



Central/Southeast ABLÉ News

March 2008

OAACE is Almost Here!

Online registration is open!

This year's theme is "*The Times, They Are A Changing.*" The conference will be held April 17-18, 2008 at The Crowne Plaza North in Columbus, Ohio.

When you put "attend OAACE Conference" as a choice on your IPDP, the conference seemed far off. Now that it is almost here, the Resource Center Network has prepared an explanation of how you will be supported in your attendance at the Conference. There

are a few differences from other years based on changes in the Conference structure and RCN process. Here are the highlights:

- There is only one registration fee – \$150.00 for the conference.
- Conference registration includes breakfast and lunch on Friday but no meals on Thursday.
- Register online for the conference at www.oaace.org (or on

the state ABLÉ PD calendar) and make your hotel reservations at the Crowne Plaza Columbus North at 1-614-885-1885.

- The conference begins at 1:00 PM on Thursday, April 17 and ends at 4:00 on Friday, April 18.

If you have any questions, please contact your regional resource center. We look forward to seeing you in Columbus at the conference.

Spring Director's Meeting - Location Change

Please note that the location of the March 17, 2008, Southern Spring ABLÉ Directors Meeting has been changed. This meeting was originally scheduled for OU Chillicothe, but has been changed to:

**336 McCracken Hall
Ohio University
Athens, Ohio 45701**

**Phone: 1-800-753-1519
Fax: 740-593-2834**

**Comfort Inn
20 North Plaza Blvd
Chillicothe, Ohio 45601
740-775-3500**

Comfort Inn is blocking king or double rooms for

us at a reduced rate of 79.95 per night. People need to reserve by **March 10** if they want to get that reduced rate. Regular rates are 89.95 per night.

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OAAACE Board Nominations

It is time again to nominate individuals for positions on the OAAACE Board. There are several exciting opportunities to serve and be an important part of this valuable association. Are you willing to serve? Nominate yourself! Do you know someone who is a member of OAAACE that you think would be an excellent choice for the Board? Please ask them to serve and if they agree send in the nomination! To nominate someone go to the OAAACE website at: <http://www.oaace.org/>. Click on Nominations on your right and fol-

low **all** directions. Also, a description of each vacant position is located on the website. The following positions are open for nomination this year:

- 1st Vice President
- 2nd Vice President
- Secretary
- Northwest Regional Director
- Northeast Regional director
- Southwest Regional Director
- Basic Skills Director

- ESOL Director
- Family Literacy
- GED Director
- Workplace Education Director

We are looking forward to an exciting year but it takes the input of many talented people to make OAAACE successful. Please consider working with the OAAACE board.

Thank You!

Assistive Technology Workshops Offered

The Ohio Initiative for Persons with Learning Disabilities (formerly the LD/TANF Initiative) is offering a new professional development opportunity targeted to local collaborative LD One-Stop system teams and partners, including but not limited to representatives of ABLE, AWE, One-Stops, TANF, WIA, colleges, Rehabilitation Services Commission, Mental Health, and others serving people with LD and other disabilities.

This workshop will focus on Assistive/Adaptive Technology (AT) and how to better understand and appreciate how these low and high-tech resources can benefit your staffs and their shared customers. Attendance is limited to the first 60 people who register for each session. All sessions are the same content, just the locations are different.

The workshop will be offered on four different dates in four different locations.

Please encourage your staff and formal and informal One-Stop partners to register for one of these workshops closest to you. They are:

- Athens: <http://tinyurl.com/33bgqo>
March 12th, Baker Center, Ohio University, Athens, OH
- Warren: <http://tinyurl.com/2rjcfg>
April 2nd, Warren County One-Stop, Workforce One of Warren County, Lebanon, OH
- Lucas: <http://tinyurl.com/2vfy28>
May 16th, Lucas County One-Stop, The Source of North west Ohio, Toledo, OH
- Summit: <http://tinyurl.com/3b93r6>
June 5th, Summit County One-Stop, The Employment

Resource Center, Akron, OH

If you have questions, please contact Jeff Gove at 614.466.5015 or jeff.gove@ode.state.oh.us. Thank you.



Spotlight on SWRC Literacy Trunks

The SW Resource Center has developed several Literacy Trunks - teacher resources that contain "ready-to-go" lessons and activities, including a user's guide, resources, handouts, and online sites to extend the lessons. The targeted basic skills are those that our students so often need to learn or review.

All a teacher needs to do is consider which trunk(s) fit well with his/her current classroom practice, request a trunk through our [online library system](#) (Surpass), review the components when it arrives at the doorstep, then "teach"!

Literacy Trunk Descriptions

There are two types of Literacy Trunks: Overview and Content-Area.

Overview Trunks

These trunks provide a general overview on the topic and its application to instruction. All materials in these trunks are kept by the teacher.

"Flip Books" Topics addressed include purposes of flip books, different models, and ideas for use.

"Graphic Organizers" Topics addressed include research on organizers, different models, and ideas for use.

"Map Skills" Topics addressed include basic navigation of maps, different types of maps, using maps to build background knowledge and ideas for use.

Content-Area Trunks

These trunks provide lessons and activities which can deepen students' comprehension on content-area skills. Some materials in these trunks must be returned to SWRC (postage included).

"Earthquakes" Content area focus: Science and Social Studies. While reading comprehension is the primary focus, writing is also integrated into the lessons.

"Reading, Writing and MATH!" Content area focus: integration of language arts and math concepts. While math is the primary focus, reading and writing are also integrated into the lessons

Grants

"MetLife Foundation Ambassadors in Education Award"

The MetLife Foundation Ambassadors in Education Award recognizes teachers who have undertaken extraordinary and voluntary efforts to connect with their students' communities and to make themselves an active member of their community. Qualified nominees build partnerships and increase communication between the school, families, local businesses/nonprofits and local government. Maximum Award: \$5,000. Eligibility: middle or high school teachers in one of 25 participating school districts (see website).

Deadline: March 7, 2008.

<http://www.ncl.org/metlife/index.html>



"Motorola Lincoln Grants"

The Motorola Foundation will partner with the Chicago History Museum to commemorate the 200th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth by identifying and funding projects developed by civic, educational and cultural organizations that actively engage the public in the lessons from Lincoln's life. Grants will be provided on the basis of three themes: Bringing His-

tory into the Future; Engaging in Current Events; and Leadership Skills.

Eligibility: individuals or organizations, including civic, educational and cultural organizations nationwide. Deadline: March 30, 2008. Maximum Award: varies.

<http://www.cybergrants.com/motorola/lincolngrant>

Inspiring to all our literacy students...

We use 23 year old Dr. Farrah Gray's Commencement Message in our classes with the Greenville Literacy Association, the G.E.D. program at Greenville Technical College, Life Long Learning's Sullivan Center with the Greenville County School District and utilize his book, which is interactive. It has encouraged many of our students to continue to press forward in reaching their goals. Those who in the past were not interested in reading were engaged, intrigued and inspired with the story.

Farrah Gray founded the Farrah Gray Foundation, which gives a certain portion of his personal income to charity. Its primary purpose is to help youth organizations with inner city literacy and after school programs. From 15 to 18, Gray served on the Board of Directors of the United Way as their youngest director ever. He is also a GED recipient.

At the ages of 15 and 16, Farrah Gray was invited to speak alongside Bill Gates at both COMDEX/Fall 1999 and 2000 as the youngest venture capitalist speaker.

His inspirational book, "Reallionaire: Nine Steps to Becoming Rich from the Inside Out: The Essential Lessons That Took Me from Public Assistance to a Millionaire by the Age of 14," reached Amazon and Barnes & Noble "Bestseller List" two weeks before it was released January 2005. The book has been endorsed by Former President Bill Clinton, Pierre Sutton, Stedman Graham, Jack Canfield and Mark Victor Hansen.

To view the Farrah Gray Greenville Tech College 2007 commencement speech video try:

http://gen.gvltec.edu/videos/2007_gradspeech.aspx

or

http://www.gvltec.edu/about_green_villetech/news (then select the "address" link.

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Visit the Central Southeast ABLÉ Resource Center Library!

www.able-ohiou.org

Click on Resources
1-800-753-1519



Change Your Brain.. Change Your Life...

"Brain in the News" is a weekly commentary on how brain science relates to the news. The brain is involved in everything we do. Wherever there are human stories the brain is involved. From the impact of war and natural disasters on the brain to drug abuse scandals to courtroom dramas to politics the brain is in the news, and you can read about it here.

Please accept our heartfelt apologies for the technical problems that caused many of you who had registered to not be able to view tonight's PBS "Sneak Preview" – Change Your Brain, Change Your Life.

We are providing the links below for you to view the full PBS Special "Change Your Brain, Change Your Life." (If you find the video playing slowly from your link please try another as demand for the video varies from server to server).

<http://amenclinics.com/server1>

<http://amenclinics.com/server2>

<http://amenclinics.com/server3>

Again, my sincere apologies – if you have any further difficulties viewing the program please e-mail our IT manager Justin Wong at jwong@amenclinics.com. He'll be happy to assist you.

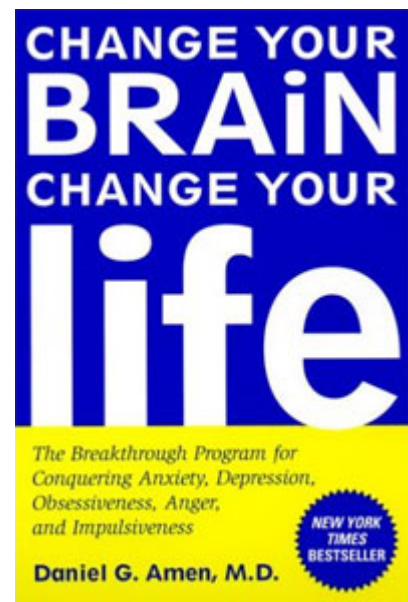
To your brain health,

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Upcoming Professional Development

To register for the following events—go to the ABLÉ Training Calendar at www.able-ohiou.org and click on Training Calendar.

Friday	03/14/2008 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	The Art of Building Vocabulary	Eastland-Fairfield Career Center
Friday	03/14/2008 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Advanced ABLELink	Southern State Community College
Monday	03/17/2008 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Spring Director's Meeting SW & C/SE	Comfort Inn, Chillicothe
Wednesday	04/16/2008 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Integrating Family Learning Activities into the ABLE Classroom	Columbus, OH
Wednesday	04/16/2008 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Lesson Planning Meets the Wild, Wild West	Columbus, OH
Wednesday	04/16/2008 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM	Understanding Your Desk Review	Columbus, OH
Wednesday	04/16/2008 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Statewide Algebra Day	Columbus, OH
Wednesday	04/16/2008 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Learning Disabilities 202	Columbus, OH
Wednesday	04/16/2008 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM	BEST Plus Training	Columbus, OH
Wednesday	04/16/2008 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM	The Portfolio Connection: Connecting Teaching and Learning	Columbus, OH
Thursday	04/17/2008 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	OACE Conference	Crowne Plaza North

The staff of the Central/Southeast ABLE Resource Center wishes you a good month!

Jeff, Brian, Kate, Sharon, and MB

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