

In recent weeks..

The ACT program held a breakfast meeting for the guidance counselors of Orange and Seminole County high schools. The mission of the meeting was to introduce the ACT program to new guidance counselors or re-introduce the program to existing counselors. Kevin Corrado, Winter Park Construction, marketing chair for ACT, presented the new PowerPoint presentation. Updated information including student participation advantages, such as dual enrollment and extra elective credit for summer OJT were discussed. Current salary charts were also shown to depict the high wages associated with graduates of the youth and adult apprenticeship programs. Participation was outstanding and an awesome question and answer section ended the meeting.

**A big 'THANK YOU' to
Palmer Electric and
Tri-City Electrical Contractor for
sponsoring the catered breakfast by
TooJays.**

NEW MEMBERS:

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Association (F.A.S.T.)
Guignard Company
Kelsey Construction
RAMS, Inc.**



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YOUTH/PRE-APPRENTICES TO WORK
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APRIL 15TH- - SEMINOLE COUNTY

APRIL 22ND- - ORANGE COUNTY

APRIL 24TH-- OSCEOLA COUNTY

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THIS IS WHAT ACT IS ALL ABOUT!!!

A senior at OHS wrote this essay to apply for a scholarship

If I had to say who influenced me the most in my young life, I would say it was my high school carpentry teacher, Mr. Rick Hervey. I took Mr. Hervey's class as a freshman because I thought it would be an easy A. I soon found out that I would have to earn my grade and I realized that I wanted to earn an A and I enjoyed the work. Mr. Hervey didn't let anyone slack. He taught us that time was valuable and a lot of work could be done in a small amount of time if you did the work properly and in the right sequence. He taught me the right way to use each of the tools and the use for each tool. This made me realize that I really enjoyed working with my hands and that I someday would like to design the things I was building. If I had to choose, I would rather design than build. But having the knowledge to build will help me in the design.

Mr. Hervey not only taught me the proper use of tools but taught me valuable lessons about work ethics. He taught me that you are only as good as your word. For example, if we received an order for a shed or an Adirondack chair, he made sure that we delivered on time and in a professional manner.

I took Mr. Hervey's carpentry class for three years. This year Mr. Hervey left Osceola County and moved to Deland, Florida. I don't know if the school or the county realizes how much he did for the school and the kids he taught. Not only did he help the kids in areas I mentioned, he also helped them outside of school to get summer jobs with the ACT Program. I myself am a recipient of those summer jobs and my brother, Joey, currently is a full-time employee of the county due to Mr. Hervey getting his foot in the door when he was a student in that class.

In closing, I hope to someday be a successful mechanical engineer and I know Mr. Hervey will be proud and I will owe him some of the credit and recognition.

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