



- ◆ Debra Gniewak (USA) "Explaining Urban Legends" provided a sample of an on-line unit for secondary students. Sample rubrics and assessment techniques, using the Web sites, were shown and discussed.
 - ◆ Elizabeth Greef (Australia) "Lighting the Fire: Inspiring Boys to Become Readers" shared practical strategies including literature circles as a means of establishing a reading culture.
 - ◆ Eleanor Shakespeare & Gaynar Cooper (UK) "Reading to the Power Squared" shared proactive strategies to develop a positive reading culture.
 - ◆ Dr. Anne Clyde (Iceland) reported an on-going project related to homosexuality in literature for young people (1989 to date). She is continuing to identify new publications as they become available.
 - ◆ Dr. Diljit Singh (Malaysia) reported on a study to examine the education and training of school librarians in IASL member countries.
 - ◆ Dr. Ross Todd (U.S.A.) reported on a recent large-scale research study entitled "Student Learning Through Ohio School Libraries". Details of this study can be found at www.cissl.scils.rutgers.edu or www.oelma.org/studentlearning/default.asp.
- IASL conferences provide an international perspective as well as a chance to hear about cutting-edge developments, meet other people who are facing the same kinds of issues as we are, and develop a personal camaraderie that helps to break down the barriers of isolation.
- Visit the IASL Web site at www.iasl-slo.org for updates on this 2004 conference and the forthcoming conference in Hong Kong July 7-12, 2005. For more information, contact Gerald Brown, Winnipeg, Manitoba at browner1@mts.net. ■
- Congratulations to OSLA's own Rose Dotten, Director of Library and Information Services at the University of Toronto Schools, on her recent election as IASL Regional Director for Canada.*

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