

# SLIG/Fall 2014

WLA's School Library Interest Group Newsletter



"The only thing you absolutely have to know is the location of the library."

~Albert Einstein

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# New SLIG Officers

### Laura Miller Chair



Campbell County School District Wright Junior Senior High Cottonwood Elementary School

## Monica Brennan Co-Chair



Campbell County School District Meadowlark Elementary School Rawhide Elementary School

## Judy Rembacz Recording Secretary



Sweetwater School District #1
Eastside Elementary School, Rock Springs
Desert School Elementary School, Wamsutter



"Looking Back, Leading Forward" was the theme of the 2014 WLA conference. WLA members celebrated 100 years of library excellence and advocacy in Wyoming.

### **Looking Back, Leading Forward**



The 2014 WLA conference was well attended by SLIG members. In addition, many SLIG members presented conference sessions, some of which are listed to the right. SLIG members are well represented in all aspects of the WLA organization. Richard Landreth, pictured on the far left, is a Campbell County School Librarian as well as 2014 WLA President

#### **SLIG Related Highlights**

We Know Research

Reading With Red

What skills do High School Students Need for College?

Tara Aaron: international copyright

Unconference

Power to the Poster

**SLIG Interest Meeting** 

Margaret Peterson Haddix: children's author

Dr. Jennifer B. Kahnweiler: best selling author & researcher

## Unconference 2014

One of the most unique features of the 2014 WLA Conference was the unconference. It was an informal, participant-led professional development experience that allowed colleagues to geek out about topics of interest.

Topics included advocacy, programming, gaming, instruction, copyright, cataloging, organization, tech tools, eBooks, and electronic sources.

### **Session Highlights:**



**Tara Anderson** 

Tara is an intellectual property lawyer in Nashville. She discussed fair use in contemporary times.



Reading with Red

Angie Jensen is the owner of Angie's Pet Service as well as a Therapy Dogs Incorporated Tester and Observer.

Red is a Pomeranian reading therapy dog.











"The school library is able to provide the most fiscally efficient, equitable, yet comprehensive offering of information, resources, and books for children."

Christie Kaaland is a founding member of a national grassroots effort, <u>Act4SL</u> in cooperation with school library advocacy leaders from around the country working toward inclusive language that addresses equitable access to information for all children in the national legislation, Race to the Top, Quoted in: Kaaland, Christie. 2011. "School Library Language for Legislators." School Library Monthly 27.6 (March): 49-51.

On January 22 and January 23, Wyoming Librarians will be meeting with Wyoming Legislators to discuss the continued development of our Wyoming School Libraries.

Megan Dingman and Maggie Stubbs are the Wyoming School Library Legislative Representatives who will be sharing their expertise on current school library research as well as collaborating with legislators.

## Wyoming Legislative Meeting Winter 2015

Thursday, January 22: Wyoming State Library, Cheyenne, WY Friday, January 23: Laramie County Public Library, Laramie, WY



# Buckaroo Awards 2014-2015

### K-3rd Grade

! (Exclamation Mark)
by Amy Krouse Rosenthal

The Buffalo are Back by Jean Craighead George

George Flies South by Simon James

The Highway Rat by Julia Donaldson

How Martha Saved Her Parents from Green Beans by David LaRochelle How to Train a Train by Jason Carter Eaton

Journey
by Aaron Becker

Monkey and Robot by Peter Catalanotto

Moose That Says Mooooooo by Jennifer Hamburg

The Most Magnificent Thing by Ashley Spires

**Bookmarks** 

Neville by Norton Juster

The Story of Fish and Snail by Deborah Freedman

Three Ninja Pigs
by Corey Rosen Schwartz

Tito Puente
by Monica Brown

Xander's Panda Party by Linda Sue Park



## Indian Paintbrush Awards 2014-2015

4th-6th Grade

Fake Mustache by Tom Angleberger

Fourmile by Watt Key

*Icefall* by Matthew J. Kirby

Legend of the Ghost Dog by Elizabeth Cody Kimmel

Liesl and Po by Lauren Oliver

Prairie Evers by Ellen Airgood

Anything But Typical by Nora Raleigh Baskin

Boy On Cinnamon Street by Phoebe Stone

Boy on the Wooden Box by Leon Leyson

Dog Called Homeless by Sarah Lean

**Bookmarks** 

Search for WondLa by Tony DiTerlizzi

Small as an Elephant by Jennifer Richard Jacobson

True Blue Scouts of Sugar Man Swamp by Kathi Appelt

*Unstoppable* by Tim Green

Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin



# Soaring Eagle Awards 2014-2015

7th-12th Grade

Thirteen Days to Midnight

by Patrick Carman

The Selection

by Kiera Cass

Royal Ranger

by John Flanagan

The Fault in Our Stars

by John Green

The Darkest Path

by Jeff Hirsch

Insignia

by S. J. Kincaid

**Forgotten** 

by Cat Patrick

Between Shades of Gray

by Ruta Sepetys

Zom-B

by Darren Shan

Unwholly

by Neal Shusterman

**Bookmarks** 

Counting by 7's

by Holly Goldberg Sloan

This is What Happy Looks

Like

by Jennifer Smith

The Running Dream

by Wendelin Van Draanen

I Am Malala: The Girl Who

Stood Up for

Education and Was Shot by

the Taliba

by Malala Yousafzai

#### When:

August 3rd-5th 8AM-5PM

#### Where:

UW Outreach Center Room 322 Casper, WY

Registration and more details to follow in the upcoming SLIG newsletter.



## National Speaker: David Loertscher

The conference will also feature...Shelly King as well as Megan Casey of Rocky Mountain Puppets!

### **National Speaker: David Loertscher**

August 4th come prepared to participate in an all day workshop that will center on the creation and transformation of the traditional school library into a vibrant Learning Commons in both physical and virtual space. Participants will have a busy day thinking, constructing, building, discussing, and planning ways to pushing the current library program into the heart of teaching and learning.

## INFORMATION POWER... Save the date

### WYOMING SCHOOL LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT GRANT

An anonymous donor has established a grant to provide funding assistance to those who wish to enhance their effectiveness in their school library. Requirements for the application are as follows: A. Applicant must have been a member of the Wyoming Library Association for (3) years. B. Applicant must be a current member of the School Library Interest Group and employed in a Wyoming school library.

#### **Conditions of Grant**

The grant is for \$250 per recipient with the number of recipients determined by the School Library Grant Committee.

Individuals may apply for grants for continuing education activities, workshops, seminars, exchanges, and conferences (examples include but are not limited to WLA Fall Conference, the biennial AASL Conference, the Teacher Librarian track at the Colorado TIE Conference, Information Power, or WyTECC). Deadline for applications is May 1st. You may apply for support of a projected activity for the upcoming twelve months. In order to share the information and experience with the interest group, a written report will be required of all grantees. Report must be submitted within three months of the completion of the event to receive reimbursement.

#### **Selection Criteria**

- Grant request meets stated guidelines. (25 points)
- Applicant's goal for this project is clearly stated including anticipated benefits for personal growth and the SIIG (25 points)
- Applicant states how successes and effectiveness will be measured. (25 points)
- Applicant includes a plan to share information with School Library interest group members (25 points)

Find the Wyoming School Library Grant Application at: wyla.org located on the SLIG Interest Group Page

## Professional Development Grant

# WLA-MPLA 2015 Conference



### When:

September 23rd-25th

### Where:

Little America

Cheyenne, Wyoming

Please join us for the 2015 joint MPLA/WLA Conference.

## Changing Libraries in the New West



Arizona

North Dakota

Colorado

New Mexico

Kansas

Oklahoma

Montana

South Dakota

Nebraska

Utah

Nevada

Wyoming

# Member Clicks Information

# Do you have questions about using WLA MemberClicks? Check out the link below...

https://wyla.memberclicks.net/assets/site/memberclicks.pdf

### Or contact Laura Miller or Monica Brennan

<u>laura.miller.wy@gmail.com</u> <u>monicahbrennan@gmail.com</u>

All SLIG members have been uploaded into the e-lists in MemberClicks to receive information via email.

## LIBRARIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD

Recognizing the significant accomplishments of a library employee who has in the past year improved library service to customers; contributed to WLA and the profession; and or contributed to the library's community.

Nomination Requirements: Please include the following information:

\*Contributions to WLA and the profession in the past year

\*Contributions to the library and its community in the past year

\*Original thinking in programs initiated, in planning, in use of resources, or in special projects in the past year

\*Optional: Additional comments and supporting documentation for this nomination (maximum of three pages)

## Nominate A School Library Leader

**GROWING STRONG: 51 Wyoming School Library Interest Group Members** 



From the other side of this window is our school's hallway entrance...for all who enter can enjoy!



With a student body of 450 students, Eastside Elementary Library is making our windows very festive for the holidays. Painting the windows has brightened the school and brought some holiday cheer to all of our 5th and 6th graders here at Fastsidell



The Library Leadership Institute exists to provide opportunities for learning, mentoring and developing leadership skills to promote the personal and professional growth of the Wyoming library community.

Watch for information on the 2015 institute about how to apply for this professional librarianship opportunity. The application process is competitive-8-10 people will be selected to attend, and those attending are expected to take future committee and leadership responsibilities in the Wyoming Library Association (WLA), WYLD Network, educational committees and other library initiatives.

**WLLI INFORMATION LINK** 

#### **Colorado Council International Reading Association**

2015 Conf. on Feb. 4-7 at Denver Marriott Tech Center. For more info., http://www.ccira.org

#### TIE (Technology & Innovation in Education) Conference

2015 April 19-21 in Rapid City, SD (<a href="http://conference.tie.net/default.htm">http://conference.tie.net/default.htm</a>).

#### **AASL Planning Guide: Empowering Infinite**

Options for Personalized Professional Growth

This four-week course provides an overview of the AASL Planning Guide and Rubric grounded in principles of adult learning and peer coaching. A one year subscription to the Planning Guide module will be included with registration to the eAcademy Course. Learn more or register.

Dates: February 16 - March 13, 2015, http://www.ala.org/aasl/learning/eacademy

#### From 0 to 60: Implement eBooks in Your Library Program in 4 Weeks

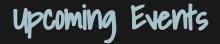
There are many eBook vendors looking to provide content to school libraries, but how do you know which one is best for you? This course will focus on implementing an eBook collection for your campus/school district in order to meet the needs of your students and staff. Learn more or register.

Dates: February 16 - March 13, 2015, <a href="http://www.ala.org/aasl/learning/eacademy">http://www.ala.org/aasl/learning/eacademy</a>



#### **Conference Link**

AASL @ ALA Midwinter Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, January 30th-February 3rd, 2015 AASL @ ALA 2015 National Conference, San Francisco, California, June 25-30th AASL 17th National Conference and Exhibition, Columbus, Ohio, November 5th-8th



# SLIG: School Library Interest Group

The mission of the School Library Interest Group (SLIG) is to network, encourage and disseminate information helpful to the school library media community in Wyoming. Please consider joining our group and our e-list email at <a href="http://wyla.org">http://wyla.org</a>. More information can found about our group and what we have been accomplishing at <a href="http://www.wyla.">http://www.wyla.</a> org/school-library-interest-group.

### STAY INVOLVED WITH YOUR LIBRARY ASSOCIATION