

80th Annual FCA Convention

Reflections on FCA's 2010 Convention By Natalia Cherjovsky, President

Greetings, fellow FCA members!

As the year comes to midpoint, and the semester starts up at colleges and universities, I trust everyone has had ample time to recoup from and reflect upon his or her experiences at our 80^{th} convention in Orlando. I can't wait to do it all over again next year.

It is my genuine hope that you had as wonderful a time as I did. This year, we had a veritable smorgasbord of workshops, panels, and papers. Submissions ranged widely in topics and came from as far as China. Listening to the inspired and inspiring speakers, whose enlightening sessions challenged us to think about the trends in our discipline, made me proud to be a part of this association.

Let us not forget, however, that apart from valuable edification, there was also tons of fun to be had. As always, it was splendid to reunite with old friends and to make new ones. If you missed out on the social events, keep an eye out for the announcements and flyers next year. We'd love for everyone to join in.

As your now ex-1st VP and convention coordinator, I want to take a minute to thank everyone who was a part of the convention, from presenters to volunteers and attendees. We honestly are honored to know you and to learn from and with you. We are proud to have such an amazing membership.

To the Executive Board, my most sincere gratitude for all your assistance and support, as always. I feel lucky to be surrounded by such capable and hard-working individuals.

As your new president, I look forward to serving you in 2011. I would love to hear from members who have suggestions they would like to see implemented or who simply want to be more active by volunteering.

Again, thanks for being a part of this community and making our association what it is.

Kind regards,

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In Memory...

Our good friend and colleague and former FCA president, Dr. Thomas R. King, passed away this fall. A published scholar, Tom was a leading proponent of and helped develop the concept of contract learning as it applied to public speaking. He was active in NCA, especially its Legislative Assembly, Southern States and FCA. Tom spent the bulk of his teaching career at FSU. He served in many capacities, including debate coach and as a member of the University Grievance committee. Tom was active in the United Faculty of Florida, working with the union grievance process, until his retirement.

Congratulations.....

Teacher of the Year: Laura Dickinson, Seminole State College

FCA Grant: FAU Lambda Pi Eta Chapter

Best Undergraduate Papers:

Jared Misner

University of Florida

Before the Silence: A critical review of current literature and listening methods when interacting with the dying and terminally ill

Andrew Cunningham University of Florida Gender and Communication in Politics

Meagan Schreiner California State University at Sacramento The Need for a New Conversation

Best Graduate Papers:

Brandon Hensley

Eastern Illinois University

Body Billboards and Brand Colonization: Embodied Corporate Advertising in Postmodern Branding Culture

Megan Tomei Florida Atlantic University Don't Touch my Momma and Don't Touch my Doritos: Negation and Control of Motherhood in Super Bowl Ads

Christine Hanlon University of Central Florida Perceived Attractiveness and Introversion of Facebook Users

Best Professional Papers:

Full Sail University

Ann Bloch

Breast Cancer and Self Image: The Effects of Social Construction of Reality, Dialectical Tensions, and Membership Categorization Devices

University of Tampa Robert Gonzalez Performing Metaphors: Collaborative Creativity in Hollywood Film Making-of **Documentaries**

Poster Session Awards: Judges Awards

Outstanding Undergraduate Poster Award Daphne Sarcia, Rollins College

Outstanding Graduate Poster Award Begone Cazalis, St. Thomas University

Second Place Graduate Poster Award Christine Holland, University of North Florida

Peer Awards

Best Undergraduate Oral Presentation Daphne Sarcia, Rollins College

Best Graduate Oral Presentation Nicole Jackson, University of Central Florida

Most Crowd Appeal Undergraduate Georgia Fontenot, Anthony Purro, and Leah Puzzo, Rollins College

Most Crowd Appeal Graduate Rhonda Oehlrich, University of Central Florida Florida Atlantic University's Zeta Iota chapter of Lambda Pi Eta presents:

5th Annual South Florida Undergraduate **Communication Honors** Conference

Communication in a Global Society

FAU Boca Raton Campus March 19, 2011 10am - 5pm

Information and Questions:

Poster Session

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Award Luncheon

