Preparations are well under way for LOEX 2015 in Denver (all the latest conference information can be found at http://www.loexconference.org) and while that will be the LOEX’s focus for the upcoming months, I do want to take a moment to look a bit further into the future. I am happy to announce that the LOEX 2016 conference will be in Pittsburgh, PA. This city has successfully reinvented itself over the last 20 years, and it should be a great place to hold a conference, as there is a lot to see and do. Additionally, there are many LOEX members within easy driving distance, so hopefully that will be a benefit.

Also, as always, if you and your colleagues are interested in possibly hosting a LOEX conference, I’d love to hear from you. There are a lot of great cities & regions we have not been to yet (or haven’t been in awhile), so I am very open to ideas for LOEX 2017 and beyond.

In this issue of the Quarterly, we have a Book Review about a tome which discusses “Smart Teaching,” along with a TechMatters regarding various websites the can help you keep up with the dizzying advancements in educational tech. Additionally, we have the first part of an informative article about understanding creativity in IL teaching, along with another on teaching students by using the library as a “client,” which can benefit both the students and the library. We end with an interview of Lori Townsend, a librarian who has made a great impact in the last few years with her important work on threshold concepts.

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