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Literacy Celebration

The last Council meeting for the 2007/2008 school year will be on Monday, April 21st in Room 118 of Visser Hall on the ESU Campus. Activities will begin at 6:00 PM. We'll be playing Guitar Hero and eating first. The web cast meeting will be on the product "Tune In To Reading" A meeting notice will be sent out and reservations will be required

45th Annual State Conference

Freedom Rings Through Literacy is the theme for this year's state conference to be held in Junction City on April 24th to 26th. Registration and payment must be received by April 4, 2008. The KRA Delegate's Assembly will be held at the conference and our Council needs at least three members to attend. Registration forms are available on the KRA website www.kansasread.org



Important Date

KRA Summer Leadership will be in Hesston on Wednesday, July 16th. Officers **MUST** attend.



The Mission of the Kansas Reading Association and the Flint Hills KRA Council is to promote learning through quality literacy experiences for all.

A check for \$483.35 was received from KRA for our 2% share of the profits received from the 34th Plains IRA Regional Conference held in Kansas City last November. I would like to again thank Mary Collins who planned and coordinated the table decorations at the Friday banquet and the Saturday luncheon.



R **Real World Reading:** Strategies for Reading Texts from Our Everyday Lives is the topic for the presentation that will be presented by Tara Azwell and colleague Elizabeth Dobler at the Pre-Conference Institutes on Thursday, April 24th. I hope many of you will be able to attend the KRA State Conference and especially this pre-conference institute. **REMEMBER** registration and payment is due by April 4th.

The Sunflower Merit Award application was sent to Deb Mercer prior to the February 15th deadline. The collection of our work and accomplishments this year was very impressive. We should be proud of what we have done to make our schools and our state better places to learn and live.



Did you know that the County 4-H Reading Award winners in Chase, Coffey, Greenwood, Lyon, Morris Osage and Woodson counties receive a \$25.00 cash reward from the Flint Hills Reading Council?

T HANKS JOAN

Joan Butts will be stepping down from her position as treasurer of the Flint Hills Council at the completion of the year. She has served as treasurer for many years and her shoes will be hard to fill. Please let her know how much we appreciate her many years of service.

S **cholarship Available** \$500.00 is available to any student member of the Kansas Reading Association who is a resident of Morris, Chase, Lyon, Greenwood, Coffey, Osage, or Woodson Counties. If you know of a college senior who will be participating in their student teaching block next fall or spring, please have them go to our web site www.kansasread.org/Councils/Flint_Hills.htm to download the scholarship application. Applications must be postmarked on or before March 31st.

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