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**Fact 1:** Dating to 1964, the RAND Tablet Computer is argued to be the world's first tablet. This comes 46 years before Apple introduces the iPad!

Source: Davis, M; T. Ellis (August 1964). "The RAND Tablet: A Man-Machine Graphical Communication Device" <[http://www.rand.org/pubs/research\\_memoranda/2005/RM4122.pdf](http://www.rand.org/pubs/research_memoranda/2005/RM4122.pdf)>

**Fact 2:** The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy was broadcast as a radio comedy on BBC Radio 4 in 1978. The series was named after a fictional touch screen electronic tablet used in the play.

Source: "History of Tablet Computers." Wikipedia. Wikimedia Foundation, 31 Dec. 2012. Web. 12 Jan. 2013. <[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History\\_of\\_tablet\\_computers](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_tablet_computers)>

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RESOURCES, AND EMERGING DEVELOPMENTS IN CURRENT TECHNOLOGY ISSUES.



## PAECT MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Spring has finally arrived! The PETE&C conference was a wonderful success. Our registration totals surpassed all previous years'. The conference hosted three keynote speakers: Jonathan Strickland, Aaron Sams and Randy Wilhelm. Each speaker provided insight into his field and shared experiences with his audience. Some very special events took place during the conference. PAECT hosted the movie premiere of Look I'm Learning on Monday evening. This movie highlighted appropriate examples of learning with technology in early elementary education.

PAECT is busy planning numerous events for you to further your learning. Extending Aarons Sams' PETE&C keynote, PAECT will host Flipped Learning Network workshops on both sides of the state this Fall, and member-only webinars will continue to be held on a monthly basis. Consider attending activities taking place in your own region to network with your local colleagues. For information and dates of upcoming events, please check the [website](#).

As the school year ends, make a promise to yourself to learn at least one new Web 2.0 tool or a new piece of software or hardware, then master it and make plans to utilize or integrate it in your position for the next school year. As Teacher Effectiveness continues to become such a big part of all of our lives, consider exploring the creation of an ePortfolio to demonstrate your development and learning and to reflect upon your job performance during the past year.

Have a wonderful summer and enjoy your break.

*Mary Beth Hengelbrok*  
PAECT President

## SC PAECT UPDATE



**CHRISTINE YARZABEK**  
SC Regional Director

South Central Region is holding a geocaching seminar in conjunction with Lebanon County Union Canal Days on May 18. The seminar will start at 9am and end at noon. Union Canal Days food and events including canal boat rides begin around noon. Parking for the event is \$2, and use of GPS units is free for members and their families/friends. [See the flyer](#) for more information and registration: <https://smore.com/w3hj>



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## SE PAECT / UPDATE



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SE Regional Director

The Southeast region has been busy since PETE&C. In March, we hosted our second annual Open House to showcase our region and encourage potential members to join our incredible network. We used [QR Wild](#) to create a QR code scavenger hunt, used Apple TV to reflect our iPad screens during our sharing hour, and had an overall great time networking and sharing tech tools for the classroom.

In April, we co-hosted a [Virtual DEN Event](#) with Discovery Education. PAECT members and DEN Stars enjoyed meeting face-to-face while participating in Discovery Education's virtual conference. We also sponsored and provided breakfast for the [Educators Forum](#) at School of the Future. Many members also presented and judged the competition.

On May 18th, we will be sponsoring breakfast at the sold-out [Edcamp Philly](#). Each month seems to bring on new events, new members and new ideas! Check the region's website for additional activities and opportunities.



## NE PAECT / UPDATE



**CHRISTY SAVAKINAS**  
NE Regional Director

Now in its sixth year, East Stroudsburg Area School District is proud to share that during its annual Spring into Technology Conference on Saturday, March 23, 2013, over 250 educators participated in 30 hands-on workshops directly related to effective technology integration in the classroom. Educators from in-district and surrounding districts of Northeast PA and NJ took part in this day-long event that showcased best practices in classroom technology as well as promoted collaboration beyond the classroom. East Stroudsburg would like to thank PAECT for its sponsorship of this annual event and invite all educators to join us next year!



*PAECT gave away a Kindle Fire HD and other prizes.*

East Stroudsburg Technology Coaching Team organized the event.

A technology showcase will be held at Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 on June 19, 2013, from 8am to 3pm. All administrators, technology coordinators and information technology (IT) staff in Eastern PA are invited to attend the 2013 IU29 Technology Showcase. Explore new ways of using technology to meet the needs of an ever-changing educational environment. The Technology Showcase will include breakout sessions, exhibitors, lunch, professional networking and prize drawings. The cost is \$15 for PAECT members and \$25 for non members. Registration information is available at <http://www.iu29.org>.

## NC PAECT UPDATE

### SAVE THE DATE



**JASON HEISER**  
NC Regional Director

On July 28th at Knoebels Grove there will be "PAECT at Knoebels Day." Knoebels is an amusement park in Elysburg and offers free admission and parking. Tickets for rides can be purchased onsite. Come join the "Fun, Food, and Fantasy." Stay tuned for future details!





## EXPLORE... EXPAND... ENJOY... EXPERIENCE ISTE 2013

Explore ...your professional learning and collaborative networking opportunities at ISTE's 34th Annual Conference and Exposition June 23-26, 2013 at the San Antonio Convention Center in San Antonio, Texas. Whether attending the conference in person or virtually, ISTE provides an avenue to professional growth that meets your specific interests and learning criteria.

Attendees can search for sessions by category or presenter, or they may develop custom program searches in order to maximize their investment of time and professional development dollars. Many add a workshop for personal and in-depth learning experiences.

Don't forget to explore the exposition floor where attendees will find one of the largest, comprehensive and interactive educational technology expos in the world. Expo 2013 will have more than 500 exhibits and 4,500 industry representatives to share their expertise. Participants can view innovative tech solutions that can help prepare students for success in the digital age.

Expand ...your community of learning and practice by connecting with the ISTE community through special events and activities designed to help attendees engage with peers as they investigate focused, member-organized content and initiatives. Pennsylvania's ISTE affiliate PAECT has numerous events scheduled to support 2013 Pennsylvania attendees. Stay tuned for more details.

Keep in touch and SHARE through conference Nings, blogs, Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn.

First time attendees and new members should start their onsite conference experience by attending the Conference Welcome event on Sunday to learn how to network with attendees and extend those connections throughout the year.

A significant way to expand your community of learning and practice is to attend the Special Interest Group (SIG) Open House where you can learn about the 25 groups of like-minded colleagues who organize opportunities to connect and collaborate year-round. You can select from different SIG communities who will connect face-to-face at conference community meet-ups and engage in hands-on activities throughout the conference.

Enjoy ...the various activities and opportunities that ISTE provides to enhance attendee experience at the conference like the interactive technology "Playgrounds" and networking "Lounges".

Enjoy the great San Antonio Convention Center located very near San Antonio's colorful River Walk where there is ample opportunity to step outside for an energizing walk or to meet for a great meal along the beautiful San Antonio River.

Experience ... 21st Century Community of Practice at ISTE 2013

Comprehensive information on programs, travel, housing and more are found at:  
[www.isteconference.org](http://www.isteconference.org).

Not able to travel to San Antonio this year? Attend the conference virtually through Access ISTE at [www.isteconference.org/2013/program/access\\_iste.php](http://www.isteconference.org/2013/program/access_iste.php).



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**Pennsylvania Educational Technology Expo and Conference**

When can I submit a proposal to present at PETE&C 2014?

Start thinking about presenting at PETE&C 2014 now! The Request For Proposal (RFP) process will open shortly at [www.peteandc.org](http://www.peteandc.org). The RFP submission end date is October 13, 2013.

Where can I access materials and resources from PETE&C 2013?

If you signed up for and paid for Virtual PETE&C, or you attended in person, you can access the Virtual PETE&C materials and recordings at <http://www.peteandc.org/virtualpete.cfm>. You will need the email address you used when registering to access the videos. Also, don't forget, that a lot of resources are available at <http://ning.peteandc.org/>.

## Leading Change in 1:1 Classrooms & Mobile Learning June 20-21 at The Hill School in Pottstown, PA [edtechteacher.org/hillschoolsummit](http://edtechteacher.org/hillschoolsummit)

As technology and globalization transform our civic and economic spheres, educators must confront the challenge of preparing students for an ever more complex and cognitively demanding interconnected world. This Summer, [EdTechTeacher](http://edtechteacher.org) and [The Hill School](http://thehillschool.org) will join forces to bring together educators for a two-day summit of presentations, workshops, hands-on sessions, and informal gatherings to address the challenge and opportunity of 1:1 tech-infused classrooms and mobile learning spaces.

We will explore essential competencies our students need to develop and address a range of education technology innovations — including iPad and tablet integration, BYOD (Bring Your Own Device), flipped lessons, 1:1 Chromebook and laptop classrooms, cloud computing, and more. Participants will leave the summit with greater understanding of emerging technologies and how they will impact education, deep insights into thoughtful technology integration and the foundation for effective action that leads desirable and sustained change.

Both days will feature a combination of keynotes and featured workshops from EdTechTeacher's Tom Daccord and Greg Kulowiec as well as concurrent sessions from some of the country's leading technology integrationists.

[Registration](#) for the conference is now open.

# PAECT LEADER OF THE YEAR



Meet our PAECT Leader of the Year: Edward McKaveney. Ed is the Technology Director in Hampton Township School District and an educational leader at the regional, state and national level. On March 13th, CoSN recognized his efforts by presenting Ed with the 2013 Withrow Chief Technology Officer Award for leveraging technology throughout his district and community to advance teaching and learning. Ed helped build a mobile applications course curriculum and wrote a grant to earn his district \$20,000 to spend on [science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics](#).

He led the adoption of Google Apps for Education for grades six through twelve and implemented a [BYOD program](#) at Hampton High School.

Ed is an advocate for student safety. He has involved the community on issues such as cyber safety to help ensure that students learn with technology but do so in a safe and secure manner. Recently, Ed worked with the FBI's Infragard Pittsburgh chapter to conduct a statewide videoconference on cyber safety with educators, law enforcement officials, and local and state representatives and administrators including the Governor and Auditor General of PA. This session was one of the most viewed events that have occurred over our statewide educational network.

Ed is always willing to learn and share his experiences with others. Ed has presented at regional and statewide conferences on topics such as new emerging technologies, essential skills for technology leaders and the certification process for education technology leaders looking to expand their role in education. Ed's professionalism and experiences have helped hundreds of PA educators effectively and efficiently use technology to improve teaching and learning. He is also one of the first technology professionals nationwide to earn CoSN's Certified Education Technology Leader Certification.

Ed has been a fabulous addition to the leadership team at PAECT. We have all benefitted from his resources and perspective as a state and national leader on educational technology. We are pleased that he represents what is best about Pennsylvania educators and what we believe is the true spirit of the PAECT Leader of the Year.

Connect with Ed on Linked In:

[www.linkedin.com/in/edmckaveney](http://www.linkedin.com/in/edmckaveney)

Follow Ed on Twitter: [@EdTechFocus](https://twitter.com/EdTechFocus)

# PAECT TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Meet our PAECT Teacher of the Year: Mary Beth Hertz. Mary Beth is the Technology Teacher at the Alliance for Progress Charter School in Philadelphia. This past summer, she wrote a K-8 technology curriculum for her class based on the NETS and on Grant Wiggins' Understanding by Design. It includes a [K-8 Scope for Technology Skills and Concepts](#) as well as grade-appropriate, student-centered projects through which students show mastery of tech skills and concepts.

Here are some examples of student projects in Mary Beth's class:

- Seventh graders learn research skills by exploring a local issue, reporting on it and providing possible solutions to the problem. They report their research through a blog post and then create a multimedia presentation of their choice to present their research and solution. Eighth graders complete a similar project but focus on global issues instead.
- Third graders learn how to protect their private information online while also sharing their ideas and research through blog posts. They learn how to leave quality comments for each other, first on paper and then on each other's Kidblog posts. By the end of the unit on digital citizenship, they can identify a quality comment and ask a commenter for more specific information if a comment is not specific enough.
- Sixth through eighth graders blog about cyberbullying, sharing their posts and exchanging comments with high school students in Illinois.

In addition to critical thinking and project-based learning, Mary Beth also makes sure that her students, who often don't have access to computers outside of school, have a basic understanding of technology concepts and operations. This includes tracking their WPM and understanding file naming and file paths as well as navigating multiple windows at one time or multiple programs at one time.

Mary Beth makes a positive impact on her professional community by facilitating workshops for her colleagues as well as other educators. She has led workshops on Technology Integration and Digital Citizenship at the National Liberty Museum, presented at PETE&C, and facilitated sessions at various Edcamps. We are proud to have Mary Beth as a member and teacher leader in PAECT!

Follow Mary Beth on Twitter: [@mbteach](#)

Edutopia: <http://www.edutopia.org/user/200>

Blog: <http://mbteach.com>



# PAECT 2013 AWARDS GO TO!

Ero W. Davidson Award	-----	Daniel Berger
Mary C. Renner Achievement Award	-----	Mike Cichocki
PAECT Special Award	-----	Christine Yarzabek
Friend of PAECT	-----	Peter Kelsey
Pioneer Award	-----	Bill Craig
Paul W. Welliver Outstanding Student Award	-----	Chris Gamrat
Outstanding Teacher of the Year	-----	Mary Beth Hertz
Outstanding Leader of the Year	-----	Ed McKaveney
2013 CoSN Withrow Nominee from PA	-----	John Branson
Making IT Happen	-----	Linda LaCoe



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