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As technology advances, there are increasingly a myriad of ways to connect with people—there's mail (snail and electronic), phone (mobile, home or office), chat (text and/or video), list-servs, social networks (e.g., Facebook, LinkedIn), conferences (in-person or virtual)—the list could go on.

One technology LOEX is now using to make it easier to find out about the latest goings on is with a Twitter account. With that in mind, please feel free to follow LOEX, @loex_library. Back in 2008 when Twitter was just starting, I tried to get @loex for simplicity sake, but it already had been grabbed by someone who had the pithy (and still only) tweet of "nothing." So I don't recommend you follow him; follow me (and I'll be posting the Tweets, except when noted). Tweets will focus on items of interest to library instructors (e.g., articles and videos) along with notifications of various LOEX activities (e.g., information about the conference) and responses to those with questions/comments about LOEX.

In case you are wondering, regarding other social networks, we'll evaluate that as we go. The LOEX Twitter account has been truly active for more than six months now and I've figured out a way to maintain it, but LOEX does not want to launch an official Facebook account (for example) and not make it worthwhile (i.e., it would need regular updating and caretaking); it's counterproductive otherwise.

Regarding things that take longer to read than a tweet, in this issue of the Quarterly, we have a new book review, a TechMatters on concept mapping tools, articles on lifelong learning and on Moodle, and an interview with the most recent winner of the ACRL/IS Miriam Dudley Instruction Librarian Award, Barbara Mann.

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