

President's Message

Welcome back! I hope you're off to a great 2005-2006 school year after a restful summer. Your Washington State Mathematics Council board met recently to plan how we can support you in this coming school year.

Be watching for the ongoing expansion of the Washington Mathematics. Please let the editor, Donna Buck, know if it is meeting your needs and how we can continue to improve your journal. Contact your regional director for input into and information about regional meetings. Get your teams ready for the Math Olympiad and High School Mathematics contests that are held statewide. We had a wonderful Conference for Leaders in August where we learned about:

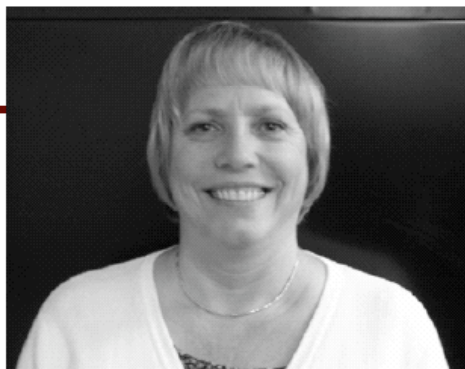
- the latest and greatest that's happening from OSPI
- vertical lessons and aligning to teaching standards
- networking and socializing.

Everyone had a great time and we will be hosting this conference again next August, watch for flyers.

On a personal note, this summer I moved from the Yakima area (same house 20+ years) to Federal Way. Along with this change of residence, I've changed positions. After 16 years as a high school mathematics teacher, I took a position working with Puget Sound ESD working on a NO LIMIT! grant. My goal of helping to improve student learning of mathematics has remained the same, I'm just working at it from a different angle. Someday I hope to be comfortably settled into the house and job (you wouldn't believe the horror stories I'm hearing about how long it takes to get completely unpacked! Yes, infinity has been mentioned!).

I look forward to another rewarding year as your WSMC president. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sandy Christie



Sandy Christie, WSMC President

2005-2006 WSMC CALENDAR

OCTOBER 2005

October 13–15 - 44th Northwest Mathematics Conference at the Red Lion On the River Hotel, Portland, Oregon

NOVEMBER 2005

November 5 - WSMC Board Meeting, Cle Elum

JANUARY 2006

January 7 - WSMC Conference Calls

MARCH 2006

March 4 - WSMC Board Meeting, Cle Elum

March 8 - High School Regionals

APRIL 2006

April 22 - High School State Contest, Yakima

April 26–29 - NCTM Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO

MAY 2006

May 6 - Math Olympiad

May 20 - WSMC Board Meeting, Cle Elum

