

# OLA Hotline

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## From the Editor

Hello, OLA Members! I have the pleasure of serving as your new OLA Web Member Manager and I have some pretty big shoes to fill. I want to thank Diane Sotak, Rachel Mendez and Camila Gabaldon for all the help they given me and will continue to give me as we make this transition.

This new position involves maintaining the OLA website, editing Hotline and developing MemberClicks capabilities. If you have any ideas, questions or concerns regarding any of these areas, please contact me at [ola@olaweb.org](mailto:ola@olaweb.org). I am proud to be part of an association that works so hard at improving and connecting libraries and library staff across the state and I look forward to meeting and working with all of you.

*[Stephanie Miller](#), OLA Web Member Manager*

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## Association News

### CSD Election Results

It is a pleasure to announce that B.J. Quinlan, Youth Services Manager at Salem Public Library has been elected the OLA Children's Services Division Summer Reading Chair/Chair-Elect for 2007-2008.

BJ earned her Master's in Librarianship from Rutgers University and has dedicated her professional life to youth literacy. She is a past chair of the OLA CSD and has actively

served on the OLA Summer Reading Committee since it was created in 1984. She was the 1990 recipient of the OLA Children's Services Division Evelyn Sibley Lampman Award, and in 2005 was honored with the OLA Distinguished Service Award. She was part of the team that brought the "Mother Goose Asks Why" program to Oregon from the Vermont Center for the Book. She has testified in support of statewide Ready to Read grant monies before the Legislative Assembly and has participated in OLA Legislative Day activities. She initiated and continues to host the biannual OLA Performers' Showcase to assist libraries and schools when booking Oregon performers.

Congratulations BJ, we look forward to an exciting and productive Children's Services Division under your leadership!

*Karen Fischer, CSD Chair 2006-2007*

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### **MLS Fundraiser Success at OLA Conference**

The OLA Past Presidents' group raised well over \$700 at the well-attended "Karaoke 101" conference event, for the association's new MLS Scholarship Program. And, the Past Presidents' Round Table contributed \$1000! This brings the total raised to over \$1700! A special thank you to all the members who contributed to this fun fundraiser!! And a big Thank You to the Past Presidents of OLA who made the fundraiser so successful: Mo Cole, Leah Griffith, Janet Webster, Sara Charlton, and Jim Scheppke.

The association's new scholarship program was launched off earlier this year. An announcement will be made in early July about first recipients of OLA MLS scholarship awards.

Your contributions to the MLS scholarship program can be made when you renew your membership at MemberClicks, at [www.olaweb.org](http://www.olaweb.org), or by mailing your tax-deductible contribution to:

Oregon Library Association  
MLS Scholarship Program  
P.O. Box 2042

Salem, OR 97308-2042

Again, thanks to everyone who gave so generously to make the scholarship fundraiser go so well at the conference! And thank you, donors, for your generosity in helping OLA to establish this great program for the benefit of Oregon's MLS students!

*Gary Sharp, OLA MLS Scholarship Committee*

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### **Oregon Reads 2009 Needs Your Help**

As many of you know, the Oregon Library Association is sponsoring a statewide community reads program in 2009 as part of Oregon's celebration of its sesquicentennial. An OLA committee has selected the book ("Stubborn Twig" by Lauren Kessler, the story of Japanese immigrants to Oregon in the 20th century) and are making plans for a special publication of the book, developing ideas for events that individual libraries can hold, and a variety of other activities.

The goal is for every library in the state to bring Oregon Reads 2009 to their community in early 2009.

There is a statewide committee called Oregon 150 that is planning all the statewide activities for the Oregon Sesquicentennial. They have just released their first draft of their plan ([www.oregon150.org](http://www.oregon150.org)) and we were disappointed to not see Oregon Reads in the plan.

So... this is why we need you! They are asking for input and we need to give it to them! Everyone, please e-mail Aili Schreiner at [aschreiner@oregon150.org](mailto:aschreiner@oregon150.org) and tell her that Oregon Reads needs to be in their plan. Here are some key points:

1. The Oregon Library Association has committed to the project and a committee has been working on it for 10 months.
2. Libraries in communities throughout the state will be participating, from the biggest cities to the smallest hamlet. Mention if your library is already planning to participate.
3. Oregon Reads will share the story of immigrants from

the west and Stubborn Twig features locales from throughout Oregon.

4. Oregon Reads needs to be a signature event of the Oregon Sesquicentennial Celebration as it will celebrate an Oregon story, written by an Oregon author and it takes place in Oregon.

Also, I would ask that you look at the list of Oregon 150 board members <http://www.oregon150.org/board.html>. If there is anyone you know personally, please contact them and tell them about Oregon Reads and what a wonderful opportunity it will be for Oregon 150. Please do not contact if you don't know them, but there are lots of people throughout the state that certainly are known to librarians.

Thanks in advance for making sure that Aili knows that Oregon Reads needs to be a part of Oregon 150!

*Leah Griffith, Oregon Reads 2009 Chair*

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## Legislative News

### Update from Salem

Things are moving in Salem

HB 2116 - The Ready to Read Grant Program changes passed both houses and is waiting for the Governor's signature. This will modify the focus to early literacy and summer reading as well as authorize \$1000 minimum grants.

SB 5523 - The State Library Budget passed and has been signed by the Governor. This includes the money for the minimum grants.

SB 950 - Protecting the email addresses of library users has passed and has been signed into law.

HB 2843 - The revisions to the obscenity statute passed out of the House Judiciary Committee and is in limbo for now. OLA supports the library exemption clauses.

Funding for Eastern Oregon University's new library looks like it might be approved. This is much needed and long anticipated.

*Janet Webster, OLA Legislative Committee Chair and Nan Heim, OLA Lobbyist*

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## Happenings

### Genealogy Resources on the Internet

June 4, 2007

There is still space available for the final Oregon State Library Gates Staying Connected Workshop, Genealogy Resources on the Internet. It is being offered at Blue Mountain Community College (Room ST-206) in Pendleton. The hands on workshop is open to public library staff in Oregon. The workshop is from 9 - 4:30, with check in at 8:30. Snacks and lunch are included and there is no fee. To register go to: <http://www.infopeople.org/oregon/workshop>.

### Free Google Tools Webinars

June 19, July 13 & 27, 2007

The following webinars are free to all Oregon library staff through a paid membership from the Oregon State Library with LSTA funds:

- June 19, 9-10am or 1-2pm PT  
Google Tools Drive-by Series Part 1: Notebook, Pages, Docs and Spreadsheets
- July 13, 9-10am or 1-2pm PT  
Google Tools Drive-by Series Part 2: GoogleReader, iGoogle, and Calendar Tools
- July 27, 9-10am or 1-2pm PT  
Google Tools Drive-by Series Part 3: Google Books and Scholar

The format for each session usually will be a one hour to one-

and-one-half hour segment with a question and answer session to follow. To participate, all that's needed are a computer (minimum of 128 MB of RAM, although 256 MB is recommended); Internet Explorer 5.5 Web browser, Java enabled; speakers; and Internet access of 56k or above. A microphone connected to the computer is optional for the audio, which also is available by a long-distance phone bridge (not a toll-free number).

Register online using BCR's Workshop Registration Form. Please indicate in the Comments box at the bottom of the Registration Form whether you are attending a morning or afternoon session.

Don't forget! Free Friday Forum sessions are recorded and archived after the class has been completed. Visit the FFF Archive for a list of available sessions. For additional information or questions, please visit: <http://www.bcr.org/training/online/fff/index.html> or contact [Regan Harper](#)

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## **Northwest Interlibrary Loan Conference**

September 20 & 21, 2007

Registration is open for the sixth annual Northwest Interlibrary Loan and Resource Sharing Conference, "ILL 2.0 : Tools to Meet the Demands," being held at Portland Community College - Sylvania Campus in Portland, Oregon.

Our exciting program will include a keynote speech by Joseph Janes, Associate Professor and Associate Dean for Academics at the Information School of the University of Washington and author of the ALA Newsletter's "Internet Librarian" column.

For more information and a link to the registration form, please visit our website at <http://nwill.org>.

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