

HETAC Headlines



President's Message

by Elizabeth Williams

Summer is a time for teachers to be refreshed, relax, and add new memories to their life's story. For many of you this summer you connected with us and other Home Economics Careers and Technology teachers at the 27th Leadership and Management Conference in beautiful Garden Grove. Between the outstanding speakers and workshops we learned more ways to maximize our creativity in both our personal and work lives. More connections were made as we shared tips, hints, survival skills, laughter and fun with our fellow teachers.

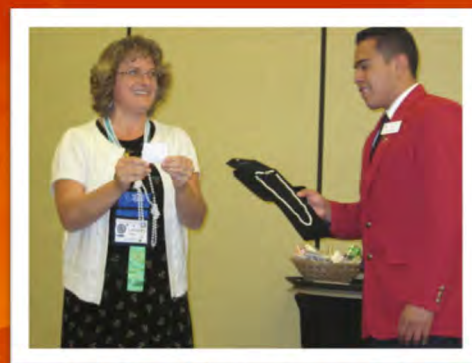
One highlight of the conference was celebrating HETAC's 30 years of service. As you may remember, we started celebrating this time last year and many of you participated by responding with notes of thanks, encouragement and excitement that HETAC continues to be a strong organization. The celebration came to a close at the welcome reception, which was well attended and included some of our retirees and past HETAC officers. A few members took the opportunity to share what HETAC had meant to them. Pat Miller, a long time retiree, shared some of her earlier experiences in the classroom as a high school teacher. However, it was her storyboard that she brought, filled with pictures of the goals she hoped to achieve one day, which connected us to her. Her pictures came to life as she entertained us with the stories of how she accomplished those life goals although not always in the way or timeline that she had imagined! She is 85 years old and has managed to accomplish them all. As many of you exited, we

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President's Message (cont.)

heard whispers about how you were going to go home and start working on your own storyboard. We missed connecting with those of you who were not able to make the conference and hope to see you at another HETAC event soon.

As summer begins to wind down we hope you will be refreshed and ready to live the next chapter of your story. What memories will you have from the important job that you do everyday? Who will you make a connection with and impact their life or change yourself after connecting with them? How will you be maximizing your creativity and fulfilling your goals?

You may feel alone at times, perhaps the only HECT teacher in your school or district, but remember, as a HETAC member, you belong to a much larger circle with much larger goals. Set a new goal this year to connect with your fellow HECT teachers and be strengthened. We have a story to continue and a duty to make sure it gets told. Our organization's legacy is rich with history of dedicated individuals who have given of their time and service to protect the interests of the Home Economics Careers and Technology programs in our state. Let us continue to live the next chapter and make them proud.

Teacher Toolbox

www.prometheanplanet.com - This site (where this logo came from) has resources such as games and other activities, lesson plans, a blog, community page, professional development – check it out!

www.educationworld.com - lesson plans, worksheets, etc

www.cacareerzone.org - self-assessments for students. Helps students determine how much money they will need to live on and which careers will help them meet these needs.

Thanks to Outgoing Communication Chairs

by Linda (Olsen) Davis

The HETAC board would like to give a special thanks to our outgoing communication chairs and their hard work for the past 2 years in keeping their regions up to date and connected to each other. They were diligent in holding at least one meeting a year, either Fall or Spring and helpful at the annual Leadership and Management conference. Our outgoing CC's are Ruth Ann Schroder, Diane Alexander, Maria Salinas and Betty Simpson.



Recent Retirees!

by Kerry Doll

This year, a few more HECT teachers have joined the ranks of the retired. HETAC would like to wish these ladies a long and happy retirement.

- * Terri Gravison
- * Sue Hope
- * Kelly Villareal

Look forward to spotlight articles regarding these lucky ladies in future issues of the newsletter. If you know of anyone else who either has retired, or is planning to retire, please let us know so that we can highlight that person in a future issue of HETAC Headlines.



Donation Drawing Summary

by Linda (Olsen) Davis

This year our donation drawing at L & M brought in \$1,090 and it will be applied to our scholarship program. This year we were celebrating our 30th anniversary and wanted to make the drawing a little more fun and extra special so we decided to have a special drawing for a pearl necklace and bracelet. Everyone seemed to like the idea as a third of attendees bought the tickets to win. Our winner of the necklace was Linda Tripplett and the bracelet was won by Kris Moon. We also had our trip to Disneyland that was won by Dena Bortz. We had several winners of our regular donated gifts as well. Thanks to all who purchased tickets to make our scholarship program a continued success.



Welcome New and Returning Members

By Cathy Miller

HETAC is pleased to welcome the following new members:

- **Region 2:** Carli Ross
- **Region 4:** Laura Ann Nealy
- **Region 5:** Ada Weeks
- **Region 6:** Anne Cornell
Linda Johnson
- **Region 7:** Kelly Coward
- **Region 8:** Anna Hinojosa
- **Region 10:** Cathy Jo Cozen

HETAC is happy to welcome back the following members:

- **Region 4:** Patricia Lind
Jana Din
- **Region 5:** Daniel Arias
Kevin Fuller
- **Region 6:** Lori Konschak
Diane Wilkerson
Valerie Flores
- **Region 7:** Maureen Tolson
- **Region 8:** Deena Boortz
Virginia Panttija
- **Region 9:** Tracy Taylor
Melissa Charters
Mary Lash
Catherine Davis
Bonnie Culp
Mary Cronin
- **Region 10:** Elizabeth Williams
Angela Cruz-Trujillo
JoAnn Gonzales



Leadership and Management – Maximizing Our Creativity

by Cathy Miller

Garden Grove, CA was the location for the 27th annual Leadership and Management Conference. It was extra special this year as the Home Economics Teacher's Association of California (co-sponsor of the conference) was also celebrating its 30th Anniversary.

The Pre-Conference Workshops included both Fashion/Costuming and Food Service Tours at the Disneyland Resort and Technology in the Classroom led by Brigit Bonham. Many retirees joined us on Wednesday evening for the HETAC Welcome Reception. Several shared memories, including Pat Miller, who was one of the original organizers.

Rhett Laubach, an inspiring professional speaker, opened the conference with a motivational presentation; "Empowering Our Creativity". The Concurrent Sessions featured meaningful and timely curriculum and strategies for teaching. Chuck Parker, Regional Supervisor of Agriculture Education, joined us at lunch and shared many Creative Ice Breakers. At the Second General Session, we were given an update on UC a-g Graduation Requirements, Carl D. Perkins Funding, Legislation, and FHA-HERO in Action. The Golden State reception provided a wonderful backdrop for both networking and socializing. The HETAC breakfast continued the celebration of our 30th Anniversary as a slideshow of pictures shared the history of HETAC. At the closing session, we were able to "Escape from the Ordinary" with Leeman Parker and David Blatter, well known magician entertainers. The ever-popular roundtable presentations were the final wrap-up to the conference.

Everyone went home with new resources and enthusiasm for the new school year as we strive to keep HECT relevant and rigorous, yet keep it creative as we engage our students. I hope to see you all next June at the 28th annual L&M Conference in Burlingame.

FHA-HERO State Leadership Meeting News

by Elizabeth Williams



Due to the generous donation of our members, HETAC was able to sponsor two Competitive Recognition Events at the FHA-HERO: A California Affiliate of FCCLA State Leadership Meeting, which was held last April in Fresno. The 1st place Nutrition Education team winners from Edison High School were students Eineren Arevalo and Alpha Kunnel who each received \$50.00. The 1st place Teaching Careers winner from Grace Davis High School was Emmitt Randez who received \$100.00. We wish them success in their future endeavors.

This year's Rose DeBenedetti scholarship was given to Denise Torres from Eisenhower High School. The students who apply for this scholarship are considered for their leadership experience, commitment, academic achievement, and the recommendation of their instructors. Denise came highly recommended is going to use her \$500.00 scholarship to attend San Diego State University in the fall.

HETAC also had the privilege of awarding 3 schools with the distinction of obtaining Honor Chapter status. For a chapter to qualify they must meet the highest standards of FHA-HERO with a quality program of work and actively participate in FHA-HERO beyond the local level. These chapters are great examples of what dedication and hard work can accomplish while promoting the organization. We congratulate all the recipients, Mills High School, Sierra High School, and Kern Valley High School for having an outstanding year.



New Communication Chairs

by Linda (Olsen) Davis



This year we welcome new and some returning teachers who have said they would help the association by hosting 2 gatherings a year for their regions. Please help us welcome Toni Morucci to Region 2 and assisting Sue Jones who has agreed to say on for another 2 years. Region 4 is happy to have Dianne Goldman as their chairperson. She has lots of wonderful ideas for meetings. IN region 6 we welcome Anne Cornell and Lori Konschek to the awesome meetings to be held with much fun and excitement.

We need someone who is willing to help us out in **Region 8**. If that is you please call Linda Olsen Davis HETAC Vice President and she'll get you the help and information you need.