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# Newsletter

## President's Message

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**John M. Ritz**  
Old Dominion University

International news coverage on January 1, 1999, spoke of the upcoming year and the new millennium, 2000. Celebrations in Australia, Tokyo, Brussels (with their new Euro dollar), and New York all talked about the upcoming events for the year 2000.

As I prepare this message, I also look toward to the future. I know the future will bring us many new opportunities. The economic future is projected to be good. This year's New York Stock Exchange closed up 16% over last year. Hopefully other worldwide economies will improve in the months to come.

How will the Council assist you, the leadership of our profession, for the coming years ahead? We have our central mission of (a) providing guidance for technology teacher preparation by assisting with professional development activities and (b) providing research which will assist in guiding the profession in curriculum and instructional reform.

The leadership of the Council takes these perspectives seriously. During the fall we have added new members to our committees so we can have the best minds in our profession planning for improved technology teacher preparation. We also structured a conference program which has more sessions dedicated to teacher preparation. To help us understand differing approaches to teacher preparation, the Council is conducting a preconference workshop on Saturday, March 27, 1999, from 9:00AM–4:00PM, titled "Technology Teacher Education: An International Perspective". Dr. Tom Wright is working with presenters from Australia, England, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Northern Ireland, and Taiwan. This should be a most interesting session that we can all learn from.

Mark Sanders also has assembled presentations throughout the conference to help each of us to prepare for our professional roles in technology teacher preparation. In addition, Tony Gilberti and Tony Schwaller will be conducting an NCATE folio writers workshop on the afternoon of March 28, 1999. The entire CTTE program sessions can be reviewed on our web site at: <http://teched.vt.edu/ctte>

Please review these events, then plan to attend the CTTE workshops and interest sessions at the Indianapolis ITEA Conference, March 27-30, 1999. Registration materials and housing information for the conference are posted on the ITEA website at: [www.iteawww.org](http://www.iteawww.org)

Through all of our efforts, technology education can become a vital core subject of the 21st century. Happy New Year!

# **CTTE Committee Reports**

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## **Accreditation Committee**

**Tony Schwaller (St. Cloud State University)**

To help better understand the NCATE accreditation process, there are various specialty organizations that are part of the Specialized Professional Associations of NCATE. We are one of these specialty organizations that have an approved set of standards and guidelines.

This list of associations includes:

1. American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance/National Assoc. for Sport and Physical Education (AAHPERD/NASPE)
2. American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance/Association for the Advancement of Health Ed. (AAHPERD/AAHE)
3. American Library Association (ALA)
4. Assoc. for Childhood Educ. International (ACEI)
5. Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT)
6. Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)
7. Educational Leadership Constituent Council (ELCC)
8. International Reading Association (IRA)
9. International Society for Technology in Ed. (ISTE)
10. International Technology Education Association/Council for Technology Teacher Ed. (ITEA/CTTE)
11. National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)
12. National Assoc. of School Psychologist (NASP)
13. National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS)
14. National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE)
15. National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM)
16. National Middle School Association (NMSA)
17. National Science Teachers Association (NSTA)

Each of these specialty organizations must have their Program Approval Guidelines approved by NCATE every five years. ITEA/CTTE first had their guidelines approved

in 1987, and then had them revised and approved in 1992 and 1997. Over the next several years, the Accreditation Committee will be revising our most recently approved guidelines (1997) for approval in 2002. The revision that occurs will use the Technology for All Americans Project as the knowledge base for this revision. Your CTTE Accreditation Committee will be hard at work over the next few years in preparation for this revision.

## **Yearbook Committee**

**Everett Israel (Eastern Michigan University)**

Work is continuing on the next two yearbooks that will be published by the Council. The years, topics, and editorial team include:

- 1999 Co-Editors: Anthony Gilberti and David Rouch  
Title: Advancing Professionalism in Technology Education
- 2000 Editor: Gene Martin  
Title: Technology Education for the 21st Century; A Collection of Essays

The committee will also discuss future topics during its annual meeting in Indianapolis this March. Several teams of editors are scheduled to present an up-date of their yearbook projects.

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# **CTTE Committee Reports**

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## **Collegiate Student Association Committee Richard Seymour (Ball State University)**

Several members of the CTTE Collegiate Student committee helped organize and run three TECA regional conferences during November '98. These included the Midwest Regional (held in conjunction with the Illinois Technology Education Conference), Western Regional (held with the '98 Colorado and Rocky Mountain States Conference), and Southwest Regional (held in Pittsburg, KS, with the annual 4 States Conference). In a positive note, the participation at these three events was "up" this fall, and attendance is expected to be greater than ever at the '99 ITEA Conference.

A fourth conference is scheduled for Virginia Beach in February. In addition, the committee members will be assisting with the many TECA events at the '99 ITEA Conference in Indianapolis.

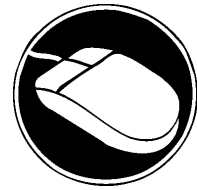
## **Graduate Studies Committee John Larkin (Central Connecticut State)**

The Graduate Studies Committee is in the process of surveying the universities having a Graduate Program. They are attempting to find out how and where the CTTE yearbooks are being used in graduate and undergraduate education. Survey forms were sent to one individual at each institution. If you did not receive a survey form and use CTTE yearbooks either as a textbook or reference, we would like to include you in our study. Please call John Larkin at (860) 832-1854 and a form will be sent to you. It won't take but a few minutes to complete the survey. The results of the survey will be presented during the GSC-Poster Session at the ITEA Conference.

REMINDER – The Graduate Studies Committee Poster Session is scheduled for on Monday, March 29 (10:30–11:45 AM). Graduate issues and concerns are usually the focus on the Poster Session. Anyone wishing to present at the Poster Session may still do so by contacting John C. Larkin at CCSU (860)832-1854. Please respond by March 1, 1999.

## **Visit The CTTE Web Site For Up-To-Date Information & Resources**

<http://teched.vt.edu/ctte>



## **CTTE & ITEA Program In Indianapolis**

The following list should help in identifying important programs and events at the '99 ITEA Conference:

**Saturday, March 27, 1999**

- ITEA Pre-conference Workshops
- PATT-9 Conference Sessions
- TECA Competitive Events
- INDY NIGHT (Science & Technology Night at the world famous Children's Museum of Indianapolis)

**Sunday, March 28, 1999**

- PATT-9 Conference Sessions
- ITEA & CTTE Interest Sessions
- ITEA Committee & Task Force Worksessions
- TECA Competitive Events
- First General Session (Program Excellence)

**Monday, March 29, 1999**

- Foundation Spirit-of-Excellence Breakfast
- Second General Session (Teacher Excellence)
- PATT-9 Conference Sessions
- Exhibits Open
- CTTE / ITEA-CS (Yearbook) Luncheon
- ITEA & CTTE Interest Sessions
- ITEA House of Delegates Business Meeting
- Technology Festival
- CTTE Carousel
- ITEA Section Meetings

**Tuesday, March 30, 1999**

- EPT Breakfast
- Exhibits Open
- ITEA & CTTE Interest Sessions
- ITEA Awards & Recognition Luncheon

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