14th Annual Conference of The North American Association for Celtic Language Teachers
**CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**  
**THURSDAY, 12 JUNE 2008**  
**BOB EVANS FARM HALL ROOM 216**

9:00 AM  **John Donahue**  
President, NAACLT  
*Official Welcome*

### Session 1: Language, Society, Community  
**Moderators: Paul Ferris & Roslyn Blyn-LaDrew**

9:15 AM  **Roslyn Blyn-LaDrew**  
University of Pennsylvania  
*Spelling and Numerical Reforms in Irish: A Centennial and a Quinquagenary View*

9:45 AM  **John Donahue**  
Concordia University  
*Ireland in Proverbs*

10:15 AM  **Steve Maas**  
University of Illinois doctoral candidate  
*To boddi or not to boddi: Treatment of the Welsh language as emblem to preserve cultural vitality and distinctiveness*

10:45 AM  **Coffee Break**

11:00 AM  **Kevin J. Rottet**  
Indiana University  
*Rheolwr, rheolwraig, rheolydd? Reflections on the feminization of occupational nouns in the Welsh press*

11:30 AM  **Lunch: Cafeteria in Davis University Center**
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1:30 PM  Cynog Prys
Bangor University, Wales

Professionalizing Language Planning in Wales

2:00 PM  Janet Muller
POBAL and the University of Ulster, Belfast

Presented by Aralt Mac Giolla Chainnigh

Policy and Governance in the Context of the Promotion and Protection of the Irish Language in Northern Ireland

2:30 PM  Coffee Break

SESSION 2: CELTIC NORTH AMERICA: IMMIGRATIONS AND SURVIVALS
MODERATOR: CYNOG PRYS

2:45 PM  Margaret McGrath
State University of New York at Buffalo

Erection of Bilingual Street Signs in Buffalo, New York

3:15 PM  Delyth Prys
Bangor University, Wales

The Welsh language and Welsh emigration to the eastern United States in the first half of the nineteenth century

3:45 PM  Sherry DiBari
M.A. student, Ohio University

What is the significance of the Jackson, Ohio Eisteddfod?

4:15 PM  Jeanne Jones Jindra
Director, The Madog Center for Welsh Studies, University of Rio Grande

The history and mission of the Madog Center for Welsh Studies

5:00 PM  Supper: Cafeteria in Davis University Center
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SESSION 3: TEACHING METHODS, TECHNIQUES, AND APPLICATIONS
MODERATOR: KEVIN ROTTET

9:00 AM  Announcements

SESSION 3 CONTINUES: TEACHING METHODS, TECHNIQUES, AND APPLICATIONS
MODERATOR: ARALT MAC GIOLLA CHAINNIGH

1:30 PM  Brian Ó hAirt
                      St. Louis, MO
        *Amhránaíocht in aghaidh Filíocht: Advantages of the Vernacular over the Formal*

2:00 PM  Donald Jones Marcus
                      Philadelphia, PA
        *Teaching Welsh in an Adult Night School in Suburban Philadelphia*

2:30 PM  Sheila Scott
                      University of Ottawa
        *Dictation: How to Get into Your students’ Heads*

3:00 PM  Coffee

3:15 PM  Colleen Dollard
                      Trinity College, Dublin
        *Murder in the Classroom*

4:00 PM  NAACLT Annual General Meeting

5:00 PM  Supper: Cafeteria in Davis University Center