

# SEALL NEWSLETTER

## SEALL 2002: THE LOVETT SCHOOL

SEALL 2002 was held at the beautiful Lovett School in Atlanta on April 5 and 6, 2002.

There were a number of interesting and thought-provoking presentations including Cindy Tracy's (President, World of Reading, Ltd.) presentation of the "Latest and Greatest Software Programs" in her wide assortment.

Karine Larcher, Attaché Linguistique, from The French Consulate in Atlanta, along with conference host Marc Mallet, told us about the INTERNEF and French cultural programming in the Atlanta area.



Georgia Schlau, Director of the Language Resource Center, and Karen Berg, Instructor, at the College of Charleston asked and answered the question: "Does Technology Enhance Learning?"

Friday evening Marc hosted an exceptionally lovely dinner at a nearby restaurant.

The next morning most of the group gathered for a round-chair group talk (there was no table or else it would have been a roundtable discussion) about Riding Together, or Sharing the Wheel instead of Re-inventing it, led by Gamin Bartle, University of Alabama Language Resource Center Coordinator.

Next on the program was an extremely useful presentation of the On-line Lab Orientations now being used by Rachida Salama Primov, at her lab at the University of Miami. Rachida's idea found resonance with many attendees, and we suspect on-line orientations have been implemented around the SEALL area as a result.

Karl Fisher, from the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee introduced us to his "Music for the Spanish Classroom" CD and treated us to a live performance as well.

Marc Mallet's "Using video on the web to promote cross-cultural understanding" showed us all how a little work and coordination can bring school children from across the globe together through creative work with video on the web.

After a delicious lunch we headed to the nearby Westminster Schools for a demonstration of their new ASC lab.

Upon our return to the Lovett school, Judy Shoaf from the University of Florida described her experiences with installing and getting to know their new lab, in a talk entitled "Fun with Your New Tandberg Lab."

In keeping with the SEALL tradition of including speakers from outside the actual SEALL boundaries, the final presentation of the conference was by Tulia Jimenez-Vergara, of the College of New Jersey, whose presentation was called: "Inclusive Technology: Lessons from a Heritage Student-Centered Learning Environment."

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## A Message from our Out-going President Marc Mallet, Lab Director and French Teacher, The Lovett School

Six years have passed since LeeAnn Stone asked me to take over the post of Director of SEALLT. At the time the group had been inactive for several years. I was looking forward to the challenge and excitement of revitalizing our region and I have not been disappointed in my expectations.

It has been an extraordinary experience. We have organized five conferences and our group counts over fifty members. I must give very special thanks to all the people who helped SEALLT over years and most of all to Georgia Schlau. Georgia has been the heart and soul of this organization. She kept track of our finances, served as vice-president and organized three of our regional

conferences. SEALLT would not exist without Georgia and I am delighted she accepted to take over the duties of Director.

I would like to thank also Gamin Bartle who produces our newsletter, Judy Shoaf for hosting our web site and Rachida Primov who is going to be the host for the 2003 SEALLT conference at the University of Miami. I hope many of you will come to enjoy the Florida sun as we are preparing an exciting program for this event. I also hope that many of you will consider presenting. Please contact Georgia Schlau at [schlaug@cofc.edu](mailto:schlaug@cofc.edu) for more details.



In closing I would like to spend a few minutes to thank all the wonderful people who helped make SEALLT a reality over the past six years. We could not have done it without you.

Best wishes to all of you for a productive Fall semester.  
Marc

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**Visit our new Web site, by Judy Shoaf**  
**<http://www.clas.ufl.edu/llc/SEALL/>**

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## A Message from our In-coming President Georgia Schlau, Director of the Language Resource Center, The College of Charleston

First of all, I would like to thank Marc Mallet for reviving the southeastern regional group in 1997 and keeping it going for the next five years. It is through his perseverance that SEALL is still around in 2002 and that I agreed to take his place as president. In order to continue to survive, it was decided at the last business meeting that we needed to move the conference to different states in the

Southeast region so that more people from the host state would attend. We also intend to make our presence known to k-12 teachers by reaching out to them with workshops and presentations that appeal to all levels. I look forward to the 2003 conference in Miami, Florida where I hope to see new faces as well as all the old SEALL friends.

## CALL FOR PARTICIPATION - SEALLT 2003

*Sharing Successful Teaching Materials and Technologies*

UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI

Coral Gables, Florida - February 28 - March 1, 2003

The Southeast Association of Language Learning Technology announces that it will hold its 2003 Annual Conference at the University of Miami (Coral Gables Campus) on February 28<sup>th</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2003. The theme for the conference is: "Sharing Successful Teaching Materials and Technologies." Jointly with the SEALLT meeting, the University of Miami's Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures will host a workshop for foreign language teachers from the Magnet Schools of the Miami-Dade Public Schools. The K-12 teachers will be invited to attend and participate in the SEALLT conference. Please, keep this audience in mind as you prepare your presentations.

The goal of this conference is to bring administrators, faculty, and technical support staff together to explore the opportunities afforded by the use of new technologies in the language classroom or lab. Particular focus will be placed on technology-based language programs and innovative use of multi-media in language teaching. The conference is designed to address all levels of instruction.

For additional information, especially about presenting, please see the Call for Papers on page 4 of this Newsletter and the conference Web site: <http://www.fl.miami.edu/seallt/>

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## SEALL Business Meeting

Held April 6, 2002, at La Paz Restaurant, in Atlanta, Georgia. Present: Marc Mallet (President and Webmaster), Gamin Bartle (Newsletter editor), Karl Fisher, Judith Shoaf, Georgia Schlau (Secretary-Treasurer, Membership coordinator), Rachida Primov, Dominique Bennett (The Lovett School).

After six years as president of SEALL, Marc Mallet has passed the position over to Georgia Schlau who agreed to assume the responsibilities of the of-



... fice for the year 2002-2003. Gamin Bartle will continue as newsletter editor and will assume membership coordinator from Georgia Schlau. Judith Shoaf agreed to act as Webmaster, taking over from Marc Mallet. Rachida Primov as the host of the SEALL 2003 Conference at the University of Miami, will investigate the possibility of opening an account for SEALL at the University and become Treasurer. The idea of holding joint conferences with other regional organizations has been put on hold until after the 2003 Conference in Miami.

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## VIRTUAL MUSEUM PROJECT

At the College of Charleston, Georgia Schlau is experimenting with Middlebury's "Virtual Museum" which she is planning on presenting at SEALLT in Miami. Middlebury provides the template where students can exhibit their "art" around a theme provided by the instructor in the form of images, video, and audio. The public or just the museum group you designate can visit and leave comments or critiques. For a sneak preview go to : <http://cet.middlebury.edu/virtualmuseum/#> where there is a public entrance.

Georgia's "Museo Dos Estrellas" is not quite ready for prime time but you can get an idea of what the Virtual Museum is all about by visiting those on public display. Most materials are in Spanish or German.

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### CALL FOR PAPERS SEALLT 2003

*Sharing Successful Teaching Materials and Technologies*

**Proposal Submission deadline: November 15, 2002**

This message is a call for workshops, proposals (abstracts of up to 250 words), suggested topics for group discussion, as well as an invitation to attend and be a part of the conference. Deadline for abstracts and topics submission is November 15, 2002. These should be sent to: [rprimov@miami.edu](mailto:rprimov@miami.edu). Please include the following information in your e-mail: Presenter's name, affiliation, e-mail address, telephone and fax number, technology needs.

I look forward to hearing from prospective presenters or anyone with a good idea for a discussion session, roundtable or workshop. We are interested in presentations, panels, and discussion about how better to integrate technology into language teaching and learning, both from the instructor's viewpoint and from the Language Lab Director's viewpoint.

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Don't forget to go to IALLT 2003 in Ann Arbor!  
<http://www.lsa.umich.edu/lrc/iallt/>