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Mathematical discoveries, small or great are never born of spontaneous generation They always presuppose a soil seeded with preliminary knowledge and well prepared by labour, both conscious and subconscious.

Henri Poincaré

#### Welcome From Your President

Hello FTYCMA Members,

Welcome to FTYCMA, and on behalf of your officers and fellow members, welcome to the latest issue of our newsletter! Remember, this is your newsletter — we look forward to sharing the many great stories and news items about our group!



There are many changes happening right now in the world of mathematics education – along with the state budget, this past legislative session saw two bills passed that affect us all - one establishing new rules for continuing contracts, and the other (HB 1720) establishing sweeping changes to developmental education. We have devoted a big part of this issue to HB 1720, and hope that some of you will contribute some editorials for the next one!

As always, please don't hesitate to contact any of our officers or me should you have any questions - we look forward to hearing from you!

On behalf of your officers, have a safe and happy summer!

Hope to see you in February at the FTYCMA/MAA Joint Meeting,

Penny Morris, President



### From Your New Newsletter Editor

Hello fellow FTYCMA members,

We hope that you find the current issue of our newsletter informative and useful; feel free to submit items for inclusion and/or any other news items you would like to see in the next issue. We are also looking for editorials regarding

the current changes in developmental education, so feel free to send them in for the next issue. Also, please don't hesitate to send any feedback for improvement or change; it is truly appreciated!

I look forward to hearing from you,

Jim Rhodes. Newsletter Editor



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## Florida Legislature Makes Sweeping Changes to Developmental Education

The recent Florida legislative session proved to be a monumental one, with a number of bills passed that affect education in our state. None has raised as much interest as HB 1720, the bill now signed into law, that enacts a number of major changes to how state colleges address developmental education.



A summary of HB 1720 appears below, and a number of state meetings surrounding implementation of the new law are in progress. To find out more about dates, times, and locations, see your institution's representative. In addition, the FDEA will be holding a special session at their upcoming conference in which each institution will present their plan for addressing the bill's requirements. The FDEA annual conference, Excelling Through Waves of Change, will occur October 31, 2013– November 2, 2013 at Miami-Dade College, Wolfson Campus. See the FDEA's website, http://www.fdea.net/, for more information.

#### House Bill 1720 — A Summary

- 1. A student who entered 9th grade in a Florida public school in the 2003-2004 school year, or any year thereafter, and earned a Florida standard high school diploma or a student who is serving as an active duty member of any branch of the United States Armed Services shall not be required to take the common placement test and shall not be required to enroll in developmental education instruction in a Florida College System institution. However, a student who is not required to take the common placement test and is not required to enroll in developmental education under this paragraph may opt to be assessed and to enroll in developmental education instruction, and the college shall provide such assessment and instruction upon the student's request.
- 2. Developmental education may be delivered through a variety of accelerated and co-requisite strategies and includes any of the following:
  - (a) Modularized instruction that is customized and targeted to address specific skills gaps.
  - (b) Compressed course structures that accelerate student progression from developmental instruction to college-level coursework.
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  - (d) **Co-requisite** developmental instruction or tutoring that supplements credit instruction while a student is concurrently enrolled in a credit-bearing course.
- 3. Timeline

October 31, 2013- State Board rule to establish testing and developmental education exemption for Florida standard high school diploma recipients who entered a Florida public high school in 2003-2004 or thereafter or active military duty.

December 31, 2013- State Board rule to establish meta-majors and academic pathways

March 1, 2014- Submission of a developmental education plan to the Chancellor for approval

Fall 2014- All Florida College System institutions to implement developmental education plan

October 31, 2015- All Florida College System institutions to submit to the Chancellor an annual accountability report

December 31, 2015- Chancellor to submit compiled annual accountability report to the Governor, President of the Senate,

Speaker of the House, and State Board of Education



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## Congratulations to Ryan Kasha!

Ryan Kasha was honored to receive the NISOD Award for Excellence at the 2013 NISOD Annual Conference held in Austin, Texas. Since its inception, the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD) has emphasized the importance of teaching and leadership excellence in institutions of higher education, and recognizes such contributions through the Award for Excellence. As stated by NISOD, "the Excellence Awards tradition allows us the distinct privilege of honoring so many of the world's best in higher education."

Ryan was nominated by his colleagues, and chosen to receive this award due to his continuous commitment to mathematical learning, development of curriculum, and continuous professional involvement at the departmental and college level. Congratulations, Ryan!



Ryan Kasha (center), other Awards for Excellence recipients, and Dr. Sandy Shugart (far right), President, Valencia College at the recent NISOD Excellence Awards





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## **Upcoming Events**

## Math in the Sun XI: Surviving the Aftershock of SB 1720 in College Mathematics

October 11-12, 2013

St. Petersburg College - Clearwater Campus Clearwater, Florida

We hope to see you all at this fall's FTYCMA Retreat—information about registration, accommodations, and the program will be available soon on the <a href="FTYCMA website">FTYCMA website</a>: scfl.scf.edu/ftycma/



# MATH: There's no end to the fun!

# 39th Annual AMATYC: Math—There's No End to the Fun!

October 31-November 3, 2013 Anaheim, California

For more information, see the  $\underline{AMATYC\ website}$ : www.amatyc.org .

#### **MAA/FTYCMA Joint Conferences**

February 21-22, 2014 Edison State College Ft. Myers, Florida

Information about our upcoming joint meeting with the MAA is available at the MAA Florida Section website: sections.maa.org/florida/



We hope to see you at one or more of the upcoming events!



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## FTYCMA Rewards Outstanding Teaching and Service

In even numbered years, FTYCMA presents a Teaching Excellence Award to one of its members who has at least 5 years of teaching experience, has exhibited outstanding teaching ability, and has created or adapted innovative teaching methods or materials. (Special consideration is given by the committee to those who have shared such practices with colleagues.)

#### The list of past honorees is:

1994 Bill Jordan (Seminole state)

1996 Frank Ward (Indian River CC)

1998 Lou Cleveland (Chipola College)

2000 Bill Palow (Miami-Dade College)

2002 Martha Goshaw (Seminole CC)

2004 John Salak (Tallahassee CC)

2006 Dennis Runde (Manatee CC)

2008 Steven Grosteffon (Santa Fe CC)

2010 Debbie Garrison (Valencia CC)2012 Don Ransford (Edison College)

2014 To Be Announced

In odd numbered years, FTYCMA presents an Outstanding Service Award to one of its members who has made an exemplary contribution to the teaching profession through length of service, advocacy of mathematics education, and contributions both to the success of FTYCMA and to the progress of others in the field.

#### The list of past honorees is:

1993 Mike Mears (Manatee CC)

1995 Joan Golliday (Santa Fe CC)

1997 Moana Karsteter (Tallahassee CC)

1999 Glenn Smith (Santa Fe CC)

2001 Guesna Dohrman (Tallahassee CC)

2003 Carl Hensley (Indian River CC)

2005 Cliff Morris (Valencia CC)

2007 Norma Agras

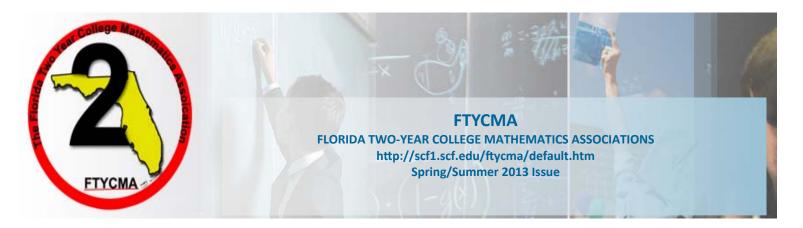
 $2009 \quad Janette \; Campbell \; (\; Palm \; Beach \; \; CC)$ 

2011 Byron Dyce (Sante Fe College)

2013 Deepanakar Rick Pal (Valencia College)

Each award recipient is recognized at the spring meeting with a plaque and a cash award of \$100. Since the next spring meeting is in 2014 (an even-numbered year), it is time to present the Outstanding Teaching Award. Please send in your nominations for the Outstanding Teaching Award to Penny Morris at pmorris@polk.edu.





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24. Santa Fe College, Gainesville

28. Valencia College, Orlando

Seminole State College of Florida, Sanford
 South Florida Community College, Avon Park
 Tallahassee Community College, Tallahassee



Benefits of the life membership include:

- \* A certificate of lifetime membership
- \* A laminated wallet-sized membership card
- ★ A FTYCMA lapel pin, and★ A reserved position in the honor roll of life members at the FTYCMA website. Current cost of a lifetime membership is \$150. Current cost of an annual membership is \$10.

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