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Dear Melinda,

School is back in session and that can only mean one thing....it's time to plan for the OELMA Conference. In this Fall issue of the OELMA News, you'll find everything you need to help you prepare. There's a full schedule of events including session descriptions, information on our featured authors, pre-conferences and more.

Questions? Contact OELMA at aelma@assnoffices.com.

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The Big 3: Transformation, Change and Metamorphosis

By Kathy Halsey

Transformation, change, metamorphosis: they are similar concepts, yet different. All imply action and the creation of something new. These ideas may seem too heavy to ponder at the beginning of another school year, but they should be what guide us as we open the doors to knowledge one more fall.

Transformation

Transformation is at the heart of what effective school librarians hope to accomplish. It is the key to our own research study, The Student Learning through Ohio School Libraries: The Ohio Research Study. Even though this study is six years old, it still has the power to effect major change and put the school librarian in the forefront of student learning. Resolve to review this study early on and put Evidence-based Practice to work in your library. Also, look forward to participating in an EBP workshop this year! This past July over 20+ librarians enjoyed the revamped EBP II workshop with a plan to show their importance to their educational power-brokers. (Review the study @ <http://www.oelma.org/StudentLearning/default.asp>)

[Read More.....](#)



Conference Highlights

By Marie Sabol

The time is now to transform yourself into a 21st Century school library media specialist, and OELMA is here to help you. It's time for you to register for the 2008 OELMA conference- School Libraries- Transforming Lives.

Two Wednesday Pre-Conference options are scheduled from 4:00-7:30 PM on October 22.

All Aboard! Plan and Report to Build Library Support with Doug Johnson
Using SchoolRooms to Meet 21st Century Standards with Jennifer Schwelik

Both programs will help you transform your school library program. [Click Here](#) for more details on the OELMA pre-conferences.

Interested in earning graduate credit? Attend the Graduate Credit meeting at 7:30 AM, Thursday, October 23, to find out more about how to earn graduate credit for Conference attendance and to meet with the Youngstown State University instructor. If you're working on a graduate degree or need credits for re-certification, the OELMA Conference is a great way to pick up additional hours.

We are offering a special meeting for Conference "first-timers" at 7:30 AM on Thursday, October 23. This informal get together is designed to help you get the most out of your Conference experience.

Be sure to attend the OELMA Annual Membership Meeting at 8:00 on Thursday morning. Continental breakfast provided by OELMA, and a chance to hear how your organization is working for you.

Conference planners have allowed multiple opportunities for you to hear keynote speakers Doug Johnson, Rosemary Wells, Margaret Peterson Haddix, Angela Johnson, David Staley, Gary Schmidt and Chris Sperry. [Click here](#) to read more about our authors.

Many of our members remember Table Talks- a time to get together to talk about a current subject. This year's conference committee is transforming Table Talks into Table Talks 2.0. There will be six Table Talks about different subjects occurring during the conference. We'll have a recorder who will take notes at each table, and then post them on a wiki for more discussion. Use this time to network with other librarians!

The Exhibit Hall Grand Opening will take place at 11 AM Thursday morning. Join us for lunch with the exhibitors. Also- take advantage of our special exhibitor sessions that will be located near the exhibit hall. Our list of exhibitors is growing daily- [Click Here](#) for a current list.

More than 70 educational sessions are scheduled that range from best picture books and YA fiction for 2008 to 21st century literacy skills. Want ideas on how to teach media literacy skills? We have a session for that. Want to learn more about the Library of Congress sessions for school librarians? We have a session for that as well. [Click here](#) to view the session descriptions.

After the sessions on Thursday afternoon, be sure to attend OELMA's Regional meetings. Attendees have a chance to win an OELMA membership for one year!

Join us for our exhibitor's reception and third AuthorPalooza- to be held on Thursday evening from 4:30-6:30. Appetizers and authors will be scattered throughout the exhibit hall, a perfect time to socialize with librarians from all over the state. Over a dozen authors will be attending, including Tim Bowers, Richard Cowdrey, Dandi Daley Mackall, Michelle Baldini, John Becker, Jane Dippold, Nancy Roe Pimm, Michael J. Rosen, Jayna Miller Schneider and Linda Stanek. The authors will sign books, give readings and conduct informal question and answer sessions. [Click here](#) for more details.

OELMA 2008 concludes on Friday with the Awards Luncheon at 1:00. Our featured speaker is Rosemary Wells. This year's Awards Luncheon is an all-star event, including recognition of 2008 OELMA Award recipients.

So are you ready to take this opportunity to transform? Use this time in October to launch your transformation!

Conference Volunteers Needed

We need friendly faces to volunteer at our annual conference! Be a session host at a session of your choice -or- Be a greeter at the information table.

If you can spare a few minutes during conference to help fellow OELMer's, please contact Nicole Friend at nicole.friend@wilmington.k12.oh.us

Tips for Attending the OELMA Conference

Register early - you'll receive confirmation from OELMA that let's you know that when you arrive, they'll have your badge and information ready. This will help you avoid waiting in line. [Click here](#) to register online or [Click Here](#) to print a registration form

Make your hotel reservations now - you can always amend/cancel this if you

need to, and the rooms usually sell out. Room blocks are being held at two different hotels located in close proximity to the convention center: Hampton Inn (614.559.2000) or the Drury Inn (614.221.7008). The rates are \$120 plus tax per night.

Dress in layers - It's difficult to control the temperatures inside the convention center, so come prepared with a sweater!

Bring a notebook and pen - most presenters have handouts, but you may want to take some additional notes.

Visit OELMA Information Central - you'll find helpful board members and volunteers here to answer any questions you might have.

Arrive early for sessions when possible - some sessions will fill up, and if you're not early, you'll be standing in the back.

Bring your "Wish List" for your library - the OELMA exhibitors support the organization year after year. If there are items you know you need to purchase, thank our exhibitors for underwriting the cost of registration by ordering it at conference! You can even contact the OELMA office ahead of time (kate@assnoffices.com) to request a list of exhibitors so you'll know who will be there.

Conference Bookstore

Plan Ahead - Now's the time to request
Purchase Orders for Conference Bookstore

Does your school have a Barnes & Noble institutional account?
If so, it's easy to make purchases at the Conference Bookstore.

Use this address when completing District P.O. paperwork:
Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 1285 Polaris Parkway, Columbus, OH 43240

Don't forget to bring the following: Purchase Order,
school's tax exempt number, and Barnes & Noble account number

Cash, check & credit/debit cards also accepted.

Pre-order books & pick-up @ Conference Bookstore
Orders can be sent via FAX (614) 985-0903 or E-mail: crm2987@bn.com
ATTN: Lee Anne or Stefanie

OELMA's MidWinter Returns.....Bigger....Badder and Licensed by AASL

OELMA is thrilled to be presenting an AASL Licensed Institute as our Midwinter Educational Programming this year. AASL Leadership Institute: Collaborative Leadership is a highly regarded workshop that will be presented by an AASL instructor on March 14 in Columbus, Ohio. AASL Leadership Institute: Collaborative Leadership, ties into two of the ideas -- collaboration and leadership -- that underlie the vision of library media programs presented in Information Power: Building Partnerships for Learning. Each is integral to every aspect of the library media program and every component of the school library media specialist's role.

Save March 14 on your calendar and watch your In Box for registration materials, coming soon!

Board Meeting Motions

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May 10, 2008

2008-05

The 2008 OELMA Award recommendations be approved as presented.
Moved by V. Schmarr; seconded by K. Taracuk. Motion carried.

2008-06

To accept the OELMA slate of candidates for 2009 as presented.
Moved by M. Sabol; seconded by S. Dominique. Motion carried.

2008-07

To accept the funding request to sponsor an Emerging Leader to the ALA in 2009 for \$1000 with the stipulation that the candidate be an OELMA member.
Moved by K. Taracuk; seconded by K. Roope. Motion carried.

2008-08

The OELMA Board meeting adjourn at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 10, 2008.
Moved by C. DuChane; seconded by L. Deskins. Motion carried.

August 9, 2008

2008-09

The OELMA Board approve the strategic plan.
Moved by M. Sabol; seconded by L. Deskins. Motion carried.

2008-10

The OELMA Board accept the consent agenda.
Moved by A. Schaller; seconded by K. Taracuk. Motion carried.

2008-11

OELMA schedule AASL's Collaborative Leadership Institute as a Mid-Winter professional development offering.
Moved by V. Schmarr; seconded by K. Taracuk. Motion carried.

2008-12

The OELMA Board meeting adjourn.
Moved by K. Taracuk; seconded by L. Deskins. Motion carried.

AASL Regional Institute

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Are you interested in hosting this regional event? If so, [click here](#) for more information.

The username and password for [INFOhio's Core Collection of Electronic Resources](#) has changed for the 2008-2009 school year. **The new username/password went live on July 1, 2008. [Learn more...](#)**

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