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## *GREETINGS FROM ROBERT CONNOR*

LaTESOL has many exciting upcoming events. We all are anticipating a crowd of 11,000 in 2011 when international TESOL comes to New Orleans. We plan to hold our annual 2010 and 2011 conferences in conjunction with this big event. Our next conference will be held in the Cajundome of Lafayette. Save the date of November 13, 2009, which is the day before LSU plays LaTech, so we hope to have more attendance from northern Louisiana.

## *FAREWELL TO EDITOR*

Dear LaTESOL Friends,

As some of you may know, I have recently retired from LSU after being employed there for 23 years. My work at LSU over those years, in addition to several administrative positions, included teaching composition and literature through the LSU English Department and teaching ESL through the ELOP program.

I was "recruited" as the LaTESOL newsletter editor by our then president Elin Epperson in 1995 and continued in this capacity until the summer 2008 issue. And I was pleased to do so because I believe that LaTESOL has been and continues to be important to ESL in our state providing teaching, learning, and professional development opportunities for all of us in this great field.

It has been my pleasure to work with several LaTESOL Executive Boards over these many years. I will continue to be a member of LaTESOL, but now, with my retirement comes the opportunity to travel with my husband to visit our children and grandchildren, and to spend more time creating new designs for my developing jewelry business.

So -- while I relinquish my newsletter duties to others, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your contributions to the newsletter over the years and for your friendship. I will see you in the fall at our annual conference.

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## *Conference Evaluation*



Thank you for making the 2008 LaTESOL conference "A Community of Learners" a success. Each year LaTESOL tries to present a conference that is relevant to our members and the changing society. Bruce Horner told us about the diverse ways of examining our students' language while our other presenters focused on applying these insights to the classroom.



After examining the conference evaluations, we are committed to providing more development for our K-12 teachers as well as expanding more offerings in the areas of adult ESL and English for Specific Purposes. We would like to thank all the presenters, and we would like to encourage everyone to consider presenting their best lesson at next year's conference.

## *Pelican Post*



*Josette Beaulieu Grace and her husband, Al Grace, were crowned as Queen Hera II and King Zeus II at the Krewe of Olympus Coronation party held in Diamondhead, MS, on Sept. 12, 2008.*

