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## Letter from the President

The Delaware Library Association 2008 Conference (Planting the Seeds to Learn and Grow) was a great success. The next conference will be May 7 (pre-conference kickoff) and May 8, 2009 (conference).

There are several initiatives our organization will be pursuing this year.

- Increasing membership
- Achieving a better financial standing
- Increasing efficiency (Making it easier to do what our organization needs to do)
- Increasing participation from you, the members of DLA

The following special committees have been established for this year: Audit, Handbook & Bylaws revisions, and Long Range Planning.

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## Library Media Specialist of the Year Award

*DLA Conference*

This award is given each year to one Library Media Specialist who demonstrates excellence in Delaware school library leadership.

As a library leader the award winner has shown he/she has the respect of students, parents and colleagues, has participated as an active leader and collaborator in the community, has shown a positive impact on student learning outcomes, and is a poised and articulate spokesperson for the profession.

*Submitted by Janet Shaw*

*Newark High School*



*From left: Jane Stewart, DSLMA President; Lorraine Lybarger, Principal, Olive B. Loss Elementary School; Christy Payne; Janet Shaw, DSLMA Awards Chair.*



From the work of these new committees, the Divisions, and the Standing Committees, I hope that we can accomplish a lot and have a great year.

Rebecca C. Knight  
President, 2008-2009 ❖

## Scholarships, Awards, and Citations

### *DLA Conference*

These Scholarships, Awards, and Citations were presented at the 2008 Delaware Library Association Conference.

### **DLA Awards**

**Distinguished Librarian Citation**, given for extraordinary library information or media services: Bill Smith, Wilmington University Library.

**Distinguished Service Citation**, given to a person who has shown strong support of libraries but who is not professionally engaged in library work: Bonnie Maull, Friend, Selbyville Library.

**Delaware Library Association Citation**, given to a person who has given continued service in elected or appointed positions on the Executive Board, advisory committees, standing committees, and ad hoc committees which serve the Delaware Library Association: Paula Davino, Appoquinimink Public Library.

**Library Award**, given to the library or institution which has shown outstanding merit in serving its patrons and community by unusual programs or activities: the Delaware Academy of Medicine Gail Gill Library.

### **Division Awards**

#### **Public Library Division (PLD)**

– **Outstanding Friend/Volunteer:** Joyce Bab, Newark Free Library.

– **Special Recognition:** Bethany Geleiske, Delaware Diamonds Book Cart Drill Team

## **Delaware School Library Media Association (DSLMA)**

– **Librarian of the Year:** Christine Payne of Olive B. Loss (Appoquinimink School District)

## **Scholarships**

These scholarships are to assist students enrolled in an ALA accredited masters degree program or a library certification program. The scholarships are named for librarians who made lasting contributions to librarianship in Delaware.

**Grace Estelle Wheelless Scholarship:** Rachael Duffin.

Presented on behalf of the Friends of the Newark Free Library:

**Charlesa A. Lowell Memorial Scholarship:** Mary Coyle.

*Submitted by Rebecca Knight  
University of Delaware Library  
Chair, 2008 Delaware Library Association Conference  
Planning.* ❖

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## **Tech Talk** (from Christina Wissinger)

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This year's top ten tech gems—as picked by PC World editors and readers:

1. Hulu
2. Apple iPhone
3. Facebook
4. Microsoft Windows XP
5. Lenovo ThinkPad X300
6. Flock
7. Eye-Fi
8. Casio Exilim Pro EX-F1
9. Harmonix Rock Band
10. Wikipedia

See the article at: [http://www.pcworld.com/article/146161-12/the\\_100\\_best\\_products\\_of\\_2008.html](http://www.pcworld.com/article/146161-12/the_100_best_products_of_2008.html) ❖

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### **DELAWARE BOOK FESTIVAL – 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL**

PLACE: DOVER, DE. FIRST STATE HERITAGE PARK

DATE & TIME: NOVEMBER 1, 2008, 10:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

### **DELAWARE LIBRARY SUMMIT: BECOMING FIRST IN THE NATION**

PLACE: DOVER, DE

DATE & TIME: DECEMBER 10, 2008, 8:30 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.

Library Showcase, poster sessions, planning discussions, speaker, lunch, and more.

Contact: Theo Loppatto (theofulton@verizon.net)

### **2009 DLA ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

Place: Rollins Conference Center at Dover Downs

May 7 – Pre-Conference Kick-Off 4:15-7:30 p.m.

May 8 – Full Day Conference 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

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### GUEST EDITOR

Rebecca Knight

Special thanks to Christina Wissinger for all the work she contributed to this issue before she left for her new job.

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## CRLD ANNUAL REPORT, 2007-2008

The College and Research Libraries Division of the Delaware Library Association completed a successful year of activities in 2007/2008. There are 81 individuals and two libraries on our membership list at this time.

### CRLD Fall Program

The CRLD Fall Program was held on Friday, October 12, 2007, at the Delaware Academy of Medicine, now located in the John H. Ammon Medical Education Center of the Christiana Care Campus near Newark, Delaware. The title of the program was “New Ways to Reach Library Users.” A continental breakfast was provided by the Delaware Academy of Medicine. A brief history and overview of the library services at the Academy of Medicine was given by PJ Grier, Director of Library and Information Services. Christopher Shea, Archivist at the Academy, gave a fascinating report about his work describing the Academy’s collection of historical medical items. Christine Chastain-Warheit, Director of the Medical Libraries in the Christiana Care Health System, also presented an overview of her library’s services. Brief tours of the libraries followed.

Christina Wissinger, a reference librarian at the University of Delaware, presented “Using Technology to Communicate with Faculty and Students,” demonstrating how the use of blogs, wikis, clickers, and online tutorials can facilitate collaboration between faculty and students. An online link from the CRLD homepage was established for ongoing access to the information she presented.

Susan LaValley, Consumer Health Librarian for New Castle County, described the many facets and locations of her work as an outreach librarian for the Delaware Academy of Medicine.

### DLA Annual Conference Programs

Two programs sponsored by CRLD are scheduled for the DLA Annual Conference on May 9, 2008, at the Sheraton Dover Hotel. Mary Durio, Head of the Preservation Department at the University of Delaware Library, and Jessica Keister, from the University of Delaware’s Art Conservation Department, will present practical, hands-on conservation and preservation information in the morning session. Doris Hamburg, Director of Preservation Programs at the National Archives, will speak about “Preservation in the Real World,” in the afternoon session.

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## FAREWELLS

It's time to bid farewell and send best wishes to 4 members of the DLA community who have left Delaware for new jobs and homes elsewhere.

### VINNY ALASCIA

Former editor of the DLA Bulletin, tech guru and librarian at the Delaware Division of Libraries, Vinny and Jamie have moved to Arizona.

### JAMIE ALASCIA

Former president of DSLMA, librarian at William Henry Middle School, member of the Membership Committee, Jamie and Vinny have moved to Arizona.

### LEIGH ANN DEPOPE

Former President of PLD, member of DLA 2008 Conference Planning Committee, Drill Team member, director of Seaford Library, chair of the new Audit committee, and much more, Leigh Ann has a position at Salisbury University.

### CHRISTINA WISSINGER

Co-coordinator of Legislative Action Day, editor of the DLA Bulletin, librarian at the University of Delaware, Christina has a position at Johns Hopkins, Welch Medical Library.

### CRLD Officers

This year's officers have been very supportive of the Division's programs and activities. Officers' meetings were held on August 16, October 12, February 26, and April 15. Thanks go to the officers for their flexibility in scheduling these meetings. Mary Anne Farrell has completed a year as Vice President/President Elect and has planned the programs for the DLA Annual Conference. Moira Conlan has served as Secretary for one year of a two-year term. Debra Lloyd has completed two years as Treasurer. Julie Brewer has served as Past President for a year and has been generous with her ideas and encouragement.

New officers elected at the annual CRLD business meeting are Julie Rickerman, librarian at the International Reading Association in Newark, as Vice President/President Elect; and Aurelia Simon, Electronic Resources Librarian at Delaware Technical and Community College's Stanton Campus, as Treasurer. Mary Jane Mallonee will assume the position of Past President. Mary Anne Farrell will be the President of CRLD for 2008/2009, and Moira Conlan will continue as Secretary.

*Submitted by:*

*Mary Jane Mallonee*

*CRLD President 2007-2008 ❖*

**Get on the List: Join DLA-I, the DLA distribution list.** Send an e-mail to [listserv-admin@lib.de.us](mailto:listserv-admin@lib.de.us) containing your first and last name and the name of the list.

## News from the Public Library Division

Jill DePaulo has resigned the office of President of PLD. Jill is finding that working part time and taking care of a new baby is keeping her more than busy. (Congratulations, Jill, on the arrival of baby William!)

Beth Kloetzer assumes the duties of President. PLD held a special election and Sherri McCarthy from the Newark Free Library is the new Vice-President. See the PLD page on the DLA web for more information (<http://www2.lib.udel.edu/dla/divisions/pld.htm>) ❖

## DSLMA ANNUAL REPORT 2007-08

DSLMA has been involved in the following events, programs and ongoing projects:

1. Legislative Day – Representatives went and discussed school library programs with Delaware politicians.
2. DSLMA collaborated with DSRA (Diamond State Reading Association) in co-sponsoring an author at the State In-Service Day in October 2007.
3. DSLMA helped support the program “Teachers as Readers.” This program is gaining more “readers” each year.
4. The DSLMA web site is kept updated.
5. DSLMA had a table (November 2007) at the Showcase of Library Leadership, presented through DOE.
6. DSLMA presents the Librarian of the Year award annually. This year’s recipient is Ms. Christine Payne of Olive B. Loss in Appoquinimink School District.

*Jane Stewart*  
*Library Media Specialist*  
*W.B. Simpson Elementary School*  
*DSLMA President 2007-08 ❖*

## BOOK CART DRILL TEAM

Members of the Delaware Diamonds Book Cart Drill Team 2008:

- Leigh Ann DePope, Seaford District Library - Coach
- Eleanore Thomas, Choreographer
- Despina Wilson, DDL - Cart Costumer
- Pat Bartoshesky, Highlands Elementary School Library
- Beth Borene, Woodlawn Library
- Kay Bowes, Brandywine Hundred Library
- Susan Gooden, Concord High School Library
- Terri Jones, Hockessin Public Library
- Patty Langley, DDL
- Steve Newton, DDL
- Annie Norman, DDL
- Sherry Pitman, DTCC and Hockessin Libraries
- Elizabeth Simmons, Kirkwood Highway Library
- Beth Stevens, Newark Library
- Pam Stevens, Woodlawn Library
- Hilary Welliver, Kent Co. Library

*Submitted by Susan Gooden*  
*Concord High School Library ❖*



*Delaware Diamonds*  
*perform live at the 2008*  
*DLA Conference.*

## DLA Pre-Conference 2008

The DLA Pre-conference was held May 8, 2008 at the Outlook at the Duncan Center in Dover, DE. The topic was Library Safety and Security and the speaker was Warren Graham of Warren Davis Graham Training & Consulting.

Thursday, May 8, 2008, 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.  
 The Outlook at the Duncan Center,  
 5th Floor of the Duncan Center building  
 500 W. Lookerman Street  
 Dover, DE 19904

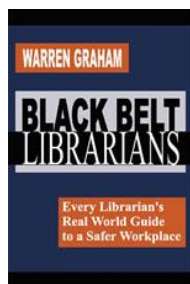
Registration: \$25 (buffet lunch included)

This marks the first time that DLA has ever presented a pre-conference. Like the conference itself, the Pre-conference was presented in partnership with the Delaware Division of Libraries.

There were 77 attendees, most of whom were DLA members.

DLA Members	Not DLA Members	No Information	Total
64	11	2	77

Mr. Graham, the author of *Black Belt Librarians: Every Librarian's Real World Guide to a Safer Workplace*, is a nationally known author, trainer, and consultant.



## DLA Conference 2008

Friday, May 9, 2008, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
 Sheraton Dover Hotel,  
 1570 North DuPont Highway  
 Dover, DE 19901

Registration fees:

Pre-registration		Walk in registration	
Members \$25	Non-members \$60	Members \$50	Non-members \$60

The Conference theme: Planting the Seeds to Learn and Grow

Attendees	Speakers	Members	Non-Members
190	10	168	22



*DLA Conference and Pre-Conference 2008 were presented in partnership with the Delaware Division of Libraries.*

**Delaware** Division of **Libraries**

**Currently Seeking:** The Delaware Library Association is currently seeking an editor for the DLA Bulletin. The editor would hold the office of Chair of the Publications Committee.