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Conference Information

2008 Conference Updates on Educator Services Website

We have made a bunch of updates to our site regarding the 2008 and 2009 National Conferences. You can find it all in this section: http://www.jostens.com/edserv/renaissance/ren_300.asp.

- Watch the 2008 Conference Video
- View all the 2008 Conference Pictures (General, Harry Potter Skit, Olympics)
- Get 2008 Breakout Sessions - Download individual PDF's or PowerPoints of Presenters various sessions. (You must be logged in to view this page. See link on left navigation)

- 2009 Hotel Information

We've also updated the Educator Services registration information. We use the discussion board as our means to register you to view premium content. On the Educator Services homepage, click on "Register Here" or the "see FAQ's" links at the upper right of the page. <http://www.jostens.com/edserv/>

Plan for the 2009 Conference - Room Rates Announced

It's never too early to begin thinking about the 2009 Jostens Renaissance National Conference! We hope that you'll consider joining us in beautiful Orlando, Florida, July 17 -19, 2009. Save the date and mark your calendar!

The accommodations for the 2009 Jostens Renaissance National Conference will be spectacular as the Caribe Royale serves as the host hotel as well as the site for the conference. The Caribe Royale is an all suites hotel and will provide the luxurious accommodations that the Jostens Renaissance National Conference is famous for. Rooms at the Caribe Royale are \$149 per night plus tax.

Located on over 45 acres the Caribe Royale is a blend of lush landscaping, waterfalls and superior hospitality. To view the hotel and convention center, visit the following link: <http://www.cariberoyale.com/>

Your Ideas

This Issues Winning JRR Idea - Ladies Tea

*Ms. Charlotte Lacey
William Davies Middle School
Mays Landing, NJ*

In recognition of Women's History Month (March), the LADIES TEA aims to provide an opportunity to approximately 50 selected female students to learn from women who have excelled in their profession. The goal is to inspire our young ladies to achieve their dreams as they continue their education.



The Annual Ladies Tea takes place in the Instructional Media Center at the William Davies Middle School. The event goes from approximately 9:00 AM until noon. Over twenty accomplished ladies from our area attend the event as guest speakers. The morning will consist of a brunch, a table etiquette lesson, and an opportunity for the ladies to meet with each of the invited women. All ladies come

dressed in their Sunday best!

A local restaurant donates all of the silverware and table linens and instantly the Davies library is transformed into an elegant setting. The ladies also are pampered with delicious finger sandwiches and other High Noon Tea musts. Each table is set with its own beautiful tea pot, and of course fine tea. Each of the ladies attending the tea receives a corsage, a bookmark and a CD of inspirational songs as a memento of this special occasion.

Past themes of the Ladies Tea have included "Life is an Adventure, Learn How to Live It" and "Those who wish to sing, always find a song."

For more information about hosting a LADIES TEA, please contact Charlotte Lacey at [laceyc@hamiltonschool.org](mailto:lacey@hamiltonschool.org)

For submitting this idea, Charlotte will receive a Jostens Renaissance hoodie and is now eligible to receive an all expense paid trip for two to the 2009 Jostens Renaissance National Conference.



Submit Your Idea to the Jostens Renaissance Review
and you could receive an all-expense paid trip to the
2009 Jostens Renaissance National Conference in Orlando!

How to submit your idea

Do you have an idea from your Jostens Renaissance program that has improved your school's environment and provided recognition for a deserving group of students or staff? Submit your ideas to charley.nelson@jostens.com. We'll select a "winning idea" for each issue and the individual submitting the published idea will receive a Jostens Renaissance sweatshirt and become for the 2009 Idea of the Year Contest. And remember, **the idea picked as the best submission for this school year will receive an all-expense paid trip for two to the 2009 Jostens Renaissance National Conference in Orlando.** Submit your ideas early - and often! Submit as many as you'd like. We look forward to receiving them.

Hot Stories

Now Available: "*We Believe in You*" DVD



We Believe In You is now available. This 5 minute, twenty second film was used at the opening of the 2008 Jostens Renaissance National Conference. With Kenny Loggins' *If You Believe* providing the musical and lyrical background, this short film is inspirational, motivational, topical and powerful! This short film is perfect for a faculty meeting, a committee meeting or being shown to the entire student body. It will entertain and inspire! Due to licensing agreements with Kenny Loggins, **only a limited number of the DVDs could be produced.** Order yours today before the supply is gone. Cost is \$15 including shipping and handling. Email Norma at norma.christenson@jostens.com to secure your copy now. An invoice will be mailed with your copy of *We Believe In You*.

This issue's iPod drawing winner

Congratulations to **Ron Ward**, our third iPod drawing winner for this school year. You could be our next winner! All that you need to do is to make a contribution to the Jostens Educator Services Discussion Board between **today and October 29th** and you're eligible. One name will be randomly drawn from those who have contributed to the Discussion Board during the previous two week period and that lucky individual will win an iPod Shuffle. Go to the Jostens Educator Services Website and contribute to the Discussion Board and you may be our next winner! <http://www.jostens.com/edserv/default.asp>

Program Enrichment

Following Freshman Blog: Read about Scotty and DJ

Follow the trials and tribulations of Scotty and DJ as they make their transition from high school to college. Each blog brings a unique perspective to the freshman college experience. Each student has his/her own challenges in making the adjustment to being in college and all of the demands that the college experience brings. Discover what the college experience is really like through the eyes of a real college freshman!

Take a look at a recent posting to get an idea of the honest and invaluable information that is at your fingertips on the Following Freshmen Blog:

Breakin'

The past few days have felt like a scene out of a vampire movie. Campus is more or less dead, with the withering leaves of the trees falling to the ground and bicycles laying abandoned against trees like an episode of the Twilight Zone. Nearly everyone has gone home for Fall Break, since the majority of people live on the east coast that go here, including most of the people I've made friends with. It's been okay though, I've gotten a chance to explore the area and get a lot of work done, but seeing campus like this is just a reminder of how far away from home I am. Over the weekend I went to two movies, which were both good but not great, and the travel experience on the bus system, which I believe I've already gone into, is never too great. Friday and Saturday nights, the bus between the mall and the University campus is packed, probably beyond maximum capacity, with plenty of people who you don't want to be on a crowded bus with. I wasn't given a ton of homework to do over break, and that hasn't been hard to get done, so I've found myself at times trying to find something to do, but there's no one here. But I really shouldn't be complaining - I'm on break, which means I don't have class and more homework. It would be nice to have some friends around though. I suppose I could go do my laundry...

Postings are scheduled to be made twice weekly. To follow the freshmen journey of Scotty and DJ, just go to the Jostens Educator Services home page and click on the Following Freshmen link. www.jostens.com/edserv



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Events & Reminders

Events

Upcoming Jostens Renaissance Events

October 21, 2008 - Smokey Mountain Jostens Renaissance Coalition Conference - Conference will be held at Fairfield Glad in Fairfield Glade, TN. The conference runs from 8:30 - 2:30. Cost is \$50 per attendee. For more information contact Beth Mahaffey at beth.mahaffey@jostens.com

October, 24, 2008 - Heartland Renaissance Conference - Conference will be held at Rockwood Summit High School in Fenton, MO. The conference runs from 9:30 - 2:30. Cost is \$12 per attendee. For more information contact Mitch Lefkowitz at lefkowitzmitch@rockwood.k12.mo.us or Terrie Brueckmann at brueckmannterrie@rockwood.k12.mo.us

November 17, 2008 - Northwest Jostens Renaissance Coalition Conference - Conference will be held at Tumwater High School, Tumwater, WA. For more information contact Rick Morton at rick.morton@jostens.com

November 21, 2008 - Southeast Renaissance Coalition Conference - Conference will be held at The Academy for the Arts, Myrtle Beach, SC. For more information contact Gene Holdway at gene.holdway@jostens.com or Larry Biddle at lbiddle@aol.com

December 5, 2008 - Jostens Renaissance Training Workshop - Training workshop will be held at Highland Regional High School, Blackwood, NJ. For more information contact Pete Sabatino at peter.sabatino@jostens.com or Frank Palatucci at fpalatucci@bhprsd.org

Reminders

Educator Services Website

Provides information about Jostens Renaissance. Register and get full access to all the program information. www.jostens.com/edserv

Renaissance Review Archive

Provided to you on our new website: http://www.jostens.com/edserv/renaissance/ren_400_20.asp

Post Cards - Personalize Recognition for Students

We've made post cards out of the three student related motivational posters. The cards are 5" x 7" and are packed individually. Cost is \$.10 per card. To order, email norma.christenson@jostens.com and list the number of cards you'd like and the address to ship them to. We'll put an invoice with the shipment.



Black History Commemorative Poster

To order, please e-mail norma.christenson@jostens.com. Include # of posters, your name, school name, address. \$1.00 per poster plus postage. An invoice will be included with your order.

Starfish Story Link

Send a powerful message to the faculty and staff of the important role they play each day. Every member of the faculty and staff can make a difference in every life that they touch. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1wuSaNCIde4> If you'd like to purchase a copy of the Star Fish DVD, email Norma Christenson at norma.christenson@jostens.com. Cost is \$12.

Platinum Program Coupon Books

The 2008 - 09 version of the Jostens Renaissance Platinum Program Coupon booklet looks to be bigger and better than ever! You can order yours now by clicking on this link - http://www.jostens.com/edserv/renaissance/ren_500.asp



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