

September 1, 2016

Dear Red Clover friend:

On Wednesday, October 12, we'll get together to prepare for the 21st year of the statewide Red Clover Children's Choice Picture Book Award. Kate Messner, whose books for kids have been *New York Times* Notable, Junior Library Guild, IndieBound, and Bank Street College of Education Best Books selections, will present the keynote address and in the afternoon, we'll welcome award-winning (and Red Clover Award-nominated) author Tanya Lee Stone as our endnote speaker. Tanya is the author of *Sandy's Circus* and *Who Says Women Can't Be Doctors?*, among many others. **We also have some exciting new workshops, so please take a moment to read over the descriptions before you make your selections!**



Last year over 21,000 Vermont students in Kindergarten through fourth grade participated in this program. Enthusiasm for the program is evident from the comments we receive from Red Clover friends like *you*, year after year.

Please join us at the Lake Morey Inn & Resort in Fairlee (just off I-91, exit 15) as we kick off another year of this exciting venture. **The early bird registration fee is \$99** and the conference will run from 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. Registration at the conference will begin at 8:30 A.M. **Note: If you register after September 19 the registration fee is \$109.**

Please pass this information along to colleagues who might be interested!

If you'd like to attend the Red Clover conference, please complete the registration form and send it with your check, payable to the Vermont Center for the Book, to the address on the registration form no later than October 5. **We are unable to accept purchase orders, but we do accept VISA/Mastercard.** We will have receipts for registration fees at the conference, and you will receive a Certificate of Attendance. In addition, there will be books for sale provided by the Norwich Bookstore (Kate and Tanya will sign books during lunch and after the conference), along with additional copies of the manual available for sale. **Please note: You will receive email confirmation within three days of our receiving your registration.**

Please indicate your first and second choices for workshops (both morning and afternoon) on the registration form and send it to us no later than October 5. See you soon! If you have any questions, please give us a call at 802-875-2751, ext 107 or email wendy@mothergooseprograms.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sally Anderson". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Executive Director
Vermont Center for the Book





Red Clover Award Conference Registration Form

Wednesday, October 12, 2016
9 A.M. - 3 P.M.
(Registration begins at 8:30 A.M.)

Lake Morey Inn & Resort
Fairlee, VT



Morning Workshops

Please write "1" for your first choice and "2" for your second choice.

- ___ Using Technology to Support Your Red Clover Program
- ___ Developing Your Character: Red Clover Books and the Habits of Mind Skills
- ___ Fun With This Year's Red Clover Award Nominees
- ___ A Conversation With Author Tanya Lee Stone

Afternoon Workshops

Please write "1" for your first choice and "2" for your second choice.

- ___ Red Clover Award Nominees and Education Standards: Beyond Language Arts
- ___ The Red Clover Program at Your School: How Do *You* Do it?
- ___ Who-o-o's Ready to Integrate? Art Connections and More!
- ___ A Conversation With Author Kate Messner

I will attend the conference at Lake Morey on October 12, 2016. Enclosed is a check for \$99 (for registration fee and lunch), payable to the Vermont Center for the Book. **(After September 19, the fee is \$109.) Sorry, no purchase orders!**

Name _____ School/Library _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ **Email*** _____

VISA/Mastercard # _____ Exp. _____

Signature (required for credit card payments) _____

Registering and paying by credit card? Fax: 802-875-2790

...Or mail this form and your payment to: Vermont Center for the Book, P.O. Box 423, Chester, VT 05143
Registration deadline: October 7, 2016. We will email you confirmation of your registration within three days of receipt. Questions? Email wendy@mothergooseprograms.org or call 802-875-2751 ext. 107.

Morning Workshops: 10:15 - 11:30 A.M.

Using Technology to Support Your Red Clover Program

Carol Scrimgeour, Essex Elementary School and Carrie Speranza, Library Media Specialist, Swanton Elementary School

Learn and share ideas for using computers, tablets and other information technology to integrate 21st Century Skills into your Red Clover Program. Bonus: We will Skype with Jenni Desmond, author of one of this year's nominees, *The Blue Whale*.

Developing Your Character: Red Clover Books and the Habits of Mind Skills

Robin Brice, Media Specialist, Waterville Elementary and Montgomery Elementary Schools

Is your school talking about “transferrable skills”? Join us as we look at this fresh way to explore the Red Clover books through the lens of the Habits of Mind. You will learn about the 16 Habits of Mind: i.e. persistence, problem solving, listening with empathy and understanding. Find out how to use the stories, characters, and author’s craft in this year’s Red Clover books to develop your own awareness of these important life skills and how to infuse them into your Red Clover program with children.

Fun With This Year’s Red Clover Nominees

MC Baker, Art Educator at Fletcher Elementary School and Erna Deutsch, Youth Librarian at Brownell Library, Essex Junction

We’ll go over the new list and offer some fun and integrative crafts, projects and activities with the fabulous books to use in your classroom or your library. Come ready to dive into the list and leave inspired with concrete ideas so you can hit the ground running.

A Conversation With Tanya Lee Stone

Meet the award-winning author and learn about her creative process.

Afternoon Workshops: 12:45 - 2 P.M.

Red Clover Award Nominees and Education Standards: Beyond Language Arts

Sally Anderson, Founder and Executive Director, Vermont Center for the Book and Mother Goose Programs and Kate Davie, Media Specialist, Blue Mountain Union School

In this active session, participants will delve into the Common Core State Standards, Next Generation Science Standards and Vermont Early Learning Standards and find connections to Red Clover nominees while using a variety of approaches.

The Red Clover Program at Your School: How Do You Do it?

Liz Bourne, Media Specialist, Westminster Center School, Theresa Czachor, Media Specialist and Beth McReynolds, Art Educator, Rutland Town School and Alice Harwood, Media Specialist, Union Street School, Springfield and Janet Whitaker, Media Specialist, Bethel Elementary School

Looking to add pizzazz to your Red Clover program this year? Our panel of seasoned librarians and teachers will open with brief takes on successful ideas from their experiences, and then we’ll learn from each other! Results will be posted online so everyone can continue to share throughout the year.

Who-o-o’s Ready to Integrate? Art Connections and More!

MC Baker, Art Educator, Fletcher Elementary School

As we all know, simple projects help children reflect, share and remember each year’s Red Clover nominees. In this hands-on art workshop, participants will learn how to create an art project (based on one of the Red Clover nominees) to use in their classrooms and libraries.

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