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A Message from the President-Elect

This has been an exciting year for MassMATE. It began with our induction as an official affiliate of the Association of Mathematics Teacher Educators (AMTE) at their annual January conference. The MassMATE Board of Directors has been busy at work since then on numerous projects. One, in particular, that I would like to mention is the one-day symposium to be held at Roger Williams University on June 12, 2007. It should be a great opportunity for our new and perspective members to meet, so we hope that you will consider attending.

Deborah Upton, Stonehill College, MA
President Elect

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MassMATE's Purposes and Goals

The Massachusetts Mathematics Association of Teacher Educators (MassMATE) is a non-profit organization promoting the improvement of mathematics teacher education at all levels. Specifically, the goals are to:

- identify and support leadership among mathematics teacher educators;
- serve as a forum for ideas and resources in mathematics teacher education;
- encourage scientific research related to mathematics teacher education;
- promote quality undergraduate and graduate programs in mathematics education;
- encourage and support professional development programs for in-service teachers;
- encourage and support professional development programs for postsecondary faculty involved in mathematics education;
- facilitate communication and collaboration among professionals involved in mathematics education and mathematics teacher education at all levels;
- facilitate communication and collaboration among members of educational administrative units, such as departments of mathematics and departments of education;
- coordinate activities and work collaboratively with other associations and organizations concerned with the preparation and professional development of mathematics teachers;
- work cooperatively with the federal and state agencies to enhance the mathematical, pedagogical, and clinical preparation of teachers of mathematics at all levels with respect to criteria for credentialing and licensing teachers in Massachusetts.

Useful Links:

- Association of Mathematics Teacher Educators
www.amte.net
- National Council of Supervisors in Mathematics
www.ncsmonline.org
- National Council of Teachers of Mathematics
www.nctm.org
- Massachusetts Department of Education Professional Development
www.doe.mass.edu/pd

Share these with a colleague and have them join MassMATE today!

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Dates to Remember:

The 31st Annual Massachusetts Title I Conference
Title I Dissemination Project, Inc.
Title I: Passport to Learning
May 8-11, 2007
Hyannis, MA
<http://www.title1project.com/2007conference.html>

MASSMATE Symposium & Luncheon
Massachusetts Mathematics Association of Teacher Educators
A Network of Opportunities
June 12, 2007
Sponsored by Roger Williams University, School of Education
Bristol, RI
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ATMNE/ATMIM Conference

Association of Teachers of Mathematics in New England &
Association of Teachers of Mathematics in Massachusetts
Solving Problems: A Multi-Representational Approach
November 8-9, 2007
Springfield, MA
<http://www.atmne.net>

NCTM Regional Meeting and Exposition

National Council of Teachers of Mathematics
October 11-13, 2007
Richmond, VA
<http://www.nctm.org/meetings>

AMTE Annual Conference

Association of Mathematics Teacher Educators
January 24-26, 2008
Tulsa, OK

Summer Professional Development Opportunities

- Summer 2007 MASSMATE Symposium and Luncheon—June 12, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Being leaders in mathematics education mean that we are a part of a professional community that is yet to develop its full potential. We need to make sure that this community provides opportunities for our professional growth. Join us for the First Massachusetts and Rhode Island Symposium of Mathematics Teacher Educators. Join us in our endeavor to create a network of opportunities!

Keynote Speaker: Carol R. Findell, Boston University

Registration fee and lunch compliments of Roger Williams University, School of Education

For more information and to register, please contact jtsankova@rwu.edu.

- Summer 2007 Professional Development Institutes by MassDOE

This year's Institutes will focus on effective standards-based teaching skills and strengthening teachers' content knowledge in mathematics, science, technology/engineering, reading, and writing.

In its 12th year, this statewide program will sponsor more than 20 institutes during the summer. Follow-up sessions will be held in the fall and winter to support educators as they implement content instruction in the classroom. All institutes will offer professional development points (PDPs) and optional graduate credit that can be applied toward educator re-licensure. A list of all institutes and information about many other professional development experiences being offered this summer are posted at:

<http://www.doe.mass.edu/frameworks/cinstitute/>