

Editor's Notes

By Sharon Smaldino

What's on your summer reading list? While you might have some books piled on the nightstand that have intriguing titles, we hope you'll find time for this issue of TechTrends. It's filled with very good pieces aimed at familiar old challenges. We want to suggest a new challenge for you, too. Take time to read articles that are outside of your usual area of expertise or practice. Summer break can be a good time to catch up on what's going on in the field and expand your horizons. In this issue TechTrends offers a little something for everybody with special attention to new "theory to practice" ideas.

A tip for educators: Save these articles for class discussions and provoke your students to think about technology trends. What about designing game-based learning? How does 508

compliance look in education? How do we address the adult student in computer-based instruction? Can the wiki be a tool for learning content?

There's more! What can software do to help you teach? How can advanced technology fit into teacher education? And, what about blogs in higher education?

Once again our column folks have done a great job of bringing together some valuable resources for your reading pleasure. AECT's president shares her views and you'll read that the 2009 convention is shaping up nicely. Our columnists deserve a lot of credit for their diligence in preparing excellent work in very little time between issues. Thanks, too, to Jean—now Dr. Jean—for her fine work on TechTrends while finishing her dissertation and receiving an Ed.D. from Northern Illinois University.

Corrections

Your TechTrends editors want to apologize for the late arrival of the January/February issue. Publisher production reorganization requirements resulted in this delay that, we know, was an inconvenience for our writers as well as our readers.

AECT members are invited to view the online version of TechTrends, usually available a little earlier than the print copy is mailed. From the AECT.org home page, select "Publications" and you will be guided to TechTrends and other AECT publications.

TechTrends apologizes for the incorrect identification of Chih-Hsiung Tu, winner of the International Contributions Award, in a picture found on page 45 of TechTrends 53.1. Dr. Tu is an Associate Professor of Educational Technology in the College of Education, Northern Arizona University.

TechTrends apologizes to Cindy S. York, ect Intern, whose article appeared in the last issue in the ect Cornerstone column. The Table of Contents did not correctly identify her as the author of that column.

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