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Dear ILA family,

We hope this message finds you well! It brings me great joy to welcome you back as your new President of the Guam Council International Literacy Association (GC-ILA). Whether you've been a long-time member or new to our organization, I am excited to have you as part of our valued educational community. The first meeting for this Council Year (CY) 2023-2024, will be on Saturday, September 9, at JM Guerrero Elementary School (formerly Harmon Loop Elementary). We are back and ready to share fresh and exciting ideas for the upcoming school year to further promote literacy on our island. We've been hard at work planning a range of topics that we believe will peak your interest and provide valuable insights.

Here's a sneak peek at what you can expect:

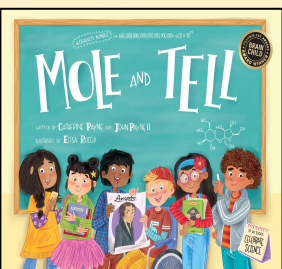
1. Latest trends of upcoming local authors being showcased and promoted. Our first guest author is Catherine "Cathy" Payne. She will be sharing her award-winning book that she co-wrote with her brother John Payne II titled, "Mole and Tell." You don't want to miss this STEM-related Read Aloud!
2. Expert Insights: We've partnered with many local experts to bring you island wisdom and networking with all schools to share in our literacy goals.
3. Professional Development: Partnering with the University of Guam's School of Education's Alumni Association in providing our members the opportunity to earn graduate credits.
4. Community Spotlight: Co-sponsors of the Language Arts Conference (LAC) to be held on October 27-28, 2023. Next month, we will not hold a general membership meeting. Instead, we'll be attending the LAC. However, you'll have to pay the conference registration fee, which will be discounted for all ILA members. The LAC Committee will join us for our first meeting, so don't forget to bring extra cash or your checkbook to take advantage of this special rate. Details can be found in the flyer included in this newsletter.
5. Exclusive Offers: Grant opportunities to assist teachers with purchasing books for their in-class library to further promote literacy.
6. Community Project: Partnering with the D204 Lions Clubs International to promote literacy and water safety in the region. You can register for the upcoming story hour at <https://bit.ly/lionsclubreading>.

Remember to "UNFOLD YOUR WINGS...AND READ...MORE!" Thank you for choosing to be a part of our community. We look forward to engaging with you and providing you with valuable information that empowers and inspires literacy.



Warm regards,
Martha Sudo
President, CY 2023-2025

BOOK OF THE MONTH



Mole and Tell introduces kids to the annual holiday celebrating the mole, a big number that measures tiny things. This 40-page picture book gives kids their first glimpse at real chemistry, teaching them about measuring molecules through a fun and easy-to-understand activity—Show and Tell. Join the class for a delightful introduction to scientific measurements, and a Mole Day celebration to remember (Science Naturally, 2023)

Good for: Ages 7-10

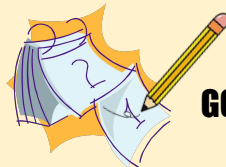
DIGITAL CORNER



Pebble Go (<https://pebblego.com/>) and Pebble Go Next by Capstones is a curricular content hub. Pebble Go is designed for K-3 students and Pebble Go Next is designed for 3rd-5th grade students. Capstone is a family owned company to support the needs of reading in grades Pre-K to high school students. There are high quality and high-interest fiction and non-fictional materials. The content hub includes informational articles, ready-made activities, and literacy support for students of all abilities. It allows and fosters independent learning in core areas.

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Mark your Calendars!

GC-ILA Meetings @ JM Guerrero Elementary School Cafeteria, Harmon, Dededo / 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

- ☐ September 9, 2023
- ☐ October 27–28 (UOG Language Arts Conference)
 - ☐ October 27 – 4:00–6:00p.m. @ Tan Lam Pek Kim English and Communications Building, University of Guam
 - ☐ October 28 – 8:00a.m.–3:00p.m. @ Dusit Beach Resort Guam (formerly Outrigger)
- ☐ November 11, 2023
- ☐ December 9 (Community Book Fair @ Agana Shopping Center, 10:00a.m.–1:00p.m.)
- ☐ January 13 (Read-a-Thon Kick-Off @ Agana Shopping Center, 10:00a.m.–1:00p.m.)
- ☐ February 24 (End of Read-a-Thon; Submission of on-time pledges)
- ☐ March 9 (Spend It All, Spend It Now)
- ☐ April 13, 2024
- ☐ May 11, 2024

Subject to change



Membership: From now until November 11, 2023, buy one \$25 membership and get another membership for free!

Need a Grad Credit for Recertification?

Guam Council, International Literacy Association (GC-ILA) is again offering 1 Graduate Credit, through the UOG/SOE Alumni Association. The course is PD894 – *Literacy Empowerment Makes a Difference* X under the University of Guam, GLE. The Instructor is Dr. Matilda Naputi Rivera (mnriviera@triton.uog.edu) and Co-Facilitator, Martha Sudo (mjsudo@gmail.com)

Description: By attending the monthly meetings of the GC-ILA, students will be provided with resourceful strategies to increase literacy in diverse classroom settings. The sessions will allow teachers, administrators, or media specialists, to gather ideas for effective literacy instruction, tools, and best practices. There will be formal sessions, informal venues, and networking areas to help students achieve their goals and expand their own understanding.

Requirements:

- Must be a current GC-ILA Member - \$25 membership
- Must be a current UOG/SOE Alumni Association member - \$30 yearly membership fee
- UOG - \$20 Recording Fee – UOG GLE (Global Learning and Engagement)
- Attend GC-ILA monthly meetings and submit a reflective journal entry after each meeting using the form provided. It will be the student's responsibility to sign-in for attendance.
- Conduct one (1) Story Time Read Aloud with the ILA/D204 Lions Clubs International partnership via Zoom. Read Alouds may also be pre-recorded.

Registration for the course will take place at GC-ILA's meetings on September 9 and October 27, 2023.

Get Literacy Resources with a \$500 Grant!

Welcome back Teachers!

The start of the school year was a little complicated, but that didn't stop you from being the incredible teacher that you are for your students! I bet you are already thinking of wonderful lessons to promote literacy in your class. Wouldn't it be great if you could add some interesting books and visual aids to the experience? Would \$500.00 help you do that for your kids? Then don't delay! Go to <https://ilagum.blogspot.com> and download the Rules and ILA Grant Application for a \$500.00 grant. Deadline for the fall grant application period is 12:00 noon on November 18th. You've got some time so think seriously about it. Jot down your ideas and get started.

It's easy! For more information, contact Vivian Wolff (vwolff7502@yahoo.com) or Dottie Rosario (dottierosario3@gmail.com).

BACK TO SCHOOL

I FACILITATE THINKING
I engage minds
I LISTEN TO QUESTIONS
I encourage risk
I support struggle
I cultivate dreams
I LEARN EVERY DAY
I TEACH

Teacher Self-Care Challenge

It's so important that teachers implement self-care when they are feeling stressed, overwhelmed, and burned out. Take the teacher self-care challenge. Can you get at least 5 in a row? Can you fill the entire board and meet your "teacher needs?"

Believe in Yourself! You've Got This!

When you are finished, tag me @theowlteacher on Instagram with a picture.

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N	Check-in with yourself. How are you feeling? Are you listening to your body?	Childlike time. Lay in the grass and watch the clouds, fly a kite, or something else childlike.	Complete a craft or other creative project.	Have compassion for yourself.	Take a bubble bath or an extra long shower.
e	Complete a puzzle.	Say some affirmations.	Write in a journal all of your frustrations.	Put yourself at the top of your to-do list today.	Pet an animal or watch an animal video.
e	Try to think and talk positive all day.	Binge watch a show, or at least watch a show you want to watch.	You pick- but it MUST not relate to school, and it must be relaxing!	Draw a picture or write a story.	Have a support system. Have someone that will encourage you and hold you accountable for self-care.
d	Give someone a hug that lasts at least 1 minute.	Wildly dance to some music. Don't worry about how you look.	Take a time-out from school content. It must be at least 12 hours but aim for 24.	Look at old photos.	Collect great stories about why you love teaching.
S	Set boundaries with someone- including yourself.	Pamper yourself with a spa treatment, a manicure, a hair cut, etc.	Exercise, go for a walk, or yoga.	Take a nap!	Ask for help when you need it.

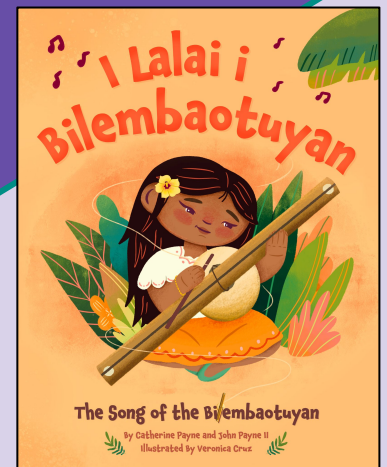
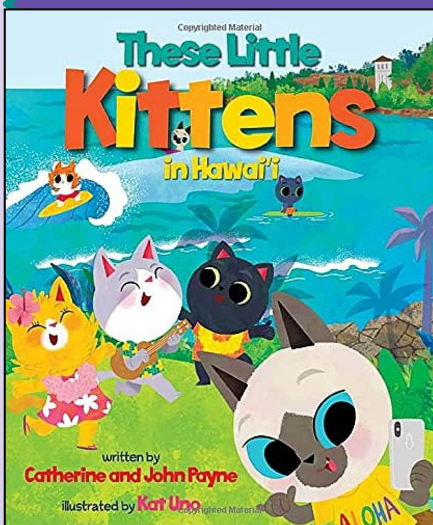
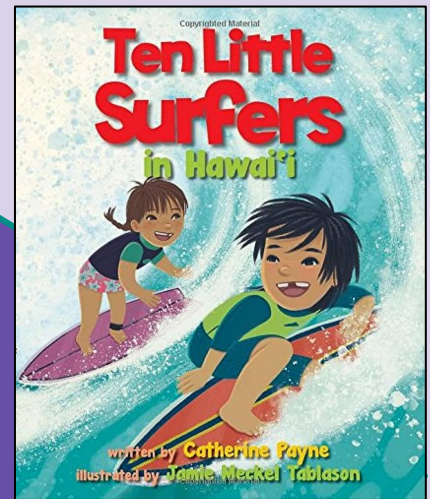
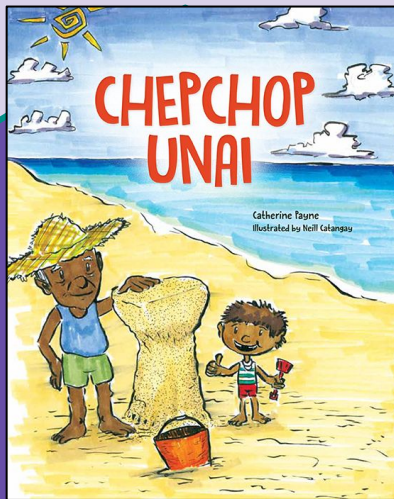
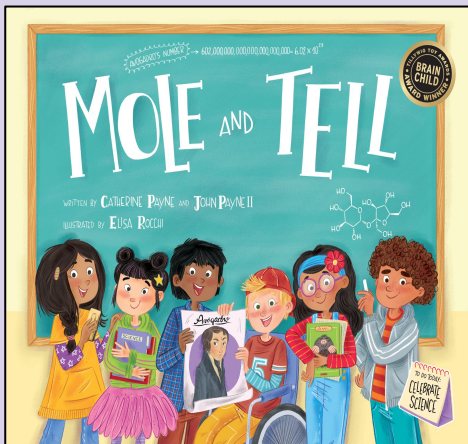
See the blog post at <https://theowlteacher.com/teacher-self-care> for more information.

GUEST SPEAKER OF THE MONTH



Author Catherine Payne is a local author and storyteller born and raised on Guam. She is a graduate of the Academy of Our Lady of Guam. After obtaining her bachelor's degree from the University of California at Berkeley and her master's degrees from Harvard and Columbia Universities, she worked as a journalist. After returning to her native Guam, she became an English instructor and tutor. Catherine especially loves writing books that transport children to happy places, as well as books that aim to educate, entertain, and inspire children and the young at heart. The inspiration she draws from Pacific cultures helps her appreciate the interconnectedness of all things.

BOOKS BY THE GUEST SPEAKER



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For more information, please visit the UOG School of Education website www.uog.edu/soe or scan the QR code.



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