



...IN KAACE

Winter 2006 - A newsletter for educators

Attention, dues-paying KAACE members:

You are cordially invited to attend a complimentary luncheon with your legislators!

**Legislative Luncheon
Wednesday, February 15, 2006
Noon to 1:30 p.m. (Eastern Time)
Capitol Annex Cafeteria
Frankfort, Kentucky**

**This luncheon is open only to KAACE members who have paid their 2006 dues.
Each KAACE member may bring one student to the luncheon.**

Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity!

No R.S.V.P. is required.
For additional information, contact Missy Bradley at

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Visit the KAACE website at: www.kaace.org

Why should we be **KAACE MEMBERS**?

1. **KAACE** unites us as educators.
2. **KAACE** makes us better for our students.
3. **KAACE** provides networking opportunities.

49 counties do not have **KAACE** members. We need every Adult Educator to be a **KAACE** member! **JOIN TODAY**. Visit www.kaace.org to access a membership form and instructions where to mail dues.

Did you know.....?

The February issue of Kentucky Living Magazine featured a guest column from Dr. Thomas D. Layzell on: "Learning to compete in flat world" The following is an excerpt from that column.

For the complete article visit:

KentuckyLiving.com

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....Nearly 60 percent of jobs require at least some postsecondary education, and that percentage is only going to increase in the future. As Gene Strong, secretary of the Cabinet for Economic Development noted recently, Kentucky is competitive in the race to attract manufacturing jobs, but less so with the knowledge-based jobs that will increasingly drive state and national economies. As Secretary Strong says, "We've gotten the kinds of jobs we can compete for." Our challenge, therefore, is to raise Kentucky's level of competitiveness to that required by the world we live in.

....Achieving our goals will not be easy, quick, or cheap. Kentucky's public colleges and universities are funded approximately \$250 million below the average of their benchmark institutions in other states. We must increase our investments in postsecondary and adult education if we are to achieve our goals. We must also achieve unprecedented levels of performance and productivity at all levels of education.

Dr. Thomas D. Layzell is president of the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education. He is the past president of the State Higher Education Executive Officers, a former president of the National Association of System Heads, and former member of the Council of Presidents of the Association of Governing Boards

There is another article worth revisiting from September 2004 concerning the GED.

*Once you access the KentuckLiving.Com, click on *Kentucky Living Magazine*, click on *archives*, click on the picture of *September 2004*. There are several articles that spotlight the *GED* and *post-secondary* information.*

News from the Editor, Pam Morgan

At the 2005 Fall Conference, I had stated that I would not be able to continue on the KAACE board as a PR representative. I am glad that circumstances have worked out so that I can continue as your PR Representative. I will continue to have a quarterly newsletter that will highlight KAACE members, student success stories and resources that you may find helpful in providing Adult Education services to your community. If you have information you would like to share send it to me at pmorgan@logan.k12.ky.us. Please subject it as: KAACE newsletter.

One of the most pressing issues we are facing is the funding for the next year. The Legislative Luncheon is very important so that legislators will be able to meet students, talk to providers and see that we are serious about Adult Education in Kentucky. **The luncheon is free but travel will not be paid for this event.** Although no RSVP is required, if you are able to attend the luncheon, I urge you to email Missy Bradley. This way the board can get an estimate of how many people will be attending. This trip may not be possible for all everyone due to schedules and distance. Those that can attend will be our voice and we thank you for that. I would like for someone to submit an article a student's experience. Please send that by March 1, 2006.

Congratulations
2006-2008 Executive Board Members.
The Spring IN KAACE will feature new board members
and plans for the fall conference.