



Flamingo Flyer

Florida Future Problem Solving Program
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Newsletter #3 ~ Practice Problem #2 ~ January, 2012



NEWS FLASHES:



- ✚ **Regional Competitions are coming up soon.**
- ✚ **State Competition is March 18-21.**
- ✚ **State competition this year will be at the Wyndham Lake Buena Vista Resort at Disney.**
- ✚ **Remember that you can bring an alternate and/or an individual as well as your scenario writers to State Competition even if your team doesn't qualify. This is a great way to build enthusiasm for FPS at your school.**
- ✚ **Please make hotel reservations as well as competition reservations early. March 1 is an absolute deadline!**

EVALUATION NOTES:

Practice Problem #2 has been evaluated and books are being returned to coaches. Thank you to all the coaches who worked to get these booklets evaluated and back to our students! Books were evaluated and evaluation training was completed all over Florida. Although we constantly strive for consistency within Florida, I know that we still have some areas where we aren't totally consistent between districts. Checking your books to see if they are scored the way you understand scoring will help you formulate questions to ask at district and state competition. Books that were submitted were returned with

feedback that will be valuable as teams prepare for their Qualifying Regional Bowls. Don't forget that the Florida Scoring Guide is available on the website www.flfps.org and can be used with your teams to prepare for the Qualifying Problem. If you did not attend a PP#2 training the Future Scene Notes will be sent out soon.

If you want to become certified in another step prior to your regional competition, please e-mail your district rep or Wanda Gray (wandafps@aol.com) and ask for the certification packet for the step(s) in which you want to become certified. Certifications cannot be accepted after district competitions. **Remember, you will need an evaluator for every team that goes to state.**

Included in this issue of Flamingo Flyer are the top scores for PP#2. The Qualifying Problem for the Regional Bowl is **Human Rights**. Please check the website for dates and place for your regional competition and contact your representative if you have any questions. An alternate future scene has been sent to district reps. If you don't receive it, contact them or Wanda Gray.



GOOD LUCK TO ALL TEAMS AT REGIONALS!



**•RESULTS from PP #2,
Coral Reefs**

JUNIOR LEVEL:

• 85 booklets submitted

Highest Scores were:

131 – Lakemont Elementary
Team C – Donnie Maynard, Coach
130– Apopka Middle Team A – Krista
Harry, Coach AND Tropical Elementary
Team A, Carrie Castillo, Coach
129 – Lakemont Elementary
Team F – Donnie Maynard, Coach
128 – Coquina Elementary – Sharon
McDowell, Coach AND Royal Palm
Charter Team B, Deborah Davis, Coach
126 – Westside Elementary Team
A – Mary Krause, Coach

125 – Lake Highland Team G – Diane
Winograd, Coach

MIDDLE LEVEL:

• 42 booklets submitted

Highest Scores were:

147 - Caloosa Middle School Team B,
Pat Brewer, Coach
142 – Lake Highland Prep team D, Jan
Stewart, Coach AND Flagler Palm Coast
HS Team D, Diane Tomko, Coach
138 – Westminster Christian team A,
Jodie Rivera, Coach
137 – Flagler Palm Coast HS teams C,
Diane Tomko, Coach AND Manatee
Problem Solvers Team B, Deborah
Yaryura, coach
136 – Cocoa Beach Jr/Sr HS Team C,
Suzanne Leichtling, Coach AND
Maitland, Anita Scheinblum, coach

SENIOR LEVEL:

• **44 booklets submitted**

Highest Scores were:

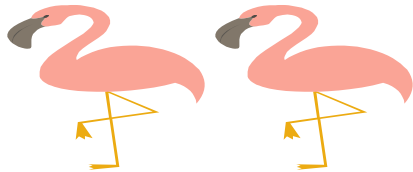
147 – Flagler Palm Coast HS Team A,
Diane Tomko Coach AND Palm Bay
HS, Deborah Davis Coach

146 – Flagler Palm Coast HS Team I,
Diane Tomko, Coach

143 – Manatee Problem Solvers,
Deborah Yaryura, Coach

142 – Flagler Palm Coast HS Team O,
Diane Tomko, Coach

140 – North Ft. Myers HS, Charles
Ewell, Coach



**CONGRATULATIONS to all the
teams who participated in PP#2!**

HINT:

Doing a lot of research on Human
Rights and practice with the alternate
future scene will help make teams
more competitive at District
Competitions! The International
Office has **DISCOUNTED** RR&R's
available for Genetic Testing and
Water Quality. If you don't have it
already, this will help you to prepare
for district and state. They are
available from the Zippy Mart on the
website www.fpspi.org.



Regional Competition Info:

Check the website (flfsp.org) and
contact your district representative.



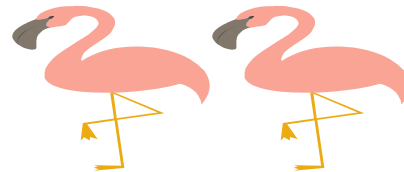
State Competition Info

State competition will be held March 18-
21, 2012 at the Wyndham Lake Buena
Vista Resort at Disney. Hotel
information and registration packets will
be available on the website. Invited
teams, scenario writers, CmPS teams,
individuals, and alternates should plan to
compete.



International Competition Info

International competition will be June 7-
10 at Indiana University in Bloomington.
All first and second place team booklets
and first and second place CmPS teams,
along with first and second place
scenario and first place individual
winners at state competition will be
invited to compete at IC.



FLFPSP in 2012-2013

Topics for 2012-2013 are:

Practice Problem #1

Culture of Celebrity

Practice Problem #2

Robotic Age

Qualifying Problem

Megacities

Affiliate Competition

Ocean Soup

IC 2012

Will be announced in March,
2012

If you and/or your students would like to
vote for future topics, you may do so by
visiting the FPSPI website (fpspi.org).



THE LAST WORD...

I hope to see all of you at State Competition at our new site this year.

Bringing an alternate and/or individual to State Competition, even if you don't have a team qualify at district, is an excellent way to build enthusiasm for FPS. I encourage you to bring one or two students. It will also give you more experience with evaluation. Evaluation practice builds coaching skills. Scenario writers and CmPS teams may participate in the alternate competition only if they have experience writing booklets.

General State Competition information will be distributed at your District Competition. Registration forms will only be available online. It is important to follow directions carefully and abide by deadlines. Be sure to download the Behavior Contract and Publication Release for every participant to sign. Completed contracts, registration forms and payment go to me this year as well as the t-shirt orders and payments.

Hotel rooms should be booked using the form on the website. The Wyndham will not allow more than four people per room.

Your FLFPSP staff, board members, and coach volunteers work very hard to make FLFPSP the best it can be. Be sure to thank them! See you all at State!

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