"PCTELA"

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A loosely knit affiliate
Of educators with a sense of wonder
That they make their life's work
Playing with words, helping share their love
Of literature and language.

Gems strung across the Commonwealth
Linked by email and newsletters
Teaching so many with passion and fervor
Coming together to break bread and gather
hearing of strategies to increase
The likelihood that classroom isolationism
Can be remedied by laughter, learning and friendships.
That despite demands of NCLB, mandated curriculum and
Pressure cooker percentages of AYP
One classroom, one teacher makes such a difference!

Once again proving that Professionals
Are lifelong learners
Teachers with a capital T.
Smiling when they recognize that the experts
A classroom away, or miles removed
Share so willingly.
Renewal, revitalization, reward.
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