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From the Editor

Happy holidays to OLA members! The OLA Hotline will start its New Year with the January 15 issue. Your trusty editor is taking a vacation, so there will not be a January 1 issue. News for the January 15 issue can be emailed to <u>ola-</u><u>hotline@memberclicks.com</u>.

Association News

New Scholarship Program for MLS Students

OLA announces its new scholarship program for Oregon residents enrolled, or planning to enroll, full-time in a graduate course of study for the Masters in Library Science degree. In order to advance library services in Oregon, OLA has made implementing this scholarship a high priority. Beginning with summer term 2007, applications from eligible students will be accepted for over \$17,000 in scholarship awards. Recipients of this scholarship may reapply annually for continuing funding for up to three years of awards.

Funding for this first round of scholarships is provided by a Library Services and Technology Grant administered by the Oregon State Library and through the generosity of OLA members who have donated to the new scholarship fund. OLA members can continue to make donations to support this new initiative by using the MLS Scholarship Contribution Form available within your MemberClicks account.

The scholarship application process is open annually from December 1, 2006 through March 1, 2007. Before applying carefully read OLA's Scholarship Program guidelines and eligibility requirements. OLA's application process is managed by the Oregon Student Assistance Commission (OSAC). OSAC is the state agency that partners with private donors, foundations, and banks to administer more than 340 scholarship programs for Oregon students. The application and requirements are available as an <u>electronic eApplication</u>. At this website, you can read the descriptions of more than 340 scholarships administered by OSAC (select OSAC Scholarships on the left). OLA's scholarship application requirements are described by entering a search for Scholarship Code 471.

The scholarship application process is confidential, and there is no fee to apply. All OLA scholarship applications must be submitted to OSAC postmarked or hand-delivered no later than March 1, 2007. The OSAC office is located at 1500 Valley River Drive, Suite 100, Eugene, OR 97401. Applicants who submit their completed application by February 15, 2007 are entered into drawings for twenty-three, \$500 awards.

For questions about OLA's scholarship and OSAC scholarship programs call 800-452-8807, ext. 7395 or email.

The Oregon Student Assistance Commission has also distributed 40,000 OSAC Scholarship Application Booklets to college financial aid offices and Oregon high schools. OLA's scholarship information is also available in print form, on pages 21-22, of the OSAC booklet.

Nominations for Lampman Award Due by Jan. 6, 2007

The 2007 OLA Children's Services Division Lampman Committee is sure that you know someone who is a deserving recipient of the next Evelyn Sibley Lampman Award. Please take a few minutes on his or her behalf to read the guidelines and consider submitting a nomination. You'll be glad that you took the time to bring recognition to a deserving individual.

The Lampman Award is presented by the Children's Services Division to honor a living Oregon author, librarian, or educator who has made a significant contribution to the children of Oregon. The Award will be presented on Friday morning, April 20, 2007 at the OLA conference in Corvallis. Former award winners include Ursula K. Le Guin, Walter Minkel, Cynthia Rylant and Steven Engelfried. For further information please contact <u>Ellen Fader</u> (503-988-5408) or visit the <u>CSD website</u>.

Submit your nomination to Ellen Fader by <u>email</u>, fax (503-988-5441), or regular mail (Attn: Ellen Fader, Library Administration, 205 NE Russell, Portland, OR 97212).

The deadline for nominations is Saturday, Jan. 6, 2007.

Happenings

PNLA 2007 - Call for Program Proposals

The Pacific Northwest Library Association (PNLA) is accepting program proposals for its 2007 Annual Conference to be held in Edmonton, Alberta. The conference will be held at the Delta Edmonton South Hotel and Conference Centre from August 8-11, 2007. The conference theme is "The Boom to the Echo: The Multigenerational Impact on Libraries." Proposals may also include pre-conference sessions. Proposals will be accepted until February 1, 2007 with final decision on sessions being announced in early March. Proposal forms can be found at the <u>conference website</u>.

Oregon State Archives Releases New Learning Resource

On December 7, 2006, the 65th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, the Oregon State Archives released a Web exhibit entitled <u>Life on the Home Front: Oregon Responds to</u> <u>World War II</u>. The exhibit contains the equivalent of over 400 printed pages of narrative text, hundreds of images, and PDFs of thousands of pages of original documents that show the sacrifices made by Oregon citizens, such as rationing, blackouts, and scrap drives. It also covers home front problems, such as rumors, juvenile delinquency, and prostitution.

Questions can be directed to Gary Halvorson, Senior Archivist, by <u>email</u> or 503-378-5259.

Reading as an Investment Program

This holiday vacation is a perfect time for kids to participate in

the State Treasurer's Reading is an Investment program, and possibly win money for college. Your public library can help point them in the right direction.

Reading is an Investment is designed to highlight the importance of reading, while teaching young children about the world of money and basic financial concepts. This new program, sponsored in partnership with the State Treasurer and the Oregon College Savings Plan, was launched last month in every public elementary school in Oregon.

Children who complete the reading program will receive fun prizes, a certificate of achievement, and will have a chance to receive one of 50 college savings plan account scholarships that will be awarded in April 2007.

It's easy to sign up and participate. Please visit the <u>State</u> <u>Treasury website</u> and learn how. Suggested reading lists, as well as curriculum support materials, are also available.

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