- **Support your profession! Join IBEA! Dues for the year (July 1st through June 20th) are:**
    $45.00 for teachers $5.00 for students $10.00 for retired teachers
    Membership forms can be found on the IBEA website at: http://www.ibea.org

    "Energize Your Business Curriculum" Plan to Attend the IBEA Fall Conference in Springfield Wed. evening **Nov. 7th** and all day Thur. & Fri. **Nov. 8th and 9th** 2007. Many exciting sessions are on the schedule! **See the Conference Program on the IBEA Website.**
    - o **Hotel Reserved Rooms at the Conference rate is October 10th.** Crowne Plaza Hotel cost is $112 + 10% tax or stay at the Holiday Inn Express for a slightly lower rate.
    - o **Conference Pre-Registration Deadline is October 19th.**
        Cost is $140 for IBEA members and $30 for student members
    - o **FREE $100 Student Stipends Available:** Up to 5 stipends will be awarded. Students must be registered for the conference in order to receive the stipend and must commit to attending activities both Thursday and Friday. The $100 stipends will be presented on Friday, November 9th at the conference's Friday luncheon. Get the form on the website. Send applications to: Julie Chadd and received by **October 12th**

- **Join the IBEA listserv. Great way to share information!** Subscribe by going online to: **http://lists.eiu.edu/mailman/listinfo/ibealist** and following the directions.
    * You will receive an email confirmation after subscribing. To send a message to everyone on the listserv after subscribing **email: ibealist@lists.eiu.edu**

- **Check out the members only section of the IBEA website.** If you are a member of IBEA and do NOT know your user name and password, contact the ibea webmaster, David Calkins at: **webmaster@ibea.org** ASAP to get one.

- **2008 IBEA Conference will be in Effingham, IL** at the Keller Convention Center!
    Mark your calendars now! Nov 12-14, 2008

Lake Land College Business & Computer Contest Updates:
This Year's Contest is: **Friday April 25, 2008**

Mark your calendars now and be looking for **your team of 7 business and computer students** to bring to the contest**. Contest areas include:** Accounting, CAD, Computer Repair, General Business & Current Events, Desktop Publishing, Excel, Internet Search, Keyboarding (timings & formatting), Word and Web Page Design concepts and hands on HTML web page creation.

Contest Registration and Lunch is provided **FREE** of charge by the LLC Business Division. Talk to your Tech Prep coordinator about possible sources of funds for transportation to and from Lake Land College.

This is a great opportunity for your student's to show what they can do. We will be sending out a letter to all business teacher's in the area in **February** with more details. You can check out the website for pictures of last year's contest at: http://webclass.lakeland.cc.il.us/cis/contest

We Hope to See YOU ALL at This Year's Contest!