiences make learning fun!” What a wonderful way to help the community while partnering with students involved in other CTSOs.

PROSTART RESULTS

The North Carolina Restaurant & Lodging Association’s philanthropic arm, N.C. Hospitality Education Foundation, hosted the 2015 North Carolina ProStart Invitational at the Durham Convention Center, on March 23-24. Eighty top culinary ProStart students made up 20 teams from across the state, demonstrating their mastery of skills in a fast-paced, high level competition. The teams were aiming for scholarships from top culinary schools and the opportunity to compete against 43 other states in the National ProStart Invitational hosted at Disneyland, in Anaheim, California on April 18th-20th, 2015.

This year, Cary High School won the culinary competition and Davie High School won the management competition. Both teams are now awarded scholarships to New England Culinary Institute, International Culinary School at The Arts Institutes, The Culinary Institute of America, Sullivan University, Johnson and Wales University, Louisiana Culinary Institute, Le Cordon Bleu, Indiana University of Pennsylvania and The Chef’s Academy. Both teams will proudly represent North Carolina by competing in the National ProStart Invitational this April.

2015 winning teams:

**Culinary**
1st Place – Cary High School
2nd Place – Davie High School
3rd Place – Swansboro High School
4th Place – South Caldwell High School
5th Place – Iredell Statesville Career Academy & Technical School

**Management**
1st Place – Davie High School
2nd Place – Iredell Statesville Career Academy & Technical School
3rd Place – Lejeune High School
4th Place – Olympic High School
5th Place – John F. Kennedy High School
JWU Hosting Summer Culinary Educator Workshop in Charlotte

JWU Charlotte will be hosting an Educator Workshop this summer specifically geared toward Culinary Educators who sponsor competition teams!

The workshop will be taught by two esteemed faculty members, Chef Amy Felder and Chef Paul Malcolm. The workshop will offer two tracks:

- **Coaching** (designed to help educators improve their strategy and daily teaching plan for improved competition success)
- **Basic Skills** (designed to give educators time to work on basic skills that are common in competition like working with chocolate, knife skills, etc)

This workshop will be held June 25-26 on the Charlotte Campus and is offered for a low fee of $150 per person which includes one night accommodations (double occupancy) at the Doubletree, meals and materials.

Space is limited to only 30 total participants so sign up now!! This is open and geared to teachers who compete in FCCLA or ProStart.

Flyer & registration form are available on the FACS Moodle. Please contact Emily Frye, Events Coordinator at emily.frye@iwu.edu or 980-598-1106 with any specific questions.

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Save the Date!
**July 12 – 16, 2015**
NC CTE Summer Conference

**Save the Date:** Summer Conference 2015 (#CTESC2015)
July 12-16, 2015—Greensboro Sheraton

**Registration:** General Conference ($100), Preconferences (TBD)

**Schedule:** Preconferences - July 12-14 - Opening sessions - July 15

- Program areas - 1:00pm - 3:00pm
- General - 3:30pm - 5:30pm

**Lodging:** Sheraton Hotel room rate: $137.00
*Hotels fill up fast make reservations as soon as possible.

**Questions:**
- Program area specific - program area consultant and Moodle pages
- Registration - Jackie Moore, jackie.moore@dpi.nc.gov, 919-807-3878
NC-ALIVE Division

Some of our members met in Raleigh for the Legislative Policy Seminar and Board of Directors’ Meeting February 22-24, 2015. The Standing Committee Members met on Sunday, February 22. Later that afternoon each Division that was present had a meeting and provided a report that had to be sent to Shakema Wilson. NC-ALIVE’s Division Meeting was done by President Elect, Barry Oxendine due to our President’s attendance at another meeting. Mr. Oxendine provided the agenda and gave updates for NC-ALIVE.

On Monday, February 23, 2015 was provided with Curriculum development activities and legislative information for networking on Tuesday at the Legislative building. David Simpson, our lobbyist introduced our speaker, Rep. Charles Jeter, who shared some updates with the group. On Tuesday, even though it snowed, we headed for the Legislative building to meet with representatives from our district to share information about CTE and the dropout rate. The luncheon and Board of Directors’ Meeting had to be cancelled and rescheduled for a later date due to the weather.

Registration information was sent out in early February for the NC-ALIVE Spring Workshop to be held April 17, 2015. Registration information for the NC-ALIVE Leadership workshop went out to Regional Directors and CTE Directors in all the school systems across the State to share with CTE teachers. An updated letter requesting donations was provided and sent to committee members to request donations for CTE Summer Conference. Returned e-mails were corrected and information was sent out again to members. In addition, Committee members shared in making phone calls from the inactive list and marked through person’s name that were retired or deceased. This list was to be given to Tom Jones to so ensure the names of members be removed that were no longer active.

Discussion was made to the group to let CTE teachers know that NC-ALIVE is a leadership organization that is open to all CTE teachers. Discussion topics included making the effort to recruit new members and bring in new teachers and younger members as well. The Committee discussed the Carnival set-up for Summer Conference (money toss), in which members and committee members are encouraged to help. We know that a number of our members belong to other organizations, but may be willing to help share the time with NC-ALIVE as well. It was suggested that members bring prizes to Summer Conference for the Carnival. Committee members were asked to bring door prizes to the Spring Workshop on April 17, 2015, as well. The website for NC-ALIVE is up and running for members to view and others that would like to know what we are doing these days (www.ncalivewebs.com).
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