New Editor for the TESL Reporter

As of this issue, Mark James is stepping down as the editor of the *TESL Reporter* after "12 wonderful years." Taking over the helm from Lynn Henrichsen in 1992, on the eve of the journal's silver anniversary, James led the *TESL Reporter* through a number of changes which helped to secure a solid future for the journal and a continued commitment on the part of Brigham Young University-Hawaii to underwrite the journal as a service to our profession. Prior to serving as this journal's editor, James was the



review editor from 1981-1991.

"If there is anything which I hope to see continue, it is the internationalization of our editorial review board. The creation of this board in 1992 was a milestone for the journal and recent additions to the board have been very helpful," James said. "I have many good memories during the past 12 years, meeting people, working with authors, and receiving many thoughtful emails, letters, postcards, Christmas and New Year's cards, and a number of kind gifts from readers the world over."

James went on to say that although he enjoyed his work as editor, he realized it was time for a change and for the fresh ideas that a new editor would bring. "I look forward to Maureen taking over. As our Review Editor for some years now, she has demonstrated a fine editorial eye."

Dr. Maureen Andrade, currently the Director of the English as an International Language program at BYU-Hawaii, is excited about the opportunity of continuing the

tradition of the *TESL Reporter*, particularly its key role as a journal for classroom teachers in international contexts. "The *TESL Reporter* emphasizes solid research focused on practical application to the classroom, especially the EFL classroom. As such, it fulfills a need in the profession. I look forward to strengthening the vision of Dr. James in mentoring authors whose work is relevant to EFL contexts as most of our readers are outside the United States." Maureen continued, "Dr. James' effort to internationalize the editorial board is a wonderful contribution in this regard. The board members see



the needs in their respective areas and can ably judge the relevance of the studies to classroom teachers in their parts of the world."

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Beginning with the October, 2005 issue, Amanda Peeni will replace Andrade as Review Editor. Amanda brings with her considerable editorial experience as a freelance, newspaper, and magazine editor and writer. She worked for several years as the New Zealand editor for *The Ensign Magazine*, an international publication published and distributed worldwide by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She previously taught at the University of Alaska Fairbanks and in New Zealand public schools and adult community education programs. Peeni is presently teaching in the English as an International Language program at BYU-Hawaii.