



WP E-Mail Newsletter

WINTER 2007

What's new?

Janine Napolitano wins \$25,000 Milken Educator Award

On October 15, 2007 Janine Napolitano was named the Rhode Island recipient of a Milken Family Foundation 2007 National Educator Award. Janine is the chair of the English Department at N. Providence High School where she has taught for seven years. Last year she co-facilitated the seminar "Content Literacy and Communities of Practice" with Jenn Cook.

Pamela Fracareta Retires

Pam Fracareta, a member of the RIWP Executive Board, co-facilitator of Planning for Change and the Burrillville Middle School Embedded Institute, and a frequent presenter, retired from Burrillville Middle School on December 21, 2007. She plans to continue to be active with the RIWP, do some traveling, and help care for her five grandchildren.

RIWP Fellow John Carr publishes two books

John Carr, a participant in the 1998 Literature Institute for Teachers, announces the publication of his two books: *Don't touch that Dial!* and *And now a Word from our Sponsors*. More information can be found on his website at www.johnecarr.net.

Spring Conference 2008

Linda Christensen, Director of the Oregon Writing Project, was the keynote speaker at the RIWP Annual Spring Conference on Saturday, March 8, 2008. Her keynote speech was entitled "The Power of Language and the Language of Power."

Over 130 teachers, student teachers, and administrators braved the rain and wind to attend the conference. In addition to the keynote, there were 13 workshop sessions. At lunch, entertainment was provided by Mark Binder, a professional story teller.

If you attended the conference and are interested in receiving Linda Christensen's handouts from her keynote presentation, please contact Dana at the office.

Summer 2008 Programs

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All brochures are available on our website at www.ric.edu/riwp. The application deadline is May 15. For more information, call or email the office.



Summer Invitational on Writing and Critical Literacy

This summer the Invitational will be held from June 30-July 24 in the Forman Center. Beverly Paesano and Maria Rollin will be the co-facilitators.

The Literature Institute for Teachers

The Lit Institute will also meet in Forman from June 30 – July 10. This year's co-facilitators will be Susan Friendson and Keith Sanzen.

Planning for Change

PFC will meet in Forman from July 14-24. Pamela Fracareta will once again co-facilitate. She will be joined by Tim Kenney.

Literacy Leadership Workshop

LLW will be held from July 21- 31 in the School of Social Work, located across the street from the Forman Center. Dina DeCristofaro and Tracey Lafreniere will co-facilitate this summer.

Young Writers' Camp

The camp will run from July 7 – 18 at Henry Barnard School. Registrations are due June 1.

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NWP Spring Meeting

Dina DeCristofaro, Jill Usenia, and Deanna Parrillo will be traveling to Washington DC in early April in order to attend the NWP Spring Meeting.

Email Newsletter



Do you like this newsletter? Please email us your comments and suggestions.

Contact information

Please feel free to contact us by email at riwp@ric.edu or by phone at 456-8668 if you have questions about any of our programs or general questions about the Writing Project. The program assistant, Dana Henning, is in the office Monday – Friday from 8:30-3:00.

Web links

Information about all of our programs is available on our website at www.ric.edu/riwp. We do our best to keep the information on the website up to date, so please check it often.

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