

# California Community College Foreign Language Council **News**

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## **California Foreign Language Project produces New FL Report**

Duarte Silva, CFLP Director, has developed a colorful and informative report, entitled "Learning World Languages and Cultures in California: A Stimulus for Academic and Economic Success." The fifty page report contains many graphs, statistics and reasons for language learning. There is also a powerpoint presentation of the report which will be placed on the CCCFLC website. Check the CFLP website:

[http://www.stanford.edu/group/CFLP/Stanford\\_CFLP\\_Handbook\\_1117091.pdf](http://www.stanford.edu/group/CFLP/Stanford_CFLP_Handbook_1117091.pdf)

This is an ideal document to provide to your administrators and college trustees, especially if their support of languages is tepid.

## **Officers Needed for CCCFLC**

It's time in our election cycle again for officers. We are looking for candidates for President, Vice President for Southern California, Vice President for Northern California, Treasurer and Secretary. Please email your nominations to [tblair@ccsf.edu](mailto:tblair@ccsf.edu) by Jan. 10, 2010. We hope to have the ballots out early in the New Year.

## **ACTFL Websites at Your Finger Tips**

Nancy Whitman reports on the ACTFL Conference in San Diego: I attended the ACTFL convention and it was delightful! Please check out the free creative sites for our World Languages students. All materials are ready and available for down load and use. The ACTFL National Foreign Language Teacher of the Year 2009, Toni Theisen from Loveland Colorado, compiled many useful sites and created "how to" steps for instructors to get students up and running using techie tools. Most of the examples are in French, but may be adapted to other languages as well. When you check out the wiki please look for ACTFL TOY 2009 (10 page packet) and ACTFL Sunday Workshop 2009 (20 page packet).

I tried a wordle with my course syllabus and then a COOR with CSLOs for first semester Spanish. I hope you can use the info. According to Toni our students are tech saavy and we should probably attempt to get them to use some of their tech skills to work on GOOD lessons. Here's the site: <http://tonitheisen.wikispaces.com>

## **2010 Dues Form Enclosed**

Your mailing label will tell if your membership is paid for 2010. If not, a dues form is enclosed. Join CLTA at the same time and save on registration fees for the Sacramento CLTA conference as well as supporting statewide FL efforts.

*Happy Holidays and a bright 2010 to each of you!*

**Our next issue** will appear in February. Please send your articles to Tom Blair, 424 Dorado Ter., San Francisco 94112-1753. Membership is \$10 for part-time and \$15 for full-time. CLTA membership is \$50.