Agenda

8:00 AM  Check-in and Networking
8:30 AM  Opening remarks from STC Director and CAC Manager, Ben Woelk
9:00 AM  STC Board of Directors news from STC President, Kit Brown-Hoekstra
9:30 AM  New York Metro Chapter Pacesetter Award with Julie Waxgiser
9:40 AM  Breakout Sessions (2 rounds, 20 minutes each)
          New Leaders
          • Resource Sharing for Low Volunteer Communities with David Caruso
          • Our Use of Social Media with Nancy Allison
          • Awards and Recognition with Lori Meyer
          • Student Mentoring Programs Toolkit with Dan Voss
          Experienced Leaders
          • Regional Conferences with Jessica Rineer & Kelly Schrank
          • STC Mentor Board with Sally Henschel & Pam Brewer
          • New CAA Application with MaryKay Grueneberg
          • Sponsorships with Bob Young
10:30 AM  Orlando Central Florida Chapter Pacesetter Award with Jack Molisani
10:40 AM  Breakout Sessions (2 rounds, 20 minutes each)
          New Leaders
          • Budgets & Finances with Lisa Mileusnich & Jane Wilson
          • Giving your Programs Pizazz and Professionalism with Marilyn Woelk
          • Meetup.com with Timothy Esposito
          • Cheap! Free and Low-Cost Ways to Host Meetings with Todd DeLuca
          • Community Success Plan with Li-At Ruttenberg
          Experienced Leaders
          • Adobe Connect with Rhyne Armstrong
          • Succession Planning & Volunteers with Ben Woelk
          • Managing a Successful Student Chapter: Networking, Outreach and Corporate Sponsorship with Craig Baehr & Timothy J. Elliott
          • Revitalizing Your Membership with Christopher Ward
11:30 AM  Closing Remarks
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Leadership Program Mission Statement

Today’s Leadership Program provides an opportunity for new and experienced leaders to learn effective practices for successfully running a chapter or SIG, share innovative practices, and enjoy recognition for their successes.

The Community Affairs Committee hosts the event and provides leadership resources throughout the year. Our goal is to improve communication between the Society and its communities and to provide ongoing support to community leaders. We are here for you.

Enjoy the Leadership Program and be sure to network with the other attendees. You will make lasting friendships and benefit from the professional connections you make.
**Nancy Allison**  
Nancy Allison is the president of the New England Chapter of STC. She is especially interested in making the best possible use of collaborative work environments, and reaping the benefits of social media. Her goals for the New England Chapter include reaching out to younger people and bringing along the next generation of technical communicators.

**Rhyne Armstrong**  
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**David Caruso**  
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**Todd DeLuca**  
Todd DeLuca has 15 years of experience as a Technical Communication professional with a career that has led him from working as a solo writer (department of one) to managing a team of technical writers. He has a Master of Technical and Scientific Communication degree and is an active participant and Senior Member of the Society for Technical Communication (including Past President of the Philadelphia Metro Chapter ‘of Excellence’ and 2014 recipient of the Distinguished Chapter Service Award).

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Timothy J. Elliott is a PhD candidate in Texas Tech’s Technical Communication and Rhetoric program. He currently serves as the president of the Texas Tech student chapter of STC. His on-going dissertation work examines the way visuals tell stories in urban redevelopment projects. His most recent publication, with Dr. Kristen R. Moore, is titled "From Participatory Design to a Listening Infrastructure: A Case of Urban Planning and Participation.”  
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Timothy Esposito is a Principal Technical Writer at Oracle Corporation where he works on logistics software. An STC member since 2005, Timothy has served as Scholarship Chair, Treasurer, Webmaster, and was recently elected Vice President for the Philadelphia Metro Chapter. Additionally, Tim has participated in the 2012 STC budget review committee, helped plan the STC NY-PMC-Houston regional competition, and assisted in organizing and running the PMC Mid-Atlantic Technical Communication Conference, all while managing the technology for the chapter. This year he won the Distinguished Chapter Service Award.
Biographies

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Dr. Sally Henschel is an assistant professor of English and the online writing curriculum coordinator at Midwestern State University. She is a 2015 recipient of the Jay R. Gould Award for Excellence in Teaching, the Midwestern State University Faculty Award for teaching and service, the STC President’s Award, the Distinguished SIG Service Award, and with co-author Lisa Meloncon the Frank R. Smith Outstanding Journal Article Award. Contact: sally.henschel@mwsu.edu

Lori Meyer
Lori Meyer is in her 32nd year of STC membership in 2015. She is currently serving as membership manager for the Rochester and San Diego Chapters, secretary of the Washington DC-Baltimore Chapter, director-at-large for the Carolina chapter, secretary of the Instructional Design and Learning and Technical Editing SIGs, and social media volunteer for the Consulting and Independent Contracting SIG. She is the immediate past president of the STC East Bay Chapter and a former co-manager of the Technical Editing SIG. In 2015, Lori received a Distinguished Chapter Service Award from the Washington, DC–Baltimore and Carolina chapters, and was honored as an STC Fellow.

Lisa Mileusnich
Lisa Mileusnich is the current president of the Northeast Ohio STC chapter. (She will become immediate past president on July 1). She served NEO STC as treasurer for two years, and has also been the newsletter co-editor. Lisa is a technical writer in the IT department at Parker Hannifin Corporation in Cleveland, Ohio.

Cindy Pao
Cindy Pao is the Lead Technical Writer at Harris Health Systems in the IT Department. She is an Associate Fellow of the STC, as well as an incoming Director on STC’s Board of Directors. Cindy has served in many volunteer positions in STC.

Jessica Rineer
Jessica Rineer is a Senior Technical Writer and Project Lead at Oracle Corporation. She earned an M.S. degree in Information Science and completed the Project Management Certificate Program in 2013. Jessica is the 2014-2015 President of the STC Philadelphia Metro Chapter. She helped to lead the chapter to earn the Community Achievement Award of Excellence. She worked closely with 2015 STC-PMC Conference Chair to plan another successful Mid-Atlantic TechComm Conference. She has also served as Vice President, Membership Manager, and has been a volunteer on the STC-PMC Mid-Atlantic TechComm Conference committee.

Kelly Schrank
Kelly is in her second year of being co-chair of the Spectrum conference and co-Vice President of the Rochester chapter. She has also volunteered for the American Medical Writers Association (AMWA) on the annual conference committee and in other capacities for the AMWA-NY chapter. For over 15 years, she was a technical editor and writer in a variety of industries. She is currently a medical editor managing a small team of editors.

Christopher Ward
Christopher Ward, Director of Sales at WebWorks, specializes in helping teams accomplish big things by better aligning departmental processes with overall company strategies. Christopher’s experience in strategy development began as an Analyst for U.S. Army Intelligence and then later moved in to the corporate world when working for Dell computers. His diverse experiences allow Christopher to recognize untapped potential in a company’s overall business strategy and help them achieve that potential. For over the last five years, his personal mission has been to increase the value of technical communication departments in the organizations they serve. He has traveled all over the world delivering the message that “Documentation is not a business expense, it is a revenue generating tool.”

Jane Wilson
As STC Treasurer, Jane chairs the Finance and Investment Committee, which is responsible for the annual budget, financial reserves, and financial processes of the Society. Jane is a Senior Member of STC and belongs to the East Bay and Atlanta Chapters, as well as the IDL and Content Life Cycle SIGs. She is an Information Development Manager at the GE Software Center of Excellence in San Ramon, CA, where she leads the team of writers responsible for product documentation for Industrial Internet Applications.
Biographies

**Bob Young**
Bob Young is an STC Fellow and senior member of the Northeast Ohio chapter. A versatile writer, Young has more than 30 years writing experience, the past seven years as an Information Developer for Rockwell Automation in Mayfield Heights, Ohio. He has served in numerous administrative positions for NEO STC, including past president, membership chair, and co-chair of the 2007 Cleveland Regional Conference. Bob helped to reinvigorate numerous membership involvement programs, including recognition for service and longevity to the NEO STC community. Bob continues to work with the chapter’s Sponsorship Committee to raise funds for the NEO STC annual scholarship to Ohio college students.

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**Ben Woelk**
Ben Woelk is an incoming Director on STC’s Board of Directors, where he served as the Chair of the Community Affairs Committee. Ben is a past president of the Rochester Chapter, architect of the CAC Outreach Team, and incoming Director. Ben has identified and recruited numerous volunteers to the Rochester council, mentoring team, and outreach team. He’s a strong proponent of servant leadership and the importance of casting a vision.

**Marilyn Woelk**
Marilyn is the owner and president of Wingz Creative and Technical Group, Inc. She is experienced in business and communications consulting, process improvement, and project management for marketing communications, training, and documentation projects. She is the acting manager of the STC CIC SIG and a Member-at-Large and past president of Rochester, STC. Last year she won the Distinguished Chapter Service Award.

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**Julie Waxgiser**
Julie Waxgiser has been a technical communicator since 1998. She has been an active member of STC since 2007 and is currently the president of the STC NY Metro chapter.

**Dan Voss**
A 39-year aerospace veteran with Lockheed Martin and an adjunct instructor for Webster University, Voss is an STC Fellow whose 28 years include leadership roles in the STC Orlando Central Florida Chapter, the AccessAbility and Academic SIGs, and a number of Society task forces. He co-founded and co-manages Orlando’s successful mentoring program with tech com students at the University of Central Florida.

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