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Winter Newsletter

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From the Desk of the Executive Director...

Seasons Greetings to our great ACTE Members! It is hard to believe that another year is about to come to a close. Where does the time go? It seems like only yesterday that we were all in Albuquerque for our annual conference.

Both your Board of Directors and I have been working hard for you and the association. We have updated the bylaws, developed new Policies & Procedures, and have reviewed the Strategic Plans and developed new activities for the upcoming year. There were 10 members of the BOD who also attended the National ACTE Convention in Atlanta, Georgia. The week-long convention was very informative and beneficial to our state

association. We are energized once again for the upcoming 2007 year!

As many of you may have heard by now, the NMACTE Conference has been moved. The event is planned for June 21-23 in Ruidoso! Please read additional information below and expect registration forms to be sent out early next year.

Another great event that we are sponsoring this year is the Career-Technical Education Day at the Roundhouse! This is very important to the future of our profession; I strongly advise you to look further into the attached information as well.

Finally, I would like for you to know that as the new Executive Director, I

will work with your elected Board of Directors to assist you in anyway possible. As we work to build up the New Mexico chapter, we look forward to your continued support and input. Please complete the attached card if you are not receiving the e-mails and Techniques Magazine from the National ACTE and I will promise to look into the situation and get back with you. Also, please feel free to contact me anytime at (505) 302-5458 if I can be of any assistance!

I hope that you have a joyous and rewarding holiday season! Enjoy your time off from school and time spent with family and friends! Merry Christmas!!!
Carol McAlister



Career-Technical Education Day at the Roundhouse!

Mark your calendars for February 12th!!! We are hosting this year's Legislative Day at the Round House and need your help! The legislators are being invited to a breakfast with your students at 7:30 a.m. at The Lodge. A short presentation by a former Career-Technical student will be given, along with printed publications providing information about

the benefits of Career Technical Education and the CTSO's. A photo shoot will conclude the breakfast in which your students can have their picture taken with their respective representatives for a press release in your local newspaper.

A book of rooms have been reserved at The Lodge of Santa Fe for Sunday night, February

11th. After having breakfast with the legislators on Monday morning, February 12th we will be going over to the State Capital for a day filled with recognition, press conferences, and fundamental public relations. Take advantage of this GREAT opportunity for your students and your program!!! Additional information is included in the attached brochure.....

Summer Conference is in Ruidoso!!!

June 21-23, 2007

WHAT AN EVENT WE ARE PLANNING!!! Our goal is to offer you a well-deserved, relaxing and rejuvenating summer conference! We are booking GREAT opening and closing speakers and will have break-out sessions for EVERYONE! Plan on bringing all of your fellow career-technical education teachers, administrators and counselors as we will have

specialized information for every group! This fun and energized occasion will allow for wonderful networking through a list of planned activities and vendor display's. The Convention Center and the Hawthorne Suites have been booked and we are expecting a great crowd! Prepare to come and enjoy!!!

Career-Technical Education Day at the Roundhouse!!

February 12, 2007



Visit the State Capital of New Mexico and share in our great democracy. Prepare a display to present during the day with all who pass through the halls of the Roundhouse! Share your experiences and influences regarding your Career-Technical Education!!!



Breakfast Buffet with your Legislator!

We will be sending special invitations to the legislators to eat breakfast with YOU! Come professionally dressed and ready to tell them about what a GREAT impact Career-Technical Education has made on your life! Be prepared to tell of a personal story and share what you have accomplished in your CTE classroom! We will have a short presentation from a former CTE Student and will end with a photo-shooting opportunity with your legislator. The New Mexico ACTE will sponsor the breakfast for the special guests and you will be required to pay the \$20.00/plate charge for yourself. Breakfast will be served at 7:30 a.m. so don't be late!!!!



Lodging Information

Reserve your rooms today for Sunday, February 11th at The Lodge at Santa Fe. The discounted rate of \$99.00 can be obtained by mentioning CTSO when you register! Call for reservations today!

The Lodge at Santa Fe
750 North St. Francis Drive
(888) LODGESF

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, eighteen of the 20 fastest growing occupations within the next decade will require career and technical education!



**We need representation
from your chapter!!!!**



Contact Carol McAlister at (505) 302-5458 or Frank Fort at (505) 562-2188 with any questions and to reserve your group!!