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ACCOLADES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

26th Annual Reading Recovery Council of Michigan Institute

On November 16–17, over 300 administrators, Reading Recovery, Literacy Lessons, and Literacy Support educators from across the state came together for the 26th annual Reading Recovery Council of Michigan Institute, held at The Somerset Inn in Troy, Michigan. The premier Institute theme was Reading Recovery® and Literacy Lessons™: Doors to a Literate Future. Dean Jon Margerum-Leys welcomed the Institute participants Thursday morning. The morning included the presentation of RRCM awards to Dawn Conner, Deputy Superintendent of Dowagiac Union Schools and Jennifer Allen, Director of State/Federal Programs & Grants, Port Huron Schools in recognition of their commitment to Reading Recovery in their schools.

This year's Institute featured nationally renowned authors and keynote speakers: Dr. Peter Johnston from the University at Albany - SUNY and Dr. James Schnug from Ohio State University as well as eight other nationally recognized featured presenters including Dr. Mary Lose. The presenters and the professional learning inspired the efforts of all who attended to transform the lives of our most at-risk learners, opening doors to the students' literate futures.

Congratulations to all involved!



IN THE NEWS

Sexual Harassment is #NeverOK

After being prompted by recent events, Jim Quinn, Shannan McNair, and thirteen supporters from SEHS now invite their colleagues to join them in signaling their abhorrence of sexual harassment.

Their Dear Colleagues letter invited everyone in SEHS to signal their unwillingness to tolerate sexual harassment in any form by posting their choice of signs from the international student-led #NeverOK campaign against sexual harassment in the classroom and the workplace. The Dear Colleagues letter also includes several links for anyone interested in learning more about sexual harassment prevention advocacy.

If you would like to contact Jim or Shannan, please do so at quinn@oakland.edu or mcnair@oakland.edu.



OU-Avondale Happy Hour

Last week, 24 people attended the first OU-Avondale Happy Hour mingle of the year. After the event, participants were asked to complete a survey regarding their experience. The results are shown below:

- 100% of respondents stated they met someone new at the happy hour
- 100% of respondents found the event worthwhile

- 100% of respondents would like to have another Avondale-OU Happy Hour

Respondents also listed specific projects that were generated during the event, while making suggestions for improving upon the next session (ie: speed meeting or matching attendees based on shared interests). This survey data will be used to facilitate planning for the next happy hour event.

Notable Picture Book Selection at the ERL

Stop by the ERL from Friday, December 1–Friday, February 9 to browse a selection of notable picture books on display. These titles have been suggested as potential Caldecott Medal winners by various professional journals, libraries and organizations. Some titles may be perfect for gifts or to share with the young people in your life. For more information about the Caldecott Award, visit the [Association for Library Service to Children \(ALSC\) web page](#).



The Caldecott Award winners will be announced at the ALA Midwinter Conference on Sunday, February 11. In anticipation of the big event, the ERL will be holding their own Mock Caldecott Contest. OU students will be invited to vote for the book they think will win, and be entered into a drawing to receive a copy of the winning title. More information about the voting process and ballots will be sent out to students soon.

Door Decorating Contest

Get out your decorations and start working on your doors for this year's **SEHS Holiday Door Decorating Contest!** Decorating can begin anytime. Voting will take place at the Holiday Luncheon on December 18. Multiple prizes (and bragging rights) will be awarded.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Food for Fines Can Drive: December 4 – 16

The ERL and Kresge Library will be collecting canned food for the Food for Fines campaign from Monday, December 4 - Saturday, December 16 with a goal of collecting 250 pounds of food. They will accept donations from EVERYONE, regardless of any overdue fines. Look for a box near the Circulation Desk in the ERL.

- For each can donated, \$1 worth of fines will be forgiven.
- Amount of cans will be rounded up (ie: If a student owes \$5.25, they will need to donate 6 cans for the entire amount to be forgiven)
- Please no expired or perishable food

SEHS Alumni Night at the O'rena: Friday, January 12

Join Dean Jon Margerum-Leys and fellow SEHS alumni for dinner and casual networking at the Oakland Center before cheering on the Golden Grizzlies men's basketball team as they take on Cleveland State.



- Pregame dinner at 5 p.m. in Banquet Room A of the Oakland Center followed by the game at 7 p.m. in the O'rena
- Tickets are \$15 per person and include dinner and the game.
- Pending space, the deadline to register is Wednesday, January 3, 2018.
- Please visit oualumni.com/events to register and for more information.
- Seats will be located in the OUAA Gold Zone section behind the home bench.

Holiday Potluck

DECEMBER 18
NOON-1 P.M.
ROOM TBD

Don't forget to wear your ugly sweaters!
RSVP Here

CELEBRATIONS

Happy Birthday

Shawna Boomgaard - PSA
Ledong Li - RLA
Suzanne Klein - DOL

If you do not wish to have your birthday included, contact [Jennifer Schmalz](mailto:jennifer.schmalz@ou.edu).

ABOUT THE SEHS BULLETIN

The SEHS Bulletin is a place where faculty and staff can share news and celebrate the wonderful things happening in SEHS. The bulletin is the perfect place to share information about your publications and awards, special projects and committee news, as well as announce events.

All are welcome to send items for inclusion. If you choose to do so, please ensure that your items are print ready, that you include all related links, and that you have permission to publish any photos being submitted. Please put "SEHS Bulletin" in the subject line and email your information to: jmschmalz@oakland.edu.

If you have questions about the bulletin, email Jennifer Schmalz at jmschmalz@oakland.edu.

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