

## **Peter LaGrandeur, R.E.T.**

I am originally from Leduc, Alberta, but my career has taken me to Edmonton, Lloydminster, Saskatoon, and Calgary. I completed two years of science at the University of Alberta, followed by NAIT's two-year Engineering Design and Drafting Technology diploma program. I carry on lifelong learning with continuing education from NAIT, SAIT, and Mount Royal College. My C.E.T. status was attained in 1981 and R.E.T. in 1988. My career has included full time work as a technologist and project coordinator, and stints as a technical writer and web designer.

My contributions to ASET, to date, include:

- Exam development for C.E.T. candidates
- Three years on the R.E.T. Joint Registration Board (ASET & APEGGA)
- Committee member with CCTT's Canadian Technology Accreditation Board (CTAB) reviewing SAIT's application and subsequent review of one of its technology programs
- Four years Chair of Calgary Chapter
- Seven years Director for Technical Tours, Calgary Chapter – 95 tours
- Recipient of ASET's 'Inukshuk' Volunteer of the Year Award, 2006

Specific initiatives that I support include:

- Equal pay and opportunities for women technologists
- Opportunities for First Nations people entering the field of science and engineering technology
- Assistance for new Canadian technologists integrating into the Alberta workplace
- Relevant professional development for technologists
- Leadership training for technologists assuming higher levels of responsibility
- Canada-wide standardization of technologists' education and professional certification
- Technologists' professional recognition in the engineering and science professions
- Continuing improvement of relations between ASET and other professional organizations