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CALENDAR

From the Editor

The time to try a new delivery mechanism for the text version of the OLA Hotline has arrived! This issue has been sent to you via OLA's MemberClicks list software. Hopefully it will go smoothly, but your patience is appreciated as we work out any kinks! Many thanks to Camila Gabaldon, Membership Chair, who helped bring this to fruition!

If you do not want to receive the Hotline or would like it to go to a different email address, change the Elist settings in your MemberClicks Profile. Previously you received an email with your logon information. Visit the [OLA MemberClicks logon page](#) for password tips and further contact information.

Once you are logged on, choose the Directory option and scroll down to My Profile. The Profile Information form will display. The Elist options are near the bottom of the screen. If you don't want to receive the Hotline, choose "none" for the Elists Offered option. If you want to have Hotline sent to a different email, enter that address in the Email address for Elists box.

Please [send me an email](#) if you experience any difficulties.

Association News

Message from OLA President, Aletha Bonebrake

Greetings from beautiful Eastern Oregon to all of the nearly 1,000 members of OLA, in whatever other beautiful part of our State you labor in. Over the past 20 years, I've been to many corners of Oregon where libraries grace their communities, and I hope in this fortunate year of mine as President, to revisit many and to seek out those I have never seen. My theme for the year is "Finding Community" and I

think for all of us it begins with knowing one another.

We certainly have many opportunities in OLA. There are hundreds of members serving on boards and committees, organizing workshops and conferences, and sponsoring events. Every interaction is a cross-pollination of knowledge and experience, and often innovation, that inspires growth. All members thrive on the opportunity to network with peers at the Annual Conference, where discovery and development are watchwords. Look for announcements of committee membership vacancies that may occur, and consider whether you would like to step into the heartbeat of this community.

And the heart is beating. What an incredibly busy time of year this is for OLA, gearing up for the Legislative session beginning in January; addressing issues on the ballot that impact libraries both financially and philosophically; participating in the beginning of the planning for "Oregon 150" as our search begins for the quintessentially Oregon book that will inspire a statewide "Oregon Reads" experience in 2009; intense conference planning by our hard-working Conference Committee and the developing of programs by all divisions, committees and round tables to meet conference submission deadlines and to ensure a rich diversity of events in Corvallis next April; and completing OLA's migration to MemberClicks, for membership renewal right on our website (have you had your experience yet?) and offering great potential for enhancing internal communications for all committees, divisions, round tables and ad hoc groups that any unit wishes to form.

It's been a very busy fall for our individual libraries too. There are several library measures on the November ballot, including the two new districts proposed in Wasco and Malheur counties, all of which 'passed' in the tragically under-voted primary of recent memory and which must now have every step repeated in a much more stressful election environment. I know, because we're one of them, facing competition from a huge school bond measure and the need to explain with fresh language why the voters need to say "yes" one more time. Several other libraries, both urban and rural, are in the process of developing districting proposals with an eye to 2008 elections. These are positive efforts at finding community with neighboring libraries, but they are also resulting in partnerships to mount demonstration projects that create new community for libraries with other local and state agencies,

non-profits or the business or retirement communities. An excellent example of this is the coordination efforts sparked in several communities by the LSTA grant to Multnomah County for Early Childhood Literacy statewide traveling workshops, making the library the primary engine for providing content and programs for what we now know to be a critical pre-literate learning path from infancy to age 5.

Libraries are also participating in the evaluation process of the State Library's 5-year LSTA plan, as the time has come to begin developing a new 5-year plan that reflects new goals. Himmel & Wilson, consultants hired to conduct the evaluation, have been holding focus groups around the State to get our opinions on what's working, what do we keep, what do we consider accomplished and let go, what do we, as community, want to see as the direction for competitive and collaborative uses of LSTA funds. The report will be a revealing glimpse of how we see ourselves as community.

On a last and more personal level, a large number of Oregon libraries participated in a well-coordinated Banned Books Week and engaged their communities on a significant philosophical level. This is refreshing for a public agency and one more reason why libraries are loved like Mom and Apple Pie, in spite of their dangerous dealings in diversity (or because of it). We are, at bottom, an avatar of the secret lives of all people.

In future Hotlines, I'll be visiting some of the ideas that emerged from the summer planning retreat at Silver Falls as well as the goals and activities from the Vision 2010 Redux work session that will be guiding our year of finding community. For this issue, I wanted to present a panoramic snapshot of us, the members of OLA, in real time.

---- Aletha Bonebrake

Register for the CSD Fall Workshop

Register now for the Children's Services Division Fall Workshop to be held 9:30am - 3pm on November 4, 2006 at Tigard Public Library. Cost: \$15.00 (lunch provided)

Agenda highlights:

- "How School-Children Learn to Read," presented by Kathy Moran, Oregon Reading Association
- Book-talking to Boys" librarians will book-talk their favorites
- Learn to "Book-talk the Blurbs"
- Ready to Read update & Statewide Youth Services Vision presented by Mary Kay Dahlgreen, Library Development Program Manager, Oregon State Library
- Annual Fundraising Auction for CSD Scholarships (Don't forget to bring items to auction off and lots of money!!)
- 2007 Summer Reading Preview
- Oregon Reads Book Selection
- 2007 Summer Reading Manual Distribution

For more information, go to the [CSD website](#) or email [Karen Fischer](#).

Happenings

Schedule for the Soaring to Excellence Teleconferences

Staff from Oregon libraries may participate in the following teleconferences at no charge. These teleconferences are made available through the Bibliographic Center for Research (BCR) and the College of DuPage. BCR membership for all Oregon libraries is paid for through the Oregon State Library with LSTA funds.

Libraries may downlink the satellite coordinates to the five College of DuPage teleconference programs for on-site viewing, or staff may view the teleconferences via webcast from any location with adequate Internet access. The webcasts, also available at no charge to libraries, will be archived and available for 60 days following the live broadcast. Libraries may order tapes or DVDs of the broadcasts for their collections for \$30 each.

Register online for the satellite downlink and/or webcast by completing BCR's [online registration form](#). The downlink [site-license terms](#) also are on BCR's Web site. Questions? Contact BCR's [Brandie Baumann](#).

SCHEDULE: Broadcasts run 9am - 10:30am Pacific Time.

Soaring to Excellence 2007 -- Library 2.0 and Beyond

- October 27, 2006: "Best New Technologies: Keeping Up with the Storm"
- February 9, 2007: "Next Gen Librarianship: Where Do We Go from Here?"
- April 13, 2007: "The Best from the Web"

Library Challenges & Opportunities 2007

- March 23, 2007: "Library Transformation: Making It Happen"
- May 11, 2007: "The Relevance of Libraries in a Digital Age"

SOLF Fall Meeting

SOLF (Southern Oregon Library Federation) will be meeting Friday, Oct. 20th at 11am - 3pm at Douglas County Library - Roseburg. A no-host lunch will be brought in with advance orders. The program for this meeting includes an update from Robert Hulshof-Schmidt, Oregon State Library, on the electronic documents repository, and an afternoon presentation by Carol McGeehon on emerging technologies.

SOLF membership is made up of trustees and employees at any type of library in the counties of Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath and Lake. This is an exciting time for SOLF. We are in a state of rejuvenation and encourage any potential new member to come to a meeting! Visitors from other regions are also welcome to visit. For more information about SOLF and this meeting, please email [Ellen Thompson](mailto:Ellen.Thompson@solf.org) or call (541) 269-1101 x228.

Employment Opportunities

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