

About the ATP

The Association of Telecommunications Professionals, Inc., is a not-for-profit Ohio corporation and exempt from federal income tax. Its purpose is to promote effective design, operation, and management of telecommunications systems. ATP provides tangible benefits for member companies by providing a bi-monthly meeting atmosphere conducive to the mutual exchange of ideas, innovations and applications among the **Members**. This interchange also provides the **Membership** opportunities for advancement in professional expertise in telecommunication. *Telecommunication* refers to all aspects of information exchange: voice; data; and video.

ATP facilitates the exchange of information and experiences for the mutual benefit of the **Members**; Encourages technological development and research in telecommunications; Fosters the enhancement and development of the telecommunications management function; Evaluates and disseminates details and effects of regulatory changes; Provides and supports educational programs beneficial to the **Members**; Utilizes the talents and resources of the **Members** for the benefit of the community through projects approved by the **Members**; and Encourages professionals from all disciplines within the field of telecommunications to strive toward the highest level of professional conduct.

Communicating With the ATP

The ATP HOTLINE phone number is (614) 836-4318. The ATP HOTLINE is being made available by AEP. Both meeting and membership information are available. In addition, the ATP can be reached via email at ohioatp@yahoo.com.

MEMBERSHIP

ATP Members are companies, corporations, other organizations, or entrepreneurs whose professional activity is primarily as a user or provider of telecommunications. **Members** are classified as *Users, Students, or Vendors*.

The ATP Board has established a meeting fee for non-members. Non-members (*not attending as guests of Members*) pay \$25 per meeting. Non-members do not receive meeting notices, newsletters, or other mailings and have no voting privileges. Student members' meeting fees are \$8.00 (*currently being waived by an act of the Board*). Other **Members** pay \$20.00 per meeting.

2000 OFFICERS

- President: **Dan Umberger**, *Borden, Inc.*
 - VP: **Kathy Holm**, *FirstLink*
 - Secretary: **Mike Patterson**, *AEP*
- Treasurer: **Glenn Ruff**, *The McGraw-Hill Companies*
 - Director-At-Large: **Jean Cesario**, *Nextlink*
 - Director-At-Large: **Vacant**
 - Director Emeritus: **Larry Learn**, *OCLC*

YEAR IN REVIEW

Kathy Holm and the program committee did a great job in planning interesting and topical meetings during 2000. The topics dealt with current industry issues, and the speakers gave excellent presentations:

The February meeting was held at *the River Club*. Three speakers addressed *The Future of Wireless Communications*. Presenters included **Alan Morse** of *Sprint PCS*, **Robert Carr** of *Lucent* (now *Avaya*), and member **Maria Lepore**, of *Executive Jet Aviation*.

The title of the April meeting was *Disaster Planning and Recovery*. The meeting, which took place at *OCLC*, began with three speakers from *Sungard*, **Martin Glover**, **Barry Raymond**, and **Ed Runkowski**. Subsequently, there were presentations by **George Hakun** of *High Availability Systems*, and member **Ron Candage**, of *OCLC*.

In June, the meeting site was *Nextlink of Ohio*, and the topic was *What's Next for IVR?* **Paul Peach** of *Norstan Communications*, and **Jack Wiklasaar** and **Brian Spencer** of *Computer Telephony Solutions* were the featured speakers.

The August meeting was held at the *Fawcett Center*, featured a presentation by **Erin Count** and **Lori Wilson** of *Lucent Technologies* (now *Avaya*) on the topic of *Video in the Enterprise*.

The topic for the October meeting, which is also the ATP **Annual Meeting**, was *Internet2 and You!* **Dr. David Landsbergen** of *The Ohio State University* and **Dr. Hans Kruse** of *Ohio University* chaired the program, which also featured televised laproscopic surgery from

The OSU Medical Center. The **Membership** elected the following Officers and Directors for 2001:

- President: **Kathryn Holm**, *FirstLink*
- Vice President: **Glenn Ruff**, *The McGraw-Hill Companies*
 - Secretary: **Mike Patterson**, *AEP*
- Treasurer: **Dave Russell**, *Ohio Health System Services*
- Director (1st Past President): **Dan Umberger**, *Borden, Inc.*
 - Director (2nd Past President): **Vacant**
 - Director-at-Large: **Jean Cesario**, *NextLink*
 - Director-at-Large: **John Pensyl**, *Inter-Tel Technologies*
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During the business meeting, the **Membership** approved the **Board's** recommendation to keep membership dues at \$100 for *Voting* members and at \$200 for *Vendor* members; and to raise Meeting Fees to \$20.

The December meeting was held at *State Auto Insurance Companies*, and focused on *Voice/Data Convergence on the Premises*. Presentations were made by **Paul Strauss** of *IDC*, **Michael Watson** of *IQ Systems*, **Jim Woods** of *3COM Corporation*, and **Morgan Mann** of *Sphere Communications, Inc.*

ASSETS & LIABILITIES

The Association of Telecommunications Professionals, Inc., began the 2000 fiscal year with a balance of \$13,266. The 2000 ending balance was \$13,675 for a total net increase of \$409.

Net Increase: \$409 (3%)

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Income

Member Fees: \$8,100 (65%)
Meeting Fees: \$4,043 (32%)
Interest on Accts.: \$348 (3%)

Total Revenue: \$12,491 (100%)

Expenses

Meeting Expenses: \$5,036 (42%)
Newsletter Expense: \$3,410 (28%)
Scholarship Fund: \$3,000 (25%)
Other Misc.: \$660 (5%)

Total Expenses: \$12,106 (100%)

The Association of Telecommunications Professionals, Inc.

The logo for the Association of Telecommunications Professionals, Inc. (atp) features the lowercase letters 'atp' in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The letters are closely spaced and have a slightly irregular, hand-drawn appearance. A thin vertical yellow line is positioned to the right of the 'p'.

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