

TEXASPEAKS

TEXAS SPEECH COMMUNICATION ASSOCIATION

A Message From TSCA President Barbara Mayo

Thank You! Muchas Gracias!

What a wonderful time we had in San Antonio!

As I reflect on Convention 2007, I can't help but marvel at how the efforts of an entire year came together so beautifully in just a few days worth of events. So I must take this time to say thank you to everyone who made this year's convention such a huge success.

When we heard of Joe's impending surgery and his courageous battle with cancer, our hearts went out to him and everyone jumped into action to make sure we served TSCA proudly in his absence. Natalie Bryant, with her "Git 'er Done" attitude graciously accepted the enormous task of taking on yet another year's challenge of planning convention and helped guide us. Local Arrangements, led by Gilbert Casas and Joseph Brown surprised everyone with some of the BEST goodie bags we have ever seen and I am sure we are still thinking of them daily as we use our insulated mugs, lunch totes and awesome goodie bags! I am still enjoying my books written by Naomi Nye and thanks to Aimee Kasprzyk's superb writing skills, we were able to enjoy a professor's performance hour ready for prime time! I'm still laughing!

The most amazing thing to me in planning the convention was how integral we all are to one another. Indeed, we are one HUGE team. Brent Hinkle's faith in our ability to register on-line coupled with his infinite patience allowed us to move TSCA's website and registration process into the computer age, Bill Schuetz' calm exterior as he deals with our budgetary demands and superb palette as he chooses our luncheon menus makes everyone happy while they eat their desserts, Lois Davis' bubbly personality got everyone excited about attending and building our district meeting attendance, Amy Tilton Jones' perseverance in soliciting information for the newsletters keeps us informed, Jana Riggin's attention to detail makes sure we have records for posterity and of course, Glynis, makes sure we do it all by the book! Most of all, special thanks go to all of the Committee Chairs, Interest Group Chairs and District Chairs who do the work all year long to insure everyone else has a great time at convention. Without everyone, none of this is possible. So, as I think back on this year's convention with pride and awe, I must say Thank You to the people who make it possible – the TSCA Membership.

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Vice-President and I am especially proud to serve as President for the coming year. See you in Corpus!

Sincerely,

Barbara Mayo

2007 Award Winners



The 2007 Educator of the Year Honorees: (L to R) Sarah Contreras—Community College, Mary Jane Grant—Middle School, Michael Elkins—University, and Myrna Bass—High School.



The 2007 TSCA Outstanding Service Award winners: Connie McKee and Jana Riggins.



Mary Trejo, recipient of the TIFA Educator of the Year Award

Congratulations!

District Information

District 1 Chair: Karen Sue Morris, Hanna HS
Secondary - Dr. Rebecca Rendon

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Secondary - Charlene Dietrich, Calallen HS
Community College - Amy Tilton Jones, Del Mar College
University - Shawn Wahl, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi

District 3 Chair: Katrese Skinner, El Campo HS
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District 4 Chair: Lisa Parks, Deer Park HS
Middle School - Sandra Jones
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University – Dr. Martha Haun

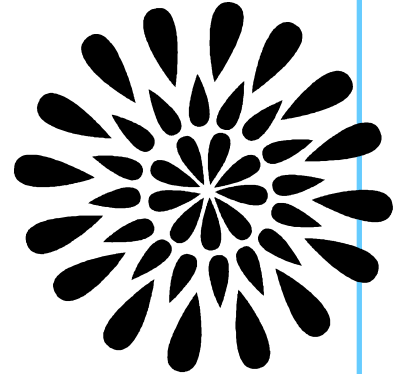
District 6 Chair: Helen Farrar
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Community College - Dr. Cary Voss, Victoria College
University – Debbi Hatton, Sam Houston State University

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Secondary – Janice Caldwell, Lindale HS
Community College – M'Liss Hindman, Tyler Junior College

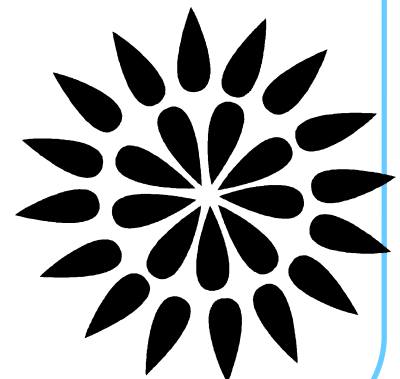
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District 10 Chair: Eric Mears, Flower Mound HS
Secondary – Barbara Garner, Duncanville HS

District 11 Chair: Darlene Kent, John H. Guyer HS
Middle School – Dana Redding, Aubrey MS
Secondary – Karen Gossett, Ryan HS



District
Chairs
and each
district's
nominees
for
Educator
of the
Year!



University – Kelly Taylor, University of North Texas

District 12 Chair: Ronda Craig

Secondary – Aimee Kasprzyk, Rice HS

Community College – Raymond Puchot

District 13 Chair: Russell Kirkscey, Blanco HS

Secondary – Russell Kirkscey, Blanco HS

Community College – Jesse Jackson

University – Wayne Kraemer

District 14 Chair: Patty Brant, Craig MS & Charlene Stricklin, Hardin Simmons University

District 15 Chair: George Pacheco, San Angelo State University

Community College – Dr. Cary Voss, Victoria College

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Middle School – Jamie Uphold

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District 19 Chair: Corina Vasquez Fevela, Chapin HS

Middle School – Cheryl Miller, Henderson MS

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Community College – Keith Townsend, El Paso Community College

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'10	Helen Rebollo	htraboll@episd.org	19	Intermediate
'08	Chad Flisowski	flisowskic@calcoisd.org	3	High School

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'10	Sarah Contreras	scontreras@delmar.edu	2	College
'10	Joseph Brown	Jbrown5@saisd.net	20	High School
'09	Randy Cox	mrcox@mail.utexas.edu	13	University
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'09	M'Liss Hindman	mhin@tjc.edu	7	College
'08	Joseph Gantt	Joe.gantt@hv.edu	17	University
'08	Marla Chisholm	mchisholm@delmar.edu	2	College

Educator Training Committee

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'08	Kathy Owens	Kathy.owens@umhb.edu	12	University
'09	Jane Boyd	Jane.boyd@gcisd.net	11	High School
'09	Darlene Kent	dkent@dentonisd.org	11	High School
'08	Meredith Hamlin	No directory info.		
'09	Patty Brant	patrecia.brant@abileneisd.org	14	Middle School

Fiscal Review Committee

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'09	Warren Kincaid	Wkcommapp@aol.com	14	High School

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'08	Kerry Owens	kowens@umhb.eu	12	University
'08	Julie Bonner	kuliebonner@tomballisd.net	4	High School
'10	Alicia Tafoya	atafoya@lake.ollusa.edu	20	University

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'08	Sharon Grindstaff (Nunez)	Pod5001@aol.com	19	High School
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'09	Mary Evelyn Collins (Thornton)	Smc_mec@shsu.edu	6	University

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'08	Mike Jones	mjones@delmar.edu	2	College
'08	Linda Alderson	aldeson@ykcwb.com	3	High School
'08	Kandi King	kking@neisd.net mamakjking@yahoo.com	20	High School
'08	Joe Willis	jwillis@midland.edu	18	College

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'10	Charles Wise (Co-Chair)	cwise@austin.rr.com	20	College
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'08	Doris Velez	dmvelez@episd.org	19	Middle School
'08	Matt Kennedy	mkenedy@go.wtann.edu	16	University
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'08	Fernando Arana	Onstage33@yahoo.com	19	High School
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'09	Robert Powell	robertpowell@katyisd.org	4	High School
'09	Deanne Christensen	dchristensen@conroe.isd.net	6	High School
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'08	Virginia Myers	Cvmyers11@aol.com	17	University
'08	June Smith	june.smith@angelo.edu	15	Universtiy
'08	Jana Riggins	jriggins@mail.utexas.edu	13	University

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'08	Michael Kirch	No TSCA directory listing		
'08	Raymond Puchot	rpuchot@bristol.mass.edu	N/A	College
'09	Mary Parker	parkerm@coastalbend.edu	2	College
'09	Mendy Meurer	mmeurer@delmar.edu	2	College
'09	Linda Long	llong@dcccd.edu kalilong@sbc.global.net	10	College
'08	Jesse Jackson	jjackson@austincc.edu	13	College
'09	Phyllis Garcia	garciap@coastalbend.edu	2	College



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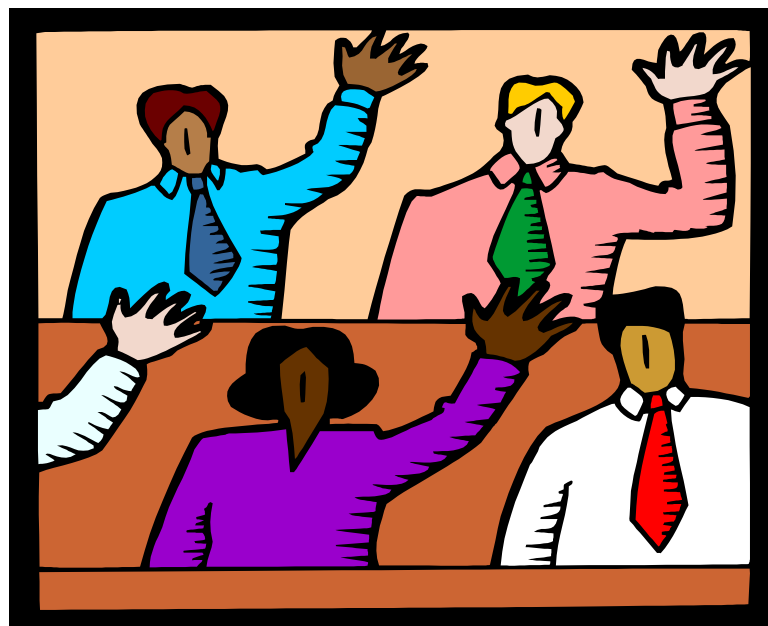
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'09	Janet Melton (Chair)	meltonj@lampasas.k12.tx.us	12	High School
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'08	David Gardiner	dlgardiner@ccisd.us	2	High School
'09	Ross De Leon	Rdeleon52@aol.com	20	High School
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'08	Mary Trejo	trejome@gmail.com mtrejo@utep.edu	19	University
'08	Alice Gatling	Alice.gatling@cfisd.net	4	High School

Speech and Theatre in Public Schools Committee

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'08	Karen Morris	ksmorris@bisd.us	1	High School
'08	Julie Estes	No TSCA directory listing		
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'09	Heather Davis	davish@needvilleisd.com	4	High School
'08	Lacye Odam	Layce.odam@smisd.net	13	High School
'09	Michael Morales	mi.morales@ecisd.us	1	High School
'08	Cynthia Almaguer	calmaguer@psja.k12.tx.us	1	High School
'10	Ofelia Pena	opena@psja.k12.tx.us	1	High School
'09	Sandra Jones	sjkspeakup@aol.com	4	Middle School
'08	Ruben Richardson	Rrichardson@lisd.org	7	High School
'08	Carolyn Zuma	czuma@episd.org	19	Middle School



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'08	Dalissa Garcia	mgarza6@kvisd.esc2.net	2	High School
'08	Amy Tilton Jones	ajones@delmar.edu	2	College
'08	Jackie Ganschow	jgansch@delmar.edu	2	College
'08	Laura Day Brown	lday@delmar.edu	2	College
'08	Mendy Meurer	mmeurer@delmar.edu	2	College
'08	Sarah Contreras	scontreras@delmar.edu	2	College
'08	Shawn Wahl	Shawn.wahl@tamucc.edu	2	College
'08	Kelly Quintanilla	kelly.quintanilla@tamucc.edu	2	College
'08	Mike Jones	mjones@delmar.edu	2	College
'08	David Gardiner	dlgardiner@ccisd.us	2	High School

Parliamentarian

Year	Name	E- Mail	District	School
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'08	Natalie Bryant	nbryant@southplainscollege.edu	16	College
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TSCA RESOLUTIONS 2007

WHEREAS, the Omni Hotel Staff has been courteous, helpful, and cooperative in the planning of the 2007 TSCA Convention; and **WHEREAS**, the entire hotel staff worked together above and beyond their required duties to make sure our facilities were ideal; and **WHEREAS**, Bob Guerra, Convention Services Manager, AKA King of the World, welcomed us to San Antonio with a warm “Howdy Y’all,” and **WHEREAS**, Bob graciously served as judge for a contest that was not entirely Jana Riggins approved; and **WHEREAS**, we think he may be more qualified than some of the judges we have had; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that TSCA express our most sincere appreciation for Omni staff’s efforts.

WHEREAS, we were welcomed to convention with a fantastic banner donated by Sign Station; and **WHEREAS**, Mariachi Portrillo of Jefferson High School entertained us with their wonderful music, and **WHEREAS**, Norwood RCC, Linda West, Rainbow Spirits, Majestic Theater, Rosalinda Deleon and District 3,7,12 and 20 donated fabulous door prizes; and **WHEREAS**, Riverwalk Florists provided delightful floral arrangements; and **WHEREAS**, IKON Copies and the member of the Local Arrangements Committee supplied the tools and technology so essential to run the convention smoothly; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that TSCA express our gratitude to these benevolent individuals.

WHEREAS, Danny Martinez was a beloved twenty-two-year old nephew; and **WHEREAS**, Danny Martinez passed away unexpectedly in September of an aneurism; and **WHEREAS**, he will be sorely missed by family and friends alike; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that TSCA’s membership extend heartfelt condolence to Raymond Puchot in the loss of his nephew, Danny.

WHEREAS, RAY Williams was a loyal member of TSCA serving a variety of committees; and **WHEREAS**, he touched the lives of many people as a speech instructor and a forensics coach, then moved into the position of Vice President of Instruction at Trinity Valley Community College; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that we mourn his passing and extend our heartfelt sympathy to the Williams family.

WHEREAS, Gilbert Casas, Joseph Brown, and the Local Arrangements Committee did an incredible job for the 2007 Convention; and **WHEREAS** , they arranged for us to be serenaded by mariachis; and **WHEREAS**, they took the concept of goody bags to a whole new level so that they will now be referred to as “greaty bags”; and **WHEREAS**, they provided the opportunity for our “action” items to take place at the Riverwalk; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the TSCA membership give a pat on the back and a hearty handshake to each member of the 2007 Local Arrangements Committee.

WHEREAS, it is a convention requirement that we write a resolution about Ralph Long – and should probably be added to the bylaws; and **WHEREAS**, even though last year we specifically warned Ralph never to appear in public wearing spandex again, we apparently need to expand that ban to leather and dog collars as well, and **WHEREAS**, telling us how the sausage gets made falls under the category of

too much information, especially considering his costume choices; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Ralph Long continue to provide the Resolutions Committee with fodder for jokes.

WHEREAS, the world of Texas forensics lost a bright light in the fall of 2006; and **WHEREAS**, Canton's R-squares UIL team suffered a devastating loss last year; and **WHEREAS**, all of us who were touched by Rick Rike's love and intellect are still hurting; and **WHEREAS**, heaven received Rick, Macey, and Caleb with open arms, and **WHEREAS**, Rick's example as a person and educator was one to be followed; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the TSCA body celebrate the singularly amazing life of Rick Rike and the sweet, short lives of Macey and Caleb.

WHEREAS, Ann Shofner has been a loyal friend and has comforted many of us in our dark times, and **WHEREAS**, Ann's family has suffered the tragic loss of her sister – in – law, Belinda Shofner; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that TSCA extend our heartfelt sympathy to the Shofner family.

WHEREAS, Norma Coston and Bo Williamson from Custom Awards have generously provided the plaques for Educator of the year and TSCA Service Awards; and **WHEREAS**, these awards are cherished each year by the recipients; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that TSCA thank Norma and Bo for their continued support of this organization.

WHEREAS, Joe Trevino has served TSCA faithfully for many years; and **WHEREAS**, Joe missed his first convention in 28 years; and **WHEREAS**, we all miss his brilliant smile and “sparkly” personality; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**; that the membership send Joe bouquets of flowers and well wishes.

WHEREAS, we couldn't possibly get through a general session or executive committee meeting without her Parliamentary Procedural skills; **WHEREAS**, we are still trying to get the picture of the bikini thong out of our minds; and **WHEREAS**, we can't possibly forget because the suggestion is forever captured on video tape for perpetuity; and **WHEREAS**, no beach at Corpus Christi will be safe unless we take drastic action; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that our archivist, Jana, find a high-powered magnet to erase Glynis Strause's unfortunate slip of the tongue.

WHEREAS, Rita Harlien is a Past President of TSCA; and **WHEREAS**, she was a guiding force in forensics in El Paso and; **WHEREAS**, Rita has touched the lives of students, coaches, and colleagues alike, **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that TSCA send our best wishes and prayers.

WHEREAS, Natalie Bryant was drafted to return to this year's convention for a second season as headliner; and **WHEREAS**, Natalie did so with style and grace; and **WHEREAS**, Natalie's commitment to this organization has not gone unnoticed; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that we applaud Natalie for her loyalty, dedication, and captivating smile.

WHEREAS, Ronda Craig was enthusiastically shared the erudite poetry of Shel Silverstein, and **WHEREAS**, we hope that Aimee Kasprzyk didn't sustain brain damage banging her non-conformist head against the wall, and **WHEREAS**, we had no idea Russell Kirkscey had hidden talents like beat boxing, and **WHEREAS**, Robert Sherphard made a valiant effort to teach Ron to be hip, and **WHEREAS**, we were seriously concerned that Ron Dodson was going to throw out a hip, and **Whereas**, we're not sure we want to see Ralph Long whip a poem into submission, and **WHEREAS**, we commend Myrna Bass for her futile efforts to keep this bunch in line, **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that TSCA salute Aimee Kasprzyk's amazing writing talents another round of applause to the participants in the Professor's Reading Hour.

WHEREAS, very few "Meet the Author" celebrities live up to the hype that a session like that builds; and **WHEREAS**, we were graced with wit and wisdom in both her prose and her poetry; and **WHEREAS**, every time we hear the name "Dora", we will certainly smile and look in the back seat; and **WHEREAS**, we rarely find writer who can interpret her own literature in such a accessible way; and **WHEREAS**, we welcome the sifting of powdered sugar onto our lives in a real and metaphorical way; and **WHEREAS**, we will all be searching for her books, not just because we need a good Category A selection; and **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that we thank Naomi Shihab Nye for sharing her generosity and talent with us.

WHEREAS, Melissa Locke has worn a plethora of hats for TSCA this year; and **WHEREAS**, Melissa had to literally run back and forth from counting votes to presenting amendments; and **WHEREAS**, there was so much panting into the microphone some thought we were at a "fine arts" movie; and **WHEREAS**, Melissa isn't getting any younger; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that TSCA consider buying Melissa a motorized wheelchair to assist her in performing her duties.

WHEREAS, Sarah Contreras has received the Eileen Creighton Award for Excellence at Del Mar College; and **WHEREAS**, this is the highest honor a teacher can receive at Del Mar; **THEREFORE BE IT RESLOVED**, that TSCA send out a big High – 5 to Sarah!!!

WHEREAS, some people are vertically challenged (Jana Riggins), while others are vertically gifted (Amy Tilton Jones); and **WHEREAS**, as communicators we all want people to listen to us; and **WHEREAS**, wrestling for control of the microphone is not befitting the dignity of an officer of this illustrious organization; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Jana Riggins take on Amy Tilton Jones in a no holds barred cage match for control of the mic; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that comptroller Bill Schuetz sell tickets to the event in order to ensure the financial security of this organization.

WHEREAS, technology can be both a blessing AND a curse; and **WHEREAS**, ringtones which fulfill some inside joke only work for the person whose phone it is and therefore is not really cute, endearing or funny; and **WHEREAS**, the vibrate option can be valuable in a lot of ways; and **WHEREAS**, it is legal

in the State of Texas to have a gun but not legal to use it to shoot people who don't turn cell phones off in sessions; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the TSCA Executive Council lobby Austin for the right to shoot and ask question later, anyway, for cell phone rudeness.

WHEREAS, the TSCA body was treated to the nonpartisan wisdom of Judith Zaffirini; and **WHEREAS**, we can all use a refresher on the finer points of public speaking; and **WHEREAS**, we sincerely hope that our resolutions posses sufficient attention- getters and humor; and **WHEREAS**, we never noticed the benefit of a fingernail to a thumb in ridding the world of "uhms" and "uhs"; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the TSCA body congratulate Senator Judith Zaffirini on her accomplishment and especially that of TSCA Communicator of the Year.

WHEREAS, former TSCA President John Gossett's presence has been missed this year; and **WHEREAS** John is on the waiting list for a new liver; and **WHEREAS**, we cannot express our love and concern in person, **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that TSCA sends its love and best wishes for a speedy recovery to Dr. John Gossett.

WHEREAS, the Resolution Committee worked far into the night to provide you with remembrances and repartee (while our colleagues enjoyed the River Walk); **WHEREAS**, this committee looks forward to the membership joining them next year at the "Sparkling City by the Sea"; and **WHEREAS**, this committee wishes that the membership would remain Healthy, Wealthy, and Wise (or at least Healthy) until we see each other again; **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Jana Riggins can rest assured that this report is neatly typed, collated, and ready for the archives.

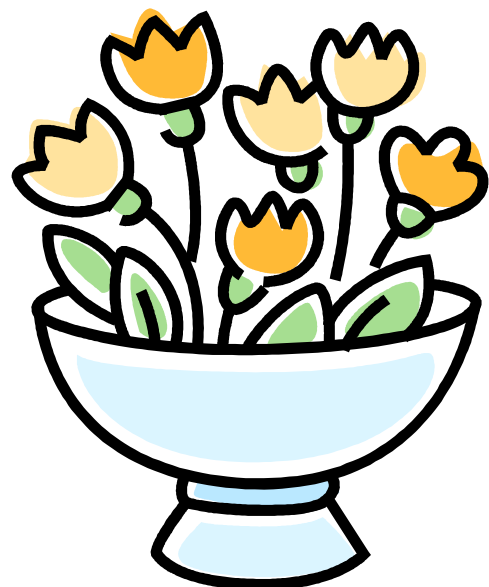
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Our past conferences themes of accountability, civility and listening, cannot be examined fully without examining the impact of media on those issues. As we examine media, the term **Morphology: a study of structure or form; the system of word-forming elements and processes in a language**, provides us a framework with which to examine media’s impact on our communication processes.

Therefore, our 2008 TSCA conference challenges its members to share their ideas on the impact of media on our communication processes through creating programs that:

- Address the various forms of media for instructional delivery.
- Examine how mediated communication such as e-mail, instant messaging and text messaging impact our interpersonal & organizational communication.
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- Examine the impact of various forms of media in a global society.
- Discuss ways to assess the necessary changes for our political, social and legal structures to keep pace with the rapid changes in technology including issues dealing with plagiarism, censorship, privacy and security in an educational environment.
- Suggest ways that TSCA can increase awareness of the impact of technology and a full understanding of its impact on our communication processes.

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Call for Manuscripts

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Contributors may approach the topic from a variety of perspectives: critical/rhetorical, qualitative, and quantitative. Teaching Tips submitted for Volume 33 should reflect best practices in teaching development, training, reflection, and assessment. Manuscripts should be received no later than **February 10, 2008**. Manuscripts not devoted to instructional communication, communication education, and the scholarship of teaching and learning will be considered for the research section of the issue as space allows. TSCJ follows a policy of blind review so no author identification should appear in the body of the manuscript.

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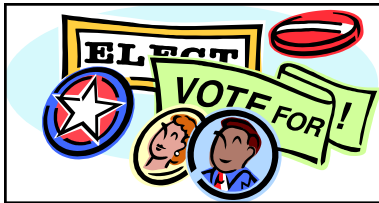
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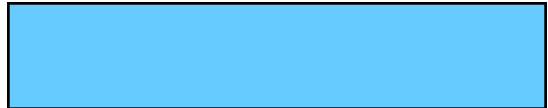
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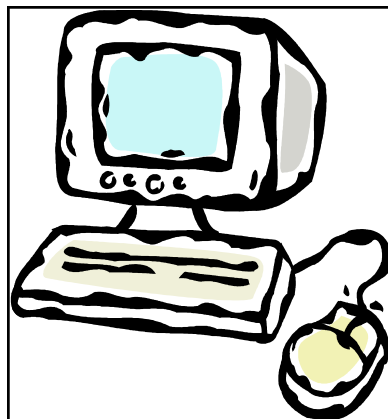
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Convention 2008 will be at the Omni Bayfront in Corpus Christi. Information and program drafts will be available on the website in Spring/ Summer 2008. Also, the Summer 2008 newsletter will be full of planning information and ideas for having fun while in Corpus Christi!



More Pictures From Convention 2007



The 2007 TSCA Communicator of the Year, Senator Judith Zaffirini, poses with TSCA Vice President Barbara Mayo.



David Gardiner, Randy Cox, and Bill Schuetz staff the registration table at the 2007 convention in San Antonio.



Senator Judith Zaffirini poses with TSCA members who live or work in the district she represents.

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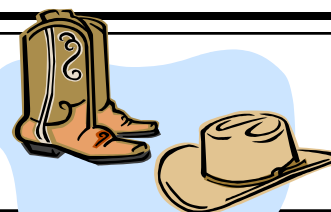
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