

## ***Long Island School Media Association (LISMA)*** **Continuing Education Workshops for 2009-2010**

Realizing that it is often difficult for individual school districts to provide appropriate and meaningful staff development for their Library Media Specialists, the Long Island School Media Association has developed a series of workshops and other events to meet this need.

When approved by the school district, each three hour course may be taken by LISMA members for professional development hours or in-service credit. Membership in LISMA is open to all.



LISMA is an affiliate of the New York Library Association (NYLA)/School Library Media Section (SLMS)

*All workshops will be held from 4:00pm to 7:00pm at Garden City High School Library Media Center - 170 Rockaway Avenue Garden City, New York 11530 (516) 294-3030*

*EXCEPT Session 2 – Digital Storytelling which will be held at W. C. Mepham High School Media Center – Bellmore-Merrick CHSD 2401 Camp Ave Bellmore NY 11710*

### **Session 1 - Thursday October 8<sup>th</sup> 2009**

#### ***Why the Future Demands that Library Media Specialists Take the Lead in Schools***

Facilitator: Mike Keany, Director of the Long Island School Leadership Center.

The world that our present students will inherit will be information rich in the "conceptual age." The ability to function and be successful in that world requires unique and very different skills -- the very skills that library media specialists embrace. More so than ever before these specialists must be central to the vision of schools. Explore the leadership role that you should and must play.

LISMA will kick start the 2009-2010 school year addressing school library related issues with a dynamic workshop by Mr. Mike Keany. Mr. Keany retired after 34 years in public education as a teacher and administrator and will share his wealth of knowledge in relation to the needs of school librarians. This workshop will be free and certificate of attendance will be given to all LISMA members who attend.

### **Session 2 – November 4<sup>th</sup> 2009**

#### ***Digital Storytelling: How to Create a Photo Story***

Facilitator: Shari Stack, Library Media Specialist, Mepham High School & Stu Stein, Social Studies Teacher – Bellmore-Merrick CHSD.

Reminder: This workshop will take place at W. C Mepham High School Media Center

In this highly interactive 3 hour course participants will explore the wide possibilities available when you learn to create a Photo Story. You will be creating multi-media presentations and student-centered projects that will engage students in course content and 21st century tools and skills. Enhancing students visual literacy skills will markedly improve their conventional literacy skills, increasing their chances for success on state exams and beyond. We will also discuss copyright, fair use, and public domain. You will be introduced to several online subscription databases.

### **Session 3 – Wednesday December 9<sup>th</sup> 2009**

#### ***Picture Book Best Pics with a Mock Caldecott Election***

Facilitator: Renee McGrath, Youth Services Manager, Nassau Library System

This workshop will explore some of the best picture books published in 2009 as well as hold a “Mock Caldecott Election” of picture books published in the last year. A reading list along with guidelines on how to evaluate a picture book for a mock election and a “Checklist for Evaluating Books for a Mock Caldecott Program.” will be emailed to those who sign-up. Who will be the winner? Maybe our choice will be the Caldecott winner or honor choice announced at ALA Midwinter?

### **Session 4 – February 4<sup>th</sup> 2010**

#### ***Web Sites Librarians Can't Live Without***

Facilitator: Kris Holzweiz, Library Media Specialist, Bayshore School District

Do you know how to create your own Web site, hotlists, and games for free? Are you looking for sites to enhance your library program? This workshop will give you the tools you need to support the curriculum and collaborate with your colleagues. Why reinvent the wheel? With these sites at the ready, you will always be prepared.

### **Session 5 – March 10<sup>th</sup> 2010**

#### **Intellectual Freedom, Youth Information-Seeking, and Reading**

##### **Motivation: Issues and Intersections**

Facilitator: Mary K. Chelton, Professor, Queens College Graduate School of Library & Information Studies.

Often the books and media that kids most want are also the ones adults least want them to have, either because there is fear of harm or perceived lack of educational merit. Nowhere does this occur with more annoying frequency than in the area of information-seeking behavior (school or personal), or in the choice of free, voluntary reading. Examples for discussion will be provided with a review of IF policies and their applicability in the contemporary school context.

### **Session 6 – April 14<sup>th</sup> 2010**

#### ***Best Pics of “Chick Lit”***

Facilitator: Christine Meloni, Library Media Specialist, J. W. Dodd Middle School, Freeport UFSD. She is the author of *Teen Chick Lit: A Comprehensive Guide*, the newest book in the *Genreflecting* series being published this fall.

The demand for teen chick lit books in the library is strong. Teens are plowing through the genre as quick as publishers can get the books on the shelves and still they clamor for more. Although chick lit may be considered fluff, librarians cannot deny that it is one of the fastest growing genres of the twenty-first century. As chick lit continues to attract readers and reluctant readers alike this workshop will assist school library media specialists with collection development, readers' advisory and provide ways to promote this popular collection. This workshop will include bibliographies broken down by the major categories to make the selection process easier.

### **SAVE THE DATE!!!! – Monday May 17<sup>th</sup> 2010**

**Author Dinner featuring Holocaust Survivor Marion Blumenthal Lazen, author of *Four Perfect Pebbles*. Location and time to be announced.**

**Please check the LISMA website regularly for updated information – [www.lisma.org](http://www.lisma.org)  
LISMA will be posting Mini Grant opportunities for members this fall.**