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The Horace Mann League of the USA

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Outstanding Friend of Public Education

Marian Wright Edelman of the Children's Defense Fund was presented the Outstanding Friend of Public Education. Marian Wright Edelman, President of the Children's Defense Fund, has been an advocate for disadvantaged Americans for her entire professional life. Under



her leadership, CDF has become the nation's strongest voice for children and families. Mrs. Edelman began her career in the mid-60s when, as the first black woman admitted to the Mississippi Bar. In 2000, she received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian award, and the Robert F. Kennedy Lifetime Achievement Award for her writings. <http://youtu.be/jnrJSUHoxGM>.

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Outstanding Public Educator

Larry Cuban, Professor Emeritus at Stanford University, was presented HML's Outstanding Public Educator award for 2014. Larry Cuban is a former high school social studies teacher (14 years), district superintendent (7 years) and university professor (20 years). He



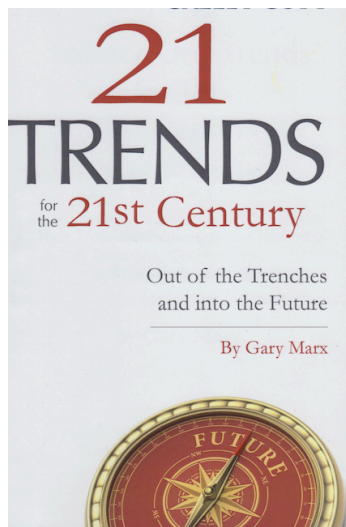
teacher and student use of technologies in K-12 and college. The Austin book, *As Good As It Gets*, and the Mapleton study entitled *Against the Odds* were published in early 2010.

has published op-ed pieces, scholarly articles and books on classroom teaching, history of school reform, how policy gets translated into practice, and

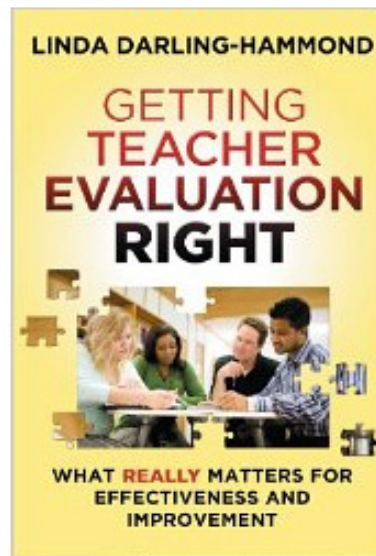
2015 Horace Mann League Annual Meeting and Luncheon

Plan now to join HML members, among the most talented in education, during our 2015 annual meeting and luncheon. We're tentatively scheduled for Friday, February 26th, in San Diego. Together, we'll celebrate our award recipients, be inspired by presenters, share our ideas with the League, elect officers, and have the time of our lives visiting with friends and colleagues. **Mark Your Calendar for the HML meeting.**

Recently Published Books by Members and Friends
of the Horace Mann League.



Marx is a globalization maestro able to successfully blur the lines we use to divide our world and keenly focus our attention to the issues that matter now, and in the future. He identifies the paradigm shifts needed to navigate the world we live in with purpose. **Craig Perrier**
Fairfax County P.S., VA



"This stimulating and provocative book outlines a comprehensive system for the development, support, and assessment of teaching." **Gail Connelly, Executive Director, National Association of Elementary School Principals.**



Every Child, Every Day



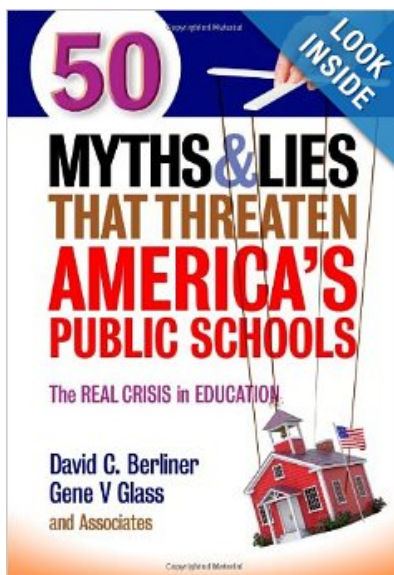
A Digital Conversion Model
for Student Achievement

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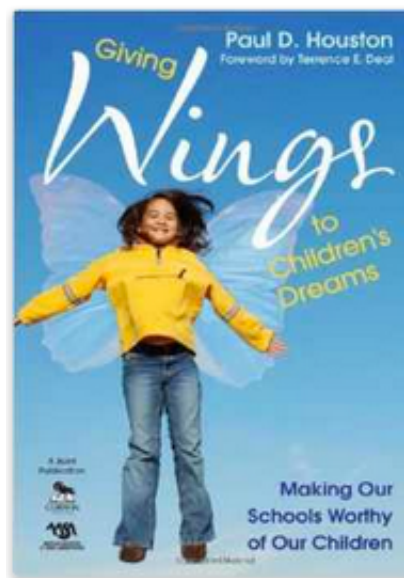


"If you cannot follow this road map, you should not be driving!"

Terry Grier,
Superintendent, Houston
Independent School
District, Houston, Texas



Berliner and Glass, two of the most respected voices in education and a team of young education scholars identify 50 myths and lies that threaten America's public schools. With hard-hitting information and a touch of comic relief.



Paul Houston: In page after page, this is written by someone who understands and articulates our frustrations of 'making our schools worthy of our children. **(The School Administrator, June 2011)**



Payzant shares his first-hand knowledge of the unique managerial, instructional, and political tasks of this role. Effectively combining practical lessons and research concerns.

President's Message: Gary Marx, Horace Mann League

The Horace Mann League is more than just



an honorary group of outstanding champions of public education. It's also a brain trust--a community of thinkers and doers who know the challenge of getting

students ready for life in a fast-changing world.

At our 2014 HML Annual Meeting in Nashville, we honored *Marian Wright Edelman*, president of the Children's Defense Fund, with our Outstanding Friend of Public Education Award. Stanford Professor *Larry Cuban* received our Outstanding Public Educator Award for his lifetime of service to education as a teacher, administrator, author, and professor. *Julie Underwood*, dean of the College of Education at the University of Wisconsin, a former HML president, took home our Outstanding Friend of the Horace Mann League Award. We keep good company.

While we celebrate our annual meetings, our awards and recognition program, our weekly HML Post the dedicated work of the HML Board of Directors, the multitude of contributions by Executive Director Jack McKay, and other services, we hope to tap this brain trust more often. We know your time is scarce, but we also know that we need your ideas and recommendations as we move forward.

During the coming year, don't be surprised if you get a few emails from us asking your opinions on topics such as what you consider the basic principles that drive

the very idea of public education. We might ask your counsel on equal educational opportunity and your help in communicating results of our International Indicators for Education study, which we hope to release early this fall.

Member engagement is essential, since HML members have the intellectual firepower, the experience, and the tenacity to help us communicate even more clearly about public education, in the spirit of the founder of this hallowed institution, Horace Mann.

We know that our web site, which carries a wealth of information, needs to be redesigned to become an even more coherent and easy-to-manuever source. We realize that part of our organizational foundation will need to include more frequent use of social media. We're also pursuing the possibility of an advisory council.

As with any professional or honorary society or league, membership is our life-blood. Since you, as an HML member, are one of the best in the business, we would like to have you nominate at least one outstanding public educator or friend of public education to be considered for membership. Nominate even more if you'd like. In each case, we'll need name, position, organization, mailing address, phone number, and email address. Please email those nominations to Jack McKay at jmckay@hmleague.org.

Our HML summer board meeting is being hosted by Stanford University. As you might know, Linda Darling Hammond, who serves on our board, is a distinguished leader in that institution. Our next HML Annual Meeting is tentatively scheduled for the end of February in San Diego. You'll be hearing more as we get closer to the date.

Thank you for your multitude of contributions to public education and for being one of the true heroes of public education.

Highlights : 92nd Annual Meeting of the Horace Mann League

The Horace Mann League Annual Luncheon Meeting, held February 14, in Nashville, Tennessee, brought together numerous distinguished members to learn, celebrate, and conduct business.

International Indicators for Education. Board Member James Harvey presented our Horace Mann League/National Superintendents Roundtable “International Indicators for Education,” currently a work in progress. Gary Marx briefly talked about a public rollout of those indicators in the fall and asked for counsel from the group. A version of the indicators, along with their implications will be shared with members, who can tailor local remarks they’d like to add as they are released. James Harvey, Gary Marx, and Martha Bruckner presented a session on the International Indicators during the March 2014 Annual ASCD Conference in Los Angeles.

HML Ambassador and Outstanding Friend Awards. Those who received Ambassador Awards for achievement in attracting new HML members included Brent Clark, Mark Edwards, Charles Fowler, and Christine Johns-Haines. Julie Underwood, Dean of the School of Education at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and a past-president of the League, received the Outstanding Friend of the Horace Mann League Award. Joe Hairston was honored for his work as immediate past president.

Keynote Speaker at HML Luncheon. In his inspirational remarks, 2014 National Teacher of the Year, Jeff Charbonneau explained how to turn a superintendent’s “no” into an ultimately “yes” outcome.

The HML Ambassador Awardees for 2014 were Brent Clark, Mark Edwards, Charles Fowler and Christine Johns-Haines.

Appointments to the HML Board of Directors were Laurie Barron, Superintendent of the Evergreen School District, near Kalispell, MT; Kevin Maxwell, CEO of the Prince Georges County Schools in Upper Marlboro, MD; and Steven Webb, Superintendent of the Vancouver School District in Vancouver, WA.

The Friend of the League Award was presented to Julie Underwood, Dean of the School of Education, University of Wisconsin – Madison, WI, and Past President of the HML.

HML Officers and Directors: Gary Marx, President; Charles Fowler, President-elect; Christine Johns, Vice President; and Joe Hairston, Past President.

Directors: Laurie Barron, Kalispell, MT; Evelyn Blose-Holman, Bay shore, NY; Martha Bruckner, Council Bluffs, IA; Carol Choye, Princeton, NJ; Brent Clark, Springfield, IL; Linda Darling-Hammond, Professor, Stanford CA; James Harvey, Seattle, WA; Eric King, Muncie, IN; Steven Ladd, Elk Grove, CA; Barry Lynn, Washington, DC; Kevin Maxwell, Upper Marlboro, MD; Stan Olson, Boise, ID; and Steven Webb, Vancouver, WA. Executive Director, Jack McKay jmckay@hmleague.org

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