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Seven more adult educators prove performance

During the last few months several instructors and tutors from throughout Nevada submitted evidence of student outcomes and were awarded their ABE Certificates of Performance. These seven educators, along with nearly 50 others, have received Certificates showing that they have met the student retention and performance criteria outlined in Nevada's unique outcome-based recognition program:

- Amy Kauffman (Great Basin College)
- Val Lyons-Brady (Truckee Meadows Community College)
- Sanford L. Marks (Community College of Southern Nevada)
- Lahontan Valley Literacy Volunteers: Teresa L. Adams, William C. Davis, Diane E. Gauthier-Novak, and Suzanne Graves

For more information on the Certificate of Performance program, contact Sharyn Yanoshak, 702.253.6280, saylv@lvcn.com or visit www.literacynet.org/nvadulted.

TMCC unveils unique ESL curriculum

Nevada's Adult Basic Education leadership team at Truckee Meadows Community College (TMCC) in Reno has developed a cutting-edge, competency-based English as a Second Language curriculum, specifically designed to address every CASAS adult competency for ESL learners.

"The curriculum is unique because it includes not only textbook sources but also real-life, interactive activities and material references," said Curriculum Coordinator Claudia Bianca-DeBay. "Clear guidelines and assessment tools are provided, along with student evaluations of each lesson."

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Cowboy up, Nevadans!

It's but once every eight years that Nevada hosts the annual Mountain Plains Adult Association gathering. Don't miss out on this opportunity to conference with adult educators from Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming — for under \$200 if you register by March 21.

The event will be held at Boomtown, in Verdi, Nevada, April 23-26. Visit www.mpaea.org for registration and conference information, or contact Board Member Julee Henson: 702/799-8655, ext. 342, jahenson@interact.ccsd.net.

