

Editor's Comments

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Ogden Lindsley's keynote addresses from the 1996 International Precision Teaching Conference headline this issue of the *Journal of Precision Teaching and Celeration*, as he challenges us to increase our aims for the next century. He also presents a highly efficient method of training Chart-based concepts of frequency, performance differences, and celerations which gets all participants involved quickly. While the International Precision Teaching Conference in Seattle in October, 1996 was a huge success, highlighted by visits to and live demonstrations from Momingside Academy, the next conference promises to be very exciting as well. Details are included in this issue for the 1997, Thirteenth Annual International Precision Teaching Conference to be held in Hartford, CT, which will include visits to Ben Bronz Academy.

This first issue of our fourteenth volume demonstrates rather creative and varied uses of our fluency-based technology. Articles include the use of Precision Teaching to improve cross-stitching skills, second language skills (in both Hebrew and Russian), and creative writing skills in humans, as well as heeling skills in a puppy. Reading skills enhancement in both kindergarten and high school subjects are also described. An evaluation of elementary students' comprehension of Channel One after precision retelling is one of the first systematic assessments of this widely used elementary school tool. Additionally, we have several enlightening Chart shares in this issue.

All of us in Precision Teaching are so busy improving and applying our technology that we are often criticized for our inadequate publishing record. This office receives at least three requests per week for information and assistance. With e-mail and behavior analytic bulletin boards, the requests are accelerating. For example, I have a Master's student who wants to use PT to increase the verbalizations of an autistic adolescent, while Libby Street has one who wants to improve comprehension of statistics with PT within a groups design. Has anyone out there had any experience in these areas? Submit your manuscripts or Chart Shares! The world is desperate for our superior measurement technology; we must share it!