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Texas Business and Technology Educators Association October-November 2010 Membership Update

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Dear Dan:

I want to apologize for not getting the October update out to our members last month. Due to some personal issues and a time consuming transition to the middle school level, I have found myself with far less free time to devote to TBTEA. The learning curve is improving and will soon allow me to devote more time to TBTEA business again to better serve our members. I thank you all for your continued support of TBTEA.

Should you have any TBTEA related questions or concerns please feel free to address those to me at blierdan@aol.com.

Sincerely,

Daniel Blier
Vice President–Secondary Education

MEMBERSHIP

TBTEA has added a new method to join and pay your membership. Visit us online and complete the membership form [here](#). You have two choices at this point:

1. Complete the membership form on your computer and print it. Send a check made out to TBTEA along with your completed form.

2. Complete the membership form and determine how much your membership and other amenities total up and click on [this link](#) to PayPal. Once you have processed your payment, send your completed form to Barbara Leschber at the email address on the form.

The Texas Career Education Conference 2011 will be offering active TBTEA members a \$40 discount for this year's conference. We are excited to continue this new membership benefit to our members. Please encourage your colleagues to join TBTEA so they will be able to take advantage of this valuable membership benefit. Here is our current [membership form](#).

Any questions or concerns regarding your TBTEA membership should be addressed to [Dan Blier, Vice President–Secondary Education](#). Specific needs relating to Liability Insurance should be directed to [Barbara Leschber, Executive Director](#).

CONFERENCES

TBTEA Cluster Conferences

Region VII Cluster Conference, Athens, TX, Friday, November 12. All registration information can be found online at <http://www.tvcc.edu/faculty/kharraid/tbtea/>.

ACTE 2010 Annual Convention and Career Tech Expo

More information will follow soon.

NBEA 2011 Annual Convention

New Orleans, LA, April 20-23, 2011

Mountain-Plains Business Education Association (M-PBEA)

Wichita, KS, June 16-18, 2011

Texas Career Education Conference

The TCEC will be again held at the Sheraton Hotel in Dallas, Texas from July 17-20, 2011. Please mark your calendar to join us next summer.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Cheryl Mallan will chair this committee during this membership year. Please be sure that deserving seniors are applying for these scholarships. There will be two \$800 secondary scholarships, one \$800 post-secondary, and one \$800 professional scholarship awarded for 2010-2011. Watch for more information in the membership update and online at <http://www.tbtea.org>.

GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS/LEGISLATION

Our goal this year is to involve business leaders from our communities to help us target areas that our students should receive training that will best benefit businesses in Texas in the future. We will be creating a Business Advisory Council to advise the TBTEA Board of Directors. If you know of any business leader based in Texas that would be a great asset to the Board, please contact [Dan Blier](#), Legislative Chair.

NBEA

National Business Education Association is the national organization representing our curriculum at the United States Government level. Are you interested in joining NBEA, but need more information? Contact [Violet Snell](#), TBTEA's National Representative, for assistance.

NBEA AWARDS

The nomination forms for the NBEA Awards that will be presented at the annual NBEA national convention April 19-23, 2011 are now available online at <http://www.nbea.org/newsite/opportunities/index.html>. Our goal is to have at least one nominee from every state in each category for the Selection Committee to consider when choosing the winner. Whether or not we will reach that goal will ultimately be up to you and your business education colleagues.

The Awards Program was established to inspire, promote, honor, and reward outstanding achievement in and contributions to the profession.

Through the program, we recognize outstanding service to business education each year. Last year we added a sixth award category-Middle School Teacher of the Year. Please continue to promote this recognition opportunity for outstanding business teachers at the middle school and junior high level.

We urge you to take advantage of this unique opportunity to recognize your state's outstanding NBEA members by nominating someone in each Award category:

- I. Secondary Teacher of the Year Award for Outstanding Contributions to Business Education by a Secondary Business Teacher
- II. Postsecondary Teacher of the Year Award for Outstanding Contributions to Business Education by a Postsecondary Business Teacher (Other Than a Senior College or University)
- III. Collegiate Teacher of the Year Award for Outstanding Contributions to Business Education by a Senior College or University Business Teacher
- IV. Distinguished Service Award for Outstanding Contributions to Business Education by an Administrator or Supervisor of Business Education
- V. Distinguished Service Award for Outstanding Contributions to Business Education by an Institution, Organization, Business Firm, Government Agency, or an Individual Associated with Any of These Groups
- VI. Middle School Teacher of the Year Award for Outstanding Contributions to Business Education by a Middle School Business Teacher

The Awards will be presented during the annual Awards Luncheon at the NBEA Convention, and the winners will receive a custom-designed plaque and a one-year professional membership in NBEA. The winners are then featured in the October issue of the Business Education Forum.

Each nominee is required to submit seven copies on the paper color identified in point number three of the guidelines. If you have any

questions regarding the procedures or need additional information, please contact NBEA Headquarters.

AWARDS

Michelle Kirkland will serve as chair of this committee this year. Deadlines and forms will be available soon for you to nominate deserving professionals. Please take a moment to recognize individuals who make the educational experience better for everyone.

COMMITTEES

Our committee chairs continue to work hard for our association. If you wish to serve on one of these committees, please contact the committee chair. You can find contact information on the <http://TBTEA.org> website.

Committee	Chair
Awards	Michelle Kirkland
Conference	Karen May
Educational Development	Mazie Will
Fundraiser	Shirlyelaine Gray
Governmental Relations/Legislative Action	Dan Blier
Nominating	Ann Wilson
Membership	Dan Blier
Scholarship	Cheryl Mallan
President's Council	David Loper