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Upcoming Events

Medical Readiness Course of Study Workshop

May 14, 2010

Northeast ABLEResource Center (Henn Mansion)

Euclid, OH

This training is sponsored by the EDR 12 Collaborative Plan and ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE A \$60 STIPEND!

Assistive Technology Training

May 27, 2010

Northeast ABLEResource Center (Henn Mansion)

Euclid, OH

LD 202

June 5, 2010

Northeast ABLEResource Center (Henn Mansion)

Euclid, OH

(Rescheduled from the February 27, 2010 training)

Northeast ABLEResource Center (Region I)

This online course is now available. Please register on the Alternative Delivery page of the training calendar under New to ABLE.

We are currently offering 79 Alternative Delivery Activities for Northeast Ohio.

Register for these training sessions and alternative delivery activities on our calendar of events at www.ohioable.org or www.neable.org

E-Tech Ohio Free May Webinars

See attached for schedule and descriptions

Kent woman named Adult Learner of Year- Degree within reach

Mother of four with full-time job impresses University of Akron adviser.

By Carol Biliczky, Akron Beacon Journal staff writer

Judy Leffler was born seventh in a family of 10 children to a homemaker and bookkeeper who never graduated from high school.

Money was in short supply and home life was not happy, she said, so she dropped out of high school at 17, moved out of the house and moved in with an older sister and her husband until she could cobble together money for an apartment.

A year after her high school classmates graduated, she earned her general equivalency diploma. She saved money, and 18 months later, started college — all the while working as many as two jobs.

She spent the next 29 years pecking away at a bachelor's degree, first at Robert Morris University near her hometown of Pittsburgh, then at Cuyahoga Community College and over the past six years at UA.

Leffler's complete story can be found at: <http://www.ohio.com/news/88049657.html>

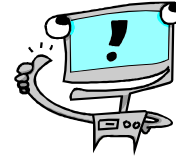
Christian Slater Goes Back to School and Gets GED |

Christian Slater, star of ABC's 'The Forgotten,' appeared on 'The Ellen DeGeneres Show' and discussed his decision to go back to school and get his GED as a way to show his children the importance of a good education.

"I was working from the time I was nine years old. So, school was not very important to me, it wasn't a great priority," Slater said. "And then, when I had kids, I want them to obviously get a full educationI didn't want to lose the argument. So, I figured the best thing to do is to go and at least take some action, get the GED."

<http://insidetv.aol.com/2010/01/05/christian-slater-goes-back-to-school-and-gets-ged-video>

Matt's Tech Tips



This week's Tip of the week is from Jennifer Davis, Professional Development Specialist, Southwest ABL Resource Center

When emailing more than five people, please use "BCC" (blind carbon copy) and put all of the addresses in there. BCC hides all other email addresses from individual users.

Why do this?

1. Most electronic lists and many mail servers will look at all of the copies and assume its spam and won't deliver it. You will not be notified that the message wasn't delivered because the mail server thinks you're a spammer sending automated messages. Because you don't get a bounce back you may assume that it was delivered, but in reality you have no idea whether it was or not.
2. Depending on the mail servers' settings, you may inadvertently put yourself or your entire domain on a blacklist so that mail servers will block mail coming from you or anyone at your domain.
3. Even if your message is delivered, it's not good email etiquette to show that many email addresses on a copy. A lot of people "reply to all" when they should send individual messages back to the sender.

All email clients have a BCC option; you just might need to enable it. In Outlook, it's under Options "Show BCC"; Hotmail has "Show Cc and Bcc" at the upper right, etc.



The Resource Room

New In the Library

2010-2011 Edition of Occupational Outlook Handbook developed by the U.S. Department of Labor

The *Occupational Outlook Handbook* is a nationally recognized source of career information, designed to provide valuable assistance to individuals making decisions about their future work lives. Revised every two years, the *Handbook* describes what workers do on the job, working conditions the training and education needed, earnings, and expected job prospects in a wide range of occupations.

The Language Teacher's Survival Handbook by Lindsay Clandfield and Duncan Foord
In this book they address some of the day-to-day issues that teachers face inside and outside the classroom, based on the belief that the glue that holds your lesson plans together is you, and if you don't feel right then your lessons won't be right. It could be called *Surviving Being an English Language Teacher*.

This book is not a methodology book about teaching—they think that there are already a lot of very good books like that on the market—but it does address some methodological issues. It's not an activity book (again, there are lots of these available), but there are activities that teachers can use. This book is about surviving teaching.

The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People by Stephen R. Covey

Stephen R. Covey presents a holistic, integrated, principle-centered approach for solving personal and professional problems. With penetrating insights and pointed anecdotes, Covey reveals a step-by-step pathway for living with fairness, integrity, service, and human dignity—principles that give us the security to adapt to change and the wisdom and power to take advantage of the opportunities that change creates.

Cultural Adventures

Cleveland International Hall of Fame

ClevelandPeople.com is pleased to announce that the Inaugural Class of the Cleveland International Hall of Fame will be inducted Wednesday May 12, 2010. The induction dinner and ceremony will be held the evening of Wednesday May 12th at Sterle's Slovenian Country House at 1401 E. 55th Street in Cleveland.

The Cleveland International Hall of Fame Inaugural Class of 2010 consists of:

- Jeanette Grasselli Brown
- Dr. Dieu Thuc Do
- Robert J. Haas
- Helen Bernice Karpinski (posthumous)
- Alex Machaskee
- Lonnie McCauley (posthumous)
- Irene Morrow
- August Pust
- Paul Sciria
- Paramjit Singh
- Senator George Voinovich
- Leo Weidenthal (posthumous)
- Margaret W. Wong

Event details can be found at www.clevelandpeople.com/hof/hof.htm. To learn more about the Cleveland International Hall of Fame induction ceremony (including dinner tickets, event and table sponsorships, program advertising and more) please contact Debbie Hanson directly at deb@ClevelandPeople.Com or 216-381-8310.

Speaking of Lesson Plans

The Eureka! Lesson Plan of the Month

Building content knowledge across the curriculum

For students who struggle to read literature at their grade level, content area reading is even more daunting when they study subjects such as history, math and the sciences. Adults who have missed the academics of high school often find they are missing valuable background knowledge as they prepare to take the GED test and then continue post secondary learning.

Eureka! offers resources to help teachers plan their instruction as they address these learning gaps with students. Of particular interest in your lesson planning might be:

The Thematic Collections that contain lists of books on specific topics such as the Civil Rights Movement, Civil War & Slavery, and Ohio History. There are also suggestions as to how to use the trade books instructionally.

Proven Teaching Ideas and Teaching Strategies have been collected and organized for you to be able to use immediately in your planning.

The Eureka! Lesson Plan of the Month <http://literacy.kent.edu/eureka/lessonplans> will be sharing a history unit on the Civil War & Slavery for this spring and summer. Each month, teachers can download a complete lesson ready for classroom instruction. Special to each of these lessons, a Teacher Resource is provided to give you additional information on approaches included within each lesson.

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| May | The Civil War | Reading on the Internet Teacher Resource |
| June | Quilt Codes | Information Literacy Teacher Resource |
| July | Quilting Geometry | Improving Mathematics Using Manipulatives Teacher Resource |
| August | Underground Railroad | Journals Teacher Resource |
| September | Slave Narratives | Primary & Secondary Sources Teacher Resource |

If you would like more information about lessons planning, please contact Judy Franks at 330-672-0753 or jfranks@literacy.kent.edu.

Web Sites to Explore



Cleveland Ethnic Media Association

The Cleveland Ethnic Media Association (CEMA) is a collection of media outlets (print, radio, web and others) that are of interest to the many ethnic cultures represented in the Cleveland, Ohio area.


The Cleveland Ethnic Media Association currently has over 1,000 ethnic media outlets in our database representing about 100 different ethnic, cultural and religious groups.

If you want to reach a particular ethnic community or several groups or all ethnic media outlets in the region, the Cleveland Ethnic Media Association is an easy, inexpensive and powerful way to do it.

To view this site go to <http://clevelandpeople.com> and click on Cleveland Ethnic Media Association on the left side bar.

ReadWriteThink

Student Interactives



Engage your students in online literacy learning with these interactive tools that help them accomplish a variety of goals—from organizing their thoughts to learning about language—all while having fun. <http://www.readwritethink.org>

Thoughts On Leadership

Thoughts on Leadership is presented as an attachment to the Friday NewsBriefs