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Thank You

I would like to thank everyone for the kindness, good wishes and wonderful thoughts. They have meant a great deal to me and have made this journey so much easier. Each one reminds me just how lucky I am and what a fine circle of friends and family ABLE has offered me.

As I work my way through complicated decisions, I am reminded of how very important our work can be. Being able to understand the information I have been presented with has given me the confidence to make decisions; being able to read the cards and hear such kind words from everybody has given me clarity, comfort and fed my soul. I simply can't imagine how much more difficult this would be with limited literacy skills.

My family and I have chosen to go forward with a full court press treatment and lots of optimism. I will be working part-time for the next few months. I appreciate all the support and patience you have and will give to the oh so wonderful staff at the Resource Center. Thank you once again for all the kindness you have sent our way. Thank you especially for all the important work you do for our students. I have never respected the power of literacy more than I do now.

Think Pink! And keep the good thoughts flowing.

Gloria W. Gillette

P.S.

Speaking of Health Literacy Month, I found a wonderful resource. The Y-ME National Breast Cancer Hotline is a 24 hour, confidential resource for information about breast cancer. Y-ME offers interpreters in 150 languages on the hotline. Simply call the Hotline and state the desired language in English (e.g. "Polish"). The peer counselor then contacts Language Line Services and requests an interpreter who joins the call to facilitate communication. All of this information and much more is available on their website: <http://www.y-me.org/hotline/default.php>

Northeast Assessment Fundamentals TABE 9 & 10



Friday, November 9, 2007 9:00am-3:00pm

This training will provide the participant with information specific to administering the TABE 9 & 10 standardized assessment instrument. A CTB/McGraw-Hill representative will review TABE materials, scale scores, testing procedures, scoring and diagnostic tools, and address TABE assessment and product ordering questions from the field. In addition, this session is designed to provide participants with a review of the current Ohio ABLE Assessment Policy and alternative classroom assessment options.

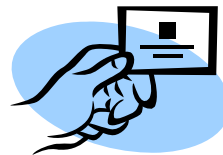


TIAN Math Workshop

Friday, December 7, 2007 9:30am-3:30pm

States who participated in the original national initiative "Teachers Investigating Adult Numeracy" have the opportunity to provide additional trainings developed by the TIAN trainers. At this workshop, teachers will actively participate in math topics that can be used in the ABLE classroom. This is an additional opportunity for math professional development and the stipend is in addition to those allowed by ODE Professional Development policy. Registration begins at 9:00. Lunch will be provided.

OAAACE



It is OAAACE Membership Time!

WHAT: Renew you membership or join for the first time.

WHO: Anyone working in adult education.

WHEN: Join between October 1 and November 30 (Check out the Institutional Membership "DEAL." These memberships are allowable and may be paid through the ABLE grant.)

WHY: OAAACE is the oldest professional organization in Ohio for adult educators. Not only do you get reduced conference rates and access to the News and Views publication, there are also a variety of benefits available. Check out the OAAACE website for more information.

Susan Sheehan, of Parma City Schools Adult Education Services, is the OAAACE representative for the Northeast Region. If you would like to know more about the organization, please contact her at northeast@oaace.org or sheehans@parmacityschools.org

CHECK OUT THE FALL ISSUE OF **NEWS & VIEWS**
AT: <http://www.oaace.org/> UNDER MEMBER NEWS



Perspectives Statewide Newsletter

The Resource Center Network is pleased to present the first issue of Perspectives. The quarterly newsletter has been revised and the focus has shifted. This year the publication will focus on Best Practice. Each Resource Center will contribute an article in its area of specialization (i.e. ESOL, writing, special needs, etc.). This format gives practical information to other ABLE practitioners considering implementing these Best Practices and exposure to programs that have successfully done so.

The fall issue is attached.

Grant Opportunities



- “Verizon Foundation: Building More Literate Communities”
Verizon Foundation Literacy grants are available to organizations committed to basic literacy skills in the United States. Verizon has invested in a network of collaborative literacy partners, offering a wide variety of programs with a focus on e-learning. Verizon’s leadership in technology and communications provides the distribution network. Maximum Award: Varies. Deadline: November 30, 2007.
- “Grant to Support Job Skills and Education”
The Staples Foundation for Learning provides funding to programs that support or provide job skills and/or education for all people, with an emphasis on disadvantaged youth. Maximum Award: \$25,000. Deadline: December 7, 2007.

- The Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy is pleased to announce the 2008 national grant competition. The Foundation's grant-making program seeks to develop or expand projects that are designed to support the development of literacy skills for adult primary caregivers and their children. A total of approximately \$650,000 will be awarded; no grant request should exceed \$65,000. To download the application, go to the Barbara Bush Foundation website at: <http://www.barbarabushfoundation.com/wn.html>
 - "Grants to Assist Nonprofits in Developing Strong Leadership"
The American Management Association (AMA) and Leader to Leader Institute scholarship program is intended to assist social sector nonprofit organizations in developing strong leadership. The AMA Scholarship is designed to provide nonprofit leaders with an opportunity to step out of the day-to-day, interact with peers across the sectors and develop practical skills they can apply immediately within their organizations. Maximum award: one-year scholarship. Deadline: November 15, 2007. Learn more at: <http://leadertoleader.org/collaboration/ama/index.html>
 - "Research Grants for Adult Education Math Practitioners"
The Adult Numeracy Network (ANN), a national organization of adult education math teachers, has released the application for this year's adult education math practitioner research projects. The Adult Numeracy Network will support two opportunities for teachers of adult mathematics to conduct research. These grants provide a chance for teachers of adult math to conduct some quality classroom research. To learn more, visit the OTAN Website at: <http://www.otan.us/index.cfm?fuseaction=ShowMoreNews&newsid=3504&catid=3027>
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The Resource Room

If you attended **Math Camp** or the **Math Kickoff**, perhaps you remember the “**math adventure**” books presented by Nancy Marx and Paula Mullett. Delight your students (and yourself) with these easy to read and understand great titles:

- *Sir Cumference and the Dragon of Pi*
- *Sir Cumference and the Sword in the Cone*
- *Sir Cumference and the Great Knight of Angleland*
- *Sir Cumference and the First Round Table*
- *Sir Cumference and the Isle of Immeter*

Go to www.neablelibrary.org and order these books from our library system. We will send them to you with a postage paid return envelope.
