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# ACTE REPORTER

Association for Career and Technical Education ♦ Missouri Chapter

Thank You,  
Donna & Margie!



*Pictured left to right: Donna Vossen and Margie Wilson*

At its March 11, 2016 meeting, the Missouri ACTE Board of Directors recognized Donna Vossen, former Executive Director, and Margie Wilson, former Membership Director for their 16 years of dedication to Missouri ACTE. We couldn't have done it without you ... Thank you!



## President's Message

What a busy time of year. I find myself saying, "If I can just get through this week, then next week will be better", but I say it every week. My students are getting ready for their Certification exam to become Certified Nursing Assistants, daily clinicals and evening study groups. Some of my sending school students leave the first week of May and of course, just to make life more interesting, seniors leave before juniors. Anyway, May always seems easier. Summer will be here before we know it – hallelujah!

Typically, I work at our local hospital during the summer to stay current with the Health Care industry and to also keep my foot in the door for clinicals. With Missouri hosting the Region III Conference in June and our Missouri ACTE Summer Conference in July, I think I will call it good.

This year's dates for our Summer Conference are July 25–28; hopefully, you have already registered and are planning to join us in Springfield. If not, there is still time. While you are at it, become a Tri-level member; join your Division, Missouri ACTE and ACTE. I recently held my yearly registration sign-up to assist my fellow Technical School Educators to utilize our Professional Development



Barbara Houk  
Missouri ACTE President

money to pay for our registrations. The Clinton Professional Development Committee always raves about our phenomenal Conference and the low cost to attend.

Last year, as you may remember, the Conference was revamped to give all divisions the option of attending workshops together on Tuesday afternoon. The turn-out was amazing, so we want to continue the Tuesday afternoon workshops for all divisions. The Dine-Around Town through the Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau on Tuesday was a huge hit, as well. I heard many positive comments related to finding wonderful places to dine within walking distance of the Expo Center. We also plan to continue that event.

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ACTE's CareerTech  
**VISION**  
 2016

**LAS VEGAS**  
 November 30–December 3

**IMPORTANT DATES**

Registration Opens  
*March 7*

Early Bird Discount  
*Ends July 15*

Hotel Information  
*Book Early!*

## President's Message *(from page 1)*

The Missouri ACTE Executive committee and the Program of Work committees work very hard to make sure our Association is one of the best. Each Committee and their Chairs are exceptional people who do their very best to make sure our Association continues to be outstanding. I want to send a special thank you to all of them. Glenda Whitley, Chair of the Program Improvement Committee, and her committee, have worked very hard planning the Opening session and Tuesday afternoon sessions, to continue the high quality our Missouri Association has come to expect.

Our keynote Speaker, Andrew McCrea, is said to be not only motivational but inspiring, as well. I have watched some of his presentations on You Tube and I think he will be very appealing to our Association. Yearly, at Summer Conference, I get reinvigorated to begin the school year. Our theme this year is: *We are CTE and it Works*. What an easy theme to remember and recite – Career and Technical Education works. We see proof of it daily in our communities all over Missouri and throughout our Nation.

Have a great, and hopefully stress-free, remainder of the school year. I look forward to seeing all of you this summer. Please remember the Region III Conference is scheduled for June 15 – 17, in Jefferson City; and, of course, our Missouri ACTE Summer Conference is scheduled for July 25 – 28, in Springfield. The Opening Session will be on Tuesday, July 26. See you soon and remember, "*We are CTE and It Works!*"



↑ Gina McLachlan (left), Barbara Houk (center), and Mark Sponaugle (right) brave the weather at the ACTE National Policy Seminar held in Washington, D.C. February 29-March 2.

# ACTE Region III 2016 Conference

## CTE The "Show-Me" Way



**June 15-17, 2016**

**DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel  
Jefferson City**

**422 Monroe Street  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101  
573-636-5101**

**Registration - \$175**

Contact: Mark Sponaugle  
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Email: mark@mo-acte.org



## Mark Your Calendar!

### Region III Conference

June 15-17, 2016 – *Jefferson City*

### Summer Conference

July 25-28, 2016 – *Springfield*

### Budget Meeting

Friday, September 23

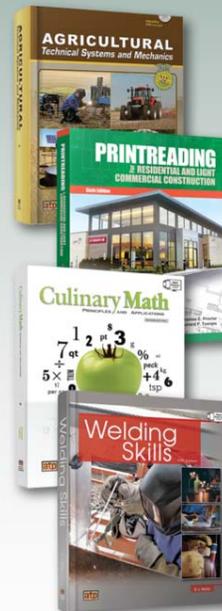
Governor's Office Building - *Jefferson City*

### Fall Board Meeting

Monday, October 10th

Governor's Office Building - *Jefferson City*

## Your Partner in Learning



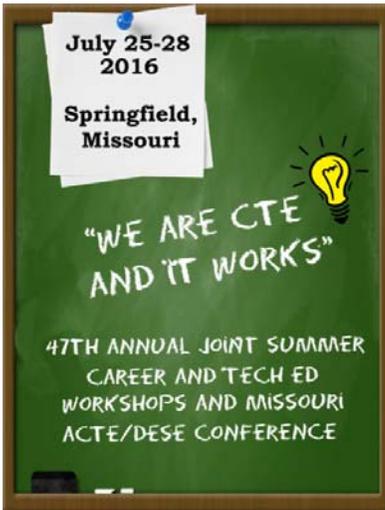
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# MISSOURI ACTE SUMMER CONFERENCE AND TRADE SHOW

July 25-28, 2016

*We are CTE and it Works!*

## MONDAY, JULY 25

9:30 a.m.

### Missouri ACTE Board of Directors Meeting

*University Plaza - Illinois Room*

1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

### Missouri ACTE Conference Registration

*EXPO Center - Hall A & B - 635 St. Louis Street*

1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

### Exhibits Open

*EXPO Center - Hall A & B - 635 St. Louis Street*

## TUESDAY, JULY 26

7:30 a.m.

### All Missouri ACTE Committee Meetings

*University Plaza Convention Center - Arizona Room*

8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

### Exhibits Open

*EXPO Center - Hall A & B - 635 St. Louis Street*

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

### Missouri ACTE Conference Registration

*EXPO Center - Hall A & B - 635 St. Louis Street*

8:45 a.m.

### New Professional Reception

*University Plaza Convention Center - Arizona/Georgia/Iowa*

## TUESDAY, JULY 26 (CONT.)

10:00 a.m.

### Opening General Session

*EXPO Center - Hall C - 635 St. Louis Street*

Welcome; Awards; President-Elect Speech

Speaker: Andrew McCrea - "Moving from Ordinary to Extraordinary - Finding the 'Extra' that Makes the Difference"

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

### Dine-Around Town

Area restaurants, located within walking distance of the Expo, will be open to serve our members. Many of the restaurants will be extending discounts and a few are opening only for our members, so they will require reservations.

## GENERAL SESSIONS

1:30 p.m. - 2:10 p.m.

### Basic Google Session

*EXPO Center - Hall C - 635 St. Louis Street*

### Andrew McCrea - "Making Mountains out of Molehills - The Art of Moving Small Words to Lofty Heights"

*University Plaza Convention Center - Room TBD*

This workshop is about how educators can improve their own communication skills and how they can help instruct students in improved speaking.

### Problem-Based Learning

*University Plaza Convention Center - Room TBD*

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## GENERAL SESSIONS (CONTINUED)

**2:40 p.m. - 3:20 p.m.**

### Intermediate Google

*EXPO Center - Hall C - 635 St. Louis Street*

### Andrew McCrea - "Who am I. Who are You?"

*University Plaza Convention Center - Room TBD*

This workshop explores personal leadership traits and how those traits influence how we deal with change, and how we work with/instruct others.

### Web 2.0

*University Plaza Convention Center - Room TBD*

**3:50 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

### Advanced Google

*EXPO Center - Hall C - 635 St. Louis Street*

### John Rummel

*University Plaza Convention Center - Room TBD*

### Bell Ringers

*University Plaza Convention Center - Room TBD*

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

**8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

### Missouri ACTE Late Registration

*University Plaza Hotel Lobby*

**3:30 p.m.**

### House of Delegates Meeting

*University Plaza Hotel - Room TBD*

## THURSDAY, JULY 28

**12:00 p.m.**

### Missouri ACTE Board of Directors Meeting

*University Plaza - Illinois Room*

Lunch served at 11:30 a.m.

More details to come ...  
please check the Missouri ACTE web site  
([www.MO-ACTE.org](http://www.MO-ACTE.org)) for updates!

## OUR PRESIDENT-ELECT CANDIDATE



**Gary Duncan**

We are fortunate to have Gary Duncan as our candidate for President-Elect. Gary has been a member of Missouri ACTE for 23 years and has served as President-Elect, President, and Past-President for both his Division, TEAM, and Missouri ACTE. He teaches Industrial Technology at the Moberly Middle School.

When he was asked about his philosophy of Career and Technical Education, he replied:

*Career and technical education should be part of every student's education. I believe it should start early, certainly*

*by middle school. At the middle school level, students should be given the opportunity to explore different career areas so they begin to have an understanding of what they are good at and what they like to do.*

*Exploration of careers should continue at the early high school level. As students begin to decide what career they want to pursue, advanced level classes should be available for students during their last two or three years of high school. Career and technical education should prepare students for jobs immediately after graduation, as well as preparing them to go on to a technical school or a four-year institution.*

*Career and technical education should be a vital part of every student's education. Career and technical education provides the opportunity for students to enter a career they will enjoy and be successful with the rest of their life.*

## PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGE

At its March 11 meeting, the Missouri ACTE Board of Directors voted to present the following bylaws change to the House of Delegates for a vote. The vote will take place during the Missouri ACTE House of Delegates Meeting, scheduled for 3:30pm on Wednesday, July 27 at the University Plaza Hotel.

### Article III – Membership

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- Add:

- D. Unified State Association

1. Missouri ACTE is a unified state association of the Association for Career and Technical Education as of July 2016.
2. Simultaneous membership in both Missouri ACTE and ACTE dues shall be made through ACTE.

## OUR KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Andrew McCrea will be our keynote speaker at the Opening Session on Tuesday morning. He is a farmer and rancher, a syndicated television and radio broadcaster and a nationally recognized speaker.

Andrew is the host of *"The American Countryside,"* a national radio program that has won five Oscars for rural and agricultural broadcasting. He has interviewed hall of fame

sports stars, Emmy and Grammy winners and even been body slammed by professional wrestlers! He is also the author of five award-winning books on life and leadership.

He is no stranger to Career and Technical Education. He was an active member of his school's agricultural education program and served as National FFA Secretary. He and his wife Paula, and their two children continue to operate the family farm and ranch in northwest Missouri.

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