

Keynote Speaker ~ Friday 8:45 - 10:15

Gary Hartzell

There's a wonderful line from the 1940 Errol Flynn movie *The Sea Hawk* where a character observes, "We serve others best when at the same time we serve ourselves." That is where librarians need to look. The bottom line is student achievement. We have growing researched evidence that quality school library programs can significantly contribute to that bottom line. If we are to give students the best schooling experience, we need to draw library support from all quarters. Unless librarians have their own professional and programmatic needs met, they cannot best serve their students. Our ability to positively impact students rests on our ability to persuade decision-makers to behave in ways that support the goals we want to accomplish. We need resources, but - every bit as much - we need opportunity. Power and influence are not dirty words; they are keys to professional contribution.

Location: Lilac Ballroom

Grade Level: All

Session I ~ Friday 10:30 - 11:30

Celebrate 20 Years of School Library Systems

School Library Systems (SLS) celebrate their 20th birthday this year. Please join State Librarian Janet M. Welch and professional staff from the New York State Education Department/New York State Library; Allison Wheeler, 2005-06 SLSA President and Marcia Eggleston, 2005-06 SLMS President, as we present awards, share memories and success stories and discuss the future of the SLS program in NYS. (Light refreshments and 20 Year mementos will be provided.)

Presenter: Joseph J. Mattie, Library Development Specialist II, Division of Library Development

Location: Regency B

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Brian Smith

Strand: Advocacy

Meet the Author: Terry Trueman

Join one of our featured authors as he shares his experiences as a writer.

Presenter: Terry Trueman, Author

Location: Highland B

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Eileen Call

Strand: Literature

Turn Them Onto Reading

Explore several reading incentive programs found to be highly successful in motivating elementary school students to read. Participants will leave with a package of clear instructions to coordinate each program.

Presenter: Peggy Brady, SLMS, Allen Creek School, Pittsford CSD

Location: Regency C

Grade Level: K-5

Facilitator: Gail Grinnell

Strand: Reading

National Board Certification - Why Bother?

Why bother? Why did you do it? What did you get from it? As one of only nine people in New York State who have achieved National Board Certification in Library Media/Early Childhood through Young Adulthood, these are the questions that get asked most often. This workshop is designed to answer those questions. This is a good session for people who just want to learn more about the process as well as those who are seriously considering pursuing their own certification.

Presenter: Maggie Elliott, SLMS, Victor Intermediate School, Victor CSD

Location: Wilmorite

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Cami Schill

Strand: Information Literacy

USA's Birth & Survival

This session will help participants discover print and nonprint resources (including websites) covering the American Revolution and the War of 1812. Presenters will be dressed in period costumes.

Presenters: Mary Lord, SLMS, NYC Department of Education School System & Richard Lord, SLMS, John F. Kennedy HS, Bronx

Location: Loftus Carson

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Ron Boyd

Strand: Collaboration

Classroom Communication with Blogs, Wikis, and Podcasts

Our students are using them...so why aren't we? Learn how to help teachers refocus lessons on the communication of new knowledge instead of the regurgitation of old information. Blogs, wikis, and podcasting are tools that can provide a framework to support students' 21st century learning. This session will cover free or low cost ways to access these tools.

Presenter: Christopher Harris, Coordinator Genesee Valley BOCES School Library System

Location: Regency A

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Sue Janczak

Strand: Technology

Book Buddies - Literacy & Technology for Dummies

Book Buddies is a year long collaborative project which pairs students from a primary and intermediate grade level. Our goal has been to integrate literacy and technology through the Library Media Center. Throughout our Book Buddy program, we have observed an increase in student independence, achievement, and technology/literacy skills. Throughout our presentation, participants will receive ready-to-use activities, reproducible materials, and online resources.

Presenter: Rosalia Carraba, SLMS, Sheila Herr, 5th Grade Teacher, & Kristin Krypel, Teacher, Northwood Elementary, West Seneca CSD

Location: Highland C

Grade Level: K-5

Facilitator: Beth Maiorani & Tami Adams-King

Strand: Literacy

Session II ~ Friday 2:15 - 3:15

Educational Leadership (Double Session 2:15 - 4:15)

Charlie Brown used to lament that there is no heavier burden than potential. You and your library have an enormous potential to positively impact student achievement - but you can't fulfill that potential if you don't get the opportunity. The principal controls the flow of opportunity in your school. As much as you may want to collaborate with faculty and staff, you need the principal's support to do it. You won't get that support unless your principal knows you, trusts you, and believes that you can make the school a better place. Our topic is shaping the principal's perceptions of libraries and librarians.

Presenter: Gary Hartzell

Location: Highland A & K

Grade Level: All - Administrative

Facilitator: Sara Kelly-Johns

Strand: Advocacy

The 3 Apples Book Award

Learn all about this new children's choice award launched in March 2006. Ideas will be presented on how to publicize the award and promote the nominated books. Join the fun and be part of the 1st annual 3 Apples Book Award.

Presenter: Sally Daniels, SLMS, Cicero Elementary School, Cicero CSD & Peggy Hagen, Public Librarian, Fairport Public Library

Location: Regency A

Grade Level: K-5

Facilitator: Dawn Pressimone

Strand: Literature

YA Fiction for Gay & Lesbian Students

We will examine contemporary fiction written for young adults with gay and lesbian content.

Presenter: David Saia, SLMS, Heim MS, Williamsville CSD

Location: Regency B

Grade Level: 6-12

Facilitator: Deb Lynch

Strand: Reading

Meet the Author: Terry Trueman

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Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Holly Wolf

Strand: Information Literacy

Building BESTlandia: Collaborating to Create A New World

Seeking colleagues with collaborative spirit? Try the Special Area Teachers at your school! This workshop will show you how one SLMS convinced eight teachers from six departments to collaborate on a school-wide, cross-curricular project. Through discussion, brainstorming and creative exercises, you'll gain practical ideas for working with Special Area teams.

Presenter: Teresa Keyes, SLMS, Wendy Wilson & Marcia Sturm, Bloomfield Elementary, Bloomfield CSD

Location: Wilmorite

Grade Level: K-5

Facilitator: Jennifer Joyce

Strand: Collaboration

Training Young Surfers: Preparing Students for the Internet

The Internet is about as confusing as a flea market and as safe as a freeway, yet many teachers throw their students onto it without guidance or instruction. With only a few basic steps, librarians can help teachers and students utilize the fabulous wealth of information that the Internet can provide safely, logically and efficiently.

Presenter: MaryAnn Karre, SLMS, Horace Mann Elementary, Binghamton City SCD

Location: Loftus Carson

Grade Level: K-5

Facilitator: Holly Mullin

Strand: Technology

Behind Closed Doors

Go behind the scenes of the 2004 Newbery and Sibert Award Committees! The presenters will share their experiences as members of these committees, from the arrival of that first UPS box of books to the glitzy presentation of awards.

Presenter: Peg Glisson, SLMS, Mendon Center Elementary, Pittsford CSD & Nancy Kraus, Retired SLMS and Adjunct Professor, Nazareth College

Location: Regency C

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Elaine Woods

Strand: Literacy

Session III ~ Friday 3:30 - 4:30

Stories From Around the World

Eileen will present excerpts from her annual "Stories Around the World" night with the help of her student performers. Included will be a bibliography and program tips. The program will conclude with Q & A sessions with both the presenter and students.

Presenter: Eileen K. Call, SLMS, Iroquois School, West Irondequoit CSD

Location: Loftus Carson

Grade Level: K-8

Facilitator: Janet Clarke-Hazlett

Strand: Literature

It's a Guy Thing!

Now in its third successful year, Guys Read is a different kind of book club for boys ages 8-11. Knights & dragons, pirates & treasures, cowboys & Indians; let us show you how to get boys to compete to read out loud, yearn for arts & crafts and beg for more books & reading time ~ just for fun!

Presenter: Linda Trott Dickman, SLMS, Norwood Avenue Elementary, Northport CSD & Carol Gaughran, Past PTA President, Northport CSD

Location: Regency C

Grade Level: K-5

Facilitator: Anita Mance

Strand: Reading

Art Infused with Library Research

Art Projects that begin with research in the library will be shared. Lesson plans and a display including examples of student work will be provided. We have found a tremendous and positive impact on student created artwork with the addition of research!

Presenter: Donn Meadows-Rigg, SLMS & Mary Beth Zachar, Art Teacher, Alden MS, Alden CSD

Location: Regency A

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Wendy Stephany

Strand: Information Literacy

Meet the Authors: Vivian Vande Velde, Marsha Hayles & Carol Johmann

Join several of our featured authors as they share their experiences as writers.

Presenter: Vivian Vande Velde, Marsha Hayles & Carol Johmann, Authors

Location: Highland B

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Carin Barwick

Strand: Collaboration

The Land of Library Blogs: “Blogs,” or web logs, are a convenient way for the school library media specialist to communicate with faculty and students. Easier than a traditional web page to set up and maintain, blogs can be used to showcase student work, for library programming and for announcements.

Presenters: Kimberly Rouleau, SLMS, Our Lady of Mercy HS

Location: Regency B

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Chris Harris

Strand: Technology

Be a Reviewer

Here’s a “how-to” on becoming a book reviewer, for reviewing journals such as *School Library Journal*, *VOYA*, and *Library Media Connection*. In return, you get first glimpses of work by favorite authors, share your knowledge with colleagues and keep the materials you’ve reviewed! The session includes: getting started, guidelines and writing tips.

Presenter: Vicki Reutter, SLMS, Cazenovia HS, Cazenovia CSD

Location: Highland C

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Kathi Sigler

Strand: Literacy

Session IV ~ Saturday 9:30 - 10:30

How To Be an Effective Supervisor

Debbi and Elizabeth will share their experience with supervising library staff. The session will include steps a supervisor can take to be more effective, identifying resources to help with supervision problem solving, suggestions for clarifying the job description to motivate library support staff to succeed. There will be time for questions and sharing.

Presenter: Debbi Galloway, SLMS, Pittsford Mendon HS & Elizabeth Hollinger, SLMS, Jefferson Road Elementary, Pittsford CSD

Location: Highland B

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Andrea Koch

Strand: Advocacy

Problem Novels vs. Classics: Is There a Choice?

The “problem novel” evolved during the 1960s. The classics have always been with us. Discussion will evolve around the merits of both with a bias toward the classics.

Presenter: Peggy Fleming, SLMS, Churchville-Chili HS, Churchville-Chili CSD

Location: Loftus Carson

Grade Level: 7-12

Facilitator: Anne L’Hommedieu

Strand: Literature

Yes, I Got It @ the Library

Do you feel like you are beating your head against the wall trying to connect students and staff with what your library has to offer? Training session attendance for teachers at an all time low? Amazed at underutilized materials? Come get the shot in the arm you need to take home some practical ideas on how to make meaningful connections between what THEY need and what the LIBRARY has. Ideas include “Portfolios on Wheels,” “Student PSAs,” “Library Expo,” and “Feed Them, They Will Come.”

Presenter: Sue Kowalski, SLMS, Minoa Elementary, East Syracuse Minoa CSD

Location: Wilmorite

Grade Level: K-8

Facilitator: Vicky Polk

Strand: Reading

New York State Education Department Update

Our state school library experts will update SLMS on SED initiatives.

Presenter: Fran Roscello

Location: Regency B

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Judy Marsh

Strand: Information Literacy

Picture This

In this session, learn how middle school instruction in American History is enriched through the use of picture books.

Presenter: Jill Brown, SLMS & Maggie Abels, Curriculum Director, Nardin Academy

Location: Regency C

Grade Level: 6-8

Facilitator: Stephanie Post

Strand: Collaboration

Technology @your library™

The presentation offers new technology ideas for use by SLMS. Video streaming, online teen book club, foreign language picture books online, and audio books are a few untapped resources. These can contribute to your virtual library or instructional goals, and offer opportunities for teachers to incorporate technology.

Presenter: Jane P. Fenn, SLMS, Corning-Painted Post West HS & June Keuhn, SLMS, Corning-Painted Post East HS, Corning-Painted Post CSD

Location: Highland C

Grade Level: 7-12

Facilitator: Lisa Osur

Strand: Technology

Book Backdrops: Bringing Historical Fiction to Life with Primary Resources

Enrich students' reading experiences! Increase their historical understanding! Spark their curiosity! Develop their research skills! Discover the wealth of primary source materials available online at the Library of Congress and create curriculum connections that will make history come alive in your library. Participants will leave this session with an awareness of the scope and variety of resources available on the Library of Congress websites, and specific strategies for using historical fiction books at all grade levels to make connections with the Library's vast online collections of primary documents.

Presenter: Gail Petri, Education Resource Specialist, Library of Congress & Retired SLMS

Location: Regency A

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Karen O'Donnell

Strand: Literacy

Session V ~ Saturday 10:45 - 11:45

Champion of Information Literacy: The School Library Media Specialist's Imperative

Information literacy is too narrowly defined. Teachers and administrators must understand that IL is more than technical or research skills. SLMS are uniquely qualified to spearhead this understanding and ensure that students get needed IL skills through curriculum integration. We will show why, and give practical suggestions as to how.

Presenter: Susan Allen, Director of Libraries and Academic Technology, Nichols School

Location: Regency A

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Paula Elslou

Strand: Advocacy

Living the Hero's Quest

Create a library environment where positive behaviors and core values become a seamless part of every day activity. From her book, *Living the Hero's Quest*, school librarian, Mary Humphrey, has created a character education program using traditional folktales. Mary will demonstrate how heroic characters become real role models of courage, compassion, and good citizenship for the elementary and middle school audience.

Presenter: Mary Humphrey, SLMS, Split Rock Elementary School, West Genesee CSD

Location: Highland C

Grade Level: K-8

Facilitator: Barb Schmitt

Strand: Highland K

Schoolwide Reading Promotions: Non-Competitive Incentives

Come share special events or games that have encouraged your students to read more widely. Hear seven ideas the presenter has implemented in the past with success. (This is not about Accelerated Reader.)

Presenter: Michele Linse, SLMS, Victor Primary School, Victor CSD

Location: Highland B

Grade Level: K-5

Facilitator: Carolyn Conrow

Strand: Reading

Research Shouldn't be Drudgery - Neither Should Teaching It!

Elementary SLMS in Rochester studied the research process, critical thinking, and the role of the SLMS. The result is a 3-part *Library Research Handbook*. This presentation will describe our study and review the lessons, forms, and supporting documents designed to help the SLMS, teachers and students with a research project.

Presenter: Celeste Wilson, SLMS, School #9, Sally Bub, SLMS, School #23, Paula Futrell, SLMS, School #45, Ron Boyd, SLMS, School #19, & Debbie Lyon, SLMS

Location: Regency B

Grade Level: K-6

Facilitator: Susan Reuter

Strand: Information Literacy

The Art of Picture Books

Artistic elements of picture books. Using PowerPoint and books, picture book art is shown not as a supplement but an essential partnership to stories. Topics: Types and mediums of picture book art, rise in interest in children's book art, fun trivia about artists, and using picture books beyond primary grades.

Presenter: Carin Barwick, SLMS, Geneseo CSD & Adjunct Professor, Genesee CC

Location: Wilmoreite

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Andy Austin

Strand: Collaboration

From Books to Bytes: Digitizing Area History

A demonstration of the Kirtas Bookscan 1200, which has revolutionized the way in which libraries scan books and produce digital images of them. Includes an overview of the library's 3-year, \$300,000 digitizing project for local history materials, and what this means for area schools.

Presenter: Pam O' Sullivan, Special Projects Librarian, Rochester Public Library

Location: Rundel Auditorium, 3rd Floor, Rundel Memorial Building

Grade Level: All

Facilitator: Kimberly Rouleau

Strand: Technology

Meet the Author: Ken Oppel

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Presenter: Ken Oppel, Author

Location: Regency C

Grade Level: All

Facilitator:

Strand: Literacy

Pizza, Pickle, Pumpernickel: Organizing & Promoting Poetry Recitation in Your Library

Poetry Recitation is a delightful way to hook reluctant readers and boost confident literacy in student. A practical workshop, participants will come away with tons of ideas on getting started, and collaborating with classroom teachers and the public library.

Presenter: Lonna McKeon Pierce, SLMS, MacArthur Elementary School, Binghamton City SD

Location: Loftus Carson

Grade Level: K-8

Facilitator: Jeanne McElhinney

Strand: Literacy