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ISTE - 2001: KUWAIT

OOur Convenors, Ahmed Al-Bustan and Jasem Al-Kandari with their Organising Committee are preparing a special Seminar for us to be held 10-16 February 2001. The timing is earlier than usual to take advantage of better climatic conditions and the cultural calendar in Kuwait. While following the usual ISTE seminar format there will be opportunities to visit and meet with children and teachers in Kuwait schools and students and staff at the College of Education at the Kuwait University, which is hosting the Seminar in association with the Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Science. The theme for the Kuwait ISTE 2001 Seminar is 'Educating for Better Teachers: International Perspectives'. Abstracts of 200-300 words should be submitted by September 4, 2000. For further information contact the Convenors: Ahmed Al-Bustan, College of Education, Kuwait University, PO Box 13281, Keifan, Kuwait 71953, Ph: 965 4840 509, Fax: 965 5335 149 E-mail: sunshine@kuc01.kuniv.edu.kw Jasem Al-Kandari, College of Education, Kuwait University, PO Box 13281, Keifan, Kuwait 71953, Ph: 965 4840 612, Fax: 965 4832 769 E-mail: jasem@kuc01.kuniv.edu.kw

THE 20th ANNIVERSARY OF ISTE IN ANNAPOLIS

Congratulations to Colin Mably, Marie and Bill De Lorenzo, and all of the Organising Committee for the excellent ISTE 2000 at Annapolis, 17-23 April. The seminar was a fitting celebration of our first 20 years. It was hosted by the College of Education, University of Maryland, and the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education. Participants visited the head offices of AACTE and the National Education Association during a visit to Washington DC. A memorable day was set aside to define a mission statement for teacher educators which was undertaken with local teachers and educators. A review of aspects of ISTE was launched during the business session. See details below.

ISTE 2002 IN DENMARK

Lotte Ralbeck Schou, the Convenor for the ISTE 2002 reported in Annapolis that preparations are well underway for the 22nd Annual Seminar. It will be held in a Folk High School in Aarhus 13-19 May. Lotte explained that "the school is well kept and is similar to Keynes College in Canterbury" our venue for ISTE 1999. As well, by staying at the Folk High School we will get "the chance to learn about this type of school, which is said to be Denmark's contribution to education."

ISTE 2003 IN HONG KONG

Alex Fung was appointed the Convenor for the 23rd ISTE Seminar to be held in Hong Kong by the International Steering Committee when it met at Annapolis. Alex already has a team at the Hong

Kong Baptist University working on arrangements. His detailed proposal to the Steering Committee indicated that the dates will be April 22-29, 2003. He is also investigating opportunities for visits to mainland China. Rebecca Lam, whom many will remember at Canterbury in 1999, will be the Program Coordinator.

FUTURE SEMINARS

The Steering Committee will consider any proposal by an ISTE member to convene a future ISTE Seminar. A brief written proposal is requested so that it can be given proper consideration by Committee members before they meet. Send your proposal to our Secretary General, Warren Halloway. The proposal should include the name of the Convenor, the venue and an indication of institutional support. As we decide on the Convenor and venue three years in advance a decision will be made in Kuwait next year about the Convenor and venue for 2004.

ISTE DIRECTORY

Bob Meade has given sterling service to ISTE over the years as keeper of the ISTE Directory. Bob has asked to be relieved of this responsibility and John Maurer has kindly agreed to take his place. Thanks Bob for your dedicated work. This has been no small job as the Directory contains details of all those who have participated in an ISTE Seminar since 1981. We try to include country, institution, mail address, telephone and fax numbers and e-mail address. For many reasons the Directory information becomes out-of-date. Thanks to all members who give advice about changes in their address or contact numbers. Unfortunately when the ISTE Newsletter and Seminar brochures are mailed out we regularly have items 'returned to sender'. We always list these people in the next ISTE Newsletter and ask for information about these 'missing people'.

John Maurer and Warren Halloway have recently spent 20 hours carefully checking every entry in the ISTE Directory against recent information and have had the Directory converted to Filemaker Pro format for greater flexibility. The ISTE Directory is not available to the public and is only used by Convenors, officers and members of the ISTE as they have a need for it. Please help John Maurer to keep our revised Directory up-to date by advising of any changes in your address or contact numbers. John Maurer's address is 54 Faulkner St, Armidale, NSW 2350, Australia, Ph: 61 2 6772 5440, Fax: 61 2 6773 3350. E-mail: bmaurer@metz.une.edu.au

This brings us to the latest list of 'missing persons' compiled from mail 'returned to sender': Australia: Michael Kaye, Barrie Dickie Brazil: Marlin F. De Medeiros, Miriam Comiotto, J.J.M. Mosquera Canada: Andrea Borys, Raymond Chodzinski, Wilfred M. Dube, Linda La Rocque, Erica Okezie-Phillips Chile: Ines Salman England: Bernadette Robinson Germany: Renate Schulz-Zander, Gabriele von Engelhardt New Zealand: Ireneusz Kawecki South Africa: Ria MacDonald U.S.A.: John Bullock, William Castine, Gwen Faulkner, Phyllis Kapuscinski.

JISTE HAS A NEW EDITOR

George Churukian has stepped down as the foundation Editor of JISTE. We owe George a great debt of gratitude for the enormous task he has performed so well during the birth and development of our Journal over the last four years. Thanks for a great achievement George! Corey Lock is our new Editor and he will be assisted by Joyce Castles. They will have the responsibility for all aspects of JISTE particularly the maintenance of the Publications Committee and the panel of Consulting Editors and referees. Send your manuscripts for publication in JISTE to Corey Lock as

follows: Corey Lock, Editor JISTE, Dept. of Curriculum and Instruction, University of North Carolina - Charlotte, NC 28223 U.S.A., Tel. 1 704 547 3754, Fax. 1 704 510 6430 E-mail: crlock@email.uncc.edu

ISTE TREASURER

George Churukian has been the keeper of ISTE Records and will continue to serve us in this way. As the Editor of JISTE he was also the de facto treasurer as we decided to collect the annual ISTE membership fee and subscription to JISTE together for convenience. The tasks George was performing for us were obviously very demanding and everyone will understand why he has handed the Editorship of JISTE to Corey Lock with much relief. As well, George will officially become our ISTE Treasurer as the responsible management of ISTE funds has become a large and important function especially as the establishment of a Trust Fund is likely in the future. If you have not yet paid your Annual Membership Fee and Subscription to JISTE (US\$ 50 total) please complete the enclosed pink Membership Form and send your Fee to George as below:

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THE REVIEW OF ISTE

At the Annapolis Seminar in April the participants agreed to undertake a review of certain aspects of ISTE. Colin Mably will coordinate the three areas it was decided to examine, namely the ISTE Constitution, gender balance and administrative matters. You are invited to contact Colin or any of the three people below who kindly offered to coordinate each of the areas:

The Review in General:- Colin Mably, Educational Visions, 10369 Andrea Lane. La Plata. MD 20646, USA, Ph: 1 301 934 2374, Fax: 1 301 934 0580, E-mail: 100422.1760@CompuServ.com ISTE Constitution:- Deborah Mindorff, 2996 Ninth St, St. Catharines,m ON, L2R 6P7, Canada. Ph: 1 905 687 9018, Fax: 1 905 687 9018 E-mail: hrssteel@ican.net

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KEEPING IN TOUCH: The ISTE E-Mail Network

Corey Lock continues to look after the ISTE discussion network on the E-mail. To join the discussion group send an e-mail to the following address:

<u>listserv@listserv.uncc.edu</u> and word it 'subscribe ISTE-L Your name'. Alternatively, e-mail Corey Lock at <u>crlock@email.uncc.edu</u> and ask to be included.

KEEPING IN TOUCH: The E-Mail Addresses of Members

Enclosed on the green sheet is an update of the ISTE E-mail Addresses of Members for whom E-mail addresses are known. This is NOT the ISTE E-mail Network but simply a list of e-mail

addresses of members. To get on the ISTE E-mail Network (discussion group) please see the item above.

KEEPING IN TOUCH: The ISTE Web Site

Alex Fung has been 'cleaning up' the ISTE Web Site. Some of our earlier ideas for interactive discussion groups were still born. The abstracts of seminar papers and the contents of JISTE have been included in order to make members' papers and published articles more widely available. Alex can be contacted at the Dept of Education Studies, Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong, P.R.China. Ph: 852 2339 5679, Fax: 852 2339 7894, E-mail alexfung@hkbu.edu.hk Try browsing on: http://teachernet.hkbu.edu.hk

BOOK SALE BARGAIN

There are still a few copies of the Proceedings of the 1992 ISTE Seminar available for sale at a mere US\$20 a copy (postage worldwide included). There are 50 articles in this attractive 565-page volume entitled, Building Bridges in Teacher Education. Proceeds will go to the ISTE Fund for assisting participants from developing countries to attend future ISTE Seminars. To get your copy, please use the enclosed yellow Order Form.

ISTE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES

In 1997 it was decided that a Certificate of Membership be given to each ISTE Member who participated in a Seminar and paid the Annual Membership Fee. An ISTE Membership Certificate was designed and has been sent to eligible members each year since then. A member will receive a Certificate only once so frame it nicely and place it on your study wall. Careful records have been kept to ensure that all eligible members receive a Certificate. If you believe that you should have received a Certificate and have not, please let Warren Halloway know and he will rectify the matter promptly.

DISTANCE PAPER GROUP FOR ISTE 2001

Some of our ISTE members in developing countries find it very difficult to find the means to participate in the Annual Seminar. For some years now we have invited these members to submit a paper through the Distance Paper Group(DPG). If you are interested, please contact Warren Halloway and let him know your wish to submit a paper through the DPG for the ISTE 2001 in Kuwait. Abstracts of 200-300 words are required by September 4. Warren will find readers for your paper and comments will be sent back to you. Contact: Warren Halloway, School of Curriculum Studies, University of New England, Armidale, NSW, 2351, Australia, Ph: 61 2 6773 3874 (W), 61 2 6772 4750 (H), Fax 61 2 6773 3284, E-mail: whallowa@metz.une.edu.au