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From the President

Greetings!!! I hope all of you are enjoying the last part of the school year. It's a very busy time of the year for most of us as we tie up loose ends, deal with the excitement of prom and graduation. This is also a busy time getting students prepared for National Leadership Conference competition in Orlando, Florida. It is great to see so many of our state winners representing our winners representing Virginia at the national level. Good luck to all of those competing.

We are looking forward to our annual VBEA Summer Conference to be held at the Virginia Beach Resort Hotel and Conference Center in Virginia Beach. Judith Sams has posted registration information on the ListServe, so you should have received that. The information has been posted on the VBEA website (www.vbea.net). This year's conference is full of technology and concurrent sessions to aid in preparing for the 2011-2012 school year. So, please join us July 25th through 28th and "Capture the Magic" with Business and Information Technology.

Good luck for a successful end of year, and I look forward to seeing you in Virginia Beach!

Sincerely,

Shellie Hartley
VBEA President



Summer Conference Highlights

MONDAY, JULY 25 8:30 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Pre-Conference Training and Testing Sessions sponsored by VA Department of Education
MOS and IC3
Methods of Teaching IT Fundamentals, Day 1
Wi\$E Financial Literacy Teacher Certification (Testing only)

(Note: VBEA will provide breakfast pastries, coffee, and water and mid-morning and mid-afternoon snacks. Lunch is on your own)

TUESDAY, JULY 26

Pre-Conference – MOS and IC3 Certification Testing (no training)
Keyboarding Methodology
Virtual Enterprise Training, Day 1
Methods of Teaching IT Fundamentals, Day 2
Technology sessions (see registration form for sessions and costs)

Cyber Café, Virginia Beach Resort Hotel Noon – 5:00 P.M.

Relax and enjoy free internet use and refreshments while networking with colleagues

Opening session

6:00 P.M. Dinner

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

Continental breakfast

7:00 A.M. – 8:30 A.M.

Exhibits Open

8:00 A.M. – 5:00 PM

Concurrent Sessions

8:30 A.M. – 11:30

**Lunch and Annual Business Meeting
and Program Update**

Noon – 1:30 P.M.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

**Lunch and Annual Business Meeting
and Program Update**

Concurrent Sessions
First Time Attendees Reception

Noon – 1:30 P.M.

2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.
4:15 P.M.

THURSDAY, JULY 28

Awards Brunch and Closing Session

Eastern KY Univ. Ins. Institute
VBEA Board Meeting

8:30 A.M. – NOON

1:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.
1:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

FRIDAY, JULY 29

Eastern KY Univ. Ins. Institute

Virtual Enterprise Training, Day 2

8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

8:30 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Registration includes meal functions listed above in **blue** print. Make sure you get your registration in prior to June 15 to avoid late registration fee! On-Line Registration through CVent is available at this link:

<http://guest.cvent.com/d/1dqblm/4W>

Please note the last day to secure the VBEA rate at the Virginia Beach Resort Hotel and Conference Center is **July 6**. Please call the hotel at (800) 468-2722 and reference VBEA for the special conference rate (\$144 single & \$154 double+ tax).

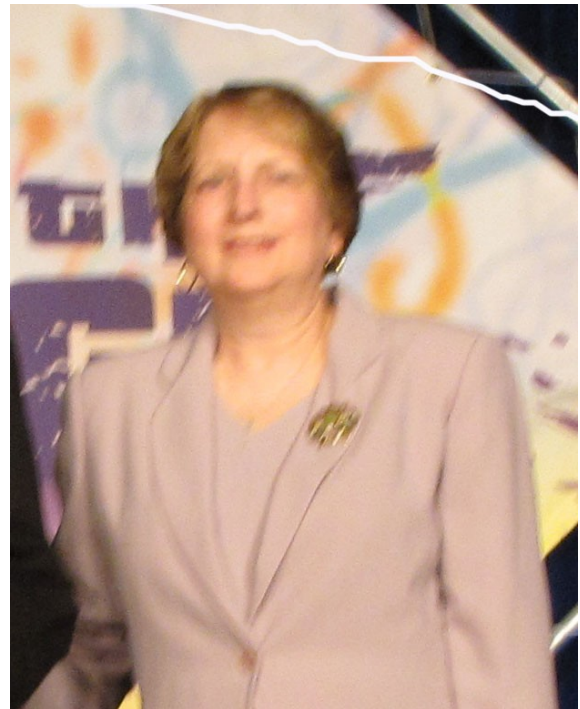
Make it a family event....the hotel is extending VBEA conference rate 3 days pre- and post- conference. Call today!!!

Great Ideas

A special thank you to those who submitted a lesson plan for the Great Ideas project, **“What is your Great Idea for Teaching Career, College, and Citizen Readiness in the 21st Century Classroom?”** These participants have created some great lesson plans incorporating the Virginia Wizard Web site. Winners will be announced at the VBEA summer conference in Virginia Beach. The lesson plans will be available for download after the conference. Visit the VBEA site <http://www.vbea.net> to see previous years’ winners.

If you haven’t made plans to attend the VBEA conference at the beautiful Virginia Beach Resort Hotel and Conference Center, don’t delay. It’s an excellent way to gather and to share “Great Ideas!” with your colleagues. Hope to see you there!

Glenna Hensdill
Great Ideas Chairman
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NBEA Convention

If you have never attended an NBEA Convention, you are really missing out! The recent convention in New Orleans was attended by a strong delegation from Virginia and proved to be a premier experience for all business teachers, whether new or, shall we say . . . more seasoned. In the first place, it provided an opportunity to visit or revisit a beloved old city that has so much to offer its visitors – jazz music, wonderful food, the French Quarter, wonderful food, shopping, wonderful food . . . and beautiful weather for the entire week (and did I mention wonderful food?)!

The format of the convention itself is similar enough to those held at the state and regional levels that you can quickly acclimate yourself and take part in the many available opportunities. And “many opportunities” is an understatement – the hardest part of the trip was making difficult decisions as to which sessions to attend. There were technology workshops, concurrent sessions, exhibits, receptions, professional development sessions, and general sessions with enthralling keynote speakers.

Perhaps the most fulfilling piece of the convention is the chance to become better acquainted with your fellow VBEA members and meet members from other areas. If you arrived at the convention feeling a little low in spirit and/or resources, you were almost certain to leave restocked and revived! It is never too late to attend your first NBEA Annual Convention! Mark your calendars now for the 2012 convention on April 3 - 7 in Boston, MA.

NBEA News



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OVER 1600 VIRGINIA BUSINESS TEACHERS AND SUPERVISORS ARE MEMBERS OF NBEA!!

THIS WOULD BE A WONDERFUL HEADLINE IF IT WERE TRUE AND IT COULD BE TRUE!! WE ARE WITHIN REACH OF OUR MEMBERSHIP GOAL WITH 82.02% PERCENT. WE ARE ONLY 41 MEMBERS SHORT OF THE 228 NEEDED TO REACH OUR GOAL

HIGHLIGHTING THE BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP:

- ◆ **ANNUAL CONFERENCES— 2011 SBEA IN ORLANDO; 2012 NBEA IN BOSTON.**
- ◆ **INSURANCE - NBEA MEMBERSHIP PROVIDES \$250,000 LIABILITY INSURANCE AT NO EXTRA COST WITH AN OPTION TO PURCHASE LIFE, HEALTH, AUTO AND IDENTITY THEFT INSURANCE.**
- ◆ **NEWSLETTERS AND PUBLICATIONS—ARE YOU UP TO DATE ON YOUR TEACHING METHODS? NBEA PUBLICATIONS ARE INVALUABLE AS RESOURCES.**
- ◆ **LEGISLATIVE NETWORKING AND SOCIAL NETWORKING WITH OTHER PROFESSIONALS.**

STAY CONNECTED TO YOUR PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS . THERE ARE MANY CHALLENGES CONFRONTING EDUCATION AND WE NEED A CLEARING HOUSE FOR THESE ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED. NBEA IS OUR ADVOCATE FOR BUSINESS EDUCATION.

I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE VBEA CONFERENCE IN VIRGINIA BEACH. YOU CAN RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP OR BECOME A MEMBER AT THE VBEA CONFERENCE. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE MEMBERSHIP DESK.

YOU CAN ALSO JOIN ONLINE AT www.nbea.org

Community College News

On Friday, March 4, Virginia Western Community College hosted the VWCC Region FBLA Spring Leadership Conference. Numerous VWCC faculty and staff participated in this event. These volunteers served as judges and event coordinators. In addition to VWCC faculty and staff volunteers, several retired Roanoke County and Roanoke City Business and Information Technology teachers volunteered their time to help make the conference a success. VWCC Administrative Management Technology students also assisted with the conference.

During the opening general session, regional officer candidates campaigned to be elected to next year's VWCC FBLA regional officer team. A video contest was also held to determine which VWCC FBLA chapter put together the best video promoting Project ASK.

An adviser's coffee, which was sponsored by VBEA, was held during a break in the conference. This provided advisers with an opportunity to network and discuss VBEA membership.

During the second general session, winners in each FBLA competitive event were recognized and awarded medals. The conference concluded with the induction of the new regional officer team.

VWCC is looking forward to hosting the VWCC Region FBLA Fall Leadership Conference next October.

Betsy Boardwine, Community College Rep

Germanna Region

Kim Barbee
Mountain View High School

Mountain View High School (Stafford, VA) Programming students competed in the Radford University Spring Programming Competition held in March. Students traveled to the campus on Friday and participated in competitive events on Friday and Saturday.

Congratulations to Brandon Sprague, Michael Nowakowski, Yohan Hendrawan, and Matthew Lantz for taking home first and second place in the Video Game Programming Competition. Each student received a scholarship in the amount of \$3,500. The students are in Mrs. Linda Jones' Advanced Programming class.

The VBEA conference registration is available online at <http://quest.cvent.com/d/1dqblm/1Q>. Don't delay as the popular sessions fill early and you don't want to be left out!

If I can answer any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Wanda Taylor <wtaylor@hs.spotsylvania.k12.va.us>



Wildcats succeed at Radford Programming Competitions

J. Sargeant Reynolds Region

Richmond Public Schools Recognizes the Future Business Leaders of America

STUDENT LEADERS TODAY; BUSINESS LEADERS TOMORROW. The motto for Virginia's Future Business Leaders of America was clearly communicated as the hard work, dedication and commitment to FBLA by its members and advisers were recognized at the June 6, 2011 school board meeting. Regional and State winners from Richmond Public Schools were highlighted for their outstanding accomplishments and achievements this year. Recipients from Armstrong, Huguenot, Thomas Jefferson, John Marshall, Richmond Community and George Wythe High Schools received accolades for their 1st, 2nd and 3rd place wins at the Spring Regional Leadership Conference (Richmond) and State Leadership Conference (Reston). Boushall Middle School was recognized for having the largest middle school chapter for the J. S. Reynolds Region. Also recognized were Honor Chapters from Armstrong, John Marshall and Richmond Community High Schools. Two students from Richmond Community High School were elected to represent the region as Regional Vice President and State Vice President representing the J. Sargeant Reynolds Region. In addition to the stellar lineup of awards and honors, an Emerging Business Issues team from Richmond Community High School will compete at the National Leadership Conference in Orlando, Florida June 28-July 2.

Dr. Yvonne Brandon, School Superintendent, and school board members extended congratulations to the winners and encouraged them to continue their work in FBLA, because they are STUDENT LEADERS TODAY; BUSINESS LEADERS TOMORROW.

Virginia Western Region

Green, Green, Green

Martinsville High School students have been busy in the classroom building model solar cars, implementing a school-wide paper and plastic recycling program and preparing for a community electronic recycling drive that took place May 7.

MHS students researched solar energy that culminated with the opportunity to build their own solar car. Thanks to grant funds, the students were able to take their cars home after they were built, tweaked and raced. Next, the students decided to recycle the most common things found in school trash cans—paper and plastic bottles. Specific recycling bins for paper and plastic were purchased and have been strategically placed around the school. The implementation of the program has been a big success as the bins continue to fill up. Lastly, students are working with a recycling company located in Tampa, Florida that handles electronics. Earlier in the year, the students had a Skype presentation with the company which has led to a community-wide electronic recycling drive that occurred May 7 in the high school parking lot.

Brian Barnes
MHS Business Teacher

New River Region

The Bland High School 9th Annual Mock Job Fair was held on January 6, 2011. This year was another successful year as students became entrepreneurs creating their companies and showcasing their work. This year's top company was Delicioso. This company had a smorgasbord of wonderful cupcakes, fudge, cookies, biscotti, mini cheesecakes, and much more. Congratulations to this group for their hard work. This group consisted of Megan Fanning, Ryan Keen, Hannah Pauley and Ally Payne.

Shenandoah Region

Shenandoah Region Newsletter

Spring 2011

The spring season brings growth and rejuvenation. Within the Shenandoah Region, educators are gearing up to finish the school year strong! One of the ultimate ways of getting the energy up is attending the NBEA conference. This year, the NBEA conference was in New Orleans and I would like to share my “Top 10 from NBEA conference”

10. Take time for yourself- explore a new area
9. When creating profiles online- preserve your identity by entering your zip code a few numbers off and the year you were born. Only keeping the year within the same decade
8. Be proactive with the budget process- share the exciting things going on in your classroom, let the local, state, and national government know how wonderful and engaging your classroom is. Most importantly, let community members know about the skills obtained by each student who spends time in your classroom.
7. Share your great ideas and don't be afraid to tweak other folk's ideas. Come back to your school and share the information. There are no reasons to reinvent the wheel—just add some new rubber and get excited.
6. Get outside your comfort zone and meet as many people as possible- networking is a powerful tool.
5. Reality TV can be a learning tool in the classroom- Bravo's Tabitha's Salon Takeover is a real example of poor management and it is funny!! CBS Undercover Boss is great to show students business operations. Just remember to edit for school appropriateness
4. Sixty-four percent of people will watch a 30 minute commercial but only 24% will read an article- Grab students' attention with a great video or NBC Learn broadcasts then package content with great reading material.
3. The Information Super Highway is a great tool- use the tools as a teachable moment Web 1.0 Information providing; Web 2.0 Collaboration/ participation; Web 3.0 is the next wave- Anticipating and bring meaning to information
2. Experiencing an NBEA conference is a wonderful opportunity to gain knowledge, make connections to people from around the United States, and develop your own “Top 10”.
1. If a national conference seems overwhelming start with the VBEA Summer Conference in Virginia Beach July 25th – 28th, 2011 at Virginia Beach Resort Hotel and Conference Center. Participate in as much as possible and engage in conversations of idea sharing.

See you there!!

VSU Region

The VSU Region held their Spring Leadership Conference at Dinwiddie High School on March 15, 2011. High school and middle school participants eagerly waited to hear their name called as a winner in their competitive categories.

Officers for the 2010-2011 School year were elected. Congratulations to all newly elected officers.

We know that all students had a great time at the regional and state conferences and many came back as winners.



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Date	Event	Place
June 23-26	PBL National Leadership Conference	Orlando, FL
June 29-July 1	FBLA National Leadership Conference	Orlando, FL
July 12-13	CTE Cooperative Education Workshop NEW Coordinators	Richmond, VA
July 25-29	VBEA Summer Conference and Pre-Conference and Post Conference Professional Development	VA Beach, VA VA Beach Resort Hotel and Conference Center

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