CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

Reading Educators Guild held its annual graduate reception on June 1st in the Reading Clinic to honor the 1997 reading graduates. The well attended reception provided an opportunity for the 1997 recipients of the Master of Science in Reading to gather together before commencement and socialize with fellow students and faculty. At the reception REG awarded Diane Gairing, a continuing graduate student, with a one hundred and fifty dollar scholarship to assist in the completion of her program studies. Carla Thomson was honored as the "Outstanding Graduate," and Karen Starkey received the Edwin Carr Fellowship award. Each of the graduates was also awarded a one year honorary membership in REG. Reading Educators Guild welcomes and congratulates each and every one of the 1997 graduates.

Spring 1997 Graduates

Josephina Alarcon
Griselda Meza
Laura Baird
Thao Ngoc Pham
Janice Blanton
Nancy Rucker
Susan Burgess
Wendy Schochet
Ellen Febonio
Marie Seguy
Tracy Folkman
Kimberly Seim
Melanie Haeri
Carrie Smart
Tracey Kounanis
Carla Thomson
Lorraine McKay
Sherry Williams
Leanne Metzler

Alumni Hall Of Fame

REG would also like to recognize and welcome all of the Fall 1996 Reading Program graduates. They will be receiving their honorary memberships in the mail.

Fall 1996 Graduates

Lara Gruebel
Sharie Jones
Nancy Rogers
Karen Starkey
Faculty Footnotes

WINTER DINNER

The annual REG Winter Dinner in March 1997 was a great success. The many members in attendance were treated to an informative and motivating presentation entitled, Phonemic Awareness and Phonics in the Early Literacy Program given by Dr. Hallie Yopp and Dr. Ashley Bishop.

COMING SOON TO A DISTRICT NEAR YOU!

Representatives from the Department of Elementary, Bilingual, and Reading Education recently attended a State Department of Education meeting to review video taped demonstration lessons on phonics, phonemic awareness and assessment. Unfortunately, they were quite disappointed with the isolated drill and practice techniques recommended in the videos. These videos are scheduled for distribution to school districts statewide. As reading educators and experts in the field we must make our district officials aware of sound practices in the teaching and assessment of reading skills.

Technology Talk

Need a little inspiration? Take a look at this inspiring program. Inspirations is a visual idea development and communication program that enables students to graphically organize their thoughts. It is an ideal tool for creating concept maps for stories, text chapters, essays or articles and converting those maps to outlines for writing. Students may use the pre-made templates provided or they may create their own graphic designs from scratch. The program is adaptable to almost any subject area and grade level. It has been used effectively with college critical thinking students as well as middle and high school students. To preview this program on the world wide web simply visit the following site: www.inspiration.com

Job Opportunities

Cypress College is looking for a reading instructor to teach a developmental reading/writing course in the Fall 1997 semester. The class will meet Mondays and Wednesdays from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m..

Long Beach City College is always in need of Reading Specialists to staff their reading courses. For information about who to contact you can e-mail: jgreenbaum@fullerton.edu

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For Rent: Lovely 2 bedroom condo on Maui, Hawaii is being offered for your dream vacation.

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"The man who does not read good books has no advantage over the man who can't read."

-Mark Twain

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upcoming events

Concert Under the Stars, featuring the music and theater departments, is an annual CSUF event. REG reserves a number of tables each September to provide an opportunity for members to kick off the new school year with some old friends and faculty. Bring a picnic, and sit back and enjoy the music. To reserve a place at an REG table contact JoAnne Greenbaum at jgreenbaum@fullerton.edu. The Concert Under the Stars is scheduled for September 19, 1997 at 6:00p.m. on the Performing Arts Lawn.

The College Reading and Learning Association (CRLA) Conference is being held in Sacramento this year at the Double Tree Hotel. The event is scheduled for October 22-25. The Keynote Speaker is Vincent Tinto, Professor of Education, Syracuse University.

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food for thought

In my critical thinking class I have a cookie jar on my desk and students are welcome to come and take a treat before or after class. But don't worry I am not bringing food into EC24A. Instead the jar is filled with food for thought. Each of the colored strips of paper contains a quote, or other thought provoking message, for my students to ponder. Sometimes these quotes turn up in student papers (correctly referenced of course), and sometimes they serve as an introduction to class discussion or journal writing. This activity can be adapted to any age level depending on the sophistication of the material. My students seem to enjoy this and will always ask if I forget to bring in the cookie jar. Perhaps some of these little "tasty treats" will inspire great thinking in your classrooms.

"No problem can stand the assault of sustained thinking."

-Voltaire

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This is the first edition of the "newly formatted" Reading Educators Guild newsletter. If you would like to contribute to the newsletter, by becoming a regular columnist or an occasional article contributor, please contact JoAnne Greenbaum at jgreenbaum@fullerton.edu. We need all of you to help make REG great!