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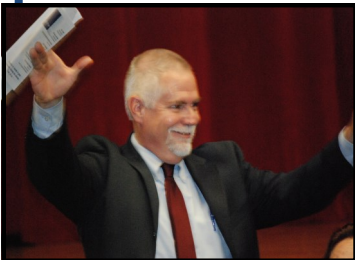
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Summer 2018

PACTE Outstanding Student Annual Awards Night



On April 12th, 2018 students all over the county were recognized as “Outstanding Students” for their hard work and perseverance through difficult times. Mr. Mark Hunt (above left) welcomed a record crowd (above) to the Pinellas Park High School auditorium for the “20th Annual PACTE Celebration.” Mrs. Linda Lerner, school board member and long-time supporter of Adult Education, (top left) congratulated the students and wished them well in their future enterprises. All of the adult centers were represented with students receiving awards, and Tomlinson was proud to have nine hard-working and diligent students worthy of recognition.



Above: Ivette Correa, Howard Riddles, and Patrick Jennings enjoy the celebration.



Right: Anni Mallory directs recipients to their seats before the ceremony begins.



Above: Teachers and students pose on the PPHS Auditorium steps.

Left: Ann Morgan stands proudly with both guest speakers and Margaret Paynter, Managing Officer of Adult Education, during the National Anthem.

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Tomlinson Bids a Fond Farewell to Three Very Special Retiring Teachers

Beginning the next chapters of their lives, Sue Foster, Jean Brennan, and Howard Riddles retired from teaching this summer. Sue left at the end of June, and Howard and Jean left at the end of July. With a combined total of over 100 years of experience in education between them, we are sorry to see them leave us, but know they'll be happy in their new endeavors. Sue has always enjoyed quilting and plans to join a quilting club; Jean is going to continue working part-time with the Tampa Bay Rays, and Howard hopes to "get back to his own writing, among other artistic pursuits."



Left: Aloha to Sue. Celebrating with Leis and "Tiki Totems," we said "Aloha" to Mrs. Sue Foster in May after she had devoted nearly 50 years to the field of education.

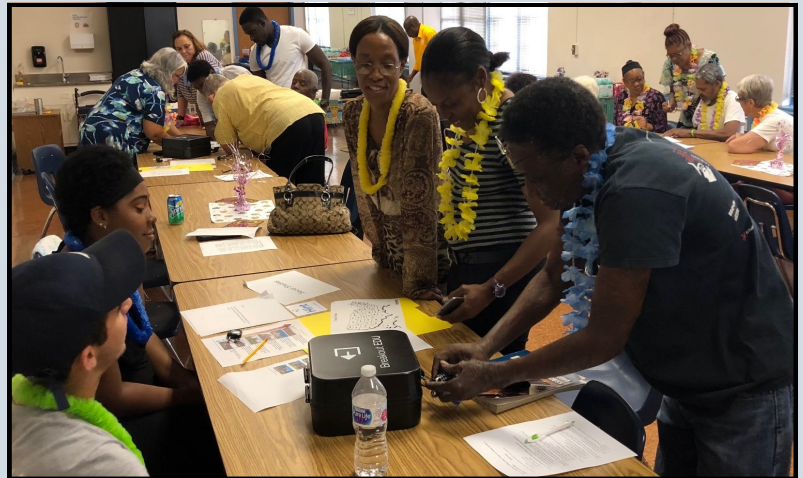
Below, Far Left: So Long to Jean. Ms. Jean Brennan taught mostly in elementary schools before coming to Tomlinson. "I will miss the people, but I won't miss getting up at 6am," she said about the idea of retirement.



Left: Also Looking Forward to "Sleeping in." Besides sleeping late, Mr. Howard Riddles hopes to have more time for his artistic expressions.

GED "Puzzle Box" Activity a Huge Success

Anne Morgan, Coordinator for CTAE, was pleased to participate in our "Puzzle Box" activity in June, as the students worked in groups to solve the mystery and open the boxes. After the exercise, the students enjoyed individually prepared omelets, potatoes, and bacon, cooked by our own Mr. Watson. Thank you, Anni Mallory, and the whole GED team for this wonderful exercise in collaboration and cooperation.



Duke Energy "Partners" with Tomlinson

On May 31, 2018 Tomlinson was privileged to be visited by a dedicated group of Duke Energy volunteers for 4 hours. Ana Maria Mendoza (center; an engineer from Venezuela who studied English at Tomlinson 20 years ago!) and six of her colleagues, shared their inspiring personal stories and gave advice to students about how to begin a career with Duke. All students were encouraged to check out jobs and apprenticeships with the company. Bilingual students are very welcome; many of Duke's customers speak Spanish, French or Creole. In addition to discussing career opportunities, Duke Energy generously donated \$250.00 towards student tuition scholarships. Thank you so much, Duke Energy; please feel free to come again!