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by Myrna Webb

The Michigan Reading Association Annual Conference was once again a great success. Compliments to Gwen O'Donnell, Program Chair, for a job well done. Hopefully, the conference theme, "Reading: A Dynamic Interaction", provided those in attendance with information as well as motivation to continue working with our young people to develop exceptional readers.

This issue of the **Michigan Reading Journal** is designed to provide strategies for instruction that support the Michigan New Definition of Reading. I think you will find the articles informative with strategies that can be implemented in your classroom. A special thanks to the authors.

The last article in this issue was submitted by Mary D. Peterson. Mary is a student at Western Michigan University and this paper was submitted as her mid-term exam. I found it to be both delightful and informative.

The next issue will provide further background knowledge needed to "Become a State of Strategic Readers." Included will be an overview from the State Department of Education as well as articles on topics such as text structure, prior knowledge and metacognition. If you have an article you wish to submit for review please send it to me at the address listed on the first page. Articles should be 6 - 8 typed pages in length. Please include a brief description of your job and school district or university.

*"No one ever attains very eminent success by simply doing what is required of him; it is the amount and excellence of what is over and above the required, that determines the greatness of ultimate distinction."*

Charles Kendall Adams