

# One Five

*A Council newsletter, distributed the 15th of each month*



## From The President

If there is one period of the year that might be called a “down month”, it would be July. This is a vacation time for many. In that regard, I went to the pool on Sunday with my family, after being at the local 4-H fair on Saturday afternoon (checking on my son’s project). To be honest, a little time away from working on a SPA report and some key professional projects was welcomed.

Many of you are not near a computer, much less at school or in an office, right now. And good for you! Get your internal batteries recharged before preparing for the August-to-May months of more formal schedules, classes, and related tasks.

On the other hand, education (and association work) is a year-round venture. While July may be slower than normal, there is still quite a bit going on. A few examples . . .

- 1) ITEA held a strategic planning workshop at the 7 Springs Resort in central Pennsylvania last week. I had the unique opportunity to represent CTTE at that meeting. Note: You will hear more details about this 3-5 year plan as the document is completed and approved.
- 2) Since the June issue of this newsletter, CTTE Vice President Chris Merrill finalized the program for the 2009 Louisville conference. I attended an event in the Louisville Convention Center two weeks ago, and we’ll have an excellent conference in that neat city.
- 3) A number of CTTE members (including Secretary Phil Reed) met with professional engineers and fellow educators at the ASEE conference in Pittsburgh the last week of June.
- 4) Many Council members were in Orlando, FL for the annual TSA conference (and the TECA Leadership sessions).
- 5) Members of the CTTE yearbook committee are preparing the sections of the 2009 publication, which will include selected readings related to ITEA / CTTE / NCATE content standards.

Bottom line, the pace of activities might be slower in July, but work is still on-going. And the calendar reminds me that the date for the next issue on ONE FIVE (Friday, August 15th) is also the day of faculty meetings on our campus. Classes start just 72 hours after that meeting! So enjoy the last few weeks of summer.

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**Conference Theme: *Delivering the T & E in STEM***  
**ITEA Conference Program Notes**

Congratulations to all CTTE members who had their proposals accepted for special interest session and poster presentations at the 71st annual ITEA Conference (March 26-28, 2009). The research and special interest topics (and presenters) include.

- “A Dialogue on Technology/Engineering Teacher Education Curriculum”  
Presenter: W. Tad Foster
- “Cutting Edge Research: Mathematics Infusion into TechEd”  
Presenters: Michael Hacker & David Burghardt
- “EnviroTech: Supporting Environmental Literacy and Technology Assessment”  
Presenter: Mary Annette Rose
- “Motivation, Satisfaction, and Learning in Technology Education”  
Presenters: Jeremy Ernst & Aaron C. Clark
- “Qualitative Research Methods in Technology Education”  
Presenters: James Carlson, Fred Figliano, & Brent Holt
- “Role of Qualitative Research in Technology Education”  
Presenters: Ryan Brown & Josh Brown
- “STM Educational Research Priorities and Future Directions”  
Presenters: John Wells, James Pembridge, Clark Greene, & Mary Dobroth
- “Tackling Pre-Service Teachers’ Reading Comprehension in Jamaica”  
Presenter: Everton Lewis
- “Teaching Today’s Digital Communication Systems”  
Presenter: Peter Wright
- “Technological Literacy in the General Studies Curriculum”  
Presenter: John Ritz
- “Technology Teachers’ Beliefs Regarding their Teaching Practices”  
Presenters: Mark Sanders, Thomas Sherman, & Hyuksoo Kwon



Poster session topics and presenters include:

- “Impact of Engineering-based Curriculum on Standardized Test Scores”  
Presenters: David Rouch, Brian Hill, David Mason, Bryan Dobransky, & Nathan Newman
- “The Characteristics of a Model TIDE Teacher”  
Presenters: Scott Warner, Jessica Buechele, & Andrew Kaufman

## Procedures To Produce A Referred Program @ Louisville

By Chris Merrill, CTTE Vice President

CTTE conference presentations are solicited each spring, several months prior to the following year's ITEA conference. Solicitations occur through the personal distribution of application forms at the current ITEA conference, through the CTTE listserv, embedded within electronic communication from CTTE officers, and through the CTTE website.

CTTE applicants are required to submit an electronic application document that includes presenter / co-presenter information, a maximum 7-word title, a 25-word description, and a 200-word (maximum) written summary or outline. This format follows the standards used by ITEA and affiliate Councils for inclusion in the printed conference program.

CTTE conference presentations are designated into three types: research, general conference, and poster. All conference presentations are refereed; research presentations additionally blind reviewed. Reviews occur in May or early June of each year, prior to the deadline for ITEA applications.

A three to five member committee is convened for CTTE conference presentation applications. This committee is made up of different professionals from the Council, and includes the CTTE Vice-President. The CTTE review committee attempts to identify an equal number of research and general conference presentations for the guaranteed slots in the annual ITEA conference program. Poster presentation applications are reviewed simultaneously.

A written letter is sent to those who have applied for a CTTE presentation(s) after the CTTE Vice-President has confirmed meeting times and rooms with the ITEA officials. For accepted presenters, this letter contains the tentative conference date, time, and location. A rejection notice is forwarded to those with proposals that were not accepted. Typically, CTTE applications that do not make the Council's program are forwarded to the ITEA program committee for inclusion in that segment of the annual conference.

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### CTTE Committee Chairpersons

Chairs of the various CTTE committees for this academic year:

Accreditation Committee: Paul Post

Curriculum Committee: John Wells & Ken Welty

Leadership Development Committee: Bill Havice & Roger Hill

Marketing Committee: Scott Davis

Nominations Committee: *Michael De Miranda*

Research and Scholarship Committee: Charlie McLaughlin

Teacher Preparation Committee: Vince Childress

Yearbook Committee: Michael De Miranda



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**Random Council Notes**

A few “random” items related to the work of the Council:

- \* **Collecting Tech Ed Data:** ITEA Region #2 Director Mike Fitzgerald (from the Indiana Dept. of Education) has been contacting all teacher education institutions to gather program data. This information is going to a larger ITEA report. Please provide any details when (if) Mike contacts you.
- \* **ITEA-CS / CTTE Yearbook Event @ Louisville:** The CTTE yearbook meal will be a luncheon on Friday at the '09 annual ITEA conference, rather than a Thursday evening dinner event as in Texas and Utah. The noon-time meal and awards program will lead into the CTTE Business Meeting and Committee Worksession.
- \* **Awards / Awards / Awards:** CTTE recognizes many individuals and institutions on an annual basis. As you plan ahead for the fall, think about nominating yourself, colleagues, or your school for a Council award. Award categories are on the CTTE website and will be highlighted in media early fall term.
- \* **Use of CTTE Yearbooks For Fall '09 Classes:** CTTE that are out-of-print are the intellectual property of the Council. Should you need permission to duplicate a part of, or entire, yearbook . . . contact: rseymour@bsu.edu
- \* **Appreciation For CTTE Officers / Chairs:** CTTE is indeed fortunate to have an effective, professional officer team in place . . . along with fine leadership of committees and tasks. THANKS TO ALL FOR YOUR WORK / EFFORTS / CONTRIBUTIONS.

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*Check out all the updates at the re-launched Council website!*