

Houston Area Teachers of Foreign Languages HATFL 2009-2010 NEWSLETTER

Join us for our Annual Meeting on February 20th!

HATFL (Houston Area Teachers of Foreign Languages) is the only local professional organization for Houston area foreign language teachers. It is a professional organization that promotes the interests of foreign language teachers in both public and private elementary schools, secondary schools, colleges and universities. Its structure includes special language sections for teachers of ESL (English as a Second Language), French, German, Latin, Spanish, and less-commonly taught languages such as American Sign Language, Chinese, and Japanese.

HATFL recognizes outstanding high school students with the **Farrington Awards**, grants honorary membership to deserving teachers, and serves as a voice for foreign language educators in the Houston area.

The primary function of **HATFL** is to host the **annual meeting** that focuses on topics that are current and relevant in language instruction. This annual meeting is usually held on the last Saturday in January. This year, our meeting will take place later due to several district calendar issues. **HATFL** also provides its members with support through its extensive networking system.

Foreign language teachers in the greater Houston area are invited to join **HATFL** for 2010. Everyone who registers to attend February 20, 2010, will automatically be a member of HATFL for the remainder of the year. If you would like to join HATFL but won't be able to attend our Annual Meeting, complete the attached form. Turn in the completed form with \$10.00.

Mark your calendar for these important 2010 HATFL dates and locations:

FARRINGTON COMPETITION:

January 20, 2010 Postmark deadline for registering students (\$10.00 each-\$15.00 each if postmarked after January 16)

January 30, 2010 **Farrington Contest and Awards Reception** 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Spring Branch Middle School, 1000 Piney Point Houston, TX 77024

ANNUAL HATFL MEETING:

February 15, 2010 Postmark Deadline HATFL Annual Meeting reservations (registration attached)

February 20, 2010 **Annual HATFL Meeting**
 The University of St. Thomas
 Jerabeck Center (Scanlan Rm)
 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

HATFL 2009-10 Officers & Board Members

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HATFL ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE

University of St. Thomas, Jerabeck Center, Scanlan Room (2nd Floor)

Discovering the Art of Teaching Languages

Saturday, February 20, 2010

MORNING SESSIONS:

- 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **Registration in Cafeteria (See directions provided)**
Visit Exhibits
- 8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. **Delicious breakfast and Annual Business Meeting**
Slate of Officers
Farrington Acknowledgments and Photo Display of Winners
HATFL Honorary Awards
Door prizes!
- 9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. **"Isms, an Overview: Neoclassicism, Romanticism, Realism, and Impressionism"** presented by: Kathryn Klauber
Ms Klauber, an independent instructor for Rice University's Susanne M. Glasscock School of Continuing Studies, teaches art history, historic portraiture, and Prismacolor technique. Ms. Klauber will provide teachers with ideas on how to use art as a medium to create cross cultural interactive lessons while integrating each of the 5 Cs into instruction.
- 10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Break to visit exhibits
- 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Morning Sessions
- 12:00 p.m. – 12:45 p.m. **Lunch in the Scanlan Room**

AFTERNOON SESSIONS:

- 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Proposals are currently being accepted and this newsletter will be updated as the schedule is developed.
- If you wish to present a session, please submit a proposal (see link on website at www.hatfl.org)

**Send this HATFL NEWSLETTER to your colleagues and friends.
Make sure that all foreign language teachers in your school know about HATFL.**

**Why not give the gift of HATFL membership to a colleague?
HATFL membership dues are \$10 for the entire calendar year.**

What are the benefits of HATFL membership to you?

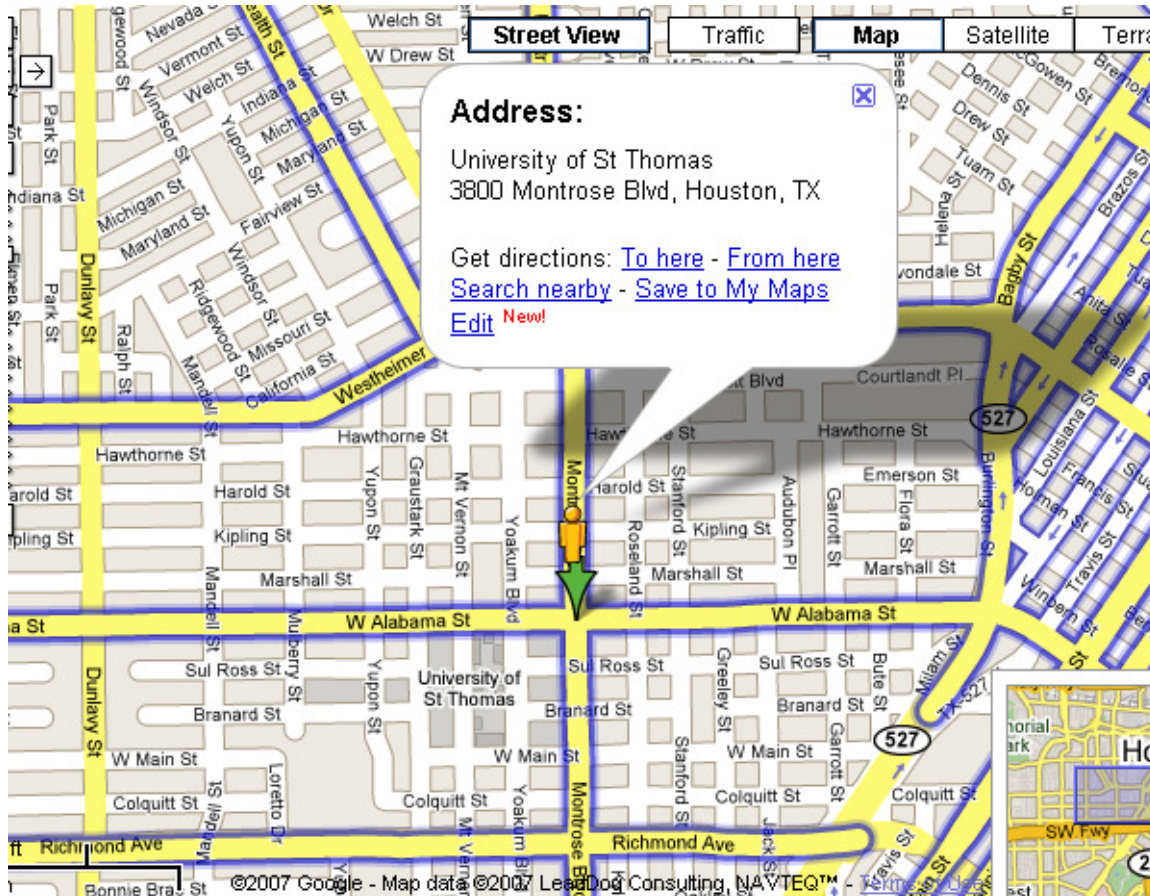
- ✚ **tremendous networking opportunities** with your colleagues, peers, and counterparts from all 60 school districts in the greater Houston area
- ✚ **only local** professional organization for foreign language teachers
- ✚ **one annual meeting** (usually the last Saturday in January) with PDAS professional development certificates for attendees
- ✚ **minimum contribution of teacher time and money** to be an active member
- ✚ **vital link and best source of current information** on foreign language issues, trends, best practices, upcoming legislation, etc.
- ✚ **scholarship opportunities for students** of all members--underwritten by our exhibitors for this year's Farrington contest winners

To volunteer for the Farrington Contest or for test information call:

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Directions to St. Thomas University
Follow this link to find driving directions from any part of town:

http://www.stthom.edu/Visitors_Community/Maps/Directions.aqf



2010 HATFL REGISTRATION FORM

Houston Area Teachers of Foreign Languages

February 20, 2010 Meeting

Complete the information below and mail with postmark by February 15, 2010. Please print legibly.
Registration is not available online.

LAST NAME _____ FIRST NAME _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION:

NAME OF SCHOOL _____ SCHOOL DISTRICT _____

SCHOOL PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

LANGUAGE INFORMATION:

Language(s) you teach: (circle all that apply)

ASL CHINESE ESL FRENCH GERMAN JAPANESE LATIN SPANISH Other _____

PERSONAL:

HOME ADDRESS _____

City, State & Zip Code

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

2009 HATFL REGISTRATION FEES FOR February 20, 2010, MEETING

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| 1. ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION (by February 15, 2010)
(Breakfast and lunch are included) | \$40.00 | \$ _____ |
| 2. ON-SITE OR LATE REGISTRATION – if applicable | \$50.00 | \$ _____ |
| 3. I WOULD LIKE TO BE A MEMBER BUT CANNOT ATTEND | \$10.00 | \$ _____ |

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED WITH REGISTRATION FORM \$ _____

Your registration includes breakfast and lunch.

Please indicate whether you plan to stay for the afternoon sessions:

Yes, I will stay for sessions

No, I cannot stay for sessions

(Please make checks payable to HATFL. Regrettably, we are unable to accept credit card payments)

Send to: *Mary Moreno*, HATFL Treasurer
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