

FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF MU ALPHA THETA

FALL 2010 NEWS LETTER



Dear Sponsor,

Welcome to a brand new year! It was awesome how the schools from Florida ended the last school year in Washington, DC for the National Convention. Again, we showed the nation how MAΘ is done right! Congratulations to Gainesville Buchholz as the big dog and winning another national championship; an unheard of 4th in a row.

There are a few changes this year. These changes include registering your club for FAMAT and competitions, and requesting to cross over to another region. All of these are now to be completed through floridamao.org. When you register for a competition, please make sure you use the correct form, as the March Statewide competition has a lower registration fee.

A couple of new competitions will occur this year. The first is in December and the second is in March. In December, we have added the Susan Hiller Test to the Dostal/Nunn Test. The Hiller test is open to all students that are currently enrolled in an Algebra 1 class. This includes the Middle Schools. The trophies for the Hiller test only, will be given out at the February Statewide Competition. The March Statewide is a Mail-In Competition. The test will be sent to the schools that register for it, via email in PDF format. The registration for this competition is \$6 per student.

The deadline for making registration *changes* is the Wednesday before the competition at noon, eastern time for all competitions *except* for the first Statewide Competition that will be held in Palm Harbor. That deadline is Saturday, 11 December at noon in order to allow that host time to make the necessary adjustments.

Competition hosts are no longer required to make paper copies of the tests/solutions and competition

standings for the post competition sponsors' packets. Sponsors are encouraged to bring the flash drive given to you by FAMAT (or any other flash drive), labeled with your school name and a laptop computer with Adobe Acrobat with them to each competition. Of course, hosts may continue to make paper copies. The tests/solutions and standings will be posted on floridamao.org shortly after each competition.

Students who have ever competed in Statistics have used up their eligibility. Students may compete in Statistics for just one year.

The 2010-2011 Sponsors' Guide is now on-line at floridamao.org. Read through the guide so you can keep up with the latest FAMAT policies and changes. If you have any questions, contact your Region Director or me.

We are continuing with the tradition of awarding the school whose design is chosen for the front of the State Convention t-shirt two free registrations for State and the school whose design is chosen for the back of the t-shirt one free registration. You may submit your t-shirt designs with the Fall Interscholar Test. That test writer is Mr. Andrew Ellinor.

We welcome aboard these new Executive Board members: Vice-President for State Convention: Lisa Herron, Vice-President for State Tests: Brandi Hillard, Secretary: Carol Wetherington, Co-Treasurer: Kim Woolfenden, Region III Director: Rebecca Devor, Region V Director: Denise Goodwin. Encourage your students to contact Student Delegate President Hansol Kang if they have any ideas.

Have a great year.

Sincerely,
Leslie Appleman
FAMAT President