To celebrate the importance of reading aloud to kids, dozens of eleventh-grade students in East High School's Teaching and Learning Institute (TLI) brought the love of reading to John James Audubon School No. 33 on Valentine's Day. They read aloud books to first graders there and made bookmarks together. The goal: to help these young kids build that lifelong love of reading.

Special thanks to the Warner graduate students and faculty, in particular Carol St. George, associate professor, from the literacy program, and East lead TLI teacher and Warner alumna Laura Delehanty ’97 (BA), ’00W (MS) for organizing this special event that celebrated a month-long social media campaign from the Warner School that promoted reading aloud to children throughout February. They were at School No. 33 as well to support this literacy initiative and to help nurture the love that grows through reading on Valentine’s Day—and every day.
Brian Brent, Earl B. Taylor Professor of Education and senior associate dean for graduate studies, presented to educators from 15 school districts in the Southern Tier in January. Brent, along with Andrea Cutt, assistant professor, Gail Hirst, visiting assistant professor, and Colleen Taggerty, adjunct professor, showcased the benefits of Warner's K-12 school leadership program, which is now offered in the Southern Tier.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**March 7, 2018 is National R-Word Day**
The R-word is the word ‘retard(ed)’. Why does it hurt? The R-word hurts because it is exclusive. It's offensive. It's derogatory. The campaign asks people to pledge to stop saying the R-word as a starting point toward creating more accepting attitudes and communities for all people.

Language affects attitudes and attitudes affect actions. Pledge today to use respectful, people-first language. [Learn more and take the pledge.](#)

**International Job Search Tools Available**
Are you contemplating or researching sites to help you study, live, volunteer, or find employment abroad? [TransitionsAbroad.com](http://TransitionsAbroad.com) is a respected travel guide for paid work, volunteering, study, and living abroad, delivering information and inspiration since 1977.

Are you an international student looking for U.S. employers with a track record in hiring CPT students, OPT candidates, and H1B seekers? [Myvisajobs.com](http://Myvisajobs.com) is recommended by numerous U.S. colleges and universities as a trusted site for information and advice on H1B Visa, H2B Visa, Student Visa, Cap-exempt employers, immigration attorneys, and green card applications.
Launch of the Global Partnership Fund
Are you looking for financial support for an international collaboration? The Global Engagement Office has established a fund to specifically provide support for research and scholarly collaboration across the globe. Awards are provided to help alleviate some of the added cost of engaging internationally and can help offset costs associated with transportation, registration and fees, lodging, hosting visitors and delegations at UR, and other relevant costs. Proposals for funding assistance must be submitted prior to travel and are accepted on a rolling basis. For more information, please visit www.rochester.edu/global/programs/global-partnership-fund/.

The Center for Urban Education Success Symposium on School Reform is on April 28
The Center for Urban Education Success (CUES) at the University of Rochester is presenting the symposium "All In: When Theory Meets Practice in School Reform" on April 28, 2018, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at East High School. The symposium is focused on the task of improving educational experiences for all members of school communities – students, teachers, families, and staff. Join us for a series of sessions where teachers and practitioners will discuss common problems of practice with the intent of deepening understanding of those problems, identifying solutions, and sharing effective practices. Sessions are designed to encourage dialogue among presenters and attendees.

The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments and a light lunch will be provided. Attendees from the Rochester City School District (RCSD) will receive professional learning credit. Learn more about CUES at urcues.org. Follow CUES on twitter at @urcues.

Register for the University's Annual Diversity Conference
Ana Navarro, a Republican strategist and political analyst for CNN and CNN En Español, will kick off the University's annual diversity conference on April 13 with her keynote address, "Overcoming the Invisible." The conference, which includes more than 18 breakout sessions and sub-themes, will explore hidden identities, the social constructions that drive perception, and pathways for creating meaningful change. Poster submissions are welcome until Friday, March 30. You can register for the conference online.

NEWS

Warner Professor Takes ‘Pain-Free’ Journey as the School’s First Bridging Fellow

Warner Professor Receives Spencer Foundation Grant to Explore Adolescents’ Political Thinking and Learning
Carol St. George, associate professor, along with current and former reading and literacies students, presented "Supporting Student Literacy Learning in Urban Settings: Challenges and Successes" at the Rochester Area Literacy Council's Live, Local Literacy Event in February. Pictured (l-r): Rachel Cohen, Lauren Angeline, Andrea Kaminski, Carol St. George, Emily Morris '15W (MS), Ellie Hamilton '15W (MS), Karrie Argiropoulos, and Chandler Fitzgerald.
Karen Mackie, assistant professor, Bonnie Rubenstein, professor, and doctoral student Daniel Miller presented “Empowering Student Voice by Privileging Arts Expression Delivering the Social-Emotional Curriculum” at the 27th Annual Renewal and Reflection for Counseling Professionals Conference at Rochester Institute of Technology in February. In addition, school counseling student Vanessa Riggi won an award for her poster presentation “Parents as Partners: Navigating through Adolescent Self-Injurious Behaviors Together.” Many Warner alumni were also in attendance.

Pictured (l-r): front row, alumnae Lisa Kasdin ’93W (MS) and Lillie Whitt ’93W (MS), and Bonnie Rubenstein; back row, Karen Mackie, alumnae Monique Smith ’14W (MS), Persephone Modeste ’15W (MS), and Sisi Chen ’14W (MS), doctoral student Hennessey Lustica, and master’s student Vanessa Riggi.

**Nelms Serves as Panelist for Film Screening and Panel Discussion**
Shaun Nelms, associate professor and superintendent of the East EPO, was a panelist for the film screening and panel discussion for *Teach Us All*, a documentary film and social justice movement aimed at providing equal access to quality education for all students in America. The event was held at Rochester Institute of Technology in February. Learn more.

**Fredericksen Gives Talk at EDUCAUSE**
Eric Fredericksen, associate professor and associate vice president for online learning at the University, was an invited speaker in the Leadership & Academic Transformation track at the EDUCAUSE Learning Initiative in New Orleans in January. The title of his talk was “A National Study of Leadership for Online Learning in Two-Year Schools in U.S. Higher Ed.” Learn more.

**Cousin Receives Research Grant**
Maggie Cousin, a doctoral student in the higher education program, received a $500 Susan B. Anthony Center graduate student research grant for transcribing interviews for her dissertation study “International Research Collaborations from the Faculty Perspective.”
Bedell Awarded Scholarship
Doctoral student Precious Bedell was awarded the 2018 Warren J. Ferguson scholarship. The scholarship recognizes a student for contributions and commitment to the mission of the Academic Consortium on Criminal Justice Health to improve health outcomes of justice involved populations. Read more.

EVENTS

March 1, 2018
Supporting English Language Learners in Secondary Social Studies

March 3, 2018
Writing Workshop: Citations, Referencing, and APA Style

March 7, 2018
Wednesday Lunch Hour - Resources for Supporting Your Aging Family Members

March 9, 2018
Library Research: Keeping Track of Your Research and Data

March 12, 2018
K-12 Administration Internship Orientation

March 16, 2018
Safe Schools Against Violence in Education (SAVE) Workshop

March 20, 2018
Supporting English Language Learners in Secondary Mathematics

March 21, 2018
Supporting English Language Learners in Secondary Science

March 23, 2018
Dignity for All Students Act (DASA) Training

March 30, 2018
Writing Workshop: Writing Literature Reviews: Part I

April 7, 2018
Writing Workshop: Writing Literature Reviews: Part II

April 13, 2018
Annual Diversity Conference: Overcoming the Invisible

April 28, 2018
All In: When Theory Meets Practice in School Reform - A Symposium

View all upcoming Warner events.