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Dear Colleagues,

Please join us for the spring 2012 OSAAPT meeting being held at Stark State College in North Canton on Saturday, March 3rd, 2012 from 8:30 am – 3:00 pm. The meeting will take place in the Advanced Technology Center (ATC). Stark State has provided us with a website full of information on the talks and sessions, parking and registration (<http://starkstate.edu/osaapt>) while we overhaul our own.

The morning session will begin with a brief guide on using social media as a tool for professional development provided by Brian Carpenter. Following this, our featured speaker for the day, Mr. Theodore Ohrn from the Rolls Royce Fuel Cell Prototyping Center, will discuss the work that is being done at the nearby facility. Afterward, we will run concurrent breakout sessions – a tour of the Rolls Royce Fuel Cell facility and a hands on workshop for getting started with social media and connecting to other physics teachers.

Boxed lunches (with vegetarian options) are available through Panera Bread, but it does require registration (see the site above) and there is a surcharge. Please do register so we can get an accurate count.

The afternoon workshops offer extensions popular workshops from previous meetings along with some new and interesting opportunities. Gary Wood and Nate Van Wey will show us how we can work with video cameras in the classroom while the team of Steve Majoros and Steve Hubbard will extend their work with novel problem types to include charges and simple circuits. We'll also have Bill Reitz and Eugene Easter offering a new teacher workshop. We'll close out the afternoon with our traditional raffle and giveaways.

As we move forward, we'll be unveiling an updated website that we hope will bridge the time between meetings and draw in new members. Your input about what you would like to see on the site will be a big part of that. Watch your email for more in the future.

We hope to see you all at the meeting!

Sincerely,

Brian Carpenter

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