

Dear *Idiom* Readership,

After 21 dynamic issues, I am stepping down as editor of *Idiom*. The period marked the merger of *Dialogue*, formerly NYS TESOL's online-only newsletter, with *Idiom*, and the step into the 21st century by publishing *Idiom* completely online. Thank you, readers, for staying with us as we made these improvements.

All those changes would not have been possible without the support of the NYS TESOL Executive Board. Thank you. I also want to thank the NYS TESOL presidents with whom I have had the pleasure of working, including our current president, Sarah Elia. In particular, Susanne Marcus and Rebekah Johnson were instrumental with providing the leadership and vision during our exciting but challenging transitions. Fran Olmos served as publications chair throughout those changes, and also provided great support, as has Ravneet Parmar in her current role as vice president of communications. Thank you all!

Ceil Goldman, copy editor extraordinaire, has held my hand virtually throughout these years. (We have never met in person!) These innovations, not to mention publishing *Idiom*, would not have been possible without her expert editing, patience, and willingness to travel down new, digital roads. A HUGE thank you to her. Similarly, tech support Mark Aaron Polger has also bailed me out from many a technology crisis, the emails of which began "Hellllp!" Thank you for answering my calls, Mark. And Elizabeth Fonseca served two wonderful years as columns editor, bringing finesse and fun to the job. Thank you, everyone!

Although our editorial time together was short, Marisa Aiello and Karen Gilmartin quickly and ably stepped in as columns editors. All along, Ann Wintergerst brought efficiency and editorial excellence to her role as editor of the Promising Practices column. I'm sorry if I have accidentally left out anyone else who served in these important volunteer roles. A big thank you to all!

As *Idiom* welcomes a new editor, I look forward to seeing fresh beginnings, continued excellence, and *Idiom* remaining as a resource for aspiring writers. It seems only appropriate for my closing sentence to encourage readers to please consider submitting an article or column for *Idiom*. We want to hear from you!

With kind regards and sincere thanks,  
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