

SuperScript is the official newsletter of the Alberta Community of the Society for Technical Communication and is published 10 times a year. The editors welcome submissions and advertising that will be of interest to our members. If you have an idea for an article or if you have an advertising enquiry, please contact us.



## ***President's Message***

*Jessie Channey, President*

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[Read more to find out about this year's Council and the September Wine & Cheese event...](#)

## **Membership news**

*Deirdre O'Riain, Membership Coordinator*

STC Alberta's two lists, the announcement list and the discussion list, have been converted from the old Lyris system to the Mailman system. The new system should but should be more functional and more stable.

In June and July, the Alberta Community gained three members, bringing the membership count to 197. Welcome to our new members:

- Brian Thompson, Calgary
- Joe Armstrong, Calgary
- Craig Coolahan, Calgary

## **DITA User Group**

In case you are wondering... "A user group is a set of people who have similar interests, goals, or concerns. The members have regular meetings where they can share their ideas." (WhatIs.com) Being part of a user group is a great opportunity for mentoring and learning about new resources.

This year, why not join others who are curious about DITA in a DITA user group? DITA is likely a big part of the future of technical communications, so now is a good time to start learning about it with the support and knowledge you can share through other STC members.

If you're interested in joining the DITA user group, call or e-mail [Melissa Ruryk](#) at 403-538-5910 to find out more.

**“We can look at the world as a place where we must eat or be eaten. Or, we can look at it as a place where we all have the opportunity to feed one another.”** ~ *Jack Kornfield*

*Carmen Wyatt, SuperScript Editor*

Got anything to share? I'd love to hear about it! Please send submissions to Carmen at [newsletter@stc-alberta.ca](mailto:newsletter@stc-alberta.ca) by September 9. Enjoy the rest of the summer!

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## July 2008

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Our elected officers are:

- **President:** Jessie Channey
- **Past President:** Lucille Worone
- **Secretary:** Jade Clark
- **Treasurer:** Ken Schatzke

Our appointed council members are (in alphabetical order by position):

- **Archivist:** vacant
- **Edmonton Liaison:** Deanne Wilson
- **Grant MacEwan College Liaison:** Lucille Mazo
- **Jobline:** Ian Hawkins
- **Mentorship:** Sherry Willetts
- **Membership:** Linda Chadwick
- **Mount Royal College Liaison:** Dr. Glenn Ruhl
- **Programs:** Rosalinda Hernandez
- **Public Relations:** vacant
- **Registration & Hospitality:** Rosalinda Hernandez
- **Salary Survey:** Helen Lansdell
- **Social Events:** Wine & Cheese - Linda Robson
- **SuperScript Newsletter:** Carmen Wyatt
- **Webmaster:** Lori Robertson
- **Workshops:** vacant

If you're interested in any of the vacant positions, please contact [president@stc-alberta.org](mailto:president@stc-alberta.org) for details. As the council is rich with experience, you'll have plenty of professionals to help you learn the ropes.

During my term, I will focus on the areas that our members value the most: the jobline, the website, and the salary survey. Take note that the Wine & Cheese is already being organized for September 18 at Ceili's in downtown Calgary. This event is a great way to kick-start the year and to meet with other professionals. Last year's turnout was great and we expect this year to be just as successful for all participants. So mark your calendars and we'll see you there!

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## STC Alberta Activities

Check out our [Programs](#), [Workshops](#), [Coffee Nights](#), [Administrative Meetings](#), and [Social Events](#) for an opportunity to meet & greet, learn a tool or skill, or further develop your technical and writing expertise.

The calendar shown below outlines upcoming Alberta Chapter events. These events, unless otherwise stated, are held in Calgary. Please see our [Edmonton](#) page for a listing of "Upcoming Events" in that city.

## 2008 Upcoming Events

<b>September 18</b>	<a href="#">Meet and Greet Event</a> at Ceili's in downtown Calgary.
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Throughout the year, STC Alberta presents a wide variety of opportunities to learn, share and to become involved in the field of technical communication. Through workshops, social events and regular meetings we endeavour to:

- Present the latest information regarding theory and practice of technical communication
- Provide opportunities to learn and experiment with new tools and techniques
- Open up opportunities to network by meeting and exchanging ideas with fellow STC members
- Provide on-the-job training and opportunities to share your skills through our mentoring program.

Register in advance for all Programs and Workshops through our [online registration page](#).

**Note:** When space is limited, preference is given to current STC members.