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44th Annual FACTE Conference and Trade Show

This years Summer FACTE Conference and trade Show will be held in Clearwater Aug 2-5. This link will take you directly to FACTE's website

http://www.facte.org/resources/scripts/fckeditor/editor/filemanager/connectors/aspx/UserImages/file/Registration%20Form%202010.pdf

for specific registration information and tentative agenda.

The Hilton Clearwater Beach Resort is located at: 400 Mandalay Ave Clearwater Beach, Florida 33767 Directions are available online at:

http://www.clearwaterbeachresort.com/map and directions/

During these economically challenging times, we understand that education is challenged more than ever. We must all continue to support each other and take advantage of networking opportunities like FATIE and FACTE.

FACTE Introduces New Membership Program

The Florida Association for Career and Technical Education (FACTE) now offers a three year "Professional Learning Community" (PLC) membership opportunity. This pilot membership allows school districts to pay a set membership fee annually. The amount of the membership varies based on the size of the district and it covers the entire faculty for that district. Division memberships (FATIE) are then \$25 for each interested faculty member. This is a savings for FATIE membership. FATIE hopes this will be a boost to its membership and encourages anyone interested in finding out more information to contact either their District CTE Director or Marsan Carr at FACTE, email factex.org. If you have questions on your FATIE membership you should email FATIE Treasurer, Peter Pappas at pgpappas@volusia.k12.fl.us

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FATIE Breakout Sessions at FACTE!

FATIE August 5 break out session highlights cutting edge Geospatial/Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Technology

Curriculum for High Schools—Daniel Cole

Sarasota County's new Suncoast Polytechnical High School is one of only two high schools in Florida which is currently offering the GIS Technology curriculum. This program will be highlighted on August 5 at a FATIE break out session at the FACTE conference in Clearwater Beach. GIS Technology Instructor Daniel Cole and two of his students will present a session which will cover but not be limited to the following: Description of the 4 courses currently featured in the curricu-



FATIE August 5 break out session focuses on innovative ways to use digital photography and software programs to enhance your Career and Technical Education Programs and Curriculum

Palm Beach County Instructor of Commercial Photography Alan Crescar (Suncoast Community High School) will lead this innovative session full of tips which you may take home for immediate implementation. Crescar will explain and demonstrate how to creatively incorporate digital photography and software (such as Photoshop and Picasa) into your educational program. He will provide examples of how his students use technology to meet standards in curriculum. The attendee group may also share ideas as time permits.



FATIE August 5 break out session focuses on best practice engineering curriculum model "Project Lead The Way"

now offered in Pinellas County

Pinellas County Instructor of PLTW Jon Paul Wahnish will present the basics on how Pinellas Co has recently expanded it's STEM engineering offerings through "Project Lead The Way". Among his topics will be: successful PLTW (career academy) development; educational expectations; Why PLTW; post secondary partnerships; how to get started; and how to develop a strategic plan for continuation. As time permits, Wahnish may also cover updates on STEM education. At press time for this newsletter, details were being finalized.



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Manatee and Sarasota County Career and Technical Education



Manatee and Sarasota County Career and Technical Education (CTE) Directors Doug Wagner and Mellissa Morrow are instrumental leaders for the school to work construction preapprenticeship program CTC (Construction Technology Careers). Because this program is a best practice award winning partnership between the school districts, construction industry and local workforce board (501 C3), CTC is able to take advantage of grants as a not-for-profit. Pictured here are two reps from Comerica Bank with (far right) CTC Coordinator Kristey Richardson (FATIE Board member and former FATIE officer).

Comerica recently donated \$2,500 to the CTC youth education partnership. Schools having existing partnerships with their workforce boards may log onto the Comerica website to determine if their programs qualify for a Comerica grant. More info is available from CTC Coordinator Kristey Richardson, who presented this program model in a FATIE break-out session at the August 2009 FACTE conference.

Volusia County Kudos for Program Achievements in Print Education

Our very own Peter Pappas has just completed the PrintEd certification for his program at Spruce Creek High School in Volusia County.

PrintED, administered by the Graphic Arts Education and Research Foundation (GAERF®) is a national accreditation program, based on industry standards, for graphic communications courses of study at the secondary and post-secondary levels. Their mission is to advance knowledge and education in the field of graphic communications by supporting programs that prepare the workforce of the future. http://www.gaerf.org/index.html



Peter is only the 3rd Educator in Florida to do so. Congratulations Peter!!!!!!!!!!

A Call To Arms; FATIE Officer Elections for 2010-2011



FATIE has been growing and hopes to continue to do so during the upcoming FACTE Conference this Summer in Clearwater. FATIE board member/officer elections as well as Newsletter Editor will take place during this conference in accordance with FATIE By-Laws. Board members are in office for a one year term. This is a members' chance to step up to the plate, receive the baton, and carry the FATIE torch that has been burning bright for several years. Please contact Tom Hession, FATIE President, with your interest at hessiont@palmbeach.k12.fl.us.

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FATIE Membership List

The following list was compiled using FACTE membership records. To join FATIE, one must first be a member of FACTE. The following list includes those who paid their FACTE AND FATIE membership dues since May 2009. If you believe you should be on this list and are not, please contact Lboyd@facte.org ASAP. Every attempt is made to keep this list accurate and complete. A complete detailed FATIE membership list is being finalized at this time to hopefully include email, phone and fax for all FATIE members.

Thank you for your membership and your patience as we update our FATIE records.

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A Closing Word From Our President Tom Hession

The end of the school year is rushing towards us and we are working hard to help our students, the seniors in particular, successfully complete their courses. We have had to deal with reduced budgets and in some districts, fewer teachers and programs. The legislature this year has made many changes to secondary education through Senate Bill 4. This bill has been signed into law and significantly increases the requirements for graduation. Over the next eight years, in addition to Algebra 1 and Biology, students will be required to pass Geometry, Algebra 2, and Physics or Chemistry. End of course exams will be developed for these courses and must be passed for a student to receive credit.

The FCAT exam will be phased out and replaced by end of course exams. Eventually, our CTE courses must have end of course exams and our evaluations will be partially based on student performance on these exams. The requirement that all students have a Major Area of Interest was repealed. It is hard to keep up with the legislative changes each year!

Did you remember to pay your membership dues? Membership is the driving force behind any organization. By increasing membership, we increase the voice of our organization. The need for increasing our voice has never been greater. As many of you may know, the Florida Department of Education has initiated the Next Generation Standards for CTE, which will analyze and work on rewriting the state frameworks. Information on the Next Generation Standards can be found at http://www.fldoe.org/workforce/ngosedu/. If you want your voice heard in this process, it is important to increase our membership. So encourage someone else to join FATIE and FACTE.

Joining FATIE, FACTE, and ACTE can assist your professional development in many ways. By saying yes to a committee or leadership role, you grow professionally and personally. Please consider volunteering for an officer position or to be a board member of our organization. FATIE is challenging all of its members to help spread the word about our cause.

Get involved! We're rebuilding FATIE and need your participation!

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