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First Meeting: Tuesday, September 11, SHHS

The first meeting of the Upper East Tennessee Council of Teachers of Mathematics will take place on Tuesday, September 11, 2007, at Science Hill High School in Johnson City. We will start with refreshments and a social time at 4:00. At 4:30 we will have business meeting in which we will choose the meeting locations and dates for the rest of the year and take input for speakers. From 5:00 – 6:00 we will have a speaker. Our speaker will be Sylvia Brown of Mountain Empire Community College. She attended a workshop this summer and will tell us about the new TI-Nspire calculator which is coming out this fall. It has a view screen twice the size of the other TI Picture from www.ti-npsire.com graphing calculators with five times the resolution, but is priced



about the same as the TI-84 Plus Silver. If there is a sufficient demand for an elementary and middle school talk, Daryl Stephens will talk about mental arithmetic tricks.

The exact meeting dates for the rest of the year have not been officially set, but at the request of several members, we will return to having some meetings on Mondays and some on Tuesdays to better accommodate a wider variety of teacher schedules. We will set those meeting dates (and locations if someone volunteers their school) at the September 11 meeting. If you have some ideas for future meetings, or would like to speak yourself, please let one of the officers know, either at the September meeting or by phone or e-mail.

Please invite, cajole, wheedle, or beg a colleague to join you at the meeting. We have had rather sparse attendance in the last year, and it would be really great if we could generate more interest and attendance. We especially want to increase attendance by elementary and middle school teachers.

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Franklin Math Bowl (Middle school math contest) Saturday, November 10, ETSU **Contact Daryl Stephens** (stephen@etsu.edu) for more general information or Judy Chisholm (chisholm@etsu.edu) for registration information.

Tennessee Mathematics Teachers Association Annual Meeting September 21-22, 2007, Bearden High School, Knoxville

Since the meeting is so close to home, why not plan to attend? If you can't go both days, it would still be worthwhile for the two-hour drive to Knoxville to attend Friday or Saturday. Check the TMTA website (www.tmta.info) for details, online registration, and hotel information. If registering by September 14, one-day registration online using a credit card is \$45 and two-day is \$75. Paying by check or after September 14 is slightly higher. Lunch is included in the price each day. Registration for pre-service teachers ranges from \$25 to \$38. There are three session times on Friday morning, three Friday afternoon, and three on Saturday morning. Each time slot has sessions of interest to lower elementary, upper elementary, middle, high school, and



college teachers, as well as some general interest sessions. There should be certificates available for inservice credit. (Friday is an inservice day for Knox County teachers.)

Here is a rundown on scheduling:

Friday, Sept. 21		Saturday, Sept. 22	
8:00-5:00	Registration	8:00-Noon	Registration
9:00-11:45	Sessions and Workshops (3)	9:00-11:45	Sessions and Workshops (3)
11:45-1:00	Lunch and affiliate meetings	11:45-1:00	Award Luncheon with speaker
	(UETCTM is in Rm. 406)		Dr. Thomas Zacharia, Oak
1:00-2:00	Keynote speaker, Dr. Tim		Ridge National Laboratories
	Kanold, superintendent, Adlai	1:00-2:00	TMTA Business Meeting for all
	Stevenson High School,		members (with door prizes)
	Lincolnshire, IL		
2:15-5:00	Sessions and Workshops (3)		

SVCTM Conference in Abingdon, VA, September 15

(excerpted from an e-mail by Susan Fleming, SVCTM President-Elect)

The Southwest Virginia Council of Teachers of Mathematics will hold its annual meeting on Saturday, September 15, 2007 at the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center, located on the campus of Virginia Highlands Community College in Abingdon, Virginia. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. in the Main Lobby with the General Session following at 9:00 a.m. and the breakout sessions from 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

The presenters for this meeting will be teachers and faculty from within the schools served by SVCTM. Teachers will participate in several hands-on activities that align with NCTM Standards and the Virginia SOL's. Workshops will be offered for each grade band.

Keynote Address: Dr. Jim Rubillo, Executive Director, National Council of Teachers of Mathematics: "Don't Be So Mean! Seeing That Variation Is Natural and Normal"

Registration is \$10. Session descriptions and a registration form are available at http://www.vhcc.edu/sfleming/SVCTM/home.htm.

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Complete & return to Floyd Brown with a check for \$10 made payable to UETCTM. Completed Application and check may be mailed to Floyd Brown, Science Hill High School, Mathematics Dept., 1509 John Exum Parkway, Johnson City, TN 37604

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