Messages from the Conference Chairs

"Teacher shortages, standards and testing controversies, professional isolation, accountability . . . you know the issues in Arizona. Attendance at conference such as this and membership in professional organizations such as AETA and TYCA-West provide opportunities for more information, support and positive action. To support you, we need you to support us! ‘Partnership’ is all about professional affiliation. Join us for this event! Join the organizations! With your new or renewed membership, renew your commitment to a supportive collegial environment and to excellence in the teaching of English and language arts."

Sharon Fagan, Conference Chair, AETA

"What an exciting time to be in education . . . to be a teacher! Part of that excitement comes from the teaching potential that is provided by technology. Another part comes from the ongoing interaction between fellow teaching professionals. The upcoming AETA/TYCA—West Tech Fiesta and AETA Annual Conference bring together both of these aspects into an important exchange of new ideas! I hope that you will join us for this excellent gathering and help us in ‘Building Bridges Through Partnerships, Tradition and Technology’.

John Paddison, Conference Chair, TYCA-West Region

Conference Schedule

Friday, September 21st
3:00-6:00 pm Technology Workshop "Electronic Portfolios with Hyperstudio"
6:00-7:00 pm Mexican Buffet, Mariachis
7:00-8:30 pm Open Microphone Readings, Coffee and Dessert

Saturday, September 22nd
8:00-9:00 am Registration, Continental Breakfast, Publisher Exhibits
9:00-9:30 am Welcome Addresses
9:30-12:30 pm Technology Workshop "A Beginner’s Guide to Technology in the Writing Classroom"

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9:30-10:20 am Concurrent Sessions A
10:30-11:20 am Concurrent Sessions B
11:30-12:20 pm Concurrent Sessions C
12:30-1:50 pm Lunch, Door Prizes, Exhibits
2:00-3:00 pm Teaching with Technology Showcase

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2:00-2:50 pm Concurrent Sessions D