

BUCKET FILL-OSOPHY 101™

Weekly words of wisdom to keep your bucket filled

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Making a Difference

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PRESENTATION UPDATE

Sessions: 60

Attendance: 12,350

- Briarwood Elementary, Warren, MI
- Brooke Elementary, Royersford, PA
- Bulman Elementary, Redford, MI
- Clarkesville Elementary, Clarkesville, MI
- Cynwood Elementary, Bala Cynwyd, PA
- Denton Avenue School, New Hyde Park, NY
- Detroit Country Day Junior School, Bloomfield Hills, MI
- Evans Elementary, Limerick, PA
- Ezra Eby Elementary, Napoleon, MI
- Immanuel Lutheran School, Macomb, MI
- Jamestown Elementary, Hudsonville, MI
- Lafayette Elementary, Lincoln Park, MI
- Lakes Elementary, Rockford, MI
- Mason Elementary, Grand Blanc, MI
- Memorial Elementary, Jackson, MI
- Mt. Sinai Elementary, Mt. Sinai, NY
- Peck Elementary, Warren, MI
- Poquoson Primary School, Poquoson VA
- Rogers Early Elementary School, Allen Park, MI
- Royersford Elementary, Royersford, PA
- Summerfield Elementary, Petersberg, MI
- Sunfield Elementary, Sunfield, MI
- Upper Providence Elementary, Royersford, PA
- Wayne County Reading Council, Wayne, MI
- West Elementary, Coopersville MI
- West Elementary, Lake Odessa, MI
- Whittier Elementary, Frederick, MD
- Woodland Elementary, Woodland, MI

Total Bucketfilling Sessions Taught through September 30, 2009

Sessions: 1,376

Attendance: 190,810



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*Bucket Nuggets from Carol McCloud,
The Bucket Lady*

The ripple affect revisited

Drop a pebble in quiet pool and watch the water as it ripples outward.

Have You Filled a Bucket Today? has sent its message rippling through schools and homes at an amazing rate over the past three years.

We learned of one such ripple affect last May. Daria Lamborne of California sent us an email about her twin kindergartners who were having a bit of trouble adjusting to “social issues” as they began school. They were upset by some of the “mean” kids.

Daria purchased *Have You Filled a Bucket Today?* and read it to them. She then loaned it to her children’s teacher, Karen, who was so excited and enthusiastic about the book, she asked Daria if she could pass it along to the kindergarten and first grade teachers, who, then were just as excited. The teachers made plans to integrate the book into their curriculum.

Daria tells us that she overheard grateful parents discussing the book and how they are using its concepts at home. One mother said that she had to rush her son into emergency after he’d slammed his finger in a door. As the nurses administered shots into his finger, she heard him cry, “You’re dipping in my bucket!” He cried about his painful bucketdipping episode all the way home. Dipping became real to him and allowed him to express himself while he was upset and in pain and I’m sure his Mom made a special effort to refill his bucket.

Adults have larger vocabularies and can easily express themselves about bucket filling, however Daria supplied us with a quote from her daughter, Talia:

“The bucket book helps the school know that you have a bucket and when you are mean your bucket gets empty and (so does) the other person’s.”

We are so pleased that the ripples of bucket filling have reached as far as California and that Daria began another set of ripples in the lives of parents and educators around her.



This week’s winners

Congratulations!



Molly Babineaux, of Moss Bluff Elementary School, Lake Charles, Louisiana, is our Bucket Filler of the Week. Congratulations, Molly! You have a book coming your way. Every bucket filler is a winner! Encourage your friends to get their buckets filled every week by signing on for our newsletter at

www.bucketfillers101.com.

Quote of the Week

“Wrong turns are as important as right turns.”

More important sometimes—Richard Bach