

HETAC HEADLINES

Home Economics Teachers of California

November 2015

President's Message

As your newly installed President, I'd like to say it's an honor to have the opportunity to serve for the next two years as your President. I'm grateful to those past Presidents and HETAC board members who have worked and devoted personal resources to lend to the vision that makes Home Economics Teachers Association of California, the strong, successful organization it is today.

I took a long look back on our organization: the reasons we formed it, the strides we have made, and the work yet to be done. My goal is to continue the work of our organization. Be assured that the Board will work together to improve the content and quality of our programs. And please, when we call on you for your support, act swiftly. If we are of one voice, we will be noticed.

In addition, the Association looks to reach out to prospective members and engage those who bring a wealth of knowledge through practical applications in our profession. We encourage members, new as well as seasoned to share their views, experience or expertise by submitting articles for this newsletter, contributing to our social media platform or even as simple as an email.

As we embark upon this school year, let us REFOCUS and REVITALIZE our programs, register for and truly utilize professional development opportunities, PROMOTE our departments and take every avenue to ensure that our elected officials know what we do is viable and vital to our state!

Lastly I hope you were able to attend your Fall Region Meetings. Connecting with colleagues is a great way to keep up to date. If you missed the Fall meetings stay tuned for the important Spring meetings.



Your board at work

***The great teacher
is someone whose
soul is that indus-
try. It's an art to
them and they can
articulate that
passion.***

~ Greg Copeland,
principal of EVIT's

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Sultana High School, Region 10

Family & Consumer Sciences Day

Commit to
"Dining In" on
Family & Consumer
Science Day

December 3, 2015

www.aafcs.org/FCSDay

**Last year, more than
100,000 people com-
mitted to preparing
and eating a healthy
meal together**

Sacramento Soundings

by Melissa Webb, HECT State Staff/FHA-HERO State Advisor

This year the "Welcome Back to School HECT Teachers and FHA-HERO Advisors" had record participation. We had the largest number of attendees participate in the webinar which included CDE and Perkins updates, FHA-HERO information and affiliation, and information about the CTE Incentive Grant Program. There has also been an increased interest of HECT teachers throughout the state who are interested in affiliating an FHA-HERO chapter. Region 9 hosted the 1st FHA-HERO Fall Leadership Meeting on September 26th, at South El Monte High School. Approximately 140 students and 23 advisors were in attendance. Chapter advisors were pleased to learn of the new FCCLA STAR events alignment that the CRE Chairperson/Task Force implemented at the September 2015 Task Force meeting. Melissa Webb is providing updates about STAR Events, CRE's, and dress code policy at the advisor's session during the FHA-HERO Fall Leadership Meetings. Region 2 also had a record attendance of 70 students and 10 advisors at their meeting on October 3rd, in Yreka, California. The rest of the Region Fall Leadership Meeting are as scheduled: Region 4, October 10 at Cordova High School, Region 5, October 17 at Hillsdale High School, Region 6, October 31 at Tokay High School, Region 9, November 3 at Cesar Chavez High School, and Region 10, November 14 at Colton High School.

Many chapters have already affiliated their minimum of twelve students using the FCCLA Affiliation System and advisors have commented that the system is user-friendly. There have been some questions to the State Office regarding Perkins and FHA-HERO affiliation. Perkins funds can be used to pay for at least 50% of affiliation for the purchase of leadership packets. October 15, 2015, is the deadline for active chapters to submit affiliation and submit their Chapter Certification Form to the State Office. Future FHA-HERO webinars regarding FCCLA STAR Events/CRE's include:

Webinar #2 October 12, 2015 "Overview of 5 Chapter Events": Chapter in Review Portfolio, Chapter Service Project Display, National Programs in Action, Parliamentary Procedure, Promote and Publicize FCCLA. Register at: <http://www.instantpresenter.com/PIID=ED59DC828049>

Webinar #3 October 19, 2015 "3 NEW Team Events": Applied Math for Culinary Management, Entrepreneurship, and Food Innovations. Register at: <http://www.instantpresenter.com/PIID=ED59DC828046>



Give the gift of
membership. Give a
colleague a HETAC
membership.

Fall HETAC Region Meeting Dates

Region 1 & 3: 9/19 –Old Town, Sonoma, Successfully executed!

Region 4: 10/24 - TBD

Region 5: 12/5 - Dunsmuir House, Oakland

Region 6: 10/10 - Del Rio Country Club, Modesto

Region 7 : End of October - TBD

Region 8: 11/7 - Cesar Chavez High, Delano

Region 9: 11/7 - Orange County Great Park, Fermentation Methods, Irvine

Region 10: 9/26 - High Tea at Eisenhower High, Rialto, Successfully executed!

Contact Your Region Communication Chairperson to assist and attend your upcoming region HETAC meeting.



Dunsmuir House, Oakland

Region 10 Fall Meeting Highlights

The HETAC Region 10 Fall Meeting was hosted by Jennifer Beier and Liz Nilsson at Eisenhower High School in Rialto, CA. The theme was HETAC High Tea – wear a hat, bring a teacup. Some even wore attire to go with their hats! We had a buffet of finger sandwiches, salads, and mini desserts. There were 18 in attendance, including FHA-HERO State Vice President, Jessica Herrera and her adviser, Lynnelle Hite, who came all the way from Calexico, and two first timers, Lori Briggs and Randi Moore.

Dawn Maceyka, HETAC President, spoke about HETAC's goal of more and better communication with HETAC and HECT teachers through various media including snail mailing the newsletter and frequent emails of Flash News Alerts.

Linda Rosensteel talked about upcoming professional development through the HECT Professional Development Project, and emphasized the free webinars – sign up for all of them!

Jessica Herrera, FHA-HERO State Vice President, gave a great presentation on her involvement in FHA-HERO and how much it has meant to her.

Our curriculum sharing had really good participation and several people signed up for the L&M roundtable. We had 3 membership renewals and raised \$87.00 for the scholarship fund through our donation drawing. All in all it was a great meeting. **Way to go Region 10!**



HECT Professional Development

Now is the time to plan for this year's professional development. The project office along with the state staff, have planned some great programs for us. If you have been to the past two years to Common Core you won't want to miss "Magnifying the Common Core in the HECT program", this program is offered 4 times, November and January. You also won't want to miss Hospitality Success Works, in December, this workshop includes 3 days tours of the back-of-the-house, an industry networking reception, demonstrations by San Francisco celebrity chefs, strategies in sustainability, hospitality and tourism presentations to list a few of the exciting activities. HECT specific concerns including: validating the Common Core in HECT courses, assessment, certification and UC a-g opportunities, and more..... These workshops are before the end of year. Spring will bring Culinary Arts Skills, Child Development and Financial Literacy all being valuable resources to our curriculum. For registration visit HECT.org, professional development tab.

Your New 2015-2016 HETAC Board Goals

During the 2015-2017 program years, HETAC will focus on the following goals:

- ⇒ To increase membership by 30%, to provide members with an accurate up-to-date directory, and to recruit new members and retain current members.
- ⇒ To provide accurate information about the focus and content of today's HECT programs, and to influence public policy on HECT education issues,
- ⇒ To assist in offering and promoting quality professional development, and to conduct at least one meeting in each region to engage and inform the members of our profession.
- ⇒ To increase staff for HECT, the skills and knowledge of our associations leaders, and to facilitate the development of leadership skill of our members.
- ⇒ To increase communication about home economics careers and technology education programs, with members, and to provide members the opportunity to give input to the organization and needs of its members.

Retired Teachers

Congratulations to Kit Little who recently retired from region 5, Village High School in Pleasanton.

Thank you for years of service to our profession and enjoy a richly deserved new chapter in your life. We hope HETAC will be a part of it!

Welcome New Member:

Zulema Lopez,
Region 10

Upcoming Nice to Knows..

October:
Bullying Prevention Month

December: Toy Safety Month

February: CTE Month



Teacher Tool Box

The shift to more technology has opened a new world to teachers, have you been inspired to try a few new techy tools recently? I have and it has enhanced my teaching and students are fully engaged in my classroom. Here are a few free applications that are working in my classroom why don't you give them a try.

The Remind app. "The app was updated to allow for greater communication between teacher and parents/students. It puts notifications right at their fingertips through text opt in, email opt in, or the free download." The app is free to teachers. I have set it up by class period and also have an FHA-HERO group set up that I use with our student leaders. Send your students reminders about meetings, bringing donations to class for your foods labs, or a simple note to turn in permission slips or an assignment you want to be able to reinforce for a lesson.

Google Classroom helps teachers create and organize assignments quickly, provide feedback efficiently, and easily communicate with their classes. Students can work together on assignments, turn in work electronically and track class activities with an online calendar.

Edpuzzle allows teachers to add voice comments or even their own scripts to videos from sources including YouTube, Khan Academy, Learn Zillion and PBS.

Nearpod enables teachers to create presentations that include multiple-choice questions and student text responses.

Magisto is a free app that allows the user to take photos and make a free movie with music to tell your story. It creates the movie automatically and you can upload the video to a website or social media.

Give one of these apps a try and promote your program on the HETAC Facebook or Instagram page. You are the voice for home economics careers and technology education.

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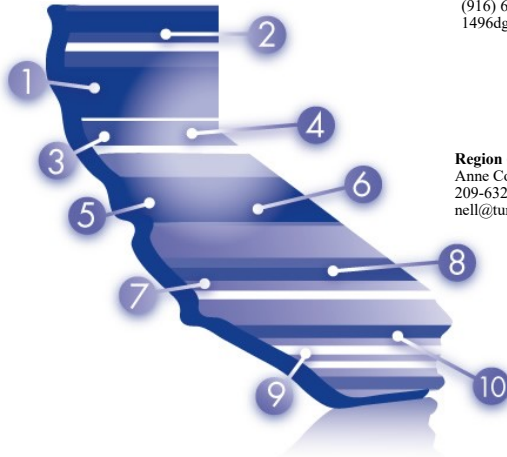
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