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Our Hearts Are with Puerto Rico



"Day 8- Today was even harder than yesterday. We are at the mercy of gas and diesel availability. It is like Mad Max, except that it is painfully real. Yesterday we returned to the office, ready to work.

Today, the building ran out of diesel and that went out the window. The lines at the gas station remain equally long--4, 6, 8 hrs under the scorching heat. People at the pharmacy were begging for the dispatch of critical prescription medication. Systems were down and the pharmacist tried to explain why she could not verify the prescription or complete the dispatch.

I went to the market and had to stand in line for 45 minutes to get in. Many of the shelves were empty. I had to think about every purchase, pacing our cash and the risk of losing generator power and the ability to keep things cold. At least half of the coolers were not working. Food spoiling because there is not enough fuel to keep it cold. There is no bottled water to be found for purchase anywhere. This situation simply cannot continue.

Here on the ground the main problem is one of fuel distribution. Without gasoline to allow people and merchandise to move around and without diesel to power generators for basic services we are not going to be

able to move forward. There are aid supplies sitting in ports waiting to be distributed, planes with medication waiting to get here... Sadly, I must report I have not seen any kind of improvement on this essential logistics item. And every time Trump opens his mouth I am disgusted.... The snail pace of federal aid is an utter disgrace. The fact that there is an ocean between PR and the mainland is not an excuse but a reason for more urgency.

I am lucky. I have a generator at home. Which we turn on for a limited number of hours at night. I should not complain considering the situation of most fellow Puerto Ricans. I am extremely uncomfortable. The heat is incessant during the day. Most are worse off. The lady at the pharmacy today almost brought me to tears. From what I heard (HIPAA distance away) it seemed to me she needed a chemo dosage. Precisely because of this, and because I have access to friends stateside who have much more power to influence Congress, I feel obligated to share this information. Until the fuel distribution problem is solved, we are a very real and very scary version of Mad Max.

My positive today: notwithstanding that pharmacy's systems were down, the pharmacist took the patient's empty prescription bottle and left for a bit. She returned with it and handed it to the patient telling her her dosage has been filled. I heard the rattling of pills inside the bottle as she handed it over. No further questions, no charge, no insurance paperwok... And I breathed a sigh of relief."

A list of organizations providing aid: http://www.losambulantes.com/help-puerto-rico/

2018 NADE Conference Registration NOW OPEN!



February 21-24, 2018
Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center
National Harbor, Maryland

You don't want to miss NADE 2018!

The keynote speakers promise to be inspiring, and the concurrent sessions will be full of useful information that you can take back to use in your institutions. Registration includes an opening reception Wednesday evening, a continental breakfast on Thursday and Friday, lunch on Thursday, and high tea on Friday afternoon.

See the **Call to Conference** below. Be sure to review the Registration Guidelines before attempting to register for the conference.

Interested in volunteering? Click below to sign up and choose the area in which you'd like to help.

Call to Conference

Registration Guidelines

Registration Form

Volunteer Form

For more information about the conference, please contact the 2018 NADE Conference Co-Chairs Johari Barnes or Karen Tompson-Wolfe at infonade2018@gmail.com.

Your NADE Online Account

NADE has a new member management system via our website using Wild Apricot. If you have not logged into your account, it is important for you to do so. Upcoming events, such as elections and webinars, will only be accessible by members through their online account. Make sure you can access your account now.

Steps you need to take to access your online NADE account:



- Go to thenade.org.
- In the upper right, enter your email address and password. If you do not know your password, click "Forgot Password" to reset.
- Once logged in, click "Edit Profile" and verify that your information is correct.
- Be sure at least one SPIN (Special Professional Interest Network) is selected. One SPIN is included with membership.
- Save edits.

Other things you should know about your account:

- Automatic renewal notices will come 14 days before due, 7 days before due, and on the due date, if not paid.
- If you are part of an institutional membership, the administrator of your group will receive renewal notices.
- Accounts may be paid online. If mailing a check, mail to

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Visit the NADE website

The NADE 2018 "Believe" Conference is going GREEN!



We believe in students, and we believe in going green! Therefore, the annual NADE conference will be a green conference this year.

There will be no printed program, and no bags will be included with registration. We encourage members to download and use Guidebook, the conference app. The conference program will be available in PDF format if you'd like to print before you come.

BYOB: Bring your own bag to use, if desired.

Thanks for helping us make our conference goal of "going green" a reality!



We want to hear from you! Please take our NADE SPIN survey

NADE is working hard to make all aspects of our organization relevant and purposeful for our members. We would like to ask you to participate in our survey about the NADE SPINs (Special Professional Interest Networks).

We value your feedback!

Please complete the survey by Friday, October 27.

Take the SPIN Survey

NADE Office Update

Beginning August 1, the NADE Office changed to a new location and is now under new management with our new NADE Executive Assistant, Annette Cook.

NEW NADE Office Contact Information:

Email: office@thenade.org

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Fax: <u>(866)</u> 519-1331

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Register now for a NADE Accreditation Institute at MDEC!

NADE's Accreditation Commission will offer an accreditation institute at the MDEC conference this year, and you are invited to attend!

MDEC (Michigan Developmental Education Consortium) supports NADE Accreditation and has tentatively scheduled an accreditation institute at the October 2017 MDEC Conference.

Where: Delta College in Bay City, Michigan

When: Thursday, October 12, from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Cost: Approximately \$250 per participant

For additional information and to register, contact MDEC President Alex Goudas at <u>alexgoudas@delta.edu</u>.

For accreditation information, visit the NADE Accreditation Commission web page.

Accreditation Webpage

Treasurer's Report

—D. Patrick Saxon

As of September 2017, the NADE finances are as follows. An expanded version of the treasurer's report will be presented at the NADE business meeting during the national conference in February 2018.

Finances

NADE Operating Acct \$6180.32



2017 Conference Checking

2018 Conference Checking \$2,734.67

2019 Conference Checking \$338.29

Commonwealth Reserves \$101,825.07

NADE Interest Bearing Svgs (.15%) \$339,320.30

Operating Assets \$ 451,342.95

Mathematics SPIN Report

—MA Higgs & Christina Cobb

Greetings NADE members!

As the MATHEMATICS SPIN, our goal is to have a strong network of professionals that are willing to share great ideas and strategies for use in mathematics courses. Truly, the MATHEMATICS SPIN has a long, active history within NADE.

This year is no different. Currently, we are working on a monograph that considers

"Best Practices." In addition, we will have a MATH SPIN-sponsored session at the NADE 2018 conference also covering "Best Practices." We publish an on-line newsletter and maintain a website. We highly recommend that NADE members across all disciplines join the MATH SPIN to explore new and innovative ways to incorporate mathematics into your courses.

The Math SPIN is one of the largest NADE groups, and we would love for you to join us at the NADE 2018 conference. Drop by to meet the Math SPIN Co-Chairs MA Higgs and Christina Cobb, along with the secretary Daryl Stephens.

Further, if you are a MATH SPIN member and would like to present with us at NADE 2018, please contact MA Higgs (MA.Higgs@mtsu.edu) or Christina Cobb (Christina.Cobb@mtsu.edu). Remember your first SPIN membership is free. Please join the MATH SPIN today!

We hope to see you in 2018.

Professional Development Committee Report

—Tammy Donaldson

The Professional Development Committee coordinates a professional development website and links to the NADE website, maintains a membership of 5+ members, identifies lead professors in graduate programs in the field, and receives approved annotated bibliographies from same, and facilitates posting. The Professional Development Committee also investigates and invites experts from various areas to participate in website postings and updates, assigns topics and areas to committee members and facilitates postings, and coordinates annual awards to support continuing education by individual NADE Members. The Professional Development Committee recommends activities to support the professional

development of members, and coordinates professional development workshops for the members. (www.thenade.org).

Much of what we do is leading up to the conference; so at the conference we meet to brainstorm as what would like to accomplish the coming year.

As a support to the continuing education by individual NADE members, we encourage you to nominate someone or yourself for an award. Visit the website for a complete listing of the awards and their selection criteria. NADE celebrates excellence by offering 19 awards, grants, and scholarships. All have a nomination submission deadline of November 1.

Connecting with our Committee

We encourage NADE members who are interested in joining the committee to contact the Chair, Dr. Tammy Donaldson at tdonaldson@delmar.edu with the subject heading: NADE PD Committee. We are always seeking NADE members with new and innovative ideas.

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Once a year, the Professional Development Committee meets face to face at the NADE Annual Conference. Please check the program for the date, time, and location.

Bring a FRIEND! Share this information and invite someone to join us. We look forward to seeing all of you (plus a few friends) in National Harbor, MD!

NADE Co-Publication of Fostering Habits of Mind in Today's Students

NADE is pleased to announce its co-publication in association with Stylus Publishing *Fostering Habits of Mind in Today's Students*, edited by Jennifer Fletcher, Adela Najarro, and Hetty Yelland.

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NADE members receive a 20% discount by using the code: NADE20.

To buy the book and get your 20% discount (no expiration date!), click here:

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Connect with NADE social media!

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