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Meet TSA's New Shining Stars...

2001-2002 National Officer Team

Officers for the 2001-2002 term were elected at TSA's 23rd Annual National Conference in Richmond, Virginia this past June. The Officer team includes Casey Wiggins, President, from Checotah High School in Texas, Morgan Maddox, Vice President, from Brookville High School in Virginia, Jenniferanne Broido, Secretary, from McFatter Vocational Technical High School in Florida, Jeremy Roberts, Treasurer, from Osage City High School in Kansas, Megan Denny, Reporter, from Central Decatur High School in Iowa, and Lavoncia McGee, Sergeant-at-Arms from Raymond High School in Mississippi. The national officer team has already gotten down to business by attending the traditional summer planning meeting, held this year in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, to develop the 2001-2002 program of work.

To read messages from the Officers or to get in touch with them, go to the TSA webpage <http://www.tsaweb.org>, and click on "Who's Who" for a link to the national officers page.

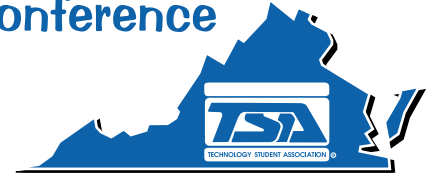
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School Scene Evolving

This will be the last issue of TSA's national newsletter "School Scene" to reach members in it's traditional, printed version. As decided by the TSA, Inc. Board of Directors at the National Conference in June, School Scene will now be published only on the TSA website, www.tsaweb.org. As you can tell from the covers of back issues highlighted here, School Scene has enjoyed a long and interesting published past and it will now continue electronically!



Richmond, Virginia 2001 TSA National Conference



TSA members from thirty states, Puerto Rico, and Germany recently attended the Technology Student Association's 23rd Annual National conference in Richmond, Virginia. The conference, which was held from June 21st through June 25th, 2001 at the Richmond Convention Center in Richmond, Virginia attracted more than 3,300 students, advisors, and other attendees who participated in national level technology competitions, special interest sessions and general sessions.

An awards ceremony at the close of the conference recognized the top ten finalists in each category of competitive events. A list of the

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Wayne County HS (Kentucky)

Students First To Be Pinned With New National Technology Achievement Award Lapel Pin

Wayne County High School Senior Mattie Carter lucked out when it comes to the first letter of her last name, since it placed her first among students across the country to receive the new National Technology Achievement Award lapel pin.

Granted, her number one slot was based on alphabetical order at her high school's induction ceremony, but that does not minimize what an excellent example she sets as a top-notch all-around good student, who has discovered the world of technology through valuable programs like the National Technology Achievement Award (NTAA) program and TSA, coupled with technology education classes. She was the first TSA member to be pinned with the National Technology Achievement Award this past spring at the high school she attends in rural south central Kentucky. During the well-attended ceremony, 20 students received the prestigious award based on the program's criteria of technological literacy, scholarship, service, and leadership.



Mattie Carter



The Wayne County Schools technology program is a well respected, award-winning program that provides students with the latest tools to master advanced skills that introduce them to a variety of professional fields. Whether it involves cyberspace pursuit, robotics, or 3D studio, the students from the rural community reap big rewards. Many of the students major in technology-related fields at the college level, as a result of their involvement in technology education.

Much of Wayne County's commitment to technology is due to its instructor and TSA sponsor, Edwin Stamper, who has seen his classroom change from an industrial arts and woodworking class to a modern modular classroom filled with the latest technology equipment.

When Mr. Stamper learned about the new NTAA pin award, he was anxious for his students to be among the first to receive the prestigious award. This is how he normally reacts when it comes to his students' being provided with the latest equipment, supplies, or recognition for their achievements.

A couple of years ago, Mr. Stamper was recognized as 'teacher of the year' by the Kentucky Applied Technology Association and received a 'teacher excellence award' from the International Technology Education Association (ITEA).

Linda Jones
Chapter Reporter

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The New Middle School Technology Activities, The Official TSA Competitive Events Guide, 2001-2003

The new *Middle School Technology Activities Guide* is the culmination “of the work of the Curricular Resources Committee, its competitive events coordinators, teachers and the proposals of hundreds of TSA state and chapter advisors whose suggestions make TSA competitive events current and dynamic.” In support of the publication of *Standards for Technological Literacy*, the new Guide includes a section illustrating the correlation of TSA’s competitive events to the twenty standards in *Standards for Technological Literacy*. The *Guide* is available for \$25.00 from National TSA and contains four new events which are described below:

Digital Photography Challenge * * * * *

Overview: Participants produce and submit an album of digital photographs. Finalists are assigned a task on site.

Challenge: Produce an album of digital photographs consisting of five (5) 4" x 6" color or black and white digital photographs that present a chapter activity. Finalists then take and edit as necessary three (3) 4" x 6" digital photographs in accordance to their on-site task.

Marine Design Challenge * * * * *

Overview: Participants in Marine Design Challenge research and present sailboat design principles and build a model sailboat that is raced in a test tank. Participants also choose a country with a sea water port and incorporate information about that country into their boat design and presentation.

Challenge: Produce and race a model sailboat, document the design process, and incorporate knowledge of a specific country into the event display.

Membership Recruitment Challenge * * * * *

Overview: Participants work as a team to design, implement, and present a membership recruitment plan that supports the growth of TSA during the current school year.

Challenge: Increase knowledge and interest in TSA within the state and recruit new TSA chapters. Design and produce promotional materials such as brochures, mailers, and posters and devise a membership recruitment plan to help start new chapters. Teams must document and demonstrate the implementation of the recruitment plan and prove that involvement directly resulted in new TSA chapters.



Tsa Talk/Multimedia * * * * *

Overview: Participants design a stand-alone multimedia presentation to be used to solicit support from potential business and industry supporters.

Challenge: Create a multimedia presentation that answers the question, “Why should I become a TSA business partner?”

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The TSA, Inc. Board of Directors Welcomes Mrs. Susan Barnes To The Position Of Elementary School Representative



Each September on the first day of school for the past six years, Susan Barnes has stood at the door of her Spotswood Elementary School classroom in Harrisonburg, Virginia to greet a new group of kindergarten students. She positioned herself at her classroom door again just a few weeks ago - this time to welcome second grade students - and takes seriously her responsibilities as teacher, friend, and supporter to the children who will depend on her for the coming months.

Just recently, Mrs. Barnes agreed to focus her growing interest in promoting technology at the elementary school level in a new direction - one for which TSA is most grateful: she is the newly appointed elementary level representative to the TSA, Inc. Board of Directors, having been elected to the position this summer (2001). Over the next three years (the length of her term on the board), Mrs. Barnes has expressed an interest in “helping teachers understand that technology is indeed the greatest integrator for teaching across the curriculum.”

Mrs. Barnes believes that “with classroom time being so limited and accountability so high, it is imperative that teachers make every lesson or activity count toward meeting the standards set by the district or state. When we guide our students to master computer and problem solving skills, they can take more responsibility for their own learning in all content areas. Technology is one of the greatest tools available to teachers to make instruction meaningful and enjoyable to students.”

We Want To KNOW!

We'd prefer stories and photos by email to lhaitz@tsaweb.org. Make sure photos are in 300dpi. You can also send your typed chapter news and photos to:

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finalists can be found on TSA's website at www.tsaweb.org. Epsilon Pi Tau, the International Honor for Professions in Technology, conducted an Exemplary Initiation at the conference to recognize 26 leaders and advisors of TSA. Invited guests attended the ceremony to learn how EPT's membership of over 12,000 works to advance the technology professions.

Other highlights of the conference included performances at the opening General Session by Living

History Associates, Ltd., featuring vignettes from famous colonial Americans like explorer John Rolfe, and America's first president, George Washington. Attendees also enjoyed the keynote address on Friday by the nationally recognized speaker, Rolfe Carawan, founder and president of LifeMatters International, as well as a one-day Education Fair that was held on Saturday, June 23rd. The fair featured the sponsors of the 2001 conference and exhibitors who displayed the latest innovations in technology

education. Among the growing list of companies that supported TSA activities at the conference were DuPont, Pitsco, Inc., DEPCO, Inc., Autodesk, Nortel Networks, and the International Communications Industries Association.

Those who attended the National Conference in Richmond, Virginia will automatically receive a Conference Information Booklet with details on the upcoming conference in Denver, Colorado.



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