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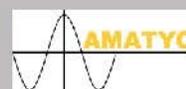
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**Notes from the President**

**Bruce Wahl**

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I hope this newsletter finds all VMATYC members well and happily engaged in our new classes. At NVCC, we are in our first semester of complete adoption of the courses we designed. As part of my teaching load, I have two sections of the new MTH 154 class. I am really enjoying it! The work is a bit overwhelming at times, but the material is fun, useful, and keeps me on my toes.

Our four VMATYC Regional Conferences will be held in the spring this year. See below in the newsletter for each of the initial plans for the regions. The reason for this is...

We are excited to be part of the VCCS STEM Peer Group Conference in Glen Allen, VA from October 26-27. We have all been sent an invitation to register for both the conference and the hotel. At the conclusion of that meeting, we will have our annual VMATYC General Business Meeting with a lunch provided by VMATYC. See details below.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you in about a month. Until then, I hope your classes are going well and all your students are getting A's!

Bruce Wahl

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**Treasurer's Report**

**Sherry Vaughan**

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As of September 15, 2018, VMATYC has total assets of \$42,321.78

\$19,558.03 in checking

\$ 9,388.00 in savings

\$ 13,375.75 in the Scholarship Fund.

**Membership Report**

**Mariko Shimizu**

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VMATYC has 118 current members as of 9/3/2018:

Central: 7 members

Eastern: 50 members

Northern: 44 members

Western: 13 members

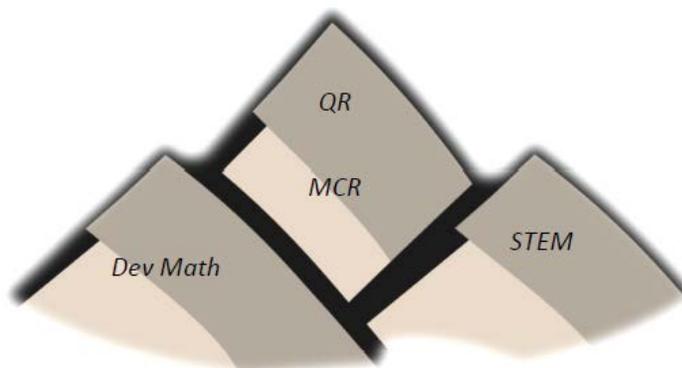
Other: 4 member

VMATYC membership dues are \$25 per year. Membership is on an annual, calendar basis from Jan 1 – Dec 31. The 2018 Membership Application can be found on the website under the VMATYC information tab. Your membership fee may be paid online through PayPal or by check, payable to VMATYC (Federal ID 54-1394373).

## 2018 VMATYC Conference Report

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### *A Journey Through Mathematics in the Mountains*

On March 23-24, 2018, around 100 people from all over our state (and Tennessee!) made “A Journey Through Mathematics in the Mountains” at Virginia Highlands Community College in Abingdon for our 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual VMATYC Conference.

We started on Friday with a Pre-Conference Workshop on improving math success from Paul Nolting. Dr. Nolting is a nationally recognized expert on assessing math learning problems and math study skills. That workshop was followed by three sets of concurrent sessions. We saw talks from some of our generous vendors along with faculty from all over the state. We concluded Friday with a meal together at the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center where Dr. Nolting spoke again, this time on “Developing Co-Requisite Math Course Designs and Current Status of Anxiety.”



On Saturday morning, we had two more sets of concurrent sessions. In total, we had 25 different talks from vendors and faculty. We did shorten the morning session a little. We were notified that it was starting to snow in the mountains! So, we finished a little early, and had an early lunch and business meeting. At the business meeting, we bid farewell to Harriette Roadman, a long-time VMATYC member, our former AMATYC Affiliate Delegate, and our Newsletter Editor. We wish Harriette great travel and fun in her retirement! As our meeting ended at VHCC, it was snowing hard—and it was so beautiful! We were treated to the best of west and we thank Wes Crumpler (VMATYC President-Elect) and Will Galliher (VHCC) for planning and hosting the meeting. Our thanks go out to all the folks at VHCC who helped make this conference a success!

## 2018 VCCS STEM Peer Group Conference Information

Wes Crumpler, President-Elect

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The VCCS is hosting the first STEM Peer Group Conference at the Virginia Crossings Hotel and Conference Center in Glen Allen, VA on **Friday, October 26 and Saturday, October 27, 2018**. The conference serves faculty who teach Science, Technology, Engineering & Applied Technologies, and Math. There will be 78 presentations covering each discipline and the VCCS has included sessions on Pathways, Navigate, Canvas, and more. The conference will begin at 12:30 PM on Friday with a keynote session on “The New VCCS General Education Outcomes: Meeting Our Objectives” followed by concurrent sessions from 1:30 – 5:20 PM. Sessions will continue Saturday from 8:10 – 12:00 PM concluding with the annual VMATYC general business meeting where lunch will be provided.

The conference registration is free and hotel accommodations are covered for those traveling 50 or more miles from their main campus. If you’re traveling 200 or more miles, then a second night’s lodging is also available. Hotel reservations must be made by **October 3** to get the free rate while the deadline for conference registration is **October 12**. Registration and hotel reservations can be made at <http://vmatyc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/STEM-2018-registration.pdf> or go to the VMATYC website, [www.vmatyc.org](http://www.vmatyc.org). Please join us to engage and collaborate with colleagues across the state and from multiple disciplines.



For more information regarding the conference, please contact

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## Fall 2019 VMATYC Conference Information

Wes Crumpler, President-Elect

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Our Fall 2019 VMATYC Conference will be held on the Midlothian campus of John Tyler Community College in Midlothian, VA on **Friday, November 1 and Saturday, November 2, 2019**. Please consider presenting, conducting a workshop, or hosting a roundtable. Look for additional information in the spring including presentation proposals, registration, and hotel information.

## 2018 AMATYC Conference Information

Libby Watts

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AMATYC will be in Orlando, FL this year from November 15-18th. The theme this year is *The Main Attraction*. It will be at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort. [Registration](#) is open. Here is a [link](#) to the mini program. Billy Hix Motlow from State CC will give the keynote Math Really Rocks! Mark Shafer is a featured speaker from Disney Decision Science & Integration and is doing a talk called *Facilitating an Analytics Transformation: The Disney Story*. Another featured speaker is Jeffery Allbritten from Florida Southwestern State College. His talk is called *Mathematics Literacy in Higher Education: A Four Decade Review*. Folks can also come a couple of days early and attend the Third National Mathematics Summit: For Math in the First Two Years of College November 13-14, 2018. More information on both can be found at <https://www.amaytc.org>.



## **Glenn Fox VMATYC Mathematics and Computer Science Scholarship Report**

**Susan Evans**

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As a result of not getting any completed applications for the fall 2018 semester, the VMATYC Glenn Fox memorial Mathematics and Computer Science Scholarship Committee is seeking qualified applicants for the spring 2019 semester. The scholarship award is for \$500 for the spring 2019 semester.

In order to be eligible for the scholarship, applicants must:

- 1) Intend to major in mathematics, computer science, or mathematics education and demonstrate potential for success in any of these areas.
- 2) Demonstrate ability, determination, and motivation necessary for successful academic performance.
- 3) Have completed at least 12 semester hours of college-level courses, including 3 hours of transfer mathematics at a Virginia community college, by the end of the spring semester with a GPA of 3.2 or higher.
- 4) Intend to continue for the spring 2019 semester at a Virginia community college and enroll in at least 6 semester hours of college-level courses, including a transfer-level mathematics course, for each semester the scholarship is received. Preference is given to those candidates who intend to teach mathematics or computer science.

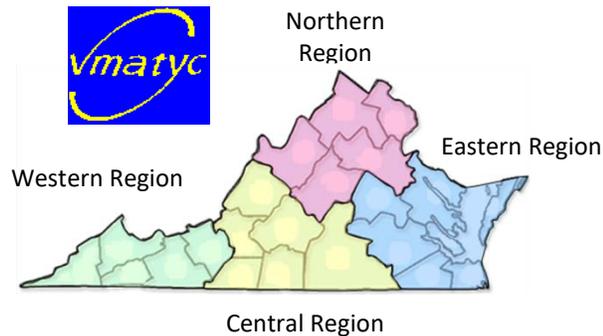
Specific details concerning the application requirements and process, to include the application form, can be found on the VMATYC website at [www.vmatyc.org](http://www.vmatyc.org). Applicants must complete the application, provide transcripts of college work, and submit two letters of reference. ALL Information is to be submitted electronically. **COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKETS are due no later than November 30, 2018.**

**An applicant will be selected and announced by December 15, 2018.**

If you have questions, please contact Susan Evans at [sevans@wcc.vccs.edu](mailto:sevans@wcc.vccs.edu).

## **Spring Regional Meetings**

- There is no cost to attend a regional meeting; lunch is provided at each meeting.
- VMATYC membership is not required to attend.
- Registration for each meeting is available at the website <http://vmatyc.org>
- Please contact your regional Vice President if you have any questions or need further information.



### **Central Region Fall Meeting -- March 22, 2019**

Vice President Christy Lowery-Carter  
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The central region meeting will be Friday, March 22 from 9-12 at the Keysville Campus (Southside CC) in room 55. A registration link will be posted online at [www.vmatyc.org](http://www.vmatyc.org) under the VMATYC Regions tab in January.

### **Western Region Fall Meeting -- March 22, 2019**

Vice President Jason Lachniet  
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Save the date! The Spring Western Regional Meeting will be held at New River Community College in Dublin on Friday, March 22, 2019. Registration will open at 11:30 and the meeting and program will begin at 12:00. The meeting typically runs until about 3:00. Lunch will be provided and there is no cost to attend!

Further details and registration information will be provided prior to the meeting, including an online registration form at [vmatyc.org](http://vmatyc.org) under the VMATYC Regions tab. If you are interested in giving a presentation or leading a discussion, or have any questions about the meeting, please contact Jason Lachniet at [jlachniet@wcc.vccs.edu](mailto:jlachniet@wcc.vccs.edu).

### **Eastern Region Fall Meeting -- TBA**

Vice President Brian Burns  
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Information about the Eastern Regional Conference will be announced later.

### **Northern Region Fall Meeting -- TBA**

Vice President Victoria Vetrano  
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## **Northern Region Update**

Bruce Wahl

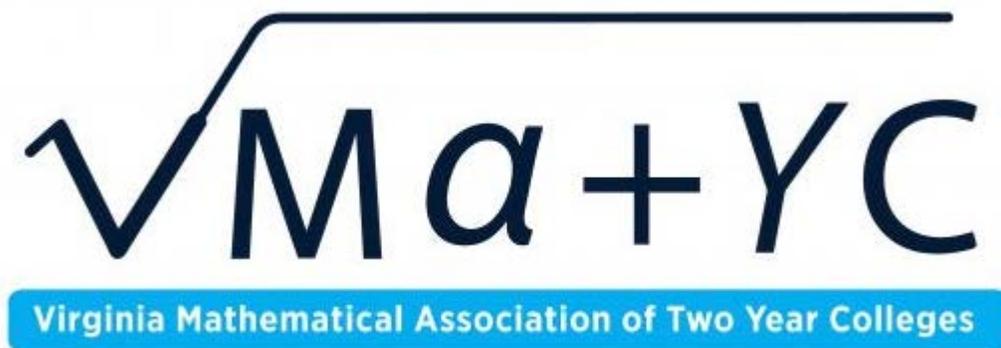
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Joe Agnich has retired from teaching at NOVA-Loudoun. Congratulations to Joe! We all remember the great conference he hosted a couple of years ago. We wish him well in his new ventures. We are sad to say that he has also resigned his position as Northern Region VMATYC VP. This position will be filled for a two-year term when we have elections in Spring 2019, but until then, the VMATYC Executive Board must appoint someone to fill the role, as stated in our constitution. We are happy to announce that Victoria Vetrano, our previous Northern Region VP from NVCC has agreed to act as VP until elections. Thank you, Victoria! We do not yet have a date or place secured for our spring Northern Regional conference, but Victoria will start working on that soon. Stay tuned.

## **VMATYC Website**

Libby Watts works diligently to maintain and enhance our website at <http://vmatyc.org/>

The winning logo from the student contest (see below) has been officially added to our website. Check out the website for upcoming events, to join VMATYC, links to board meeting minutes, donations to the FOX scholarship, and all the latest newsletters.



## **VMATYC Elections**

Early in the spring 2019 semester, we will hold elections for the 2019 – 2021 VMATYC Executive Board positions.

The VMATYC Board is seeking nominations for all positions. A list of offices, along with a description of the responsibilities for that office, can be found in the VMATYC by-laws on the website.

Past-president, Susan Evans, will be soliciting willing faculty to serve in these important roles at the peer conference in October. If you have an interest in serving on the VMATYC Board and would like to discuss this amazing professional opportunity, feel free to contact Susan at [sevans@wcc.vccs.edu](mailto:sevans@wcc.vccs.edu).

## **VMATYC Campus Contacts**

In order to help facilitate communication, the following people have agreed to be the local contact for VMATYC at their school/campus. Please contact Matthew Watts at [mwatts@tcc.edu](mailto:mwatts@tcc.edu) if there are any corrections to this list.

### **Western Region:**

Mountain Empire – Frank Wright [fwright@me.vccs.edu](mailto:fwright@me.vccs.edu)  
New River – Ellen Oliver [eoliver@nr.edu](mailto:eoliver@nr.edu)  
Southwest Virginia – Lisa Henley [Lisa.Henley@sw.edu](mailto:Lisa.Henley@sw.edu)  
Virginia Highlands – Pansy Waycaster [ewaycaster@vhcc.edu](mailto:ewaycaster@vhcc.edu)  
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### **Northern Region:**

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Lord Fairfax – Frank Borleske [fborleske@lfcc.edu](mailto:fborleske@lfcc.edu)  
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Tidewater Norfolk – Dick Gill [rgill@tcc.edu](mailto:rgill@tcc.edu)  
Tidewater Portsmouth – Adam Becker [abecker@tcc.edu](mailto:abecker@tcc.edu)  
Tidewater Virginia Beach – Mike Kirby [mkirby@tcc.edu](mailto:mkirby@tcc.edu)

## **Colleges in the VMATYC Geographic Regions**

<b><u>Western</u></b>	<b><u>Northern</u></b>	<b><u>Central</u></b>	<b><u>Eastern</u></b>
Mountain Empire	Blue Ridge	Central Virginia	Eastern Shore
New River	Germanna	Dabney S Lancaster	J Sargent Reynolds
Southwest Virginia	Lord Fairfax	Danville	John Tyler
Virginia Highlands	Northern Virginia	Patrick Henry	Paul D Camp
Wytheville	Piedmont Virginia	Southside Virginia	Tidewater
		Virginia Western	Thomas Nelson
			Rappahannock