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## ACCOLADES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### **International Critical Media Literacy Conference**

During mid-winter break, Dr. Danielle Ligocki attended the 6th Annual International Critical Media Literacy Conference in Savannah, Georgia. In addition to chairing two sessions, she presented her work on racial identity, whiteness, and reality television.

**Congratulations Danielle!**



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## Former SEHS Student Named Teacher of the Year

Former SEHS student and current fourth-grade teacher, Patricia Santilli (nee Wilcox), is this year's recipient of the Chippewa Valley's Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award. Among the many reasons Patricia is receiving this award is her unique teaching style consisting of "content and care wrapped in creativity," that produces such great results from her students.



**Congratulations Patricia!**

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## IN THE NEWS

### Fourth Annual Black History Month Research Symposium

On Monday, February 26, the SEHS Black Faculty Network hosted the Fourth Annual Black History Month Research Symposium in the ERL. The presenters this year were Dr. Anica Bowe; TDES, Dr. Robert Martin; DOL, Dr. Deidre Pitts; OUWB School of Medicine, Dr. Kimberly Martin, graduate of the DOL Educational Leadership Doctorate Program, Michelle Southward, doctoral student from the DOL Educational Leadership Doctorate Program and Juanita Tookes, doctoral student from the CNS Doctorate Program.



Congratulations to all of the presenters this year on their outstanding presentations. SEHS Black Faculty Network members are Dr. Chaunda Scott (chairperson), Dr. Thandi Sule, Dr. Gwen McMillon, Dr. Anica Bowe, Dr. Jennifer Mathews, and Dr. Robert Martin. The SEHS Black Faculty Network would like to acknowledge and thank Dean Margerum-Leys for his continued support of this research symposium.

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### Students Hear From State House Candidates

Second year students enrolled in the M.Ed. in Teacher Leadership recently enjoyed a panel presentation from three State House Candidates on February 24. Among the candidates were Teri Banas (D) 69th District, Chris Stewart (R) 71st District, and Kyle Cooper (D) 45th District. The course instructors include Cynthia Carver, Anica Bowe, and Sara Horne.

One of the student attendees noted: "I really enjoyed listening to the candidates today. It inspired me to learn who my respective representatives are in the upcoming preliminary election. I would have loved to hear their opinions, as well!"

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## March is Reading Month!

March is National Reading Month! Schools and libraries have been celebrating National Reading Month since 1998; launching activities such as contests, family literacy events, author visits and more. Along with the birthday of Dr. Seuss, March 2 is designated [National Read Across America Day](#).

March is also [National Women's History Month](#). The 2018 theme is "Nevertheless, She Persisted: Honoring Women Who Fight All Forms of Discrimination Against Women." Watch for displays in the ERL to support these events.



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## Mary Lose Embraces National Reading Month

RLA Professor and Director of Reading Recovery, Mary Lose, recently volunteered to be the featured reader at the Read to a Child Motor City Read-A-Thon kick-off event on March 1.

For the entire month of March, Read to a Child is committed to raising \$10,000 to support 600 one-on-one lunchtime reading program sessions and add 100 volunteer mentors to support the program at schools in Detroit and Pontiac.

To volunteer or donate, visit [readtoachild.org](http://readtoachild.org) or contact Ky Lindberg at [ky.lindberg@readtoachild.org](mailto:ky.lindberg@readtoachild.org) or (248) 508-2770.

Thanks for the inspiration Mary!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

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### Seminar Given by Catherine Snow - March 8

Professor Catherine Snow will be directing a seminar titled, "Promoting language for literacy in early childhood and primary classrooms," on Thursday, March 8 at 5:30 p.m. in the ERL. This seminar is a part of the OU PI Academy mentor program. SEHS faculty, staff and students are invited for an informal meet and greet starting at 5 p.m. in the ERL.

[Professor Snow](#) is a Patricia Albjerg Graham Professor of Education at Harvard Graduate School of Education; and an expert in language and literacy development.



Space is limited, so please [RSVP](#) as soon as possible. Light refreshments will be served.

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### World Autism Awareness Day - April 2

On April 2, join the Oakland University Center for Autism in celebration



of World Autism Awareness Day from noon–1 p.m. in the Oakland Center Banquet Rooms.

The event is open and free for all OU students, faculty and staff. It is entirely focused on sharing information about autism related support services available on campus for the OU community of staff, faculty, and students. The event will include a light lunch on a first-come, first-served basis, an expert panel, and giveaways.

The lunch event will focus on how "OU Celebrates World Autism Awareness Day", formerly "Light It Up Blue." The panel experts include Sarah Guadalupe, Director of Disability Support Services, Jan Graetz, Jessica Korneder, and Kristin Rohrbeck.

For more information, view the [flyer](#) or visit [oakland.edu/hdcs](http://oakland.edu/hdcs).

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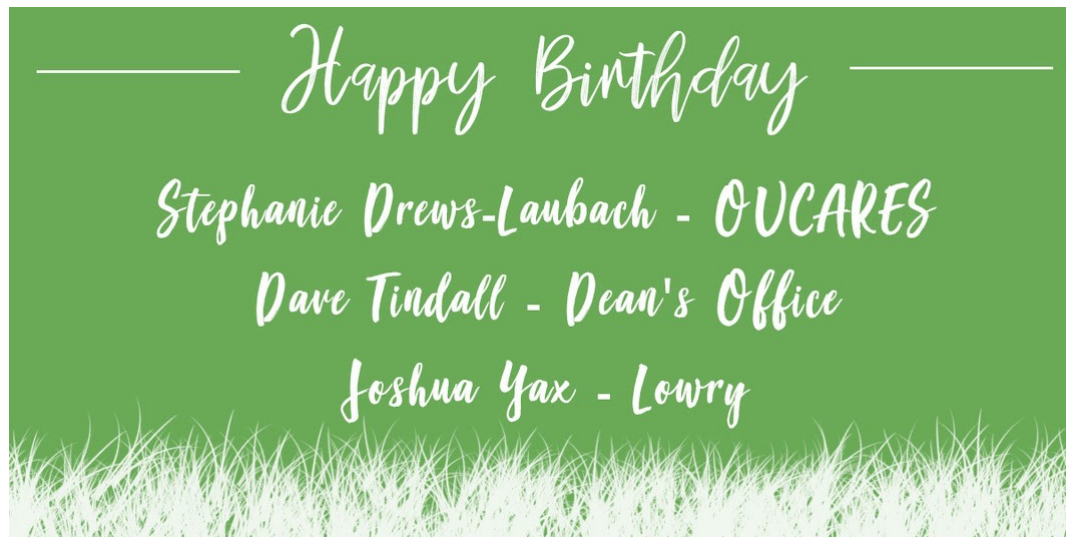
## **AP Institute Training at OU - June/July 2018**

Oakland University will hold summer sessions on campus for interested instructors. These four-day conferences offer excellent training for both experienced teachers and those that are new to AP.

More information on who should attend, dates, and classes can be found [here](#). To register, go to [oakland.edu/pace](http://oakland.edu/pace) and follow the registration information. If you need assistance or have any questions, please contact Jennifer Cepnick, Program Director, at (248) 370-3177 or [jecepn2@oakland.edu](mailto:jecepn2@oakland.edu).

## **CELEBRATIONS**

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If you do not wish to have your birthday included, contact [Jennifer Schmalz](#).

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