The AITP National Collegiate Conference continues to be the single largest event produced by AITP annually and the 2005 event was yet another huge success with the HIGHEST number of attendees in the history of the event! The event experienced an increase of 6% in paid registrations which totaled 672 and a 4% increase in total attendance of 792 when compared to the 2004 event held in Omaha, Nebraska. The event is positioned for an even stronger attendance gain next year when the event moves to Dallas, Texas March 30-April 1, 2006.

The conference continues to deliver true value and opportunities to the AITP student & faculty attendees along with our conference sponsors which included Robert Half Technology, Microsoft, AITP Foundation for Information Technology Education, MicroFocus, State Farm, Wal-Mart, ICCP Education Foundation, Culminis, Monarch Computers and Chattahoochee Technical College. The combined resources of the Chattahoochee Technical College AITP student chapter and the ATIP Atlanta professional chapter created a team of local volunteers supplementing the conference committee and AITP headquarters staff making sure that all the details were taken care of to ensure yet a successful AITP National Collegiate Conference. Conference attendees enjoyed the truly first class amenities of the Renaissance Waverly Hotel where all the conference sessions and meals were held. Additionally, the facilities and hospitality of the host student chapter and campus – Chattahoochee Technical College – proved to be a first class venue for the contests and ICCP exams.

The keynote panel moderated by Shawn McKinstrie of Robert Half Technology with panelists Eric McCarron from Ernst & Young and Tom Harrington from BlueLinxCompany.com got the event off to a huge success Friday Morning with tons of tips for obtaining that cool job in the field of IT. The Saturday luncheon speaker, Ron Gandiza of Culminis, really got the crowd going with his message of giving back to the IT community while at the same time, focused on the soft skills required for all IT professionals. Once again, an outstanding lineup of breakout speakers, contest events, ICCP exams, a wired and wireless internet café, scavenger hunt, student banner contest, the first-ever PC LAN/Gaming Tournament & PC Troubleshooting Contest along with tons of fun-n-networking was enjoyed by everyone in attendance. From all reports, this was truly the “best AITP National Collegiate Conference ever”.

The conference concluded with the awards banquet wherein a huge crowd of 735 enjoyed a wonderful meal while awaiting the announcement of the contest winners and other award recipients including the second annual Robert Half Technology/AITP scholarship recipients. Planning has already started for the 11th annual AITP National Collegiate Conference which will be held in Dallas, Texas March 30 – April 1 2006 hosted by the Dallas AITP professional chapter and the area AITP student chapters. Bids were also being accepted for future AITP National Collegiate Conferences for the year 2007 and beyond but start making your plans to be in Dallas next year!

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AITP 10th Annual National Collegiate Conference
Highlights and Winner Circle
As of May 10, 2005 and Written by Kevin Jetton

Attendance:  672  Total registered student and faculty attendees
46  Exhibitors, Speakers, Special Guests and Banquet Guests
74  Committee, AITP Board, EF/EDSIG Board & Volunteers

792  Total "pre-audited" Attendance
88  Colleges & Universities Represented

SPONSORS:  Diamond Sponsor:  Robert Half Technology
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Virtual Technology Labs
Special Awards:  

**TOP Monkey Award (Highest level of overall conference support)**  
Charter College – Anchorage Alaska with 8 attendees traveling some 4,360 miles one-way and competing in lots of contest events

**Outstanding AITP Student Chapter of the Year (2002-2003)**  
Region 3  Northwestern State University  
Region 5  Northcentral Technical College  
Region 11  Widener University

**Association Outstanding Student Chapter of the Year Winner:**  
Northwestern State University, Faculty Advisor: Barbara Russell

**AITP Faculty “Extra Mile” Award:**  
Jack Russell, Ph.D. Northwestern State University

**Robert Half Technology/AITP $2,500 Scholarship Winners:**  
Winston Aaron Kotzam, Purdue University  
Lindsay Alexandrea Mannchen, Univ. of Maryland Baltimore County

**AITP Student Chapter Contests**

**AITP Student Chapter Banner Contest**  
Most Technical  
1st  La Roche College ($150)  
HM: Florida Community College-Jacksonville  
University of Alaska at Anchorage

Most Artistic  
1st  Kalamazoo Valley Community College ($150)  
HM: Northwestern State University  
Milwaukee Area Technical College

**Scavenger Hunt:**  
1st  Mid-State Technical College-Stevens Point ($100)  
HM  Kalamazoo Valley Community College  
Texas State Technical College-Waco

**ICCP Exam Statistics**  
*90 Test Takers, 162 exams given during the conference and 60 ACP’s were earned!  
Top Scores: Jared McDaniel, Albert Ritzhaupt, David LeBlanc, S. Krunk, Ph.D. (New CCP)
Microsoft Xbox Tournament sponsored by Monarch Computers
*30 teams entered/competed
1st Southwest Baptist University-Bolivar Scott McCarter
2nd Morgan State University Alan Forbes
3rd Missouri Western State College Brian Parrish

PC LAN Tournament sponsored by Monarch Computers
*45 teams entered/competed
1st Western Carolina University Ryan Arrowood
2nd University of Alabama Brandon Jacks
3rd Central Missouri State University Brian Tebbe
HM’s Eastern Illinois University Patrick Kelley
Central Missouri State University Matt Bradley
DeVry University – Tinley Park Casey Karner

Undergraduate Student Paper Competition sponsored by Robert Half Technology
1st Southwest Baptist University Scott McCarter
2nd Mesa State College Juliana Munoz
3rd Widener University Timothy Morford
HM Widener University Joseph Rabena

Graduate Student Paper Competition sponsored by Robert Half Technology
1st Central Michigan University Maritess Manalo
2nd Kalamazoo Valley Community College Jay Shoemaker

AITP Student Web Site Contest sponsored by the ICCP Education Foundation
1st James Madison University - Harrisburg
2nd Charter College
3rd University of Iowa
HM’s Kent State University
Florida Community College – Jacksonville
Illinois State University School of Technology
Middle Georgia Technical College

PC Troubleshooting by the AITP Foundation for IT Education
*86 teams competing
1st Horry Georgetown Technical College Stephen McDowell
2nd Southwest Technical Institute William Dulitz
3rd Boise State University Nathan Scafe
HM’s University of Mississippi Joseph Bradley Tim Johnson
Madison Area Technical College Jeremy Schraeder Andy Osborn
Gateway Technical College – Kenosha Mark Thiele
High Tech Institute Stanley Stewart
Tarleton State University Daniel Fowler
Illinois State University – School of Tech. Daniel Keller
Central Michigan University Tony Magri
Web Design Contest
*52 teams competing
Best Overall: University of Mississippi, Brandon Sherman
Best Technical: University of Mississippi, Terry Tongumpum, Richard Holmquist
Best Artistic: Illinois State Univ. School of Tech, Andrew Duckett, Kyle Sheldon
HM’s: University of West Florida, Ryan Fried, Travis Zimmerman
Central Michigan University, Jacob Wheeler
Missouri Western State College, Brian Jacobs, Brian Parrish
Oklahoma State Univ-Okmulgee, Robert Ozbun
Louisiana State University, Matthew Vince, James Alt

Database Contest sponsored by the AITP Foundation for IT Education
*63 teams competing
1st: Brigham Young University, Slawomir Blakiewicz
2nd: Brigham Young University, Kurt Kirkham
3rd: Charter College, Shawn Tumey, Bob Thomas
HM’s: Gateway Technical College-Kenosha, Greg Brown, Renee Riedel
University of West Florida, Joseph Perriott, Case Telle
Northwestern State University, Tracy Leeper, Brandy Bourgoyne
New Mexico State University, Albert Vega, Aaron Sebesta
Northwestern State University, Beth Anderson, Janice Austin

Java Contest sponsored by the State Farm
*29 teams competing
1st: University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, Luke Plamann, Mark Schilling
2nd: Southwest Baptist University, Danny Miller, Pamela Clodfelter
3rd: Madison Area Technical College, Aaron Parker, Chris Hartwig
HM’s: University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, Jeremy Jinks
University of West Florida, Case Telle, Daniel Pittman
James Madison University, Gregory Kruck, Jonathan Albert

Systems Analysis & Design Contest sponsored by Robert Half Technology
*32 teams competing
1st: Northwestern State University, La Carlos Williams, Tracy Leeper
2nd: Northwestern State University, Erin Ponville, Chris Gregory
3rd: Northwestern State University, Adam Williams, Callista Salazar Cobb
HM’s: Purdue University, Jaqueline Harlozinski Blair Gillam
Brigham Young University, Slawomir Blakiewicz
Brigham Young University, Kurt Kirkham, Robert Turner
### Visual Studio.net Contest sponsored by Microsoft

*51 teams competing*

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### COBOL Programming Contest sponsored by MicroFocus

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University of North Dakota     Grand Forks, ND
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