

OLA Information, 2007-2008

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Location and theme of annual conference

Hotel(s): Vancouver Hilton; Red Lion at the Quay
Date: April 16-18, 2008
Theme: Sharing More Than a Border

Notable speakers: Keynote Thomas Frank
Banquet: Stuart Robertshaw

Legislative activity: The Legislature was not in session this year, but perhaps the most significant activity of the year was the development (out of the Legislative Committee) of the *Management of Public Libraries in Oregon white paper*

Notable awards/honorary memberships

OLA Legislator of the Year: Suzanne Bonamici
OLA Librarian of the Year: Michael Gaston
Library Employee of the Year: Jan Griffin, Eugene Public Library
Library Supporter of the Year: Stayton Public Library Foundation
Honorary Life Membership: Richard Turi
Evelyn Sibley Lampman Award: Carmen Bernier-Grand
Ole Award: Leah Griffith

Outstanding events that you remember

- *Management of Public Libraries in Oregon* white paper written and approved as an association policy by the board.
(http://data.memberclicks.com/site/ola/leg_PolicyPaperManagement.doc)
- Dues increase was adopted at annual business meeting held at conference
- Oregon Authors committee was awarded \$24,500 LSTA grant to develop Oregon Authors Website
- Establishment of the Wise and Retired librarians Round Table

- PAIL petition
The Association and the Portland Area Information Literacy Group cosponsored a petition to the Portland Public Schools Superintendent supporting school libraries and their importance preparing students for further education, careers and lifelong learning
- Nonexclusive agreement with Ebsco to distribute *OLA Quarterly* in full text in Ebsco database products