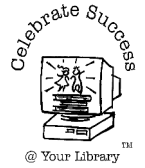


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AUTHOR TEA WITH KAREN HESSE

Please join us on Sunday, October 3, 2004 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Lally Building 1009 Madison Avenue, The College of St. Rose where Karen Hesse will read from her works and conduct a question and answer session. She will also sign books.

[A local bookstore will be onsite to sell her works.]

Tea/coffee and cookies will be provided. The cost is \$15.00 (see page 4 for registration form). Certificates for staff development are available. This event is limited to the first one hundred registrants.

For directions go to: <http://www.strose.edu/Visitors/map.asp>
Parking is available across the street. Vendors of interest to teachers/librarians will also be there and The College of Saint Rose curriculum library will be open for viewing.

This event is being sponsored by The Eastern New York School Library Media Association (ENYSLMA), The Greater Capital Region Teachers Center, The College of Saint Rose School of Education, The College of Saint Rose English Department, and The Schalmont Teachers Institute.

ENYSLMA expects a large turnout for this event and this announcement is being sent to members in advance of general mailing. Attendance is limited to the first 100 people, with the rest being placed on a waiting list. Please send your check in as soon as possible to ensure your being able to join us.

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Information on participating in this campaign may be found at:

<http://www.ala.org/ala/pio/campaign/sponsorship/voterregistration.htm>

You must register by September 15, 2004 in order to be eligible for grants.

OR

Just call your local Board of Elections and they will send you forms that can be available for your High School Students and Parents at Open House!!

register to vote
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Want To Discuss Voting & Elections With Your Students? Try These Titles!

Duck for President by Doreen Cronin, ill. by Betsy Lewin, S&S, 2004 (0689863772).

Duck is getting tired of being ordered around by Farmer Brown and decides to run for office to head up the farm. When Farmer Brown demands a recount, they find a ballot stuck to the pig's bottom! Duck works his way up from being head farmer, to governor, to possibly the next president in this hilarious spoof that resonates in this election year.

So You Want to be President? by Judith St. George, ill. by David Small, Philomel, 2000 (0399234071).

St. George offers anecdotes, little-known facts and witty comments about the last 41 presidents of our country. The reader gets to see the human side of these larger-than-life men, both through commentary and humorous illustrations of the Caldecott-winning artist, David Small.

Vote! by Eileen Christelow, Clarion, 2003 (0618247548).

Through the whimsical eye of author/illustrator Christelow, the reader is taken through the election process and its reason for existence in a democratic society. To further your students understanding of elections in the U.S., check out the glossary, timeline of voting rights, information on political parties and web sites included in this author's signature comic-book style book!



The collection of web sites listed are compiled as a one-touch list for you to use when your patrons ask for election information. Teaching ideas to the latest on the campaigns and candidates are included. These will also be posted on the ENYSLMA web site. Keep looking for updates as the campaigns escalate.

AOL@School Elections 2004 - <http://www.aolatschool.com/features/elections/2004/index.asp>

Provides information on the candidates and links to other election sites. (Older elementary and up.)

Ben's Guide To the U.S. Government For Kids - <http://bensguide.gpo.gov>

Posted by the U. S. Government Printing Office, this portion has links to U.S. documents, government branches, making laws, the election process, citizenship, and links to other government sites. (K-12, parents, and teachers.)

Bush Headquarters - <http://www.georgebush.com>

CNN - <http://www.cnn.com/ELECTION/2004>

Information is included on all the candidates, the campaign trail and the poles. (Older grades.)

C-Span - www.c-span.org/classroom/govt/campaigns.asp

Provides teaching resources and information about the campaigns, government and upcoming election.

Federal Register/Electoral College - http://www.archives.gov/federal_register

Site goes through the election process from selecting delegates to the inauguration including dates all of the events occur. (Upper elementary and up.)

The Green Papers - <http://www.thegreenpapers.com>

Links to facts, statistics and commentary on the campaigns leading up to the election (Older grades.)

Kerry Headquarters - <http://www.johnkerry.com>

Scholastic Election News - <http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/election2004>

Links to news and activities covering the election process, candidates, and voting. (All ages.)

The Savvy Voter - <http://www.pbs.org/elections/savvyvoter.html>

Provides tips on interpreting the marketing of campaign ads, debates, poles, and platforms. Could be a great teaching tool for government classes and lessons on persuasion. (Older grades.)

Time For Kids - <http://www.timeforkids.com>

News articles updating election information (Younger grades.)

REGISTRATION FOR TEA WITH KAREN HESSE

Please make your check payable to **ENYSLMA** and mail this form by **Wed., September 22, 2004** to:
Mary Shands 260 Hansen Avenue, Albany, and New York 12208.

Name _____ (please print clearly)

Guest _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

ROAD TRIP A SUCCESS!!!

On July 21, 2004 area librarians and guests boarded a bus for New York City to visit the Donnell Library Center and see Wicked at the Gershwin Theater.

The librarians at Donnell warmly welcomed our group with coffee and baked goods only found in NYC. A group then introduced us to many teen reads with booktalks like most of us had never heard before. The titles ranged from fantasy to nonfiction, most with copyrights of around 2003. Many of us agreed that their flair for selling a book was a lesson in and of itself. We are wondering if they do a road show! Donnell is a branch of the New York Public Library with the teen center on the second floor. A fine collection of novels in different languages was discovered.

Judith Stott
Library
475 Watervliet-Shaker Road
Latham, NY 12110



Wicked was a spectacular show with unique effects, humor, and a finely crafted prequel to The Wizard of Oz. Gregory McGuire, who presented at an ENYSLMA dinner a few years ago, wrote the play based on his novel of the same name. This was definitely something to see on Broadway.

The day provided two wonderful literature-related opportunities. We heard requests for a similar adventure next year, so stayed tuned.