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Montana Business & Information Technology Educators

Fall 2008

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FALL ACTIVITIES & REMINDERS

The MBITE/Montana ACTE Big Sky Pathways Institute, which will be held October 16-17, 2008, at the Butte Copper King Inn, is titled "Action Steps Along the Pathways."

In addition to the Pathways speakers and sectionals on Thursday, MBITE workshops are being planned on Friday to include the following topics: Igoogle 4 You, Interactive Web 2.0, Online Keyboarding, Financial Education (FEFE), and more.

The Big Sky Pathways Institute registration form, which also includes

lodging information, can be found in this newsletter and can be downloaded from the Montana ACTE website, www.montanaacte.org.

Please join business teachers from across the State of Montana at this great professional development opportunity!

As you prepare for the opening of the new school year, please update your ACTE/Montana ACTE/and MBITE member record at www.montanaacte.org.

The MBITE registration form has been updated to reflect the

requirements of an affiliated State (joining all three professional organizations). Membership dues for MBITE/Montana ACTE/ACTE can be paid online and via the Big Sky Pathways Institute registration form.

You should also be aware that the Perkins grant was released on August 4 and is due by September 15, 2008.

I hope to see you in Butte in October.

Janie McFarland
MBITE President
Conrad High School



MBITE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT UNDER

At the MBITE Business Meeting on Friday, October 17, 2008, a name change from MBITE (Montana Business and Information Technology Educators) to MBEA (Montana Business Education Association) will be discussed and voted on.

The reason for the proposed name change is to align our association with National Business Education Association (NBEA) and Western Business Education Association (WBEA), which

changed from WBITE in May 2008.

Over ten years ago our association was called MBEA and was changed to Montana Business and Information Technology Educators to encourage non-business teachers who taught computers/technology to join our organization. This has not happened as we had hoped, either in the State of Montana, regionally or nationally.

At the Western Business and Information Technology Educators conference held in Scottsdale, Arizona, in May 2008, WBITE was changed to WBEA.

Thus, the constitutional amendment would align Montana with the national and regional associations.

This idea was discussed during the MBITE Business Meeting during the 2007 conference in Bozeman.

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An Association of Marketing Students

COOL TOOLS & SUMMER FUN DURING UPATE

Twenty MBITE members attended professional development workshops from June 16-20 at the MSU-Great Falls College of Technology.

Most of those MBITE members attended the entire week and received \$30 off their registration.

The workshops were excellent and included training on Microsoft Vista and Office 2007; Adobe InDesign CS3, Illustrator,

Photoshop Elements, Captivate, and Dreamweaver; and QuickBooks.

Popular sessions also included Gotta Have Gadgets, Internet Safety, MovieMaker and Podcasts, Digital Cameras and Scanners, Social Computing (Web 2.0), and Cool Utilities for Teachers.

On Wednesday evening the MBITE members met at Jenny Rohrer's ranch in Simms for an evening of fun.

Prior to the first computer workshop, Courtney Johnsrud from

MSU-GF COT and Diana Fielder from OPI presented an update on Career Pathways. Their emphasis was to explain the five pathways in business and answer questions regarding how the pathways might fit into different sized Montana schools.

Read current updates regarding career pathways by clicking on the Big Sky Pathways Weekly Update link at www.montanaacte.org.

Janie McFarland
MBITE President
Conrad High School



LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY—INCLUDES MONEY

MBITE is looking for a treasurer.

Love to network, accounting and bookkeeping, write checks, have MBITE membership, and create a growth report of monetary portions!

This is the JOB for YOU!

Treasurer serves a three year term, must

be a responsible money detailed individual who is committed to Montana

Business and Information Technology Education, attendance at the Fall ACTE conference is highly suggested, and ability to balance, report out, and write

checks for the organization is a MUST!

Contact: Sue Cheff, 406-751-3486 if you are interested.

Run, Don't walk to the phone for this amazing volunteer experience TODAY!



Sports & Entertainment Marketing Conference
February 4-7, 2009
Orlando, Florida
Registration Deadline: November 21, 2008

As the DECA Sports and Entertainment Conference continues to grow in popularity, the program is also evolving to include the best of what Orlando has to offer. Not only will participants in the 2009 S&E Marketing Conference be engaged by speakers who are prominent in the fields of Sports and Entertainment Marketing, but each day will be capped off with an example from each field. At the conclusion of the Sports Marketing Day, attendees will see the Orlando Magic in action at Amway Arena. The Entertainment Marketing Day will conclude with tickets for a special showing of the Blue Man Group. This conference will inform and delight DECA members!

Check www.deca.org for conference details.



A MEMBERSHIP MINUTE . . . OR TWO . . . MAYBE THREE

Greetings to all from your MBITE Membership Director.

For as long as I have been teaching, and probably longer, there has been some confusion regarding the membership connection between MBITE and Montana ACTE/ACTE. This spring during the June Montana ACTE board meeting, your MBITE representatives worked with the Montana ACTE board to help bring clarity to this muddled situation.

While MBITE is affiliated with National Business Education Association (NBEA), MBITE is also a division of Montana Association for Career & Technical Education (Montana ACTE). MBITE receives funding for professional development through Montana ACTE's Carl Perkins leadership grant by

being a division of Montana ACTE. These monies are used to support MBITE activities during the yearly October meeting and the MBITE Summer Update.

As a division, MBITE members must also be Montana ACTE/ACTE members. Therefore, MBITE is ceasing the distribution of the MBITE Membership Form. All MBITE dues need to be paid along with Montana ACTE/ACTE dues.

This clarification only affects a small handful of MBITE members as almost all of our members are in compliance and are paying MBITE and Montana ACTE/ACTE dues.

Professional MBITE are still \$15.00, Montana ACTE dues are \$15.00, and ACTE dues are \$60.00. A membership form is included in this newsletter, dues can be paid with registration for the Big

Sky Pathways Institute, and can be paid online by visiting the Montana ACTE website, www.montanaacte.org.

Membership dues can be paid using Perkins or State CTE dollars and are tax deductible if you pay out-of-pocket.

MBITE membership renewals and payments will now be dealt with through ACTE's membership services. Dues paid to ACTE for MBITE are distributed to MBITE on a quarterly basis.

If you have any questions regarding this membership update, please feel free to send me an email, rockingebars@hotmail.com, and I will try to answer your membership questions.

Eric Swenson
MBITE Membership Director
Denton High School

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BPA & DECA OFFICERS GAIN SKILLS AT TRAINING CAMP

State Officers from Montana Business Professionals of America, (BPA), Montana DECA, Family, Career & Community Leaders of America, (FCCLA), and SkillsUSA met at Camp Mak-A-Dream in Gold Creek, Montana, to take part in a three-day Student Officer Training Camp June 5-7, 2008. In addition to experiencing



many team-building strategies and activities, each officer team set personal and team goals and made state conference theme decisions as part of their plans of work for the coming school year.

The intense leadership training camp allowed officers from around the state to become acquainted, learn about their own and other

respective student organizations as well as begin their official duties as state leaders.

Camp activities began with general introductions and individual organization planning meetings administrated by the OPI staff.

Diana Fiedler and Don Michalsky. Other adult leaders in attendance were Nancy Linnell, Martha Northway, and Lisa Kearns representing FCCLA; Loren Drivdahl representing SkillsUSA; and Holly Fox and Staci Auck representing BPA and DECA.

Special guest, Shannon Stober from the Montana Conservation Corps got the state officers immediately involved on Thursday evening and all day Friday working together in interactive leadership

activities that helped them discover their individual leadership preference, strengths, and weaknesses.

They participated in many active team-building games that helped reinforce their learning throughout the weekend. The annual 'Quiz Bowl' was really exciting this year ... all the way to the last buzzer of the final round!! The food, late night hot tub talks, and the accommodations, as usual, were fantastic.

Keep your eyes focused to the future for more information and details from our respective state officer teams about their upcoming plans as the new school year begins.

Diana Fiedler
Business & Marketing Education Specialist/Montana BPA & DECA State Advisor
Office of Public Instruction, Helena

NATIONAL BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS OF AMERICA SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD WINNING CHAPTERS

BPA Marketing & Public Relations

Cascade High School
Denton High School

Chapter Activities Award of Excellence

Cascade High School
Denton High School

Community Action

Denton High School
Shields Valley High School

Member Recruiter

Billings West High School

Safety Awareness

Cascade High School
Shields Valley High School

Special Olympics

Cascade High School
Denton High School

Park High



TAKE TIME TO HONOR A HONORABLE COLLEAGUE

Know of an Outstanding Business Educator?

We all do... so why not take 10 minutes and nominate them for a Montana Business and Information Technology Education association AWARD! It is EASY! Simply write a letter naming your nominee and a few of the reasons why they are so WONDERFUL and address to me:

Sue Chef
MBITE Past President
Flathead High School
644 4th Avenue West
Kalispell MT 59901
or cheffs@sd5.k12.mt.us.

The following levels will be awarded:

Rookie of the Year—a business teacher who has completed the first year of teaching.



Outstanding Young Teacher—a business teacher who has completed up to five years of teaching.

Outstanding Secondary Teacher of the Year—a secondary business teacher who has completed over five years of teaching.

Outstanding Post-Secondary Teacher of the Year—a business teacher at the post-secondary level (vocational-technical school or community college).

Outstanding Collegiate Teacher of the Year—a business teacher at the collegiate level.

Distinguished Service Award for Outstanding Contributions to Business Education by an

Administrator or Supervisor of Business Education.

Distinguished Service Award for Outstanding Contributions to Business Education by an Institution, Organization, Business Firm, Government Agency, or an individual associated with any of these groups.

WBITE Distinguished Service Award—State association may nominate an individual for significant contributions and achievements in furthering the goals of business education through leadership, service, and other professional contributions.

ALL nomination letters must be received by September 30, 2008. Don't Delay! Nominate your colleagues today!



MEMBER SERVICES

- Publications
 - Business Education Forum, NBEA's Journal
 - Keying In, NBEA's Newsletter
 - NBEA Yearbook
- Special Publications and Promotional Items
- Curriculum Standards and Resources
- \$250,000 Professional Liability Insurance
- Annual National Convention
- Regional Association Membership
- Regional Conventions
- Legislative Advocacy
- Business-Industry Link
- Professional Awards Program
- International Society for Business Education (ISBE)
- MasterCard Program

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NATIONAL BUSINESS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Join Today and Increase Your Professional Expertise!

IMPORTANT... Please list both home and business addresses and telephone numbers
Indicate mailing preference: ☐ Home ☐ Business

Name _____	Title _____
Organization _____	
Business Address _____	
City _____	State _____ Zip _____
Business Phone (Include Area Code) _____	E-Mail _____
Home Address _____	Home Phone (Include Area Code) _____
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METHOD OF PAYMENT

☐ Check Payable to NBEA

☐ Visa # _____

☐ Master Card # _____

Expiration Date _____

Signature _____

Signature required for all credit card charges

MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION

☐ Professional \$75

☐ Professional/ISBE (International Society for Business Education) \$105

Membership dues include a \$20 subscription to Business Education Forum. Subscriptions are not available to nonmembers. NBEA dues are not tax deductible as a charitable contribution for federal income tax purposes, however, they may be deducted as a business expense under other provisions of the Internal Revenue Code.

MONTANA BPA MEMBERS FIND THEIR FIT AT RENO

May 7-11, 2008, over 300 Montana students, advisors, and guests attended the Business Professionals of America National Leadership Conference Reno, Nevada.

Our Post-Secondary Division was awarded the 'Membership Growth Award' for the second year in a row! Both Flathead Valley Community College and Montana Tech students placed in the TOP TEN!

POST-SECONDARY TOP TEN AWARDS

- Kevin Benton, Montana Tech, 1st place in NOVELL Network Administration
- Kevin Benton, Montana Tech, 1st place in Microsoft Network Administration
- Brendan Hardy & Garrett Lommatsch, FVCC, 1st place in Small Business Management Team
- Lindsay Heldstab, FVCC, 3rd place in Keyboarding Production
- Garrett Lommatsch, FVCC, 3rd place in Human Resource Management
- Kevin Benton, Kyle Strid, & Steve Riehl, Montana Tech, 5th place in Network Design Team
- Jessica Szalay, FVCC, 5th place in Legal Office Procedures
- Lindsay Heldstab, FVCC, 8th place in Database Applications
- Brendan Hardy, FVCC, 9th place in Database Applications

Thirty-nine (39) Montana Secondary students placed in the TOP TEN in the nation in competitive events and went to the stage to receive their medallions and award plaques!

National TOP THREE Secondary Awardees

- Jennifer Cooley, Garfield County Dist. HS, 1st place as a National Merit Scholar
- Peter Ferrell, Noxon HS, 1st place in Management/Marketing/Human Resource Concepts

- Lindsey Nelson, Bainville HS, 2nd place in Entrepreneurship
- Alyssa Hjelvik, Melstone HS, 2nd place in Advanced Office Systems & Procedures
- Stephanie Karp, Belgrade HS, 3rd place in Human Resource Management
- Beth Faber, Heather Kern, Jimmy Opie, & Nik Wong, Skyview HS, 3rd place in Administrative Support Team

Montana BPA's 2008 NLC Top Ten National Placings

- *Advanced Interview Skills*, Caitlin Zimmerman, Shields Valley HS, 7th
- *Advanced Word Processing Skills*, Alyssa Sipes, Columbus HS, 7th
- *Administrative Support Concepts*, Peter Ferrell, Noxon HS, 5th
- *Banking & Finance*, Patrick Flor, Baker HS, 4th
- *Basic Office Systems & Procedures*, Brianne DePuydt, Saco HS, 9th
- *Basic Office Systems & Procedures*, Kara Olson, Saco HS, 5th
- *Computerized Accounting*, Ashlee Mead, Cut Bank HS, 6th
- *Economic Research Project-Team*, Amanda Hedtke, Jessica Smith, & Kolette Johnson, Absarokee HS, 10th

- *Financial Analyst Team*, Chelsea Carlson, Josh Dyba, Kelsey Kincheloe, & Whitney Newman, Huntley Project HS, 5th
- *Financial Math & Analysis*, Chelsea Carlson, Huntley Project HS, 4th
- *Graphic Design Promotion*, Johanna Satterfield, Roundup HS, 7th
- *Human Resource Management*, Shawna McClurg, Absarokee HS, 4th
- *Insurance Concepts*, Peter Ferrell, Noxon HS, 6th
- *Integrated Office*

Applications, Afton Garland, Sidney HS, 10th

- *Integrated Office Applications*, Alyssa Hjelvik, Melstone HS, 5th
- *JAVA Programming*, Jakub Gedeon, Bozeman HS, 10th
- *Keyboarding Production*, Kelsey Bymaster, Broadview HS, 4th
- *Legal Office Procedures*, Scarlet Ford, Lavina HS, 4th
- *Legal Office Procedures*, Brandon Killen, Forsyth HS, 6th
- *Management/Marketing/Human Resource Concepts*, Rebecca Murnion, Garfield County Dist. HS, 10th
- *Management/Marketing/Human Resource Concepts*, Ashley Vincent, Charlo HS, 5th
- *Payroll Accounting*, Riley Brewer, White Sulphur Springs HS, 7th
- *Payroll Accounting*, Ashley Vincent, Charlo HS, 9th
- *Small Business Management Team*, Caitlin Zimmerman, Hailey Maier, Kristen Scott, & Michael Ann McInerney, Shields Valley HS, 4th
- *Spreadsheet Applications & Analysis*, Derek Livermont, Forsyth HS, 5th
- *VB.NET Programming*, Clive Ogle, White Sulphur Springs HS, 8th
- *Web Site Design Team*, Clay Cranford & Whitney Newman, Huntley Project HS, 8th

Montana BPA's 2008 Quality Chapters

- Billings West High School, Shelly Stanton, Advisor
- Denton High School, Eric Swenson, Advisor
- Sidney High School, Elaine Stedman, Advisor

CONGRATULATIONS to all NLC participants ... Montana BPA is SO proud of you!



ON YOUR MARK, GET PACKED, GO

2008 Big Sky Pathways Institute

Butte, MT
October 15-17, 2008

2008 DECA Western Region Leadership Conference

Phoenix, AZ
November 20-22, 2008

2008 ACTE Convention

Charlotte, NC
December 4-6, 2008

2009 DECA Sports & Entertainment Marketing Conference

Orlando, FL
February 4-7, 2009

2009 WBITE Conference

Coeur d'Alene, ID
February 13-16, 2009

DECA State Career Development Conference

Helena, MT
February 22-24, 2009

BPA State Leadership Conference

Kalispell, MT
March

2009 NBEA Annual Convention

Chicago, IL
April 8-11, 2009

ACTE Region V Leadership Conference

Blaine, WA
April 15-18, 2009

2009 DECA ICDC

Anaheim, CA
April 29-May 2

2009 BPA National Leadership Conference

Dallas, TX
May 6-10, 2009

2009 Career Cluster Institute

Fort Worth, TX
June 15-17, 2009

2009 Family Economic & Financial Education Conference

Tucson, AZ
June 15-18, 2009



Big Sky Pathways Institute Registration

"Action Steps Along the Pathways"

October 15-17, 2008

Name _____ School _____

Address _____ City _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

Telephone (Home) _____ Division Affiliation: MAAE _____ MAFCSE _____

Telephone (Work) _____ Other _____ MITEA _____ MBITE _____

E-mail Address _____ ACTE Membership # _____ MHSEA _____ ADMIN _____

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION (Includes Thursday Luncheon and Banquet, Friday Breakfast and Luncheon)	Cost	Amount
Early Bird Registration (Postmarked by Oct. 1st) – Montana ACTE/ACTE Member \$85 – Non-Member Montana ACTE/ACTE \$145		
On Site Registration – Montana ACTE/ACTE Member \$120 – Non-Montana ACTE/ACTE \$170		
Early Bird Thursday Registration Only (Postmarked by Oct. 1st) – Montana ACTE/ACTE Member \$60 – Non-Member Montana ACTE/ACTE \$120		
On Site Thursday Registration Only – Montana ACTE/ACTE Member \$85 – Non-Member Montana ACTE/ACTE \$140		
Membership Dues: Circle One (Complete Membership Form at www.montanaacte.org) MBITE (Business & Marketing) - \$90 MITEA (Industrial/Technology) - \$90 MAAE (Agriculture) - \$175 MAFCSE (Family and Consumer Sciences) - \$100 MHSEA (Health Sciences) - \$85 ADMIN (Administration) - \$80		
<input type="checkbox"/> First-Year Teacher <input type="checkbox"/> Retired Teacher <input type="checkbox"/> First-Time Attendee (Check appropriate box)	-\$35.00	
Student Registration (Cannot be combined with First-Time Attendee)	\$50.00	
Thursday Montana ACTE Luncheon - Pork Chop Sandwich Bar (Check appropriate box if attending) <input type="checkbox"/> Attending		
Guest Thursday Montana ACTE Luncheon Ticket	\$15.00	
Thursday Montana ACTE Awards Banquet - Baron of Beef (Check appropriate box if attending) <input type="checkbox"/> Attending		
Guest Thursday Montana ACTE Awards Banquet Ticket	\$25.00	
Friday Breakfast Buffet (Check appropriate box if attending) <input type="checkbox"/> Attending		
Guest Friday Breakfast Ticket	\$12.00	
Friday Montana ACTE Business Luncheon - Turkey Breast & Provolone Sandwich (Check appropriate box if attending) <input type="checkbox"/> Attending		
Guest Friday Montana ACTE Business Luncheon Ticket	\$15.00	

Payment Information

Total Registration and Fees (Make checks payable to Montana ACTE)

Payment Method ☐ Check Credit Card Type ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover

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List any special needs (accessibility, meals, etc.):

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Hotel Reservations: Copper King Hotel
4655 Harrison Avenue
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Room block ends October 1, 2008

For more Big Sky Pathways Institute information, visit www.montanaacte.org

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\$33.00 of your membership fee covers your subscription to Techniques. Student members receive a complimentary copy of Techniques.

* From time to time ACTE makes its list available to organizations that offer products and services valuable to career and technical educators. At no time will ACTE provide your email address to a third party. Email addresses are for ACTE use in communicating with members. If you wish to exclude your name from these lists mark the box above.

** You are not obligated to provide this information; however, ACTE uses this information internally to serve as a unique identifier for members. At no time would ACTE make this information available to a third party.

MONTANA COUNCIL ON ECONOMIC EDUCATION



3rd Annual
Economic Education
Summit

September 28-29,
2008

Best Western
Helena Great
Northern Hotel

Visit
www.econedmontana.org
for summit details and
registration info

**MONTANA BPA'S 2008
AMBASSADOR TORCH AWARD
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Absarokee High School
Kathryn Huether

Alberton High School
Cleo Talbott
Jacob Rausch
Allyson Briscoe

Broadview High School
Becky Badgett
Megan Schimdt
John Jansen
Josh Cederberg

Cascade High School
Amber Griffiths
Anna Bisted
Gwen Mann
Jennifer Schubert

Custer High School
Dakotah Murphy

Denton High School
Kris Barber
Jacob Krieger
Kara Fox

Garfield County District High School
Malcolm McRae
Cerissa Wilson
Daniel Edwards
Rebecca Murnion
Jennifer Cooley

Judith Gap High School
Dezarae Brewhington

Lambert High School
Danielle Bertrande
Brittney Bonogofsky

Manhattan High School
Madeline Strong

Park High School:
Riker Haefs

Roberts High School
Kayla Pierson
Cody Kessner

Roundup High School
Tessa Mosdal

Saco High School
Shauna McNamara

MONTANA DECA ON THE MARK & MARTA AT

At the 2008 ICDC in Atlanta, Georgia, 122 students and advisors from eight chapters represented Montana DECA.

During the Grand Opening Session, Capital High School was recognized on stage for achieving their recertification of the Gold Level Certified School-Based Enterprise (SBE) Certified School Store.

The following students were on stage for the TOP honors: Mike Aune, Alex Beveridge, & Brad Adams from Capital High School received medallions for 5th place in the nation in Virtual Business Challenge—Retailing Track.

The following students were awarded the DECA Award of Excellence:

- **Advertising Campaign:** Justyne McGowan, Kyle McGowan, & Matt Samhammer, Sentinel HS
- **Business and Financial Services Marketing Research:** Jessica Lahr, Capital HS



- **Business Law & Ethics Mngmt Team Dec. Making:** Sean Davis & Michael Garrett, Sentinel HS
- **Business Services Marketing:** Alice Martin, Sentinel HS
- **Buying & Merchandising Mngmt Team Dec. Making:** Lauren Brester & Marinna Merkel, Bozeman HS
- **Buying & Merchandising Mngmt Team Dec. Making:** Seth Clark & Bradley Groesbeck, Sentinel HS
- **Creative Marketing Project:** Taylor Cummings, Belt HS
- **Entrepreneurship Promotion Project:** Annie Novotny & Kelley Petrusha, Capital HS
- **Entrepreneurship Written Event:** Travis Graves & Paige Griffith, Sentinel HS
- **Financial Analysis Mngmt Team Dec. Making:** Colin Buley & Andrew Mill, Sentinel HS
- **Food Marketing Series:** Katie Mariani, Havre HS
- **General Marketing Research:** Stephanie Back, Belt HS

- **General Marketing Research:** Cassie Kavran & Brianna Lipp, Sentinel HS
- **Hospitality & Recreation Marketing Research:** Lena Haines, Michelle Headlee, & Autumn Schwaderer, Sentinel HS
- **Internet Marketing Business Plan:** Doug Hoyer, Belt HS
- **Marketing Management Series:** Kevin Grover, Sentinel HS
- **Public Relations Project:** Aaron Adams & Rachel Gerhart, Belt HS
- **Retail Marketing Research Event:** Mary Woelkers, Great Falls Central Catholic HS
- **Sports & Entertainment Marketing Mngmt Team Dec. Making:** David Propp & Brittany Sept, Big Sky HS
- **Technical Sales:** Marci Kolar, Belt HS

CONGRATULATIONS to all ICDC participants ... Montana DECA is SO proud of you!

Diana Fiedler
Business & Marketing
Education Specialist/BPA &
DECA State Advisor
Office of Public Instruction,
Helena



HONOR YOUR COLLEAGUES BY PRESENTING THEM

Acknowledge your deserving colleagues and business partners. Nominate them for various professional awards:

- ✕ Outstanding Business Educator of the Year
- ✕ Outstanding Advisor
- ✕ Distinguished Service
- ✕ Newsletter Recognition (issues from 7/1/07 - 6/30/08)

for the
Western Business Education Association (WBEA, wbea.info) and the National Business Education Association (NBEA, nbea.org). Simply download the forms from the websites; then complete and submit all required information about the nominee. Since this is the first year our name has been changed to WBEA, new nomination forms must be used.

Acknowledge your colleagues to bring attention to your

outstanding programs and students. Free publicity in your local newspapers is available if you simply submit a press release, including a photo, to your area newspapers and periodicals about your local award winner.

Recruit and retain more students and faculty members. As the public reads about the nationally-recognized instructors, advisors, and government/industry partners who have won WBEA or NBEA awards, your program will be acknowledged as being outstanding, too!

December 1, 2008, is the deadline to submit the correct number of copies of the completed nomination on the WBEA or NBEA nomination form only, with all required materials included.

Send WBEA nominations (postmarked no later than December 1, 2008, with correct postage affixed) to:

Mrs. Jean Matsui Hara,
Professor
WBEA Awards Director
c/o Leeward Community College, BE-202
96-045 Ala Ike
Pearl City, HI 96782-3393

We'll be waiting to hear from you! Please contact Jean Hara if you are willing to serve as a judge on one of the WBEA award committees. 808.455.0346 or jhara@hawaii.edu.

Jean Matsui Hara
WBEA Awards Director
Leeward Community College,
Pearl City, Hawaii

MONTANA BPA's 2008 AMBASSADOR TORCH AWARD RECIPIENTS, CONT.

Shields Valley High School

Sam Cornthwaite
Caitlin Zimmerman
Carly Sykes
Brittany Ryan
Kristen Scott

Sidney High School

Richard Heckler
Jeromy Hardy
Josi Tippet
Tessa Rau
Jenna Welnel
Laci Lewis
Alison Binder
Cerina Azure
Melissa Asbeck
Amanda Kessel
Michelle Byer
Marshall Donahue
Kari Sergent
Nicole Ziler
Ashley Thiel
Afton Garland
Megan Harris
Chris Lee
Tara Mathern
Brooke Roth
Sara McMillen
Matt Brenner
Laura Kuylen
Kass Milne
Jenna Peterson

White Sulphur Springs High School

Sarah Zehntner

DECA's New York Experience Conference

November 19 - 23, 2008

December 3 - 7, 2008

December 10 - 14, 2008

Registration Fee: \$235 per person (includes educational programs, 7-day subway pass, NBC studios tour, Statue of Liberty, Madison Square Garden tour, workshop and lunch at Dave & Busters, bus tour of financial district, Madame Tussauds, Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular, gift from DECA Images)

Hotel costs: \$225 for one bed (1 or 2 people); \$250 for two beds (2 to 4 people)

Deadline date for registration: October 17, 2008

(Note: Some weeks fill well before this deadline date. To ensure a spot at this conference, have your registration materials in to DECA headquarters as soon as possible following the beginning of the 2008-2009 school term.)

DECA members from all over the continent and beyond will once again have the chance to experience the excitement, energy and education that can happen only in the most unique and diverse city in the world - New York! The 2007 NYE conference welcomed DECA members from every region of the U.S. and also from Canada, Mexico and American Samoa. The 2008 conference promises to be as just as fun, informative and popular as ever, so make your plans early to attend.

At this conference speakers from the worlds of Fashion, Finance and Sports & Entertainment will share insights into the workings of their respective industries. Enjoy tours and attractions that are included with your registration. And the conference schedule gives you time to customize your New York Experience by adding your own educational or sightseeing activities.



NEWSLETTER TEAM

The Denton High School BPA Chapter would like to thank all of you who submitted information for the newsletter.

We hope you find this newsletter informative and a great tool to promote MBITE, Business Education, and Career & Technical Education.

Thank You,

The Members of Denton BPA,

Eric Swenson, Advisor

*To submit an article, send or
E-mail your information to*

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Denton BPA
Denton High School
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Denton, MT 59430
rockingebars@hotmail.com

Newsletter Submission Deadlines

Fall Issue: August 1
Winter Issue: December 1
Spring Issue: April 1

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ASSOCIATION FOR
CAREER & TECHNICAL
EDUCATION
WEBSITE

www.montanaacte.org

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BIG SKY PATHWAYS INSTITUTE MATERIALS,
MONTANA CAREER CLUSTER UPDATES, MONTANA
ACTE NEWSLETTERS, & TO PAY YOUR ACTE DUES



HERBERT A. TONNE MEMORIAL ISBE SCHOLARSHIP

GUIDELINES (REVISED MAY 2006)

Eligibility

- Senior or graduate student attending a college or university seeking certification to teach business courses OR
- Teacher of business education with ten or fewer years of teaching

Amount of Scholarship

- Each scholarship for attendance at a USA conference is \$500
- Each scholarship for attendance at an international conference is \$1,000
- Maximum of \$3,000 awarded in any one year

Use of Scholarship Funds

Scholarship funds must be used to defray expenses for attendance at:

- NBEA or
- SIEC/ISBE International Conference or
- Regional NBEA conference with some international sessions

Application Process

1. Obtain an application form from the ISBE website (www.isbeusa.org) or the fall ISBE newsletter
2. Determine the international project to be used for the scholarship requirement. (See attached list for suggestions)
3. Summarize the project on the application form
4. Submit completed application form by December 1 and send it to President, USA Chapter ISBE, c/o National Business Education Association, Reston, VA 10919-1596 for scholarship in the next calendar year.
5. Receive notification of the results of the application review by February 1.
6. Attend conference and keep track of expenses paid
7. Submit request for reimbursement, along with appropriate receipts, to President of the USA Chapter of ISBE along with completed project and documentation no later than three months after attending the conference.

Expectations of Recipient

- Attend conference proposed and actively participate
- Using material prepared for scholarship or other international material, present a session at a state, regional, or international conference
- Continue to promote and advocate international business education

Guidelines for ISBE Board

1. President to receive application forms by December 1
2. President to verify qualifications and send each application to each member of the Scholarship Committee by December 15
3. The Scholarship Committee members shall evaluate the proposed project, rate it on a scale of 1 - 10, and compile the results of the three evaluations. They will then make recommendations to the ISBE Board for awarding the scholarship(s)
4. Approval (or not) of the application(s) by the ISBE Board should be made by January 15 and the awardees notified by February 1
5. The recipient(s) will pay the expenses incurred for the conference and submit receipts to ISBE for reimbursement along with documentation of completed proposed project
6. The recipient(s) will be reimbursed pending approval of the project(s) by the President and one other member of the Board or the Scholarship Committee
7. The President should encourage and assist the recipient in disseminating the results of the project
8. This process can be modified with the approval of the ISBE Board. Any changes must be advertised at least 1 year in advance of their implementation or they may be implemented immediately with approval of the Board and the membership

Project Suggestions

1. An article outlining the development of an activity for incorporating international business into business education classrooms.
2. An article reporting some research on international business. This may be classroom action research or more formal research.
3. Development of minimum of 200 international questions to be used in ISBE newsletter with answers and explanation of answers.
4. An article to be used in the ISBE newsletter or a more formal article reporting on your visits to international businesses with some comparison and analysis.
5. An article which could be used in and ISBE or SIEC publication regarding some aspect related to international business or the teaching of business subjects in an international setting.
6. An article on use of the Internet to teach international business with Internet addresses, etc.
7. Philosophical article including some references on the effect of world events on international business with suggestions for discussion/activities.
8. An article appropriate for publication on any other business-related idea which has expanded the author's (or may expand the readers') knowledge, interest, and awareness of global business education.

APPLICATION FOR HERBERT A. TONNE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR BUSINESS EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial/Title	Month/Day/Year
Home Address	City	State	ZIP
School Address	City	State	ZIP
Home Phone	School Phone		
E-Mail	Fax No.		

Current Status: (Select appropriate answer)

_____ Senior or graduate student seeking certification to teach business courses

_____ Currently teaching

Years of teaching experience (including this year) _____

Department/area of current teaching assignment _____

Verification of status:

Name (and address and phone no. if different from your school address) of individual who can verify current status: (Example: Principal, collegiate advisor)

Conference to attend:

_____ SIEC Conference (\$1,000)

Year: _____

Location: _____

_____ NBEA (\$500)

Year: _____

Location: _____

_____ Regional Conference (\$500) (List) _____

Year: _____

Location: _____

Anticipated International session(s) _____

Proposed International Activity: (See Guidelines for suggestions)

(Note: Successful applicants will be notified by February 1. Request for reimbursement, along with appropriate receipts, and completed project and documentation must be submitted to the President of the USA Chapter of ISBE no later than three months after attending the conference. Funds will be distributed after proposed activity is completed and documentation is submitted.)

Submit completed application by **December 1** of year before anticipated conference attendance to: President, USA Chapter, ISBE, c/o National Business Education Association, 1914 Association Drive, Reston VA 20191-1596

2008 Annual Convention and Career Tech Expo

December 4-6, Charlotte, North Carolina



Rollin' into Charlotte!

ACTE's 2008 Annual Convention and Career Tech Expo is set to roll into Charlotte, North Carolina, December 4-6. ACTE continues to raise the professional development bar for career and technical educators by bringing together great minds and great ideas.

Registration is now open so don't wait! Reserve your place at the premiere professional development experience for all career and technical educators. Go to www.acteonline.org/convention to learn more and save more!



Registration is now open at www.acteonline.org/convention.
Make your commitment and we will see you in Charlotte.

GENERAL SESSION SPEAKERS: _____



DANIEL PINK is a best-selling author and an expert on innovation, competition and the changing world of work. His book, *A Whole New Mind*, charts the rise of right-brain thinking in modern economies and explains the six abilities individuals and organizations must master in an outsourced and automated

world. Be sure to attend this informative and thought-provoking session on Thursday, December 4.



WILLARD DAGGETT, President of the International Center for Leadership in Education, is recognized worldwide for his proven ability to move education systems toward more rigorous and relevant skills and knowledge for all students. In Charlotte, he will share his thoughts and insights as the Closing General Session speaker.

Partners, Partners, Partners

Much of the success of last year's Convention in Las Vegas was due to the content provider partnerships ACTE established. Those will continue in Charlotte. To date, ACTE has secured the support of:

- Association for Career and Technical Education Research
- High Schools That Work
- Johnson & Wales
- MarkED
- National Association of Agricultural Educators
- NOCTI
- Project Lead the Way
- Tools for Schools

As you can see, a great event is already in store for Charlotte. Come and be a part of it!

See you in Charlotte.

WBEA PDI (PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE) AN OPPORTUNITY TO NETWORK, ENERGIZE, AND DEVELOP LEADERSHIP

The health and relevancy of professional associations at the local, regional, and national levels rely on the involvement of teachers and administrators who will share their talents and time for the betterment of our profession.

The challenge to continually train new leaders and reinvigorate the veterans is ongoing. In 1999-2000 the WBEA Board, under the leadership of President Mary Ann Lammers voted to institute a professional development opportunity at the annual conference and support this endeavor by paying for ½ of the registration fee for two participants from each S/T/P. The S/T/Ps were encouraged to pay the other half of the fee. The first conference was held at Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, in February 2000.

The PDI has traditionally met for five to six hours on Friday before the annual conference begins. The participants attend part of the WBEA Executive Board meeting to see the regional board in action.

Recently, they have been introduced and honored at a general function by sitting in a reserved area and being

awarded a certification of completion by the PDI Director.

The original intent was to encourage new or veteran teachers who had not previously been involved in their professional associations to gain the skills and confidence to accept offices and committee assignments in their S/T/Ps.

Some S/T/Ps have supported veteran teachers who are continuing to provide inspiration to members and want a "refresher" opportunity.

Having a registration fee paid has also provided financial support for those teachers who do not have the support of their districts or colleges.

Agenda Topics

The agenda has included leadership qualities, communication styles, organizational structures of the regional and national Executive Boards, Programs of Work, Bylaws, team building, goal setting, meeting management, convention planning, personal visits from regional and national officers, etc.

The backgrounds of the participants have varied widely from new professionals to

veterans who are returning to glean leadership activities for their students or S/T/Ps or just to rejuvenate themselves.

Because of the wide range of interests and needs and the relatively short time frame, the topics are covered at a cursory level. However, feedback has been positive that everyone received something of value for their time spent.

How to Apply

If you are interested in taking advantage of this professional development opportunity, visit the Web site at www.wbea.info and apply today.

Look under the Conference and Professional Development link. Your S/T/P will notify you of your acceptance. Hope to see you in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, where "Innovation, Collaboration, Integration—Hidden Treasures at the Lake" convenes on February 13, 2009!

Mary Ann Lammers
WBEA PDI Director
Linn-Benton Community College
Albany, Oregon

2009 Western Business Education Association Conference

Innovation Collaboration Integration

Hidden Treasures at the Lake



The Coeur d'Alene Resort
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
February 13-16, 2009

www.wbea.info
www.cdaresort.com

INFORMATION & INSTRUCTIONS FOR PDI

Complete this application and return it by **November 1, 2008**, to your STP President, who must mail the application to Mary Ann Lammers, Linn-Benton Community College, 6500 SW Pacific Blvd., Albany, OR 97321, by **November 15, 2008**. You will be notified of your acceptance by December 1, 2008.

If chosen by your STP, you will be expected to register for the conference. WBEA will reimburse one-half of the registration fee (does not include independent food, computer workshops, entertainment, or tours) and your state/territory/province may reimburse the

other half of your registration. The reimbursement from your STP is your responsibility; you must contact that president.

CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Conference 2009—February 13-16, 2009

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho—Coeur d'Alene Golf and Spa Resort
REGISTRATION FEE FOR NBEA/WBEA MEMBERS IS \$180
REGISTRATION FEE FOR NONMEMBERS IS \$255

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Date: Friday, February 13, 2009

Time: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. (includes lunch)

Location: Coeur d'Alene Golf and

Spa Resort (room to be announced)

UNIVERSITY CREDIT

University credit will be available from the University of Idaho. Tuition and process details will be available closer to the conference.

Thank you for participating in this program. WBEA is extremely happy to provide this opportunity for you. Your involvement with your professional association is a great investment for your future. Best wishes on your leadership venture. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Ann Lammers, PDI Director at malammers@comcast.net or Angie Neal, WBEA President, aneal@pte.idaho.gov

Base Registration Fees

NBEA Member: \$180

Non-Member: \$225

For Reservations:

800.688.5253

Room Block: WBITE

Deluxe Room: \$69 + tax

Premier Room: \$99 + tax

Nearest Airport

Spokane International (GEG)

Airport Shuttle Service available by the Coeur d'Alene Resort with 24-hour reservation

Western Business Education Association

2009 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE APPLICATION
UNIVERSITY CREDIT AVAILABLE

Name _____

Preferred Mailing Address:

Street _____

City, State, ZIP _____

School _____ E-mail _____

Number of years employed and at what levels? _____

How many conferences have you attended? WBEA _____ NBEA _____

How much do you know about the structure of WBEA/NBEA?

☐

Very little

☐

Some knowledge

☐

Quite a bit

☐

Not sure

What leadership position have you held in any organizations?

Personal and Professional Goals

What are your expectations?

Are you willing to serve on a WBEA committee or in a leadership position in the future? If so, do you have a preference?

MBITE Awards Nominations Form

(Please make copies of this form for nominations)

Please indicate the award category for which you are nominating this person. The nominee for a teaching award must be a MBITE member.

Teaching Awards

- ☐ Rookie Business Teacher of the Year (1 Year of Teaching)
- ☐ Young Business Teacher of the Year (5 Years of Teaching or Less)
- ☐ Secondary Business Teacher of the Year
- ☐ Post-Secondary Business Teacher of the Year
- ☐ Collegiate Business Teacher of the Year

Distinguished Service Awards

- ☐ Outstanding Contributions to Business Education by an Administrator of Business Education
- ☐ Outstanding Contributions to Business Education by an individual associated with an institution involved in Business Education
- ☐ Nominee for WBITE Distinguished Service Award

Your Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Nominee's Name _____

Please attach an explanation of why you feel your nominee deserves the award.

Send this form to and any attachments to:

Sue Chef
MBITE Past President
Flathead High School
644 4th Avenue West
Kalispell MT 59901
cheffs@sd5.k12.mt.us.

Nominations Deadline: September 30, 2008

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