Welcome

Katie St. Laurent is pleased to join the staff of the OHM BOCES SLS as a new Library Media Specialist. Katie earned a Masters of Library and Information Science from Syracuse University. In addition to supporting professional development at the SLS, she is the librarian at Westmoreland Elementary. She is thrilled to support learners of all levels in her new roles!

We have a fresh series of SMART Board workshops, SNAP workshops, and content area workshops on a variety of subjects. Kim Casselman, Katie St. Laurent, and Scott Burgess will all be teaching for us this fall. If you want or need training in your district, please let us know. We are happy to bring the training right to your district. Also, if you have suggestions for training in a particular area, or a particular product, share your idea with us. We will do our best to get you the training you want, when you want it, where you want it! As always, there is no charge to any of our districts for professional development workshops.

Check our Web site for information on upcoming workshops, and share the information with your staff and administrators.

Katie St. Laurent

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Under the Blinking Light
MB1096/DVD2451 • Written by Stephanie Dietz

Join us as we travel to the Adirondack Mountains in upstate New York. We will explore the region’s most beautiful lake that just happens to be located Under the Blinking Light. 31 Copies.

The Grand Erie Canal
DVD2279/DM01318

In order to open the country west of the Appalachian Mountains to settlers and to offer a cheap and safe way to carry produce to a market, the construction of a canal was proposed as early as 1768. In 1808 the state legislature funded a survey for a canal that would connect to Lake Erie. Finally, on July 4, 1817, Governor Dewitt Clinton broke ground for the construction of the canal. When completed on October 26, 1825, it was the engineering marvel of its day. It included 18 aqueducts to carry the canal over ravines and river, and 83 locks, with a rise of 568 feet from the Hudson River to Lake Erie. It was four feet deep and 40 feet wide, and floated boats carrying 30 tons of freight. A 10-foot wide towpath was built along the bank of the canal for the horses and/or mules which pulled the boats and their driver, often a young boy (sometimes referred to by later writers as a “hoggee”). 21 parts.

Colonial Williamsburg®

2012-2013
The Electronic Field Trip Series
Emmy Award-Winning Programming

We broadcast these field trips on our Live Streaming TV on our SNAP site. If you would like more information or to have it recorded, please contact Kim Casselman at kcasselman@oneida-boces.org

November 8, 2012
Emissaries of Peace

December 13, 2012
Colonial Idol PREMIERE

January 17, 2013
Research Rescue Squad PREMIERE

February 14, 2013
The Slave Trade

March 14, 2013
The Global Economy PREMIERE

April 11, 2013
The Industrious Tradesmen

For a full description of the fieldtrips please visit:
Learn360 News

A Growing Library!

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Learn360 will be adding thousands of new titles from new partners like BBC Motion Gallery and Skywriter Distribution, as well as an impressive list of resources from existing partners such as Sunburst Visual Media, Health Nuts Media and National Geographic.

- BBC Motion Gallery: With more than 600 award-winning science & technology and social studies videos available, new titles added monthly and a customized BBC Motion Gallery section accessible from the post-login page, this content is sure to be a highlight in upcoming curriculum and lesson planning!

- Sunburst Visual Media: We are delighted to share 32 new video clips from one of the top producers of guidance and health educational videos and resources. As an exclusive provider, Sunburst is only available to our users. Check out the new titles discussing a variety of 21st century learning topics including, special needs, cyberbullying, digital and cyber safety, peer pressure, time management and stress.

And don't forget about their great webinars – visit http://www.learn360.com/webinars.aspx to register for their Fall Webinar Series.

BrainPop News

You Asked, We Answered: Our Big App News

This summer we're celebrating the launch of the much-anticipated BrainPOP Jr. Movie of the Week app for the iPad, iPhone, and iPod touch ... plus the Android debut of all our apps! We're now more mobile- and BYOD-friendly than ever before.

The BrainPOP Jr. Movie of the Week app delivers a different BrainPOP Jr. movie every Monday, plus related bonus features, free! Like BrainPOP Jr., the app is designed for and easily navigable by kids in grades K-3. It's also fully accessible for the visually impaired and closed captioned for the hearing impaired. If you've already got a BrainPOP Jr. username and password, you can log in directly from the app and access all BrainPOP Jr. topics at no additional cost. Within a week of its launch, the iOS version of the app was featured as "New and Noteworthy" in the iTunes App Store, and earned a spot among the top two free apps in the Education Category. iOS users, check it out in the iTunes App Store and feel free to share your thoughts in a review.

Android users, get the BrainPOP Jr. Movie of the Week app, the BrainPOP Featured Movie app and/or the BrainPOP Español Película del Día app (all free) on Google Play!

CCC! Streaming Media, a digital content collection new to Oneida BOCES Media Services. Explore CCC! Core Curriculum Content and learn to use the newest addition to the Media Services suite of resources.
Virtual Reference Library

We have many new additions to the Virtual Reference Library this year. The Gale products have been expanded to include books on a wide range of subjects, including:

- Global Warming
- Genetically Modified Foods
- Food Safety
- Energy Alternatives
- Genetic Engineering
- Health Care
- Juvenile Crime
- School Policies
- Smoking
- Standardized Testing
- Video Games
- Musicians & Composers of the 20th Century
- Nutrition and Health: Diet and Disease
- Religions of the World: A Comprehensive Encyclopedia of Beliefs and Practices
- Salem Health: Infectious Diseases & Conditions
- Short Stories for Students (two volumes)
- Gale Encyclopedia of Mental Health
- UXL Encyclopedia of Diseases and Disorders
- Opposing Viewpoints: Bullying
- Encyclopedia of World Biography (four supplemental volumes)
- Eyewitness Series Bundle: Music

These books are from a variety of publishers. Salem Press, Dorling Kindersley, Greenhaven Press, ABC-Clio, Lucent Books, and Gale Research are all represented with the selection of books added to the collection.

TumbleBooks and World Book Digital Library volumes are part of the Virtual Reference Library, as they have been since the start of the library. If you have any questions about the resources, or would like training, contact the SLS office.

Happy reading!
Fall Reminders

If your district has purchased Cooperative Collection Development units, you will be receiving an e-mail soon to confirm the number of units requested. Remember that units can be added to your district’s contract at any time, on request. This is a great way to get books for your collection, using aid-able funding. The units are still worth $60 each in spending power to you; Cooperative Collection Development orders can be sent in any time. Some districts sent in orders over the summer months, and they had new books on the shelves for the start of the school year!

Please check your database passwords, and the links associated with the databases. It is critical that you do this now, so that you are certain you are able to access all of the products you have purchased. Your Welcome Back packet included the password sheets, and they can easily be sent electronically as well. Call or e-mail our office with any problems that you encounter.

Leatherstocking Conference will be held on October 29. Barbara Stripling is our keynote speaker. The title of the conference is The Common Core: Teacher/School Librarian Partnerships Leading Students to Success. This should be a very good conference. Look for more information on our website.

2012-13 Meeting Schedules

School Library System Advisory Council:

- October 25, 2012
- November 29, 2012
- January 29, 2013
- March 28, 2013
- May 23, 2013

Advisory Council meeting are from 1:00– 3:00 p.m., except for the May meeting, which follows lunch with the Communication Coordinators Committee at noon.

Communication Coordinators Committee:

- November 15, 2012
- January 15, 2013
- March 26, 2013
- May 23, 2013

Communication Coordinator Committee meetings are from 8:45 a.m.– 2:30 p.m., except for the May meeting, which is 8:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m., with lunch following the meeting.

Cooperative Music Liaison Committee:

- November 13, 2012
- February 15, 2013
- April 18, 2013

Cooperative Music Liaison Committee meetings are from 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Science Kits

This summer was especially busy for the science center staff, preparing for the 2012-2013 school year, which incorporates more convenience in the preparation of your science lessons.

Teachers will find that the kits as they knew them have been converted into “lessons in a bag.” That is, the materials for each lesson will be found in an individual bag, labeled with the lessons and the materials, inside the kit box. The manual and supporting documents (i.e., vocabulary, assessments, etc.) will be housed online and can be accessed through your BrainHoney account. A reference sheet, included in each kit, will correlate the lessons with the bags.

Transforming the kits to the lesson-in-a-bag scenario was a big job, and to help us to that end were wonderfully hardworking and entertaining students this summer. They worked well together and with the rest of the science center team to make sure the best completed product is available for the teachers and students in our schools.

New Packaging/Organization: Above is an Introduction to Controlled Studies kit, which contains bagged lessons. The sheet “Where is the Paper?” and the Reference Sheet will be found at the top of materials as the kit is opened.

Science Kit Procedure

Below is a list of all schools presently involved in the science program, and the days the teachers can expect their science kits to be delivered and picked up by the Science Center courier:

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*on most occasions, delivered by the regular courier service (continued on page 7)
On the kit boxes, you will find a label telling you of the date the kit is due back at BOCES. Please be sure the kit is placed in the designated area in your building for pick up on the correct date. You will get an automatically-generated reminder that the kit is due, but if you require an extension to complete your lessons, PLEASE contact the science center before the day your kit is scheduled to be picked up. You can either e-mail jdangler@oneida-boces.org or call 793-8590.

Please be sure to return all non-consumable items in the kits, as well as all the books included. Thank you for your support with this matter.

To review your order for 2012-13, access the Science Center Web site and select “click here to order kits.” When logged in, by entering your e-mail (User ID) and your password and pressing SUBMIT, you will see the dates that the kits will arrive and when they are due for return. Please call the Science Center at 793-8590 with any questions, including requests for kit extensions.

Trainings

The Science Center held grade level trainings from October 2-October 19. One hundred forty-five teachers attended these inservice programs, which are open to all Science Kit Users. We welcome “new teachers,” “grade transferring” teachers, and all others interested in revisiting the science content and access as we transition to the Digital access and Lesson in the Bag model. Future training information and signups can be found at the following link: http://www.oneida-boces.org/iss/ISS_Trainings.htm

Training Lab

The Science Center has restructured its workspace to now include a 20 computer flexible design SMART classroom. The new Science Training room will be instrumental in affording more opportunities for hands-on and interactive trainings. Trainings this summer included Scientific Inquiry Camps, ELA Book Camps, Media Search and Seizure sessions, as well as content specific trainings. Continue to visit “Trainings” to view the upcoming trainings schedule.

Note: Please contact the Science Center with specific requests for new or repeat trainings as well as to request on-site trainings at your school.

Books, Books, Books

The Science Center is reviewing the literature selections included in kits to increase the direct connections to lessons as well as to allow users to access more than a single copy of books as currently offered in kits. All multiple copies of books will be listed on the OHM BOCES SNAP catalog for multiple book access. Check the catalogue often as books are regularly added through this transition. If a book is not listed in the catalog, contact the Science Center to see if we can facilitate your request.