

## CHILIS Committee Reports - October 17, 2012

### **Secretary, Yvette Couser**

March 2012 Business Meeting Minutes attached

### **Treasurer, Nancy Lang**

Attached

### **Great Stone Face, Luci Albertson and Sarah Hydorn**

The committee has begun working diligently on creating a new list of 25 nominees for school year 2013-2014. The GSF Award spans grades 4-6, and maintains a standard of excellence in writing and kid appeal. We strive for a variety of genres, reading levels and gender interest. The list will be finalized at our April meeting and revealed to everyone at the NHSLMA Conference in May and posted on-line. Bookmarks with the new list, as well as posters and rubber stamps, will be available for purchase at that time. There will be a slight price increase this year, in order to cover costs.

Catherine Ryan (Danforth Library - New England College) will be handling bookmark orders this year. She can be contacted at [c\\_ryan16@yahoo.com](mailto:c_ryan16@yahoo.com) or by phone at 428-2344 (w) / 428-3024 (h).

The Great Stone Face Award winner for 2012 / 2013 will also be announced at the Conference, and subsequently on the CHILIS Website...ballot results need to be received by Sarah Hydorn ([shydorn@hotmail.com](mailto:shydorn@hotmail.com)) in Amherst by the April 30<sup>th</sup> deadline to be counted in the final vote.

There has been a conversation, especially among school librarians, about shortening the length of the consideration list. We are endeavoring to determine how many people have strong feelings in this regard. There are many reasons why the GSF Committee has found it beneficial to present a list of this size, bearing in mind that we are serving three middle grades with varying interests and abilities. No school or public librarian needs to feel compelled to buy every title on the list. Committee members would be happy to discuss this with anyone who has a concern.

The GSF Committee is always open to new members. We meet on the second Friday of the month at 1:00pm at the Bedford Public Library. School librarians are welcome, as well. It is important to be available to attend at least a few meetings during the September-April period in order to participate fully and have a say in the final selections for the list.\

### **Isinglass Teen Read, Amy Inglis**

The Isinglass Committee is busy reading books for the 2013 list selection process. We are seeking recommendations for titles from 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade readers. Please work with your school librarian to get submissions. Our list is based upon teen selected titles and we would love a cross section of titles from around the state. Students may submit suggestions to [director@barringtonlibrary.com](mailto:director@barringtonlibrary.com) There are also printable slips online at <http://www.barringtonlibrary.com/barrington/isinglass.asp> New committee members are always

welcomed...the more librarian readers, the better our list. We also accept members who can only send reviews by e-mail...we love to see people at meetings but it is not mandatory.

**NH Summer Reading Program Committee, Ann Hoey**

This past year, the SRP Committee met to choose the 2012 Kids, Books and the Arts Roster in early November. It also helped plan the summer reading program panel presentation at the CHILIS Spring Conference in March. In early April, CHILIS President Kathy Tracy and I attended the national meeting of the Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) in Hershey, Pennsylvania. There we helped to select themes and slogans for upcoming years, and we looked at and gave feedback about vendor products and CSLP initiatives. We also recommended different artists for the 2014 "Science" theme.

**Please note this important change in CSLP shipping charges:** The free shipping of summer reading items from the Highsmith/Upstart catalog will be phased out. Beginning with the 2013 program, CSLP will be paying **half** of the shipping charges to libraries in the collaborative. Libraries will have to pay 5.5% of their order total, with a \$6 minimum and a \$25 maximum. For larger orders requiring a truck shipment, there is an additional charge of \$50 for inside delivery.

The NH Summer Reading Program Committee will meet next on Friday, November 2 to choose the 2013 Kids, Books and the Arts Roster.

**Membership, Patty Falconer**

As of the end of September the CHILIS membership stands at 189 members. Twenty-three new members joined our group in 2012. A reminder which explains the benefits of membership will be sent via the CHILIS and NHAIS listserv toward the end of the year to encourage new members to join the group. We also hope to promote participation in leadership roles among all of our members.

**NERCTL: New England Round Table of Children's Librarians, Lisa Michaud**

The NERTCL board, made up of librarians from all over New England, provides continuing education programs for children's and YA librarians through conferences and workshops, including NELA conferences, Spring Standalone Conferences (alternate years), and the Jordan Miller Storytelling Workshop (alternate years). At our meetings we exchange news of library events and programs throughout New England so we all benefit from the ideas and experiences of our colleagues. The NELA conference in Sturbridge, MA this October featured NERTCL programs such as: the Eric Carle Museum, iPads in Story Time, luncheon with author Sara Pennypacker, Community Partnerships, Teen Programming, and more.

<http://nela.camp9.org/nertcl>