

# COPIS 2010 CONFERENCE UPDATE

*This year's conference, hosted by Texas State University, will be Oct 1-3 in Austin*

## CONFERENCE THEMES AND TOPICS

**Keynote:** Institutions, Customs, Traditions, and Myths: Implications for Supervision in Postmodern Times—John Beck

### **Celebrating Sergiovanni**

- Tom and Ann Sergiovanni are planning to attend the conference.
- The Personal Legacy of Tom Sergiovanni—Carl Glickman
- Sergiovanni's Interpretive Turn: Why it Matters for Supervision—Pat Holland
- Sergiovanni's Metaphoric Influences on Practice—Anne Allen and Colleagues
- Our Summer with Sergiovanni: PhD Students Discuss Sergiovanni's Contributions to the Field

### **Supervision and Mentoring**

- Supervising Mentors to Promote Cognitive Growth of Beginning Teachers—Kelly Batts
- Supervising as Mentoring: The Virtues of Co-teaching—Bernard Badiali and Colleagues
- Mentors as Teacher Educators: Unpacking their Thinking and Practices—Kelly Parks
- Assessing 12 Key Dimensions of Supervision in Mentoring Practice—Zach Kelehear
- Developing Methods of Supervising and Evaluating Mentors—Elizabeth Foster and Colleagues

### **Other Presentations**

- Those Who Dared: Five Visionaries Who Changed American Education—Carl Glickman
- Addressing the Professional Development of Supervisors—Rebecca Burns
- Teachers' Professional Autonomy in the Italian Educational System—Maria Palandra and Colleagues
- The "Bad" Teacher: A Question for Supervision?—Ed Pajak
- Walkthrough Observation's Potential: Aspiring Instructional Leaders' Voices—Martha Ovando
- Opportunity Found: The Influence of Supervision in a High Stakes Testing Environment—Janet Shefelbine
- Assessing the Level of PLC Implementation—Laura Estes and Don Beach
- An Academic Turns to Writing Fiction—Carl Glickman

### **Open Forum on Critical Issues in Supervision**

- Should COPIS promote the creation of a journal on instructional supervision? If so, how would we go about doing this?
- Should the field of supervision have standards? If so, what role should COPIS play in developing and promoting those standards?
- Should COPIS reach out to develop relationships with other scholarly or practitioner groups? If so, which groups? What should be the nature of those relationships? How could such relationships be developed?
- Should COPIS become involved in efforts to affect national policy? If so, what policy areas should COPIS focus on? What strategies could COPIS use to influence policy?

## ACCOMODATIONS

**Radisson Hotel Austin:** We have a block of rooms set aside for \$115 a night at the Radisson Hotel in Austin until **September 1**. You can reserve a room online at <http://www.radisson.com/austintx> using promo code "TXSU" in order to receive the group rate or call (800) 333-3333 and ask for the Texas State room block. Check out the beautiful views of Lady Bird Lake and the great downtown location!

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