

Ohio Library Council
Intellectual Freedom Committee
2010 Annual Report

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Educational Efforts:

Professional Development Events:

Event Title: ["Think Ahead, Think Opportunity"](#)

Location: [Kent State University](#)

Date: [3/31/2010](#) Attendance: [9](#)

Brief overview (keynote speaker, session, etc.):

[On Wednesday March 31st 2010 Amy Switzer and Jeff Regensburger presented "Beyond Banned Books: Libraries and Intellectual Freedom in the 21st Century" at OLC's "Think Ahead, Think Opportunity" in Kent, Ohio. Nine people attended the session, which focused on the access issues created by changes in technology and information retrieval.](#)

Other (video teleconferences, online courses, etc.): ["Taking The Accessibility Temperature of Your Library" On Thursday July 23, 2010 Susan Corl presented a webinar via OLC's Dimdim software on "Taking the Accessibility Temperature of Your Library". This presentation offered an overview of the various access issues that libraries should be aware of. It also presented a checklist to allow library staff to evaluate their own libraries.](#)

Use of the OLC Web site: [The Intellectual Freedom Committee takes advantage of the OLC web site to host program offerings, resource lists, and document relevant to the Committee and its work.](#)

Initiatives and Partnerships: [Jeff Regensburger, Julie Arter, and Susan Corl contributed articles to the State Library of Ohio's newsletter. These articles ran in the September 2010 issue which took intellectual freedom as its theme. This initiative helped to promote the work of the Intellectual Freedom Committee and helped library staff around Ohio better understand intellectual freedom issues.](#)

[Committee member Julie Arter presented two staff training workshops at two different libraries in 2010. In April she visited London Public Library and in November she traveled to Perry County. At both sessions she presented "The First 30 Seconds". That program is one of the Committee's signature offerings. It's designed to help front line staff effectively handle challenges.](#)

[Intellectual Freedom Committee also participated in 2010 OLC Expo at the Ohio Expo Center.](#)
