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There's a new executive board in town...



Congratulations to the newly elected officers.



GET READY TO BE IGNITED!!!



Get ready to attend an awesome national conference in Jacksonville, Florida on November 8-11, 2012.

Featured speakers include Lucy MacDonald (“Drowning in the Math Textbook”) and Steven Piscitelli (“Leading with Inspiration: Five Choices for Life Success”).

Additionally, there will be an Ignite event on Friday evening sponsored by the Innovative Teaching and Learning Committee. If you don't know what an ignite event is, go to <http://igniteshow.com/> and watch a few examples. This year the conference will also host a symposium on **Modeling and Applications** consisting of two sessions and a workshop. These are only a few of the exciting things to expect at the conference. Plan now. You

don't want to miss this event!!!

Conference Registration (Go to www.amatyc.org for more exciting details.)

Discount : Member \$ 325

Regular: Member \$365

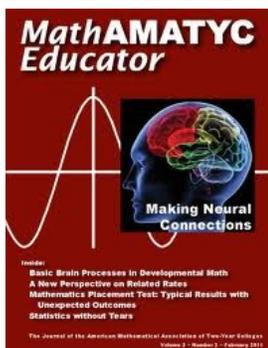
Non-Member \$ 430

FROM THE PRESIDENT

The overarching goal of AMATYC is to provide a voice to community college mathematics instructors throughout the nation, emphasizing the dissemination of best practices in professional development, innovative instructional techniques, and student achievement strategies. The objectives established by the 2012-2013 AlaMATYC Executive Board will continue to advance these organizational goals by 1) continuing to increase affiliate membership 2) encouraging colleagues to share their instructional strategies and academic success via conference presentations, faculty and student panel discussions, and 3) establish an annual poster session that encourages student and faculty members to engage in mathematics exploration and research. I am honored by the opportunity to serve the members of AlaMATYC and the national organization. Please contact me if you have any questions, comments, or concerns; E-mail: cbriggs@lawsonstate.edu Office: 205-792-2826.



Calvin Briggs,
AlaMATYC President



The MathAMATYC Educator

AMATYC’s refereed journal, *MathAMATYC Educator*, is always looking for items for publication. This journal provides an avenue of communication for all mathematics educators concerned with the views, ideas, and experiences pertinent to two-year college teachers and students. Author and publication guidelines can be found at <http://www.amatyc.org/publications/mathamatyceducator/index.html/>. The Problem Section “Take the Challenge” has returned and there is a need for additional problems for this feature. They should be interesting, challenging, and related to the material that is taught in the two-year college. For further information, contact Joe Browne at brownej@sunyocc.edu.

Update on the Vice-President

Vice-President Annette Cook has been working diligently for the organization this year. The duties for a Vice-President in AMATYC include visiting affiliates in the region and attending board meetings twice a year. There are seven affiliates: Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi/Louisiana, Florida, Tennessee, North Carolina, and South Carolina. She has to attend each one at least once during the two year term. This spring, she has gone to FTYCMCA on the campus of the University of North Florida in Jacksonville, Florida; TMATYC at Chattanooga Community College in Chattanooga, Tennessee; and of course, AlaMATYC in Athens. Keep up the good work, Annette! You represent us well.



SAVE THE DATE!!!

Due to bad weather, the conference didn't go exactly as planned this year. Don't fret! The executive board is making plans to make it double the fun next year.

2013 AlaMATYC Conference

Location:

Southern Union CC
Opelika, AL

Date:

March 8, 2013

For more information, contact Paige Feibelman
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AFFILIATE SCHOLARSHIPS CONTINUED

Need to curb the cost of attending the conference? Affiliate Scholarships will be continued this year. This scholarship covers the discounted registration cost for the conference. Preference is given to members who have never attended the national conference. Go to www.amatyc.org for more info.



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Dear Excellent Teacher,

Yes, I'm talking to you. Let me encourage you to apply for the AlaMATYC Teaching Excellence Award. This award is given each year to outstanding two-year college mathematics instructors. Nominees must be an AlaMATYC member and have the equivalent of 5 years of full-time teaching experience. The winner receives some great prizes. The deadline is August 1, 2012. Go to www.ala.matyc.org for more information.

Sincerely,
Your Colleague

WEBINARS

AMATYC isn't just the annual conference! Have you participated in any of AMATYC's webinars this past year? They have been very popular and more are scheduled for this year. These webinars are hosted by the AMATYC committees and coordinated by Maria Andersen, AMATYC's Professional Development Coordinator. AMATYC members get first notification of upcoming webinars, but as the date approaches, registration does open up to non-members. The previous webinars have been recorded and archived at <http://www.amatyc.org/publications/webinars/index.html>.