

## 2014 Mock Newbery Discussion #3

It's time to start taking a close look at the children's novels of 2013. Please read one or (better yet) more books for the first meeting. Participating in the Mock Newbery is an opportunity to read the newest children's books and to discuss them with other passionate readers. Please join us!

### Mock Newbery Discussion #3

**Wednesday, December 4, 7:00 – 9:00 PM**

**Hampden Meadows School, 297 New Meadow Road, Barrington, RI 02806**

Please register for this program: <http://www.olis.ri.gov/services/ce/regis.php>

The Newbery Medal is awarded annually to the author of the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children published in the United States during the preceding year. The Award is restricted to authors who are citizens or residents of the United States.

Criteria: 1) In identifying "Distinguished Writing" in a book for children,

a. Committee members need to consider the following:

- Interpretation of the theme or concept
- Presentation of information including accuracy, clarity, and organization
- Development of a plot
- Delineation of characters
- Delineation of setting
- Appropriateness of style

*Note:* Because the literary qualities to be considered will vary depending on content, the committee need not expect to find excellence in each of the named elements. The book should, however, have distinguished qualities in all of the elements pertinent to it.

b. Committee members must consider excellence of presentation for a child audience.

**Voting for a Rhode Island winner and honor books will take place on January 15, 2014 using the balloting procedures of the real committee.**

### 2014 Mock Newbery Reading List #3

1. Blackwood, Sage. *Jinx*. (HarperCollins, 2013)
2. DiCamillo, Kate. *Flora & Ulysses*. (Candlewick, 2013)
3. Edinger, Monica. *Africa is My Home: A Child of the Amistad*. (Candlewick, 2013)
4. Floca, Brian. *Locomotive*. (Atheneum, 2013)
5. Fogliano, Julie. *If You Want to See a Whale*. (Roaring Brook Press, 2013)
6. Lafleur, Suzanne. *Listening for Lucca*. (Random House, 2013)
7. McNeal, Tom. *Far Far Away*. (Alfred A. Knopf, 2013)
8. Medina, Meg. *Yaqui Delgado Wants to Kick Your Ass*. (Candlewick, 2013)
9. Rusch, Elizabeth. *Eruption!: Volcanoes and the Science of Saving Lives*. (Houghton Mifflin, 2013)
10. Stone, Tanya Lee. *Courage Has No Color: The True Story of the Triple Nickles*. (Candlewick, 2013)
11. Ursu, Anne. *The Real Boy*. (HarperCollins, 2013)

### Books Promoted to the Voting List (January Meeting):

1. Appelt, Kathi. *The True Blue Scouts of Sugar Man Swamp*. (Atheneum, 2013)
2. Black, Holly. *Doll Bones*. (Simon & Schuster, 2013)

3. Blakemore, Megan Frazer. *The Water Castle*. (Walker & Company, 2013)
4. Federle, Tim. *Better Nate Than Ever*. (Simon & Schuster, 2013)
5. Fleischman, Paul. *The Matchbox Diary*. (Candlewick, 2013)
6. Gewirtz, Adina Rische. *Zebra Forest*. (Candlewick Press, 2013)
7. Henkes, Kevin. *Penny and Her Marble*. (Greenwillow, 2013)
8. Henkes, Kevin. *The Year of Billy Miller*. (Greenwillow, 2013)
9. Sloan, Holly Goldberg. *Counting by 7s*. (Dial, 2013)
10. Timberlake, Amy. *One Came Home*. (Alfred A. Knopf, 2013)
11. Vanderpool, Clare. *Navigating Early*. (Delacorte Press, 2013)
12. Vawter, Vince. *Paperboy*. (Delacorte, 2013)
13. Williams-Garcia, Rita. *P.S. Be Eleven*. (Amistad, 2013)

### **Continuing sessions:**

Mock Newbery Discussion #4 (voting meeting)

Wednesday, January 15, 2014 (snow date 1/22)

Location: Oak Lawn Branch Library, 230 Wilbur Avenue, Cranston, RI 02921

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

### **Directions to Hampden Meadows School, 297 New Meadow Road, Barrington, RI 02806:**

- From 95 heading North or South, Get on 195 East.
- Take Exit 7 (114 South towards Barrington.)
- Continue on 114 South (changes name and then merges with 103 South.)
- Turn Left at Massasoit Avenue.
- Turn Left at New Meadow Road. The school will be on your right.