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# the technology professionals newsletter of New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland



### **NBSCETT's Presidents' Award**

for 2005 was presented at the Society's annual Presidents Banquet, held this year April 28th at the Fredericton Delta Hotel. The presentation was made by President Elect Tim Scammell, CET (at right) to the City of Moncton Human Resources Dept., represented by, (left to right) Acting Commissioner of Engineering & Public Works, Richard Landry; Kathy Dewitt, HR Coordinator, and City of Moncton HR Director, Lorraine Hanson.

Upon receiving the award, Ms. Hanson expressed appreciation on behalf of the

City, and also commended the Society for the academic standards of nationally accredited NBCC-CCNB applied science and engineering technology programs whose graduates become certified professional members of the Society, and qualified municipal staff. The NBSCETT Presidents Award is granted to an organization "representing the technology employer in New Brunswick that promotes and encourages certification of its employees and the endeavours of the Society."

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**PEI Councillors are needed:** ACETTPEI is currently looking for individuals to fill two vacant Councillor positions. If you are a certified member in PEI, and interested in participating in the governance of your professional association, call the ACETTPEI today.

#### **ACETTPEI** welcomes new members:

Spencer David MacPhee, CET
Christine Mahler, CET
Robert Cheverie, CET
Andrew Lidstone, CET
Matthew Ostridge, CET
Timothy E. Phelan, CET
Jonothan Spears, CTech
Robert Moffat, CTech
Paul Scott, CTech
Dean Stewart, CTech
Edward Feehan, CTech

These individuals have been removed from the ACETTPEI roster:

Cindy Ellis
Brenton MacKinnon
Mark MacLeod
Leo McKenna
Michelle Metivier
Blair Phillips
Richard smit
David Wedlock

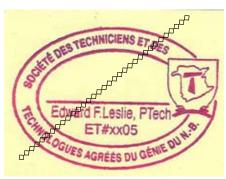






The Member Identification stamp (english and french) order form is available from the NBSCETT-SttagN-B website; as well as the Technology ring order form.

www.nbscett.nb.ca







Whether it is the Society's certified member's identification stamp, the wall certificate, or the Technology ring worn by Professional Technologists and Certified Technicians (on the small finger of the working hand) these indicators announce the certified member status, and recognition within the multi-disciplinary team. Society members, as well as the public, help protect these legislated titles by reporting any misuse. The New Brunswick Engineering Technology Act (July 1986) states it is an offence for anyone who is not a full member of the Society to use the titles in any form: Certified Engineering Technician/Technollgist, Certified Technician, Applied Science Technologist, Professional Technologist, or the like of: CET, CTech, AScT or PTech. Someone may mistakenly use a protected title, or possibly a nonmember continues to display a Society wall certificate, or wear a Technology ring after being struck from the registry, giving the impression they're certified. When no longer a member, certificates and all other identifying items must be returned. For reporting details call Society office.

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NBSCETT's annual membership renewal fees are due on January 1st of each new year, and valid through to December 31st of each year.

The late payment date is January 31st; and the late payment charge is \$50.00. The Registry removal date is March 31st; and employers will be notified of 'struck off' members.

Certified/Associate members who are unemployed, are full time students, or, are permanently retired from the workforce, may apply for 80% reduction in dues, upon receipt of resumés / affidavits.

Please, help your professional Society better use the resources for education, the profession, and the promotion and protection of titles.

All members are urged to notify the Society office at their earliest convenience, should they have any question / concern; and to inform of any changes to their employment, or their contact information.



Present at the Annual Presidents Awards Banquet, Friday evening April 28, to receive their 25 year lapel pin and wall certificate were (left to right); V. Timothy Chase, CET; Cedric C. Boone, CET; and Timothy C. MacDonald, PTech; from President Elect Tim Scammell, CET.

The Presidents Awards Banquet was sponsored by Meloche Monex TD Financial.

## **New Certified NBSCETT /** SttagN-B members 2005-2006

Rodney Ackerman, PTech Aret Akcakiryan, CTech Pierre Albert, PTech Denis Allain, CET Russell Allen, PTech Aaron Archibald, PTech Allan Arpin, PTech Daniel Arseneau, PTech Eric Arseneault, PTech Michael Arthurs, PTech Alfred Babineau, CTech Thomas Barter, CTech Jason Barton, PTech Steven Beaudet, CTech Michel Beaudoin, PTech Garrett Bell, CET Jason Bernatchez, PTech Mathieu Boudreau, PTech Stephane Breau, PTech Noel-Guy Brideau, CET Barry Brown, PTech Robert G. Brown, PTech Dolores Bryar, CTech Ewan Butler, PTech Crystal Ann Caines, PTech Gregory Hanlon, CET Steven Cameron, PTech Michel Caron, PTech Eric Caron, PTech Michael Carr, CET Sherri Carroll, AScT Wade Chown, CET Nicholas Christie, CTech Luc Clavette, PTech Chris Cochrane, PTech S. Dwight Colbourne, CET R. Ross Ketch, PTech Marc Colwell, PTech Francis Comeau, PTech Marc Comeau, CET Chet Cooling, PTech Christine Cormier, PTech Etienne Cormier, CET Patrick Crain, PTech Heber A. Cuellar, PTech Melanie Dargavel, PTech Christian Day, PTech Ricky Desjardins, CET Jean-Luc Doiron, CET Ryan A. Dollar, PTech

David Doucette, CET Jonathan Dueck, PTech Michel Duguay, CTech Michael Dumaresq, CTech Scott Enman, PTech Chandra L. Fagan, CET Michael Fallon, PTech Matthew Fenwick, CET Jean-Guy Ferlatte, CTech Charles Fisher, CET John Fletcher, CET Michael Forrester, PTech Brian Fraser, PTech Garett Freeze, PTech Thomas Gardner, CTech Dean Gilliss, PTech Robert Godin, PTech Steven Goral, CET Troy Gordon, CET Andrew Gorman, CET Daniel Gray, PTech Morgan Gunter, PTech Hugo Hache, CET Peter Hamm, PTech Michael Hickey, PTech Steven Higginbotham, CTech Karen Howe, PTech Kevin Humble, PTech Ivan Jardine, CET Gregory Johannesen, PTech Ronald Johnston, PTech Deborah Kay, CTech Arthur Kenny, CET Paul Kierstead, CTech Michael Knowles, PTech Shirley Lamontagne, CTech Maurice Lavoie, PTech Pierre LeBlanc, PTech Melanie LeBlanc, AScT Neil LeBlanc, CTech Gaetan Leclerc, PTech Serge Leger, PTech Michael Leggett, CET Jason Lehman, PTech Donald Lirette, PTech Paul Glenn Lynk, CTech Thomas MacNeil, CET

Shannon Dorrans, PTech

## New Certified NBSCETT / SttagN-B members 2005-2006 ...continued...

Dennis MacPherson, CTech Kimberley Malley, PTech D. Colin Matchett, PTech Doug McCluskey, CET Aaron McConnell, PTech Roger McDonald, CTech Denis McLaughlin, CTech Donald McLaughlin, CTech Gordon McLean, PTech Shawn McLean, PTech Terrance Melanson, PTech Wayne Mercer, CET Tanya Mitchell, PTech Travis Mowatt, PTech Colin Murray, CET S.R. Hank Nason, CTech John Nason, PTech Gordon Neilson, PTech Troy O'Brien, PTech Tanya O'Donnell, CET Stephen O'Hearn, PTech Shawn Paquet, CET Christopher Paquet, CET Jamie Parker, PTech Christine Pearson, PTech Denessa Pollock, PTech Bradley Pooley, PTech Terance Price, CTech Christopher Purdy, PTech Peter Reynolds, PTech Dennis Richard, PTech Herve Richard, PTech Ashley Rickard, CTech Shane Robichaud, PTech Allan Robichaud, PTech Andrew Robinson, CTech Darrell Rodgers, CTech Mark Ross, CET Patrick Scouten, CTech Jeffrey Shaw, PTech David Simpson, PTech Eric Sirois, CET Dennis Smith, CTech Gregory Smith, CTech James Somerville, PTech Matthew Springer, PTech Adam St.Amand, CTech Ronald Stiles, CTech Claudette St-Onge, CET Peter Stymiest, PTech

Clement Surette, PTech Andrew Sutherland, PTech Luke Swim, PTech James Tingley, CTech Ross Titcomb, CTech Wayne Titus, CTech Troy Vautour, PTech Devin Waterbury, PTech Jason Waye, PTech Matthew Wilson, PTech Robert Zelward, PTech

#### 25 Year Members

Stephen W. Baxter, CET Normand F. Beaulieu, CET Cedric D. Boone, CET Kim D. Boone, CET John L. Brennan, CET Kenneth A. Brown, CET Leonard P. Bryar, CET Gerard Caissie, CET Graham P. Caldwell, CET V. Timothy Chase, CET Kenneth J. Cromwell, CET John B. Crowley, CET Michael H. Deware, CET Brenda L.Dore-Kidney, CET Raymond A. Doucet, CET Denis J.G. Frenette, CET Michel Grant, CET M.M. Daniel Harvey, CET Cynthia J. Hearn, PTech Gerard F. Hebert, CET david W. Hetherinton, CEt Neil A. Jewett, CET Henri-Paul Larocque, CET Paul E. LeBlanc, CET Wayne S. Lewis, CET Timothy C. MacDonald, PTech William T. MacLean, CET Normand S. Nalenfact, CET John A. McLaughlin, CET Clifton A. Nason, CET N. Sean Nobles, CET E. James Nyers, PTech Timothy J. O'Connor, CET Daniel Pelletier, PTech Willaim A. Rogers, CET Dale A. Steeves, CET Richard G. Tingley, CET Gui E. Violette, CET Paul R. Walkington, CET

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The difficulty faced by young Canadians transitioning from school to work, and gaining relevant work experience is well documented. Structured internships can provide meaningful work experience for young graduates.

The first work program which is funded by Human Resources Skills Development Canada (HRSDC) was developed to provide assistance to graduates from Technician, Technologist or Applied Science programs in obtaining experience in their field of study.

First Work helps employers build and enhance their technical capacity through subsidized funding while providing graduates with relevant work experience and possible long-term employment.

This program will be of particular interest to those technology or applied science graduates interested in spring-boarding into a compatible work environment as a first step in their new career.

For further information please contact us at (613) 233-1955 ext 27

or visit our website http://www.cthrb.ca/Activities/ InternshipProgram.htm

#### President's AGM Report

As the Society's President, I have seen some positive changes in my first year tenure; and I would like to thank my colleagues and staff for all their support. I would like to catapult this organization into the 21<sup>st</sup> century; and I will continue in my second year to strive for professionalism within our Society. We should all be family, and by this I mean all members, regardless of category, must have a strong sense of belonging as one unit, going across this country and having our voices heard. We all, whether members, governors, staff, or stakeholders, have similar goals.

CCTT has on their agenda to have one designation across this country. My designation is PTech which I am proud of; and I know our related organizations and industry representatives have accepted this new title.

We are pleased to now have a "Public Councillor" on our provincial board. This addition helps the Council in looking outside the box, looking at how the Society works proactively and reactively through our policies and processes.

Volunteers are very important to us. This is national Volunteer Week in Canada, and as a volunteer you will experience a great deal of new, and valuable experiences within the Society. I have experienced, Pride, Honor, Accomplishments and Camaraderie with everyone that I have been in contact with. (And that professional association involvement and volunteerism, also looks go on a resume.)

We also have members working on the national level, in many different aspects of the provincial-national federation including; interprovincial certification criteria; national academic standards; international qualifications assessment; international reciprocal agreements; and, interprovincial membership and promotional issues, to name just a few. I am proud that New Brunswick's members now have access to professional liability insurance, and I am very pleased that the national federation is endorsing a fully national program for all technician and technologist members.

One of my commitments to the Society which gives me pride of participation is the Ad Hoc Task Force with the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of New Brunswick (APEGNB) which is preparing the legislation changes, by-law regulations and standards criteria for our association's members to have 'limited licensing' to practice Professional Engineering. These talks are underway with our related provincial organizations across the country. For Professional Technologists to be able to open their own business, and to practice "professional engineering" independently, would be a large milestone.

During the past year, I have had the pleasure with pride to attend numerous functions on behalf of the Society; and I have been welcomed warmly at all and enjoyed them all.

When we work together, Together Everyone Achieves More. (TEAM)

Jim Nyers PTech - President 2005, 2006





NBSCETT President E. James Nyers, PTech is presented with his 25 year lapel pin and certificate by Registrar Kenneth C. Brown, PTech, at the luncheon after the members Annual General Meeting, Sat., April 29 at the Delta Hotel, Fredericton.

The AGM Luncheon was sponsored by Manulife Financial.

Melanie LeBlanc, AScT

Ron LeBlanc, PTech

Roger Leger, PTech

#### Participating:

Steven Barton, PTech Ed Leslie, CAE, PTech Justin G. Beaulieu, CET Colin D. Matchett. PTech Donald Belanger, PTech Shawn McLean Kenneth C. Brown, PTech Tim MacDonald, PTech Tim Chase, CET Jean-Luc Michaud, CET Robert G. Clarke, CET Jim Nyers, PTech Bruce Forbes, CET Peter Pinette, CET Ken Geldart. PTech Roger Poitras, PTech Lloyd D. Giggie, CET Eldon Rogers, CET Jason Godfrey, PTech Tim Scammell, CET Stephen Gould, CET Melanie Blue-Schneider, CET Fred J. Herket, CET Orville Scott, CET Barry Jones, PhD David Sheaves, CET Fred Lawton, CET John Siggers, C.E.T.

AGM#06-01 President Nyers called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM, and thanked everyone for their

participation.

AGM#06-02 There was a moment of silence to honour deceased Society members of the past year.

Carl A. Smidt, CET

Yaro Zajac, MBA, CAE

AGM#06-03 Acceptance of the minutes of the April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2005 (37<sup>th</sup>) Annual General Meeting was M/S (T. Scammell / K. Brown). Carried

President's Report: (see AtlanTECH page 7)

AGM#06-04 President Nyers thanked all the volunteers that participated with NBSCETT and encouraged more people to get involved. For more information, call the office.

AGM#06-05 President Nyers spoke about the new designation PTech, and encouraged all members at Technologist level change from CET to PTech.

AGM#06-06 President Nyers introduced our New Public Councillor, Barry Jones, PhD.

AGM#06-07 Acceptance of the President's Report was M/S (R. LeBlanc / S. Barton.) Carried

Executive Director's Report: (see AtlanTECH page 13)

AGM#06-08 E.D. Leslie spoke about the new campaign

"Who are we? / Qui Sommes — Nous?" We are more success in National Accreditation both from the instruction point as well as in the matter of gaining intake and output standards.

AGM#06-09

E.D. Leslie spoke about the Registered Professional Technologist (RPT), although some jurisdictions may be using LLH (Limited License Holder), and there are various agreements in place in other CMs for "limited license". New Brunswick is waiting the standards to be put together by the Canadian Council of Professional Engineers. Ontario has already signed an agreement with PEO. President Nyers and E.D. Leslie are participants on the APEGNB Task Force.

AGM#06-10 Acceptance of the Executive Director's Report was M/S (D. Sheaves / R.J. Poitras)

Carried

#### Registrar's Report:

AGM#06-II K. Brown spoke about the Professional Development Assurance (PDA) programs, and informed everyone that there have been some changes to the form and it will be updated. He encouraged everyone to complete the form once a year; it will be beneficial both to the member and the

employer.

AGM#06-12 K. Brown asked everyone to take note that we are seeking team members for biennial Accreditation Reviews, if you are available or know of anybody who might be interested to contact himself or the office. He stressed that it's not a waste of time and would be

very helpful.

AGM#06-13 Acceptance of the Registrar's Report was M/S (B. Forbes / E. Rogers) Carried

#### **Introduction of Special Guests:**

National Director from ACETTPEI – Steven Gould, CET

AGM#06-14 It's my sincere pleasure to be here with you today and to bring you warm greetings on behalf of our National Organization. I hope that your meetings will be productive, and they will leave this place energized, knowing that technicians and technologists are a well represented and

active community in Canada. Too often, we fail to take time in our professional lives to recognize the fact that our roles in business and governments make a substantial contribution to the Canadian economy and to the social fabric of the world we live in. In fact, technician's and technologists are central to Canada's economic output — we have the skills that create economic wealth and drive business forward. When you look at the world around us, you do not have to look far to find a technician or a technologist who is making a substantial impact. I want to talk about the importance of the world of technicians and technologists, today and tomorrow.

Canada is a world leader in the application of new technology, and technicians are key elements in Canada's success. We make a difference in nearly every facet of business, industry and government. Our combination of focused theoretical knowledge and finely tuned practical abilities has led to a strong demand for our skills across Canada and around the world. Certified technicians and technologists enjoy excellent salaries, high rates of employment and great deal of respect from other professionals. With over 47000 certified members, through our provincial constituent members, CCTT has the critical mass to be an engaged and compelling voice in Canada's productivity gap, labour mobility, and job creation within the technology sector. By any measure, we represent a significant element of Canada's economic fabric and skills base economy. Although we have the national presence and member strength to present a strong and united voice, we have a lot of work to do to raise our profile. We live in a world that is dominated by IT, telecom issues and, too often, technology is just assumed to be about information and communications technologies. To address the skills gap, and to really give proper attention to the impact of technology on our economic output in Canada, we need to get out a message that technology is more than just IT. While information and communications technologies are important to business and a sound investment for government, we must recognize that Canada's economy does not exist on the information highway alone. We have significant input in other areas where technology plays a role, in traditional industries in resources sectors, transportation, and building. These are major industries in Canada and they are industries that rely on hundreds of thousand of technicians and technologists well beyond our certified members. The messages we need to communicate are clear: we have the skills that drive our economy, we produce innovations that the world relies on, there are not enough Technicians and Technologist working today to maintain our economic productivity, and we need more technicians and technologists, today. So, how do we move this agenda forward? For our part, CCTT is working to develop public and government relations that raise our profile in Ottawa. We have a responsibility to move job creation and skills issues forward so that the employment future of our members and prospective members is secure. I encourage you to lend your voice to our message that Canada's technicians

and technologists are the backbone of our economic future. Our office in Ottawa is busy with the work of renewing the CCTT federation, and the relationships between provincial constituent members like your association and the CCTT national office. We have approved and are implementing a new strategic plan; we are expanding the impact of National Technology Week, and we are re-building our communications programs to ensure that our national office and constituent members are well prepared to effectively communicate our message. From our public image to our working relationships, CCTT is undergoing dramatic change, and the timing could not be better. In the global world, the roles that technicians and technologistst play can have greater prominence. Canadian certified technicians and technologists work in 14 disciplines, not only IT, and we have an impact on local and global markets, no matter which of the 14 disciplines we work in, and regardless of which industry we apply our skills to. What's more, Canada is in the midst of a national productivity crisis, with thousands of unfilled positions in construction, oil and gas, resourcebased industries, and even a resurging IT sector. In order to engage the workforce of technicians and technologists, we need to be begin informing the world around us that we want to play a significant role. We need to ensure that we are not overlooked when decision-makers talk about economic issues, and that we are at the table when job development and skills issues are being discussed. It will please you to know that your national body, CCTT, is positioning itself to be at the centre of these debates. As an organization, we accredit the colleges that certify technicians and technologists, we maintain the international agreements that recognize foreign credentials, and we are connected to over 47,000 certified technicians and technologists who are members of their provincial associations. We are Canada's authority on technology. CCTT currently accredits over 240 programs for technicians and technologists in Canada, and the list is growing. We work from province to province to ensure that these programs and their graduates are recognized on a national basis and that workers can mover freely without our borders. Internationally, we have signed benchmark accords such as the Engineering Technologists Mobility Forum (ETMF), to create an environment where the credentials of certified technicians and technologists are recognized around the world. Not only will this help with recognition within Canada, but it will also simplify the international recognition of our credentials. It is important for you to know that we are not just sitting at the international table, but that we are perceived as being a leader there. CCTT takes a leadership role with domestic and international affairs in very tangible ways. At home, we are deeply involved in updating and maintaining a set Canadian technology standards. These standards are used for the evaluation of Canadian training programs for technicians and technologists and an important benchmark for measuring the capabilities of our certified members in Canada and beyond. We are also working beyond existing international agreements to strike new accords with key partners off-line. One key accord we have initiated is a mobility agreement between the United States and Canada so that our specific needs in a free trading environment are recognized. This accord, and the larger agreements that it could lead to, will help us secure freer access to the US market for employment, and also help us stay ahead of any issues by setting a level playing filed around mobility within North America. In many ways, our work in Canada and abroad is part of a process of engagement. Getting our message to be heard involves playing a greater role than our day to day activities and responsibilities require. A significant program we work on that goes above and beyond our mandate is National Technology Week. National Technology Week is Canada's week-long celebration of innovation in technology? CCTT is the week's national champion, and coordinate all aspects of promotion, public information, events and activities that occur under the banner of National Technology Week. Each fall, National Technology Week challenges youth to explore career options in applied science and technology, through presentations, classroom activities and information on the 14 disciplines of technicians and technologists. The date for this year's National Technology is October 30<sup>th</sup> – November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2006 and there are already a number of activities underway. We are updating our website for National Technology Week 2006, and plan to run a number of popular programs again this year, including: a national poster design contest for student in grades 7 and 8, presentations and open houses for students and parents at schools and community colleges, and official proclamations of November I, 2006 as National Technology Day. I encourage you to look us up on the web and stay tuned for news and developments. We are always open to new partnerships and ideas to help promote the week, and I invite you to become involved at the local level by making a presentation, working on National Technology Day activities in your community, or by persuading your company or organization to work with us and finds ways we can bring our message to Canada's youth. So I would summarize my remarks today by saying that the world of technicians and technologists is a dynamic one. It's a world where we have an impact and where our influence is growing. As a professional community, we must continually strive to improve communication, to break down barriers that limit our potential and to ensure that our voice is heard in Canada and abroad. I encourage you to work with us, to learn more about our mission in Canada and to support our efforts in any way you can. We are working for you, and your input will only make us a better representative of your issues and needs. I want to wish your Council much success in the year ahead, as well as the thank you for your continued participation and enthusiasm. As an Association, CCTT is only the sum of its many parts, and we recognize that your contributions are what make technicians and technologists in Canada a proud and connected community.

Thank you and best of success in your endeavors.

#### TechNova President John Siggers

AGM#06-IS Mr. President, Council, Members and guests, it is with great pleasure that I bring to you greetings and best wishes from the Council and members of TechNova. I am pleased to say that this is my second official visit since being elected as President of TechNova NBSCETT, my first being one to ACETTPEI's AGM, yesterday.

Over the years NBSCETT and TechNova have had a close, friendly and mutual working relationship. Working closely together on projects and policies and adopting and sharing each other's ideas. It is not a great surprise to note that the wording of our Act and By-Laws are so similar. We have copied your Professional Development Assurance Plan, the only difference being that ours is voluntary whereas your is mandatory. Our previous Registrar worked closely with your Registrar Ken Brown, PTech sharing Certification Policies, Exams, and Member Transfers etc. I am confident that our new Registrar Joe Simms, CET and Ken will work as well together. I am looking forward to meeting and working with you James and all of the other Presidents at the Assebly Of Presidents at the CCTT AGM.

After nearly a decade of enjoying one of the finest views of Halifax Harbor from our office at Belmont House in Dartmouth we are being squeezed out by an expanding law firm which surrounds us on all sides. In July we are moving to a larger suite of offices in Burnside Industrial Park. I will now have my own office and not the have to "time share" with Ed and Joe. There will also be adequate free parking and easy access from the main highway leading to the McKay Bridge. I offer an invitation to any of you who may be in the area to stop by for a visit.

In closing I wish you success and all the best in all of your future endeavors and I thank you for inviting my wife and me to join you at your AGM today.

#### ACETTPEI President, Melanie Blue, CET

AGM#06-16 Thank you to President Nyers, President Elect Scammell, Ed Leslie, the NBSCETT Council and members for the privilege of joining you this weekend. I bring greetings from ACETTPEI, our newly past president Brian McLellan, our Council, members and myself.

Due to Prince Edward Island's small size, and ACETTPEI's relative youth as a provincial association for engineering technicians and technologists, PEI is the runt of the family of provincial bodies. We have required quite a bit of assistance and extra care from our sister associations. New Brunswick has always been very forthcoming with support, compassion and kindness. We are grateful for everything that you have done for us in the past and all you may do for us in the future.

Thursday night was ACETTPEI's AGM at which we heard greetings from Councillor Mr. Ken Geldart from NBSCETT and President John Siggers from TechNova. This greeting was originally going to end with the comment that the council of ACETTPEI can only hope to one be able to repay NB and NS for all of their help and support, until hearing the gentlemen speak the other night. Their greeting enlightened me to the fact that the help, support and learning from each other and leaning on each other is a full circle in the Maritimes. Thank you gentlemen for your insights and I hope the relationships only grow stronger in the future.

Congratulations on your many years and this coming year and this weekend's AGM be a great success.

#### CCTT's Executive Director, Yaroslow Zajac

AGM#06-17 Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen

I am honoured to have this opportunity to join Mr. Gould, CCTT's Vice President, in bringing you greetings from your fellow certified technicians and technologists across Canada. Their number's, by the way, is now approaching 50,000. I also wish to offer you my sincere commendation for NBSCETT's many years of active participation in the work of CCTT. While NBSCETT is not a small organization, neither is it a particularly large one. Yet your contributions to advancing the interests of technicians and technologists across this country far outweigh what may be expected from your actual numbers. Two past Presidents of CCTT hail from NBSCETT. They are with us this morning. Mr. Brown is an active participant in the work of the Council of Registrars. Mr. Poitras is a member of the CCTT Board of Directors. Many of your volunteers serve on CCTT Committees. For all that and more, your fellow technology professionals hold you in respect and your work is much appreciated.

On a personal note, I must tell you how grateful I am for the assistance and support that your Executive Director, Mr. Edward Leslie, has given me since the very first days of my engagement at CCTT. Never a week goes by that I do not seek Ed's advice. He always provides it with wisdom, grace and good humour. Ladies and Gentlemen, in the person of Ed Leslie, NBSCETT is blessed with an Executive Director who is effective, professional, and, in many respects, the source of your many successes. And for me it is a great pleasure and honour to be working with him.

You know, a national federation such as CCTT is, by its very nature, a brittle construct. Unless nurtured very carefully, any component of a federation can easily withdraw. Look at Canada. In the case of CCTT, which effectively has only ten members, the loss of any one component of the federation would have disastrous effect.

Given that very real danger, the task of those who lead the federation is to devise the means by which the brittleness of the federation can be eliminated or, at least, reduced radically. That can be achieved only by creating the circumstances where the federation becomes indispensable to its individual components. In the case of CCTT, the national council must become indispensable to the provincial constituent members.

How do we do that? In the first place, we do not compete with the provinces, that is, we do not offer your members services, reduced car rental rates for instance, that are already being made available locally. Rather we act on a national scale and do that which the provinces cannot do from a provincial base. That includes:

- Federal government relations;
- Visibility building for technicians and technologists on a national scale:
- Relations with other national bodies that hold common interests:
- National programs such as the professional liability insurance program now on offer;
- Support for interprovincial mobility of technicians and technologists;
- Representation of Canadian certified technicians and technologists in the international arena and the development of bilateral and multilateral accords that support cross-border mobility; and
- Facilitation of interprovincial discussions and activities.

But to come back to my starting point, all such CCTT work is dependent on your support and your contributions. NBSCETT offers both such support and contributions in quality and quantity. So, as I offer my thanks, I also offer my best wishes for the success of your deliberations during this Annual Meeting and, thereafter, for the success of your new NBSCETT Council.

It is a pleasure to be here. Thank you for having me here; and thank you for your hospitality.

#### **Board Reports:**

#### Certification Report:

AGM#06-18

If anyone is interested in participation in the Certification Board, please contact the Society office.

AGM#06-19 Acceptance of the

Certification Report was M/S (D. Sheaves / T. Scammell).		AGM#06-28	Acceptance of the Nomination Committee Report was M/S (S.
	Carried		McLean / J. Beaulier) Carried
Accreditation's Report:		Human Resources Committee Report:	
AGM#06-20	Mr. Lawton asked anyone who is interested in becoming a team member to contact the himself or the Society, there is currently 221 reviewers needed.	AGM#06-29	The HR Committee met several times during the year to complete the performance reviews of the Executive Director. R. Clarke, CET, thanked President Elect, Tim Scammell and Vice President David Sheaves for their
AGM#06-21 was (K. Brown,	Acceptance of the Accreditation's Report K. Geldart).		participation and support.
Committee Reports:		AGM#06-30	Acceptance of the Human Resource Committee Report was M/S (R. Poitras, D. Belanger). Carried
Finance Committee Report:			C
AGM#06-22	E.D. Leslie spoke about the current financial statement. We are still running a deficit,		Canadian Council of Technicians and Technologists Director's Report:
	most of it is from accommodations and travel for promotions. We are still paying for moving, and we are being efficient as possible but there are some things we can't control.	AGM#06-31	CCTT Director, R. Poitras reviewed some of the past year's national highlights since NBSCETT's 2005 AGM. The Board of Directors will meet on June 8 <sup>th</sup> , 9 <sup>th</sup> , and 10 <sup>th</sup> in Toronto. R. Poitras is very pleased with
AGM#06-23	Acceptance of the Auditor's Report was (D. Sheaves / T. Scammell) Carried		the extremely active organization, he also thanked everyone for their continuing work for the benefit of the profession.
AGM#06-24	The appointment of Auditors EPR Daye Kelly & Associates for the 2005 fiscal year was M/S (F. Lawton / D. Sheaves)	AGM#06-32 was M/S ( P. Pi	Acceptance of the CCTT Director's Report nette / F. Hekert)  Carried
	Carried	New Business:	
AGM#06-25	E.D. Leslie spoke about the Technology	Signing Officer's Resolution:	
	Foundation that was established eight years ago to promote certified status in New Brunswick by NBSCETT. We are currently	AGM#06-33	Acceptance of the signing officer's resolution was M/S (D. McDonald / K. Geldart)  Carried
	donating \$2500.00 per year, E.D. Leslie encourages more people to participate in the Technology Foundation.	By-Law Amendment:	
AGM#06-26	Acceptance of the Technology Foundation Audit 2005 statement was M/S (F. Herkert / JL. Michaud)  Carried	AGM#06-34	Acceptance to amend By-Law 17.06 was M/S (K. Brown / S. Barton) to amend By-Law 17.06 by removing "of \$10.00" Carried
Nominating Committee Report:		AGM#06-35	Acceptance to amend By-Law 6.08 (o) was M/S (J. Godfrey / S. Barton) be amended by
AGM#06-27	E.D. Leslie introduced the new participants in the 2006-2007 Council, D. Colin Matchett, PTech, North East Distric Councillor: Jean-		removing the words in the first paragraph, "The maximum total Council membership shall be fourteen (14) individuals including

AGM#06-36 Acceptance to amend By-Law 6.08 title

four.

the provincial representative to the Past

President."; and, by deleting paragraph

Carried

PTech, North East Distric Councillor; Jean-

Luc Michaud, CET, North West Distric

Councillor; and Barry C. Jones, PhD, Public

Councillor.

"Elections and Voting by Mail", to "Elections, Appointments, and Voting by Mail". Amend the wording to, "... (CCTT) Board of Director, the immediate Past President, and the appointed public member "Public Councillor." Within By-Law 6.08, add item The Nomination Committee shall ensure at least one (I) nominee for Council's Public representative who shall not be a certified member. The public appointee Public Councillor shall be appointed by a recommendation vote of Council at the first meeting of the new Council term as applicable, for a term of three (3) years and may be eligible to be re-appointed to one (I) additional term of three (3) years. The Public Councillor shall be afforded all benefits / responsibilities as per all voting Council participants was M/S (P. Pinette / D. Sheaves). Carried

AGM#06-37

Acceptance to amend By-Law 6.09(a) by changing "...Roberts Rules of Order.", to "...the CSAE Guide to Better Meetings for Directors of Non-Profit Organizations." was M/S (T. Scammell / B Jones). Carried

AGM#06-38

Public Councillor, Barry Jones, PhD, suggested that he submit an independent report.

AGM#06-39

Acceptance of adjournment at 12:10 PM moved R.J.G LeBlanc.

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#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

AGM 2006 - 04 - 29

Following the April Council and '05 AGM, most efforts centred on follow ups required of those meetings, preparation continuing for the website rebuild, member affinity program expansion, as well as continuing work with the SkillsCan-NB Board, presentations at the 'ExploreMyFuture' Career Expos, including CFB Gagetown, volunteer appreciation items and member 'memorabilia'. Along with other CMs Executive Staff Officers (ESO) met in Toronto to further work on the 'national' aspects of the federation; in collaboration with the CCTT Executive Director. Under the heading of 'assisting members' a number of certified technicians and technologists have requested information and assistance in dealing with matters relating to ethical issues, labour relations related, and government interaction. Presentations to graduating classes of nationally accredited programs of the NBCC-CCNB were done in May and June, along with confirmation of Society Bursaries and Scholarships; and by invitation, I was the only public member participating in the TED "Fund Raising (Foundation) Steering Committee". A new legacy from the Society was launched last June at NBCC-Saint John, as a Mechanical Engineering Technology graduate received the inaugural \$500. Richard P. Jackson CET Scholarship. All Bursaries/Scholarships are now awarded by the Society from the Technology Foundation/Charite Technologie. Another opportunity to promote the Society and the members to the government and industry, was the Open Forum Consult regarding the question of Point LePreau Refurbishment conducted by Premier Lord, and again at the 'Announcement" hosted by NBPower CEO, President David Hay. The summer season unfortunately was not a very relaxing/enjoyable time for me personally due to the death of my Mother-In-Law and related family issues in Ontario; and also the on-going experience of kidney stones.

The relationship between the Society and various levels of the NBCC-CCNB were clarified in a presentation consult, and I was assisted by Registrar Ken Brown and NB-CTAB Director Fred Lawton in aligning the communication and responsibility protocols regarding the Society's national accreditation of the college's programs, in light of the "Academic Renewal" / "College Restructuring" initiatives.

The major event in the autumn of '05 was the CCTT AGM, Board of Directors, the national federation's Members Meeting, and the meetings of the ESO and COR, all held in Winnipeg. The CCTT-CM's 'ESO' had held a number of conference calls during the previous months, regarding the CCTT Strategic Plan, the CCTT Budget, and the National Technology Week (NTW) of which I am also the Organizing Committee ESO member. At the CCTT AGM NBSCETT was proudly acclaimed leader in the move to "Professional Technologist; PTech" designation; the establishment of a Professional Development Assurance Program (PDA); advancement of designation/ academic standards within Ministry legislation; advancement of career awareness through the National Technology

Week school participation (all NTW'05 poster competition winners were New Brunswick students in grades 7, 8), and the inclusion of Professional Practice and Ethics course and exam within the colleges' curriculum. Bi-monthly, participated in the Steering Committee of the NBCC-CCNB Technology Foundation, particularly in the issues of 'image', public relations, and solicitations. As part of my promotions and public awareness campaign of the Society, its endeavours, members, and technology careers, I presented at the New Brunswick Career Development Action Group (NBCDAG) Nov 29,30, have been asked to confirm presentations in 2006; and have been invited to present at the Nova Scotia provincial event. Other opportunities to promote the Society and the members was the "Future is Here" student Career Expo at North Carleton High, Bristol, November 15; first and second year students of the Environmental Technology program at NBCC-Miramichi, and an entire day speaking with the students of Leo Hayes High School, Fredericton. While I was away to the CCTT AGM meetings, Councillor Don Belanger represented the Society at the Bathurst, NB "ExploreMyFuture" Career Expo. My participation on the Minister's (Education) Advisory Committee on Testing and Evaluation (MACTE) continues into the fourth year, and a joint meeting was held in Nov. with the Provincial Curriculum Advisory Committee (PCAC).

A national Professional Liability Insurance Program available to all members of the CCTT-CMs is now much closer to reality, as the ESO during the CCTT AGM meetings, agreed to the CCTT E.D. completing clarification of matrix rates and confirming participation clauses with Dale Parizeau L M Insurance of Quebec, which is a Broker for AIG Insurance of the USA. NBSCETT members will continue to be able to purchase Professional Liability Insurance (underwritten by ENCON) through Cain Insurance, of Fredericton, NB even after the national program is established.

The concept of "Registered Professional Technologist" (RPT) is now back to 'task force' status with the APEGNB; due to problematic issues of establishing the designation in their legislation, and the scopes of practice within their By-Laws. Along with NBSCETT President Nyers, I have been invited to participate in the Task Force on Limited License with the APEGNB current President, Past President, and two other Past Presidents, along with Executive Director Andrew McLeod. This issue is also a major issue of discussion by the CCTT-CM ESO'; and, the APEGBC have hired the former Registrar of ASTTBC to the position of Limited License Registration and Professional Development. The symbiotic APEGNB-NBSCETT relationship is further advanced by participation in the advancement with other stakeholder associations/agencies in establishing in NB legislation, the recently recommended "Uniform Liability Limitations Act", from the Uniform Law Conference of Canada. The Society office enjoyed the year-end 'seasonal' closure, the annual membership renewal fees were received more timely, and a number of initiatives have been energized, or completed. I was also requested to participate in the CCTT's exploration of issues/concerns of the "Foreign Qualifications Assessment Program"; and again have been chosen as the ESO representative on the National Technology Week (NTW) '06 Steering Committee. The Society's legal counsel has assisted the CCTT/CMs office(s) with guidance regarding organizational Director's Errors & Omissions coverage, as well as submitting an article concerning Bill C-45, published in AtlanTECH's February issue. Another opportunity to present the Society's endeavours and concerns was representing NBSCETT and the national scope of technicians and technologists immigrating into Canada, at a provincial open forum hosted by Minister Percy Mockler, Dept. Wellness, Culture and Sport, and responsible for the Immigration and Repatriation Secretariat; as well as at a provincial/national forum hosted by visiting federal Minister of Immigration Joseph Volpe.

Within my own discipline, I have again participated in the Nominating Committee for the Board of the Canadian Society of Association Executives (CSAE); was presented a wallplate of appreciation by the NB Toursim agency "Advantage NB" for personal efforts at the Sept. CSAE AGM in Charloetttetown, PEI; and, also as one of the originators of the "ExploreMyFuture. com" project, under the Dept. Post-Secondary Education and Training, I am featured as the first career search presenter on the rebuilt 'ExploreMyFuture.com' website in the "Speakers Bureau".

Edward F. Leslie, CAE, PTech - Executive Director



ACETTPEI Council 2006 (left to right)

Trent Collicut, Vice President; Marc Griffin, Councillor; Delbert Reeves, Treasurer; Brian Wall, Councillor; Melanie (Blue) Schneider, President; Brian McLellan, Past President; Laurie Eveleigh, Secretary; Alan Robison, Councillor; Stephen Gould, CCTT,-PEI Director; not available for photo, Registrar Tom MacDonald



**Tim Macdonald, PTech** (at left) received the 2005 **Member Of The Year Award** from President Elect Tim Scammell, at the 38th AGM Presidents Awards Banquet.



CCTT Executive Director Yaroslaw Zajac, MBA, CAE, (standing) and ACETTPEI-CCTT Director Stephen Gould, CET are on hand as ACETTPEI President Melanie (Blue) Schneider, CET signs the National Accreditation Agreement between ACETTPEI and the Canadian Technology Accreditation Board (CTAB).

#### Timothy C. MacDonald, PTech,

graduated from the Saint John Institute of Technology in June 1973, and immediately started working with Atlantic Industries Ltd. (AIL) as a sales representative for NB and NS, mentored by Bill McInery. Tim has held many positions with AIL, and has travelled from Newfoundland to Yukon, and enjoyed every minute of it, while becoming very knowledgeable in most of the AIL line of products. He worked in Newfoundland from '84 to '89, then returned to manage the Galvanizing Division until '95, when he was appointed Regional Manager for the Fabricating Division. In '97 he became Sales Mgr. for both the Galvanizing Div. and the Spiral Seam Duct.

"Tim has become our expert in Hot Dipped Galvanizing; his field experience in the assembly of large structural plate pipe projects is second to none; and he's been called on to assist with projects from BC to Labrador, and is the in-house trouble shooter for customers experiencing difficulties.", Wade Abbott, P.Eng., Gen.Mgr. AIL Eastern Canada. Tim married Brenda in August the same year his AIL career began, and they are very proud of their two children - Elaine and Gordon. Tim did his share of chauffeuring basketball teams and also discovered the surprisingly large number of air cadets fitting into a Caravan. As an avid golfer, member of the Sackville Golf Club, he's also served on the Board, and many years on committees. Tim says golf gets him in shape and ready for the long walks of fall hunting season (activities which yield the same results, of not finding what he's looking for). Tim has also served on many committees, as well as the Board of Directors as a member of the Sackville Legion.

Tim MacDonald has been an active NBSCETT member since 1988, has has been very supportive in the national accreditation program, both as a on-site review team member, and as an interim report reviewer.

Mr. Abbott continued, "On a professional level, Tim has worked for me in various capacities over the years and I have nothing but the utmost respect for his abilities, dedication to his employer and work ethic. On a personal level, Tim is a good friend and certainly worthy of commendation."

Tim's wife says the family is very glad to have him around the house, but hold their breath when he says, "Don't worry, I'll gear something up."



PTech, joins with NBCC Executive Director Richard Corey in signing the voluntary partnership "Memorandum Of Agreement" (MOU) between the two organizations, negotiated by Executive Director Ed Leslie, CAE, PTech. The partnership goals are to enhance relations between the two parties and to develop strategies to support and promote careers in technology.

(left to right) NBSCETT President E. James Nyers,

**NBSCETT and NBCC share common interests and goals**: - advance the careers of technologists and technicians in a manner that serves the public interest; - enhance the public's understanding of the roles and abilities of Professional Technologists and Certified Technicians in the workforce;

and, build a strong relationship to successfully promote careers in technology.

This MOA and accompanying Schedules may be revised by way of a document signed by both parties. Modifications may include adding or deleting scope of responsibilities where agreed to by both Parties. The Parties agree that the terms outlined in this MOA and accompanying Schedules will be in effect from the time of signing until December 31, 2010 at which time the agreement may, through an exchange of letters, be extended.



NBSCETT President Elect (at right) Tim Scammell,CET, presents the Society's 2005 Certificate of Appreciation to City Of Saint John Human Resources Director John MacIntyre; in recognition of the municipality's efforts implementing "certifed status" in all engineering/technical staff positions. PEI's Canadian Council of Technicians and Technologists (CCTT) Director Stephen Gould, CET, oversees the signing of the Canadian Technology Accreditation Board (CTAB) -NBSCETT Agreement, by President E. James Nyers, PTech, and Registrar Ken Brown, PTech.



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#### ACETTPEI Presidents' Letter

As the new President of ACETTPEI this is my first Presidents Letter. I am currently trying to figure out what should be said, and for a moment I am stumped – this is something that does not tend to happen to me as I am quite a chatterbox.

I guess starting at the April AGM where my Presidency commenced would be a good place. Our Annual General Meeting was held April 27,2006. Attendance was quite strong and we really appreciate all those who attended. We had many special guests that joined us including CCTT Executive Director Yaroslaw Zajac, TechNova President John Siggers, NBSCETT Council Member Kenneth Geldart amongst others ( I am sorry I do not have the space to name them all as they are each appreciated) . I would like to thank our guests for attending and supporting ACETTPEI, and for their Our guest speaker was Mark many kind words. Victor, P.Eng. presenting on the Hydrogen Village Development Proposed for the Village of Tignish, PEI. It was a very interesting presentation on a topic that I am certain will be in the forefront in the future. I look forward to seeing the Hydrogen Village Progress. We would like to take this time to acknowledge the work that was put into organizing the AGM, and for those companies that sponsored the AGM. This year we were sponsored by TD Meloche Monnex, Holland College, Maritime Electric, Cavendish Farms, The Rodd Charlottetown and GBS Communications. Since the AGM our council has been working hard trying to improve upon the application process, organization and membership benifits and keep up with the actions of CCTT and the national bodies. There is always a lot on the go, and this includes many things that we currently do not have the volunteer base to be able to take part. There is much that the ACETTPEI Council would like to be able to do for its members, approach companies about further membership benefits, improve our website, offer more merchandise, member events, and the like. In order to do so we require volunteers, if you would be interested in volunteering on Council, The Board of Examiners, or on other tasks you may be suitable for please contact us at (902)-892-TECH (7324) or at <a href="mailto:info@acettpei.ca">info@acettpei.ca</a>. We are open to your ideas on how we can serve you better and would appreciate your involvement.

Respectively Submitted, Melanie Schneider, CET





Montgomery Marks, graduate of NBCC - Saint John Mechanical Engineering Technology (at left) receives the Richard P. Jackson, CET Memorial Scholarship from NBSCETT President E. James Nyers, PTech. This award made possible by Richard's family's generous donation to the Society's Technology Foundation.

Major Don Duplisea, is awarded Honourary PTech membership by CCTT Director roger J. Poitras, PTech, and thanked for his many years of support and assistance to the society's Certification Board, as the DND certification liaison from CFB Gagetown.





NBSCETT North Councillor Kevin Chamberlain, PTech presents the Society's annual bursary to **CCNB-Bathurst**, to "Technology de l'environement" student **Monica Thibodeau**.

## Introducing NBSCETT/SttagN-B Councillors:

**Dave Sheaves, CET, Vice-President.** Dave came to New Brunswick in 1988 to work on the Canadian Patrol Frigates at SJ Shipbuilding, then in 1996 went to NBCC-Saint John and graduated with honours from Mechanical

Engineering Technology in '98. In 2000 he joined the SJ Branch and has been Vice-President and President; then became the SJ District Councillor in '03, and now serving as Vice-President. Dave is a Block Captain for Neighborhood Watch, is a long serving member of the Maintenance and Finance Committee of his church; in spare time enjoys fishing, woodworking and winemaking.



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