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Education Spree 2003

2003 Program



The 2003 Program is nearing completion and should be in your hands shortly. All the old favorites will be there. In addition to the excellent new academic topics available to you, SWEIO will continue to provide strands dealing with retirement, sports, arts and entertainment and more.

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Your SWEIO Board of Directors is proud to announce that we have entered cyberspace and in some small way have become techno freaks or is it geeks. All kidding aside, in the month of October or November, www.sweio.org is scheduled to be on-line. You will find our site very user friendly and it will provide you with just about everything anyone would like to know about our organization, purpose, convention, speakers and more.

Convention Spree Opens

New Doors

Education Spree 2003 has opened new doors for its participants. We have added many new speakers this year, as well as additional topics from which to select. Some of our speakers will do more than one presentation thus allowing you to shop for the speaker and topic of your choice more easily. Information regarding most of our speakers can be found throughout this edition of Newsbeat.

The SWEIO Convention is open to SWEIO members, administrators, retired teachers, future educators, preschool teachers, all private school teachers and parents of school age children. We encourage all teachers to use SWEIO as a professional day if your school is not a member of SWEIO. You will discover that SWEIO shops for the best speakers available, and at a price no single district could afford. We continue to offer you nothing but the best. Our featured speaker this year is **Danny Glover**. Information regarding Danny can be found on page 4 of this newsletter.

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**YOUR TICKET TO
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Only The Best For The Best



Jane Kitson is a national early childhood educational consultant, published author and recording artist from Atlanta, Georgia. Jane will provide us with two presentations. *Add A Slice of Music...Add A Slice Of Fun* will provide user friendly information for teachers of 4-7 year olds. *A Pocket Full Of Fun* features fingerplays, songs and transition tips that will energize your circle time with young children.



Jerry Apps is Professor Emeritus at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. In one of his two sessions, *Barns of Wisconsin*, Jerry will provide an informative and moving account of Wisconsin's most hard working structures - its barns. *In Humor From The Country*, Jerry gives us insight into the lighter side of country life and shows us that country folk knew how to have fun.



Douglas Chickering, of the WIAA will present *Current Issues - High School Sports*. Douglas will lead discussions that will focus on tournament expansion, the impact of the September 1st school start date on sports seasons, association constitutional proposals, hazing and harassment and other issues of interest to session participants.



Michael McGowan is President of McGowan and Associates. In *From Conflict to Collaboration*, Michael will focus on the necessary life and employment skills involved in collaboration and conflict resolution. *In Chemicals - The Obstacle to Success*, Michael will deal specifically with adolescent alcohol and other drug abuse, dysfunctional family systems and the skills we need to work with these children.



Paul Hambleton is a National Board Certified English Teacher who is currently teaching in Baldwin, Wisconsin. The title of Paul's presentation is *The Promise and Peril of Distance Education in Public Education*. Paul will explore the promise and peril of distance learning given the advent of the internet putting distance learning on steroids. Could distance learning destroy our public schools? Please attend this session to find out the answer.

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More Great Topics and Speakers

Megan Schliesman's topic is *Outstanding New Books for Elementary Students* (K-5). The presentation will highlight great new books for classroom use. A second session will feature middle school books.

Tim Burns comes to us from Santa Fe, New Mexico. This topic, *Anatomy of Possibility* focuses on the integrations of brain, body and heart intelligences.

Peggy Eldred-Eserkain believes you can be a better teacher if you *Improve through Improvisation*. This interactive workshop focuses on how to use improvisational classroom activities to improve student's attitude and comprehension.

Lynn Evarts believes that schools have always struggled with including isolated students. She believes young people isolate themselves because they feel different than their peers. In this session, you will learn how your school library can play an effective role in making your school an inclusive one.

The Madhatter's are UW-Madison's first all male a cappella group. From the choral department they brought together a group of guys interested in acting like goofs, making good music and giving something back to the community. You will enjoy this offering.

Gerri Gurman believes that *Dance and Drama Activities in an Integrated Elementary Curriculum* can be used effectively to reinforce concepts in multiple subject areas and deepen learning experiences for elementary school students.

Attention Deficit Disorders and Associated Disorders is the topic of **Ruth E. Harris**. This practical, "classroom friendly" workshop will focus on strategies, accommodations, social skills, legal issues medication concerns and more.

Herb Hrebic's topic is *You Mean I Have to Revise*. His session will provide teacher-tested, nonthreatening strategies for teaching sentence manipulatory skills and process writing.

Dan Slick is an artist and art teacher. He is know for developing very large scale art projects that really involve students and community. Work with Dan on an actual project as he discusses the values, techniques and philosophy of such undertakings.

We have only touched on some of the many speakers and topics that will constitute *Education Spree 2003*. Watch for our complete program in January.

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Danny Glover and Parker Palmer To Address SWEIO Convention



From *Places in the Heart* and the *Lethal Weapon* series to the award-winning *To Sleep with Anger*, **Danny Glover** is one of Hollywood's most renowned and respected leading men. An actor, producer, and director, this versatile superstar has impacted stage, screen and television for over a decade. His most recent project united him with Oprah Winfrey for the acclaimed film adaptation of Toni Morrison's *Beloved*.

Glover's impressive and diverse body of work has earned him a host of awards including the NAACP Image Award, the Cable ACE Award and an Emmy nomination. Off-screen, Glover is a powerful advocate for literacy and has spoken to grammar and high school students around the nation about the joys of reading and education.

Mr. Glover's film credits include: *The Color Purple*, *Mandela*, *The Rainmaker*, *Angels in the Outfield*, *Gone Fishin'* and *The Saint of Fort Washington*.

Parker J. Palmer, author of the best-selling book *The Courage to Teach: Exploring the Inner Landscape of a Teacher's Life*, will explore the links between teacher renewal and educational reform. Based upon his conviction that good teaching cannot be reduced to technique but comes from the identity and integrity of the teacher, Dr. Palmer will examine the principles and practices of "teacher formation", a process that brings teachers together in community to support each other in reclaiming the heart to teach. He will draw on the work of the Center for Teacher Formation (see their website at www.teacherformation.org), which has created support communities for K-12 educators in some twenty-five cities around the country.



SWEIO Convention Registration Form

Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center, February 28, 2003, Madison, Wisconsin

Many SWEIO members are under a district dues deduction plan. If you aren't, but would like to attend, please complete this form and send it with the proper remittance to Vicki Stewart, 600 Santa Maria Drive, Arlington, WI 53911

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

School Name and City: _____

Number of tickets _____ at \$17.00 each = \$ _____ Tickets will be \$20.00 at the door

