**NAGT Annual Report**

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**January – April 2020:**

In The Trenches: Style Matters:

Updated broken link to the GSA Style Guide and added a link for Author Inquiries (Thanks Sandy!)

In The Trenches magazine:

Published the April edition

* Half of this edition was devoted to the NSF IUSE GeoPaths program on getting students in the geosciences pipeline
* This issue was short due to the COVID-19 pandemic

**May – September 2020**

ITT access:

* Shorter web address now works: nagt.org/itt

July issue

* Expected: Half of this issue will be devoted to the NSF IUSE GeoPaths program
* Update: COVID caused delays for some authors. One GeoPaths article was in this issue and another in the September issue. One other fell through.
* Four articles were published.

September issue

* This issue was long to accommodate the Geoscience award winners that would normally be recognized at GSA.
* Two regular articles also appeared in the issue.

**January issue and beyond**

January issue (expected)

* This will be a fully online issue for those articles that work better online. So far there are three topics proposed:
  + Building a 3-d model of atmospheric motion
  + QGIS
  + Virtual ice explorer
  + I’m hoping to find two more articles, but I’m not optimistic.
  + NOTE: This will be a test to see if one online issue every year will benefit the Association. In the past, there has been very little interest in online articles, based on the number of views. We will need to advertise the January issue to increase interest.

Ideas for future issues

* I have some ideas for themed issues.
  + Learning by Drone
  + Arduino
  + GIS
* NOTE: I’m having a hard time finding articles and I suspect it’s because we (including me) are all overworked teaching online classes during COVID. There have been very few articles proposed since COVID hit and some of the articles that were proposed never materialized.
* I’ve suggested that ITT become a more broadly advertised magazine since most of the authors I’ve contacted were not NAGT members. It might be better to make this an outward facing magazine instead of an inward facing one. This requires action from the ExCom and would no doubt cost money to advertise the magazine to a broader audience. Broadening the audience may increase advertisements in the magazine.

Advertising

* August 6, 2020: I send Caroline contact information for groups who might be interested in advertising in ITT:
  + UNAVCO contact: Donna Charlevoix
  + AMS Data Stream Program: contact at [amsedu@ametsoc.org](mailto:amsedu@ametsoc.org)
  + GLOBE Program unable to spend money on advertising
  + YCAR Center for Science Education contact: John Ristvey, [jristvey@ucar.edu](mailto:jristvey@ucar.edu)
  + COMET program contact: [epage@ucar.edu](mailto:epage@ucar.edu)
  + SparkFun contact: 303-284-0979
  + \*\*\* I’m not sure if any of these were contacted. The original plan was to contact them after the EER, but I don’t think it happened.