# **ComMuniCator Report**

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### ComMuniCator Panel and Meetings

- The *ComMuniCator* Panel met September 5–6 to work on the December 2014 issue and to finish work on the Special Edition. Future meetings of the Panel are scheduled for January 9–10, 2015, March 20–21, 2015, June 11–13, 2015, September 11–12, 2015, January 8–9, 2016, March 18–19, 2016, June 9–11, 2016, and September 9–10, 2016. We have moved the March 2015 and March 2016 meetings to the third weekend in March, assuming the CMC Central Conference will continue to be on the second weekend of March.
- Maureen Kevany-Jahn resigned from the Panel earlier this year and we still need the Northern Section President to appoint a replacement. The person appointed should have a strong mathematics background that includes experience teaching at the high school level.
- We had two primary people, Patricia Ehn from Kenwood Elementary in Santa Rosa and Katrina Gutierres from Nord Country School in Chico, join us for the September Panel meeting. Both are very willing to be added to our sub list and come to future Panel meetings.

#### ComMuniCator Back Issues on the CMC Website

PDFs of the March, June, and September 2014 issues, and the four issues for 2001–2013 are currently posted on the CMC website in the Members-only section. Each of them seems to be about 4 MB in size. Each issue has two kinds of hyperlinks:

- If you click on an item in the Table of Contents on page 1, the application should take you to that page.
- If you click on a URL within one of the columns, articles, or activities, the application should take you directly to that web site. One of the challenges I have had with this kind of hyperlink is to be sure the hyperlinks go to the correct website addresses, especially for the CMC addresses, since the current URLs for some of the CMC sites are not the same as they were a year ago.

I have started to work on the issues prior to 2001 but all issues prior to 2005 take a little longer to process since I sent paper copies to the printer prior to 2005 and now have to recreate and/or scan many of the graphics in order to have a quality online version.

#### Themes for Future Issues

Themes have been selected for the upcoming issues:

Special Edition 2014–15: Activities to Implement the CCSSM Across the Grades

Deadline: June 6, 2014

December 2014: Number Sense;

Implementing the New Mathematics Framework

Deadline: August 28, 2014

March 2015: Statistics and Data Analysis;

Equity in the Mathematics Classroom

Deadline: January 2, 2015

June 2015: Problem Solving;

Instructional Strategies in the Mathematics Classroom

Deadline: March 13, 2015

September 2015: Algebraic Thinking;

Using a Variety of Math Tools *Deadline: June 4, 2015* 

• Please encourage people to submit ideas and activities for the *ComMuniCator*, even if they are not related to one of the themes for that issue. We always need articles and activities, but especially at the primary level.

### ComMuniCator Panel Presence at CMC Conferences

\$1500 has been added to the *ComMuniCator* budget each year and is designated the Elisabeth Javor fund. This money allows a different Panel member (or substitute Panel member) to attend each of the three CMC conferences (\$500 per conference) and attend sessions, speak with presenters regarding articles for the *ComMuniCator*, speak with attendees about CMC activities, assist at the CMC booth, etc. In essence, each of these people would be the kind of CMC ambassador that Elisabeth Javor exemplified when she attended the conferences. Each section provides free registration for the attendee (attendee must pay CMC membership if not a life member) and the *ComMuniCator* budget pays for travel, room, and food.

Kandi Anderson will attend the CMC-South conference in October and Nita Walker will attend the CMC-North conference.

## Special Edition 2014–15: Activities to Implement the CCSSM, K-12

The 2014–15 Special Edition will focus on activities that show teachers how to implement the Common Core Mathematics Standards, grades K–12. This Special Edition will be 48 pages, will still sell for \$5, and will first be on sale at the Palm Springs conference.