

Lakeland Campus Faculty Senate Vice-President's Report

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(This report is for information purposes only. These items are not intended for Faculty Senate action.)

Aerospace Education Center – The Aerospace program is moving into the Flight Safety building at the Lakeland airport. The location will be called “Airside East.” The current Airside location will now be referred to as “Airside West.” This was approved at the September DBOT meeting.

Holiday Themed Writing Contest – Two categories: poetry and short stories. Entry deadline is 10/31.

Ask a Librarian – This is a new widget that can be added to any PAL course. When the Polk State College library is open, our librarians will respond to the student’s questions. After hours, the widget will route the student to another academic librarian in Florida. At night or other times when no libraries are open, the student will be given an option to email a Polk State librarian.

Soccer Match – Faculty/Staff vs. Polk State Soccer Team – 10/19/15, 12:00 -1:15 p.m.

FallFest – Saturday, October 17 on the Winter Haven campus.

Joggin’ for the Noggin! – This is a 5K run to benefit the Foundation. October 23, 6:30 p.m., Lakeland campus.

Guns on campus bill – Contact your legislator to voice your opinion.

Lakeland Professional Development Series -

- **Engaging in Advanced Scholarship: Polk State’s Honors Program – Sally Fitzgerald, Lisa Rosa**
What are the challenges and opportunities related to engaging with students in Honors courses? Attend this informative session for a discussion on the philosophy and goals of the Lakeland Honors Program. Wednesday, October 14, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m., LTB 1121
- **Using Critical Thinking Methods to Increase Student Success – Herbert Nold**
Action equals results! Attend this educational session to learn the outcome of an action research project conducted as part of Polk State’s Innov8 Academy. Wednesday, October 21, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., LTB 1121
- **Legal Issues for Faculty: Academic Freedom and the Syllabus – Drew Crawford, Boswell and Dunlap LLP**
As a faculty member, what resources and information pertaining to legal and ethical issues in the classroom should you know? Attend this helpful session to find out. Faculty Workshop: Thursday, October 29, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Winter Haven, WLR 108
- **What’s on the Menu? - Kari Sabin**
Want to create a navigation bar that is less confusing and more appealing for your students? Then join this interactive session on creating a navigation bar for your courses in PAL that is both visually appealing and user-friendly. During this session each participant will have the opportunity to learn about best practices concerning menu item creation and navigation bar design, and create his or her own custom navigation bar. Thursday, November 5, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., Library Computer Lab

Respectfully submitted,
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