

#13—SLAYS—09/20/06

The SLAYS annual conference meeting is scheduled for 7:45 AM on Friday, Sept. 22.

Children's/School Library Program of the Year Award

Kirsten Baesler and I have put together a proposal for the award and the proposal was send out via the SLAYS listserv for division members to review. The comments I have received from members are positive. The award is on the agenda for the SLAYS conference meeting. If approved by SLAYS, the proposal will be submitted to the Executive Board for approval.

ALA/AASL Dues

This issue will also be addressed at the annual SLAYS conference meeting.

SLAYS Policy Handbook

I have acquired a paper copy of the SLAYS handbook created by SLAYS members Glenda Westman and Debbie Job. I am hoping to get an electronic copy to then submit to SLAYS for approval so we may put this handbook to use and get it up on the web site.

Flicker Tale Winners for 2006

Picture Book—Too Many Frogs, by Sandy Asher
Intermediate—The Legend of Spud Murphy, by Eoin Colfer
Juvenile—Inkheart, by Cornelia Funke
Early-Primary Grades nonfiction—Actual Size, by Steve Jenkins
Upper-Grade nonfiction—P is for Peace Garden, by Roxane Salonen

Check NDLA web site for Flicker Tale Nominees for 2006-2007.

Roxane Salonen will present at the conference and will be in attendance to accept her award.

SLAYS Conference Presentations

Tim Wadham, Children's Services Coordinator for Maricopa County Libraries, is the SLAYS sponsored presenter for the conference. He will present on school and youth library partnership programs.

Flicker Tale nominated authors Roxane Salonen, Joan Hiatt Harlow, and Lenore Look will also present during the conference and will make school visits to Fargo public and parochial schools, thanks to the generous grant provided by the North Dakota Humanities Council.

A number of SLAYS members are also presenting at the conference.

Respectfully submitted by Erin Smith, Chair

