

## AFT Colorado Swears In 07-08 Executive Board

AFT Colorado, our state organization, held its first monthly Executive Board meeting on September 26. President, Dave Sanger swore in the newly elected officers at the AFT Colorado office in Denver. The officers were elected at the Annual AFT Colorado Convention held on April 28 at Lone Tree Golf Club.

Newly elected members of the AFT Colorado Executive Board are sworn in by President, Dave Sanger.



Those elected from DCF were:

- ✓ Cheryl Heaton, Executive Vice-president
- ✓ Cindi Leitch, Vice-president
- ✓ Brenda Smith, Vice-president
- ✓ Jody Papini, Vice-president
- ✓ Tiffany Osland, Vice-president



Brenda Smith, Pres. of DCF and Jody Papini, Vice-president, represent the members of Douglas County Federation.

AFT Colorado was organized as the Colorado Federation of Teachers, and was chartered October 26, 1946. In the early years there was no collective bargaining for Colorado teachers, but the CFT was effective in gaining improved working conditions for teachers and better learning conditions for students. Along with the Denver Federation of Teachers, CFT proposed statewide tenure laws, teacher certification standards, school/district reorganization and improved school financing.

The Executive Board continues to work on educational issues as related to certified and classified personnel. Please visit the AFT Colorado website at <http://co.aft.org>.

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## DCFCE Adds Member Support in the Federation Office

On September 4, 2007 Sherry Newton joined the DCFCE staff. Sherry comes to this office support position after spending 7 ½ years as Principal's Secretary. She helped open Arrowwood Elementary in 2000 and helped open Redstone Elementary in 2005. Sherry is not only an employee of Douglas County, but a parent as well. Her daughter graduated from HRHS this year and is attending college at MTSU. Her son is a sophomore at HRHS.

Sherry Newton will help support the growing number of classified members.



"I am very excited to be a part of an organization that has so much commitment and dedication for the employees of Douglas County. Joining the Federation is an investment in your future with the District." Please help us welcome Sherry into the Douglas County Federation Office.

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# Cecilia Studdard Receives CAHPERD Award



IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations is in order for Cecilia Studdard, Cresthill Middle School teacher, on receiving the Colorado Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Middle School Physical Education Teacher of the Year award, 2007.

Selection is based upon five criteria:

Criteria 1: Conducts a quality Physical Education program as reflected in NASPE standards and curriculum guidelines for K-12 Physical Education programs.

Criteria 2: Utilizes teaching methodologies and plans innovative learning experiences to meet the needs of all students.

Criteria 3: Serves as a positive role model epitomizing personal health and fitness, enjoyment of activity, sportsmanship, and sensitivity to the needs of students.

Criteria 4: Participates in professional development opportunities

Criteria 5: Provides service to the profession through leadership, presentations, and/or writing.



## VOTE!



Mail-in ballots were sent out to voters registered in Douglas County. Exercise your right as an American – VOTE!!!!

### ON THE RADAR.....

**What you think about the new Evaluation Process? Give us your thoughts.**



### Upcoming Events

**October 15 – 19:**

**Fall Break – Traditional Calendar Schools**

**November 3**

**DCEF DCSD night at the Avalanche Game**

