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Contact us if you
would like to become a member!



**Regina Literacy
Association
Conference 2006**

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"A conference for
parents, practitioners,
administrators, and
project funders"

"Literacy for All Ages"



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Agenda—February 25th, 2006

**"LITERACY FOR ALL AGES"
REGINA LITERACY ASSOCIATION
CONFERENCE 2006
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2006
CORE RITCHIE NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE
445-14TH AVENUE**

8:45am—9:30am

- Registration

9:30am—9:45am

- Welcome on behalf of RLA

9:45am—10:30am

- Keynote Speaker—Kelley Jo Burke,
CBC

10:30am—10:45am

- Break

10:45am-11:45am

- Breakout Sessions
 - Writing to Read
 - GED Math Preparation

11:45am-12:00pm

- Thank presenters/Introduce lunch

12:00pm-12:45pm

Lunch—Catered by Stan's Diner

12:45pm-1:00pm

- Introduction of the afternoon's
events

1:00pm—2:30pm

- Panel Discussion: Awareness of
Education Systems/Programs in
Saskatchewan

2:30pm—2:45pm

- Break

2:45pm-3:05pm

- IALLS Presentation on National and Re-
gional Results—Saskatchewan Literacy
Network

3:05pm-3:30pm

- Literacy in Saskatchewan – What's on
the Horizon?—Saskatchewan Literacy
Commission

Closing

Vision:

The Regina Literacy Association works to improve access to literacy opportunities in Regina.

Mission Statement:

The Regina Literacy Association is a coalition which strive to further develop the literacy skills of learners in the community; through networking, cooperation, liaison and information sharing.

About our Guest Speakers...

Kelley Jo Burke, CBC

Kelley Jo Burke is an award-winning playwright and poet, a director, teacher documentarian, and broadcaster. Her plays and poetry have been produced and published in Canada, and around the world, including her stage play, Charming and Rose: True Love, which has been staged over thirty times in Canada, the U.S., and Europe, and her most recent radio play "Big Ocean", which was heard in 7 countries in 2000.

Kelley Jo is the spoken word host/producer of CBC Saskatchewan's GALLERY, and a regular contributor to CBC's national and regional current affairs radio shows, and is an associate producer for IDEAS.

While she's yet to win any awards for it, Kelley Jo is a mother of three.

Donna Woloshyn, Provincial Literacy Commission

Donna Woloshyn is currently the Program Manager for Literacy, Family Literacy and Adult ESL (English as a Second Language) at the Saskatchewan Literacy Commission. Her early years of employment began as a teacher and adult educator in the NWT, Nunavut and northern Saskatchewan, and led to a long term career with the provincial government. In 1984, Donna moved from La Ronge to take a position as ABE coordinator with the Department of Continuing Education in Regina. Since then, Donna has held several positions in the Department of Learning (and all its former names), including program manager, policy analyst, education consultant, and curriculum developer. Donna describes herself as a "friendly bureaucrat" who has had many wonderful opportunities to contribute to the development of literacy policies, programs and initiatives at a national, provincial and community level. She holds several degrees including Bachelors of Arts and Education degrees from the University of Saskatchewan, and a Post-Graduate Diploma in Vocational Technical Education from the University of Regina. Donna enjoys travelling with her 15 year old daughter, loves "reggae" and likes to be involved with anything that is literacy related!

Hilary Dahnke, Saskatchewan Literacy Network

Hilary currently works as the Communications Coordinator for the Saskatchewan Literacy Network. Hilary has over a decade of experience working with local, provincial and national non-profit organizations in Canada in the areas of fund development, governance, planning, marketing, promotions and event coordination. Hilary also sits on the Board of Directors for a regional non-profit; and volunteers her time in her community and with other literacy initiatives throughout the region.

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Session Presenters

Writing To Read

Dan Danforth, SIAST Wascana Campus

This workshop will present and practice methods for assisting learners and practitioners with reading by understanding that how they write impacts on how they read and how they read impacts on how they write. Reading is about forming ideas in one's mind based on a series of characters on a page. A key element to forming ideas is being able to generate a flow that makes sense. When we write, we create a flow that makes sense to us, but possibly not others. If the sense in writing has a flow to it, the sense of reading will obtain a flow.

GED Math Preparation

Roy Ohashi, RPL Tutor and former Math teacher

As an experienced tutor and high school math teacher, Roy has developed strategies and tools for helping adult learners prepare for the GED test. This workshop will take you through a practical, step-by-step approach.

Awareness of Education Systems/ Programs in Saskatchewan Panel Discussion

Representatives include:

Learning Disabilities Association of Saskatchewan, Regina Chapter

—Our goal is to advance the education, employment, social development, legal rights and general well being of people with learning disabilities. LDAS has existed in the province since 1971. LDAS is a non profit organization that works at local, provincial and national levels to promote understanding and improved services for people with LD and ADHD.

Neil Squire Society-The Neil Squire Society is a non-profit organization that for over 20 years has empowered Canadians with physical disabilities across Canada. Our programs are Literacy and Computer Familiarization, "Employ-Ability", and Consultation and Assessment Services for Assistive Technologies (AT). All programs are designed and evaluated for their effective use of assistive technology, individualized and qualified instruction and tutor supports, as needed.

Oxford Learning Centre-Oxford Learning is the only after-school learning program of its kind, which is based on Dynamic Diagnostic Assessments and individualized programming to teach your child to learn and study more effectively - to reach his or her full potential. Better grades, motivation and confidence follow. Whatever the age or stage in learning, we have a program to develop literacy and learning skills. From the Little Readers Academy for ages 3-6 to the core or immersion French program, the High School Advantage, or the SAT Plus programs, and our new English as a Second Language program, we give each child or adult a lifetime of learning success.

Regina Catholic Schools-Regina Catholic School Division is comprised of twenty-nine schools serving more than 10, 000 students. Regina Catholic schools include 4 high schools, French Immersion program in two high schools and four elementary French Immersion Schools, alternate placement school, a school for students with multiple handicaps and nineteen elementary schools. Regina Catholic offers a full range of programming from pre-kindergarten through grade 12.

Regina Early Learning Centre—The Regina Early Learning Centre was founded 27 years ago. Seeing a need to be filled in Regina, Anne Luke, an immigrant from England, began a program to help preschool children from low income families get a healthy start in life.

Regina Public Schools-As a public education system, Regina Public Schools has literacy as one of its main goals throughout pre-k to grade 12. In addition to ensuring the Saskatchewan Curriculum is taught, Regina Public Schools offers a wide range of literacy programs to children and their families. Further, additional support is provided by teacher librarians, learning resource teachers and speech and language pathologists. We believe in partnering with others in the community to ensure a wide range of opportunities exist for everyone.

SCEP Centre- Early Intervention and Training Services

—The Socialization Communication Education Program was designed in 1968 at the request of a group of parents of troubled teens for whom there were no services at an early age. SCEP continues to provide services for families and agencies in Southern Saskatchewan who are concerned with young children.

Registration Form

Cost: \$35.00
(lunch provided)

Choose your first and second choices for the Breakout Sessions:

1st Choice 2nd Choice

- Writing to Read—Dan Danforth,
- GED Math Preparation
-Roy Ohashi

Name _____

Mail and Email Addresses _____

Phone _____

Method of Payment:

- Cheque
- Invoice

Can we send you more RLA information and confirmation of registration via email?

* Please contact us, if alternate formats of materials are needed (ie notes from speakers, handouts on colored paper, etc.).

Thank you for registering!

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