

CONNECTING THE DOTS

TYCA-SW 2010 Conference • Laredo, Texas

Laredo Community College invites you to the 45th TYCA –SW Conference in Laredo, TX on October 21- 23, 2010 at the historic La Posada Hotel. We welcome individual presentations, small group panel discussions, and workshops focusing on our conference theme “Connecting the Dots”. Today, we work with the most expressive and tech savvy generation of students in our rapidly changing world. Though some are not fully prepared, most of the students are optimistic, empathetic, world aware, and hopeful of the future. With our advanced technology of e-mail, Twitter, blogs, and Facebook, these

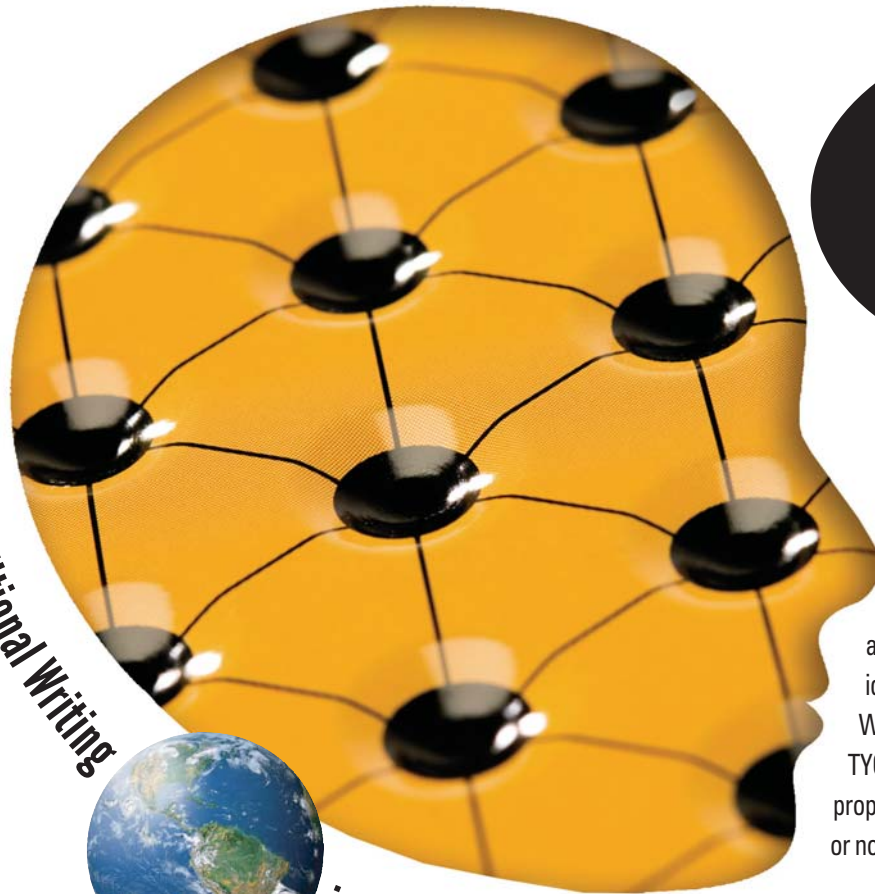
“Billionnials” are communicating every second. We seem to live in a world where anything seems to go. How do we connect the dots to align traditional writing and literature with their world? How do we make them connect the dots? As instructors, are we on a collision course or harmonizing? How do we inspire our students to become careful readers, critical thinkers, and thoughtful writers? How do we help them connect the dots between literature and composition, college, career, and future endeavors?

CALL FOR PAPERS

We would like to hear what you are doing in your composition and literature classes to instill an appreciation for literature and writing in your students. Consider the following for your proposals as they relate to helping students make the connection between their world and the academic world of literature or writing: Reading and Writing in developmental and transfer level courses, Literature and Writing, Reading and Writing across the curriculum, Reading Culture across the campus, Team Teaching, Learning Communities, On-line Tutoring, or any other relevant idea of interest that focuses on the conference theme.

We would be delighted to feature your presentation at the Annual Conference of the TYCA South West in Laredo, and we also welcome creative writing proposals for reading poetry, a short story, a book chapter, or novel excerpt.

Teaching Traditional Writing



in this Anything Goes World



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Submission Guidelines

Please send an abstract of 50-75 words that describes the content and type of presentation (individual, panel, workshop), listing each presenter's name, institution, and contact information. Please include a title for the presentation, brief biography of each presenter and any other details that would encourage participation.

For creative writing proposals, please submit a complete manuscript of the work(s) you hope to present.

Proposal Submission Deadline: August 15, 2010

Please indicate whether you need any of the following equipment:

- Overhead Projector
- Laptop Computer
- w/DVD Player
- w/Speakers
- w/LCD Projector
- Flipchart/Markers

Each session will be scheduled for 45 minutes, with the last 10 minutes devoted to Q & A discussion.

If you do not receive acknowledgment that your proposal was received within two weeks, please contact us.

Please send abstracts of your proposal to:

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Are you a TYCA-SW member?

We invite both TYCA-SW members and nonmembers to submit their proposals. However, if your abstract is accepted by the review panel, presenters must be registered for the conference before the October 21, 2010 conference date.

Please visit the TYCA website: www.tycasw.org and click on the membership form. Send individual dues of \$20.00, or institutional dues of \$200.00, both payable to TYCA-SW, to:

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