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COMMITTEE REPORT FORM #3 - PRE-ANNUAL CONFERENCE REPORT

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NAME OF COMMITTEE: Mildred L. Batchelder Award Committee

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON: Ginny Moore Kruse DATE: 6/12/87

Ginny Moore Kruse

OBJECTIVES OF COMMITTEE FOR THIS CONFERENCE YEAR:

1. - To identify books eligible for the 1988 Award
2. - To gain a working knowledge of the guidelines and criteria for the Award
3. - To determine which of the books identified as eligible to date may be serious contenders
4. - To examine and read any eligible books not located before the Conference
5. - To listen to portions of the January 1987 audio-taped interview with Mildred Batchelder
6. - To practice book discussion together in order to sharpen evaluation skills and become better acquainted with each other without the pressure of decision-making

TIMETABLE/ACTIVITIES TO ACHIEVE THESE OBJECTIVES:

Numbers 1 - 3 are ongoing all year. Numbers 4 - 6 will take place at the Annual Conference only.

TASKS & OBJECTIVES ACCOMPLISHED SINCE THE MIDWINTER MEETING:

Mailing to all Committee members with identified books listed and with request for other titles; two members have contacted me since with additional titles; one member cannot be at the Annual Conference.

PLANS FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE:

The meeting on Friday afternoon will be a a book examination and reading session.

On Saturday morning, we will discuss procedures for the rest of the year, as well as discussing which books are possible contenders. Then we'll discuss the latter, using good book discussion techniques.

I doubt very much that we'll be needing to meet on Saturday afternoon as scheduled. There are actually very few books which could be seriously considered for an award as of this date.

If anyone is interested, I'll play some of the tape-recorded conversation I had with Mildred Batchelder prior to Midwinter. I played some of it at our meeting in January, and people seemed to find it very interesting and helpful.

DO YOU NEED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD AT ANNUAL CONFERENCE? No.

IF SO, PLEASE INDICATE THE PREFERRED DATE: 6/27 - 2:00PM-4:00PM
 6/29 - 9:00AM-12:30PM
 6/30 - 4:00PM-5:30PM

MATERIALS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE BOARD DOCKET
MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE ALSO OFFICE BY JUNE 5.