

President's Message



- ◆ Commitment
- ◆ Communication
- ◆ Creativity

These are the main points that I gleaned from the "Penetrating Barriers" workshop in October. They are required to ensure successful library partnerships. Many ideas were shared that day and if you were not able to attend then please visit this site to see the beginnings of partnerships across Brevard: <http://my.fit.edu/~skozaiti/LAB/workshop.htm>.

A grant is being sought for a "secondary school science research resources page" at Florida Tech and it would be great to see posts on the LAB-LIST describing progress others have made toward their goals. Many thanks to everyone who helped make the workshop a success and a hearty welcome to the new members who joined that day.

A membership renewal form is enclosed reflecting the new dues rate and I hope that you will recognize the high value of your investment in every LAB event. Please be sure to provide your ideas for future LAB events in the designated space on the 2004 membership form.

Next up on our agenda is Theater Night, so please turn out for this after-the-holidays pick-me-up. It's sure to be a fine time. Best wishes for a joyous season to everyone.

Suzy Jones
 LAB President

~ Theater Night ~

Saturday, January 24th
 8:00 PM

The Phoenix
 Production Company
 Presents

"Proof"
 by David Auburn

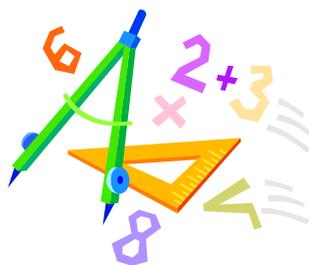
Winner of the Pulitzer, the Tony and the New York Drama Critics' Circle awards, "Proof" is the tale of an enigmatic young woman, Catherine, her scheming sister, their brilliant father, and an unexpected suitor. They are all pieces of the puzzle in the search for the truth behind a mysterious mathematical proof.

A film version of this play starring Gwyneth Paltrow and Anthony Hopkins is currently in production.

The Phoenix Theater is located at
 817 East Strawbridge Ave.
 Melbourne, FL 32901
 (321) 952-5717
 in Old Downtown Melbourne

Find driving directions at
<http://www.phoenixtheatre.com/directions.htm>.

A reservation form is enclosed.



Notable News



Candidates for the positions of Treasurer and Vice President/ President Elect are currently being sought. If you would like to volunteer to serve in either of these positions or if you know someone who would make a good candidate, please contact a member of the executive board via the e-mail links on the LAB-LINK or by phone. As all who has done so can tell you, serving on the board is a fun, rewarding experience and well worth the small effort it takes. Please note: former board members inactive for at least one year are eligible.

Sheila Cootes, who served as Vice President/ President Elect last year, is unfortunately unable to progress to the office of President. Suzy Jones will continue for a second year as President and John Curri will continue as Past President.

Looking Ahead...

The Spring General Meeting is planned for the evening of Wednesday, March 31st, at the Central Brevard Library and Reference Center. An expert from the Brevard County Libraries will speak on the ever-popular topic of genealogy. Watch for details in the spring newsletter.

Contact members of the LAB Executive Board with your ideas, requests, comments or concerns at <http://www.lib.fit.edu/lab>.