

## **Oregon CSTA Symposium: Speaker Bios**

### **[Terrel Smith - President, OregonCSTA](#)**

Terrel “T” Smith is in his 38th year of teaching in Sherwood, where he has coached track and other sports. In 2007, T was named Oregon Technology Teacher of the Year by the Software Association of Oregon (now the Technology Association of Oregon). T champions technology education at school and through service in various organizations:

- State of Oregon STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Task Force Advisory
- ODE ESSA Teacher Effectiveness committee
- Oregon Education Association Teaching and Learning Cabinet
- Oregon Computer Science Teachers Association (Current President)
- George Fox University Education Consortium
- National Education Association CTE delegate

### **[Jim Hook - Associate Dean, Maseeh College of Engineering and Computer Science, Portland State University](#)**

Jim Hook joined the Portland State University Department of Computer Science in September 2004 and has been the Associate Dean of Maseeh College of Engineering and Computer Science since Aug 2012. Jim's research interests focus on the application of mathematics to software development. The goal of his research is to produce sound techniques for the creation of high-assurance software. Specific areas of expertise include type systems, programming languages and logics, functional programming, and domain-specific languages. Hook has taught a wide range of courses, including topics in theoretical computer science, programming language semantics, logic and software process improvement.

### **[Eric Campbell - Mentor Graphics](#)**

Eric has worked for Mentor Graphics and now Calypto Design Systems (at Mentor Graphics) in Wilsonville for over 20 years. Eric also serves as the Board Vice Chair for the Sherwood School District.

### **[Helen Henry - PNW Regional Manager, TEALS/Microsoft](#)**

Helen started her computer science education at the age of 8 when her father installed the first-ever, computer in her family's garage in the 1970s. After graduating from UC at Davis in Computer Science and Mathematics, she became the youngest Systems Engineer ever hired by Hewlett Packard. Helen's obvious love for education and computer science shows up in her educational background (MAT with endorsements in both high school math and elementary education), her volunteer experience (PTA President, Mountains to Sound Greenway, Future Business Leaders of America), and her professional experience (System Engineer, math teacher, and AP Computer Science TEALS teacher). After 11 years of teaching, Helen is excited to reach a much larger student audience and share her love of computer science!

### **[Pete Steinfeld - Retired, IBM](#)**

Pete Steinfeld is recently retired from IBM after 41 years as a software developer and development manager. He's practiced Agile Development for over 10 years. He's now pursuing his avocation as a Power Volunteer for the Oregon Computer Science Teachers Association, the Oregon Robotics Tournament and Outreach Program, Saturday Academy, TechStart, Oregon Game Project Challenge, and the Somerset West Soccer Club.

### **[Jason Galbraith - CS Teacher, Sunset High School](#)**

Jason Galbraith teaches Computer Science classes at Sunset High School. These include 3D modeling, video game creation, web design, robotics, Java programming, C++ programming, and data structures. He also coaches video game teams, mentors robotics teams, runs a few after-school clubs, and runs girls-only technology camps. In his spare time, he helps teach for Saturday Academy, runs workshops for the OCSTA (Oregon Computer Science Teachers Association), and attempts to make a professional level computer Go player with Professor Peter Drake of Lewis & Clark College.

### **[John Huelskamp - Principal, Sunset High School](#)**

Currently in his 18th year as a principal, John has had the privilege of working with students, staff, and families at Sunset High School, Terra Linda Elementary, DeLaSalle North Catholic High School, and St. John Fisher School. A Social Studies and Math teacher by trade, John came over to the Dark Side (Administration) as a means of staying attached to education while still providing for his four children. When it comes to Computer Science and Engineering, John knows enough to be dangerous and is smart enough to hire really good people and focus on ways to remove obstacles that get in the way of them sharing their passion with students.

### **[Corin Wyatt - Director of Technology and Innovation at Forest Grove School District](#)**

As a 20+-year veteran educator, Corin has been bounced from computer labs and libraries to classrooms at all three levels. Corin currently serves the families of Forest Grove as the Technology Director. When she isn't directing technology, you can find her cycling and hiking the back roads and trails of the Northwest.

### **[Rich Vial - Representative, Oregon District 26](#)**

Representative Rich Vial and his family have lived in House District 26 for over 30 years. In the Oregon Legislature, Rep. Vial serves as Vice Chair of the House Committee on Transportation Policy and as a member of the House Committees on Judiciary and Education. He also serves on the Autonomous Vehicle and Drone legislative workgroups and is a member of the Oregon Innovation Council.

### **[Savannah Loberger - Computer Science Student, Oregon State University](#)**

Savannah is a student at Oregon State University studying computer science and statistics. She has a passion for engaging kids and providing STEM opportunities. In high school she started the Girls Get IT! (Innovative Technology) program. Girls Get IT! inspired the national NCWIT ApireIT Program that provides funding for high school and college students to run outreach programs in their local towns and there have been over 300 programs assisted so far! She currently serves on the board for Girl Scouts of Oregon and SW Washington, is the Professional Development Officer for the OSU SWE chapter, and is interning at Intel as a Software Engineer for her 5th internship.

### **[Michael Swinarski - Director of Information Security, Standard Insurance Company](#)**

Michael Swinarski has nearly 20 years of experience in a variety of IT roles, currently serving as the Director of Information Security at an Oregon based financial services company. In addition, he is a member of the Northern Arizona University Information Systems Advisory Council, providing guidance and information concerning industry trends to both students and faculty. Michael and his wife Julie, moved to the Portland area in 2010.

### **[Katie Hendrickson - Advocacy & Policy Manager, Code.org](#)**

I work on state policy and advocacy issues for Code.org. We want every student to have access to high quality computer science instruction. To achieve this, we focus on working with states to develop a few key policies, including K-12 standards for computer science, and funding for teacher professional learning in computer science. We were also on the steering committee for the K-12 Computer Science Framework, which many states have been using to create their own standards in CS.

### **[Alan Rogers - Board Member of Oregon Game Project Challenge](#)**

Alan is the former Chair, and current Board Member of Oregon Game Project Challenge (OGPC). OGPC is a unique statewide game development contest designed to inspire middle- and high-school students to pursue careers in STEM fields. Alan began writing games in the 8-bit era, and has programmed on Commodore 64, Amiga, Macintosh, and PC. He is currently a web application developer.