

East Central—EIU Reading Council Newsletter

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President's Corner

Happy New Year! It is hard to believe that 2010 is here. In looking back on the events of 2009 the EC-EIU Reading Council can check off many projects that were completed that support literacy. Due to a grant that our council received, we were able to invite two authors to speak to our membership in the spring, we sponsored Leaders are Readers at the Festival of the Young Child, the board attended the IRC Leadership Retreat, Linda Smerge, the 2008-2009 Teacher of the Year, shared her wisdom and expertise, we participated in the ROE Classic and Tracey Tarasiuk shared with us ways to incorporate technology with literacy.

Now as we look ahead to the new year, we have many promising events scheduled to provide educators with literacy strategies.

On Thursday, January 28th, Randy Kalal will share with us classroom

strategies for ELL students.

Coming Up: March 18-20 the IRC Conference will be held in Springfield, Illinois. Eric Kimmel author of I took my Frog to the Library will speak on March 22. In April Anieta Trame will share with us 40 Books in 40 Minutes, and we will once again have a booth at the Festival of the Young Child.

Please mark your calendar for the Illinois Reading Conference "Lighting the Way to Literacy" held in Springfield, Illinois, March 18-20, 2010. Be sure to check out page 3 of this newsletter plus the IRC website for more details.

We hope you will be able to take advantage of the wealth of information that will be shared at each of the functions listed in this newsletter.

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Classroom Strategies for ELL Students

Randy Kalal, a bilingual educator will present Classroom Strategies for ELL Students. The focus of this session is for teachers or teacher candidates of any age group.

When: Thursday January 28

Where: 2442 Buzzard Hall EIU

Time: 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Cost: Free! CPDUs available

IRC Membership Winner

During the ROE conference, teachers who stopped by our booth registered for 1-year membership to the IRC. The winner of the membership was Becca Boyer. Becca teaches 2nd grade at Riddle Elementary School in Mattoon.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark Your Calendars!

January 28

Winter Council Meeting

Speaker: Randy Kalal

Buzzard Rm. 2442

5:30-6:30 p.m.

March 18-20

IRC Conference

Springfield, IL

March 22

Speaker: Author Eric

Kimmel

CPDU's Available

April 12

Spring Council Meeting

Speaker: Anieta Trame

Buzzard Auditorium

6:30-7:30 p.m.

Writing Contest Sponsored by East Central - EIU Reading Council and EIU Student Reading Council

Who: Elementary Students K-5

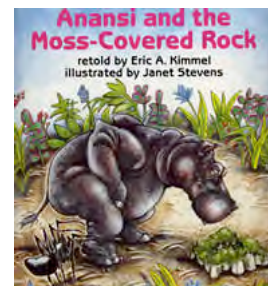
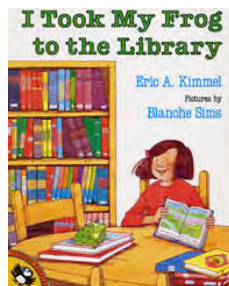
What: Write a story for Eric Kimmel

When: Eric Kimmel will speak at EIU on March 22, 2010

Winner Receives: Dinner with author Eric Kimmel and an autographed book signed by the author

Winning Classroom Receives: \$50.00 gift certificate to a Teacher's Store and an autographed book signed by the author

Deadline: Submissions due by March 1st, 2010 Deadline Extended!!!



Eric Kimmel's official web site <http://ericakimmel.com/>

Contest Details:

1. Classroom teachers are encouraged to read and discuss several books written by Eric Kimmel with their students. Check your local library for titles.
2. Each student is asked to write a book based on what they believe should be Eric Kimmel's next book. The student needs to develop a title, story and picture(s). The story is limited to 200 words.
3. Each classroom teacher can select up to three entries to submit.
4. Submissions are due by March 1st, 2010. Please submit to Denise Reid, Eastern Illinois University, 600 Lincoln Avenue, Buzzard 2211, Charleston, IL 61920. You can reach Denise Reid at 217-581-7891 or by email dereid@eiu.edu.
5. The Student Reading Council Officers will review the entries and select the winner.
6. All entries will be displayed on March 22, 2010.

IRC: Lighting the Way to Literacy

March 18-20 Springfield Illinois

Our own Susan Cisna is in charge of this year's conference held in Springfield, Illinois. Early Registration ends February 1st so register now to save money!

Go to <http://www.illinoisreadingcouncil.org/conference/generalinformation.html> to register online for the conference and housing. You may also order conference shirts to be picked up at the conference. Plan now to attend the wonderful Featured Sessions with:

- Sherry Alimi
- Janice Almasi
- Mary Amato
- Joan Bauer
- Jan Brett
- Nick Bruel
- Andrew Clements
- Kathy Collins
- Debbie Diller
- Audrey Edwards
- Laurie B. Friedman
- Kelly Gallagher
- Janice Harrington
- Will Hobbs
- Linda Hoyt
- Jerry Johns
- Peter Johnston
- Eric A. Kimmel
- Steve Layne
- Gail Carson Levine
- Tom Lindsay
- Christine Boardman Moen
- David Moore
- Pam Nelson
- Dawn Paulson
- Denise Reid
- Linda Reven
- Joy Russell
- Pam Moñoz Ryan
- Judith Byron Schachner
- Cynthia and Greg Leitich Smith
- Barbara Tierney
- Cris Tovani
- Sarah Weeks
- Peter J. Welling
- David Wiesner
- And a special performance from Authors Readers'

We're on the Web!

EC-EIU Student Reading Council
<http://www.eiu.edu/~reading>

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