



# 2010-2011

**Officers:**

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**Committee Chairs:**

Awards:  
Historian:  
Membership: Sybil Hoffman  
Newsletter: Jill Castek  
Nominations: Sybil Hoffman  
Professional Book Review: Joan Masaryk  
Program Coordinator:  
Publicity/Outreach:  
Research: Joan Masaryk  
Webmaster: Kathy Langham  
Young Reader Medal: Jennifer Green  
Area Director: Cheri Benafield  
University Liaison: Dana Grisham

**Members at Large:**

Michele McKinley, Bee Medders, Tawnya Shaw

**Programs:**

Jerome Burg & Elizabeth Partridge: "Exploring Google Lit Trips"  
Parent University: Free workshop for parents - in English and Spanish - New Haven ESC  
Lori Oczkus: "Reciprocal Teaching at Work: New Lessons, Next Steps in Comprehension K-12"  
Adria Klein: "Powerful Practices for Independent Work Time in the Classroom"  
P. David Pearson: "Rethinking the Literacy Curriculum; Reading & Writing to Learn in Science"

**Awards:**

2011 David H. Russell Award for Excellence in Reading Instruction: Kathy Langham  
2011 Walter J. McHugh Award for Assistance in Reading Instruction: Carolina Miller  
Honor Council - 27th year  
Membership Honor Roll - 27th year  
2011 Margaret Lynch Exemplary Service Award for Area 3 - Kathy Langham



# 2011-2012

**Officers:**

President: Michele McKinley  
President elect: Jeannette Alday  
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Past President: Nancy Panzica

**Committee Chairs:**

Awards: Sandy DeMuri  
Historian:  
Membership: Sybil Hoffman  
Newsletter: Jill Castek  
Nominations: Sybil Hoffman  
Professional Book Review: Joan Masaryk  
Research: Joan Masaryk  
Webmaster: Kathy Langham  
Young Reader Medal: Jennifer Green  
Area Director: Cheri Benafield  
University Liaison: Dana Grisham

**Members at Large:**

Sandy DeMuri, Carmen Jorgenson, Melissa West

**Programs:**

Bee Medders: "Extreme Classroom Makeover: Applying Practical Principles of Feng Shui"  
Parent University: Free Workshop for Parents & Book Fair - English and Spanish"  
Adria Klein: "Strategies for Supporting Oral Language Development in the Classroom"  
Kathy Langham: "Reciprocal Teaching Strategies at Work - a video based on Lori Oczkus' work"  
Kathy Langham and Jill Castek: Technology That Supports Literacy

**Awards:**

2012 David H. Russell Award for Excellence in Reading Instruction: Jason Tarn  
2012 Walter J. McHugh Award for Assistance in Reading Instruction: Maria Huffer  
Honor Council - 28th year  
Membership Honor Roll - 28th year  
CRA Torchlighter Program Award for Area 3: Extreme Classroom Makeover: Principles of Feng Shui presented by Bee Medders



# 2012-2013

**Officers:**

President: Jeannette Alday  
President elect:  
Vice President: Sandy DeMuri  
Recording Secretary: Gretel Ly  
Corresponding Secretary: Bee Medders  
Treasurer: Kathy Langham  
Past President: Michele McKinley

**Committee Chairs:**

Awards:  
Historian: Mary Small  
Membership: Sybil Hoffman  
Newsletter: Jill Castek  
Nominations: Sybil Hoffman  
Professional Book Review: Joan Masaryk  
Publicity/Outreach:  
Research: Joan Masaryk  
Webmaster: Kathy Langham  
Young Reader Medal:  
University Liaison: Dana Grisham

**Members at Large:**

D'Marc Williams, Carmen Jorgenson

**Programs:**

Bee Medders: "Extreme Classroom Makeover"  
Lori Oczhus: "Best Ever Literacy Survival Tips"  
"Guided Reading Workshop: Running Records are done. Now What?" presented by Lynn Gurnee, Kathy Langham, and Bee Medders.  
Parent University: "Practical Suggestions for Struggling Readers" in English and Spanish

**Awards:**

2013 David H. Russell Award for Excellence in Reading Instruction: Bee Medders  
2013 Walter J. McHugh Award for Assistance in Reading Instruction: Joan Masaryk  
Honor Council - 29th year  
Membership Honor Roll - 29th year



# 2013-2014

**Officers:**

President: Cheri Benefield  
President elect: Bee Medders  
Vice President: Sybil Hoffman  
Recording Secretary: Sandy DeMuri  
Corresponding Secretary: Gretel Ly  
Treasurer: Kathy Langham  
Past President: Jeannette Alday

**Committee Chairs:**

Awards: Jeannette Alday  
Historian:  
Membership: Sybil Hoffman  
Newsletter: Lynn Gurnee  
Nominations: Sybil Hoffman  
Professional Book Review: Joan Masaryk  
Publicity/Outreach: Mary Small  
Research: Joan Masaryk  
Webmaster: Kathy Langham  
Young Reader Medal: Jennifer Green  
Area 3 Director: Tawnya Shaw

**Members at Large:**

Judy Casey, Melissa West, Carmen Jorgenson, Michelle McKinley

**Programs:**

“Building Literacy: Pre-K-2<sup>nd</sup> for Parents, Grandparents, and Teachers  
Parent University: English and Spanish at Fairview School, Hayward USD  
“Nonfiction Writing K-5: Supports all 10 Common Core Writing Standards”  
“Common Core and ELD Standards”  
Family Literacy “Appy Hour”

**Awards:**

2014 David H. Russell Award for Excellence in Reading Instruction: Cheri Benefield  
2014 Walter J. McHugh Award for Assistance in Reading Instruction: Keren Kelly  
Honor Council - 30th year  
Membership Honor Roll - 30th year



# 2014-2015

**Officers:**

President: Bee Medders  
President elect:  
Vice President: Sybil Hoffman  
Recording Secretary: Sandy DeMuri  
Corresponding Secretary: Gretel Ly  
Treasurer: Kathy Langham  
Past President: Cheri Benefield

**Committee Chairs:**

Awards: Cheri Benefield  
Historian:  
Membership: Sybil Hoffman  
Newsletter: Lynn Gurnee  
Nominations: Sybil Hoffman  
Professional Book Review: Joan Masaryk  
Research: Joan Masaryk  
Webmaster: Lynn Gurnee  
Area 3 Director: Tawnya Shaw

**Members at Large:**

Gayla Peek, Mani Allen

**Programs:**

Parent Literacy Night  
Parent University: For Teachers, Parents, Grandparents of K-3 Struggling Readers  
Literacy Mini-Conference: Dr. Adria Klein, keynote: Oral Language in Common Core  
"Prevent the Summer Slide"

**Awards:**

2015 David H. Russell Award for Excellence in Reading Instruction: Susan Newell  
2015 Walter J. McHugh Award for Assistance in Reading Instruction: Tina Bobadilla-Mastel  
Honor Council - 31st year  
Torchlighter Award: "Prevent the Summer Slide"  
Community Literacy Award: Kristi Yamaguchi's Always Dream Foundation



# 2015-2016

**Officers:**

President: Bee Medders  
President elect: Sandy DeMuri  
Vice President: Sybil Hoffman  
Recording Secretary: Mary Small  
Corresponding Secretary: Gretel Ly  
Treasurer: Kathy Langham  
Past President: Cheri Benafield

**Committee Chairs:**

Awards:  
Membership: Sybil Hoffman  
Newsletter: Lynn Gurnee  
Nominations: Sybil Hoffman  
Professional Book Review: Joan Masaryk  
Publicity/Outreach:  
Research: Joan Masaryk  
Webmaster: Jeannette Alday  
Area Director: Tawnya Shaw

**Members at Large:**

Gayla Peek, Mani Allen

**Programs:**

Parent University; Early Literacy Development at Home and School  
Annual Mini-conference: "Re-ignite Your Passion"  
Book Club at Coffee Shop  
June Summer Slide

**Awards:**

2016 David H. Russell Award: Tawnya Shaw  
Honor Council - 32nd year

Sybil Hoffman Young Leader Award established in honor of Sybil Hoffman



# 2016-2017

**Officers:**

President: Sandy DeMuri  
President elect: Jeannette Alday  
Vice President: Sybil Hoffman  
Recording Secretary: Mary Small  
Corresponding Secretary: Gretel Ly  
Treasurer: Kathy Langham  
Past President: Bee Medders

**Committee Chairs:**

Awards:  
Historian:  
Membership: Sybil Hoffman  
Newsletter: Jill Castek  
Nominations: Sybil Hoffman  
Professional Book Review: Joan Masaryk  
Publicity/Outreach:  
Research: Joan Masaryk  
Webmaster: Jeannette Alday  
Area Director: Tawnya Shaw

**Members at Large:**

Gayla Peek, Mani Allen

**Programs:**

June Summer Slide  
Book Talk: "Growth Mindset Part 1" at El Patio  
Book Talk: "Growth Mindset Part 2" at El Patio  
Awards and Installation Program

**Awards:**

2017 Sybil Hoffman Young Leader Award: Patricia Leung, NHUSD  
Honor Council - 33th year





# 2017-2018

**Officers:**

President: Jeannette Alday  
President elect: Mary Small  
Vice President: Sybil Hoffman  
Recording Secretary: Wendy Rodrigues  
Corresponding Secretary: Gretel Ly  
Treasurer: Kathy Langham  
Past President: Sandy DeMuri

**Committee Chairs:**

Awards:  
Membership: Sybil Hoffman  
Newsletter: Lynn Gurnee  
Nominations: Sybil Hoffman  
Professional Book Review: Joan Masaryk  
Publicity/Outreach:  
Research: Joan Masaryk  
Webmaster: Jeannette Alday  
Area Director: Tawnya Shaw

**Members at Large:**

Gayla Peek, Mani Allen

**Programs:**

Book Club: Mindful Classroom Design by Bee Medders - Pioneer Elem., NHUSD  
Book Club: "Mindful Classroom Design" by Bee Medders - Specialty's Bakery, Pleasanton

**Awards:**

2018 Sybil Hoffman Young Leader Award - Lauren Micelli, NHUSD  
Honor Council - 34th year



# 2018-2019

**Officers:**

President: Mary Small  
President elect: Wendy Rodrigues  
Vice President: Sybil Hoffman  
Recording Secretary: Cheri Benefield  
Treasurer: Kathy Langham  
Past President: Jeannette Alday

**Committee Chairs:**

Awards: Jeannette Alday  
Membership: Sybil Hoffman  
Newsletter: Lynn Gurnee  
Nominations: Sybil Hoffman  
Professional Book Review: Joan Masaryk  
Research: Joan Masaryk  
Webmaster: Jeannette Alday  
Social Media: Beckie Cheung  
Area Director: Lauren Pomcrantz

**Members at Large:**

Tawnya Shaw, Michelle McKinley, Melissa West, Nancy Panzica, Bee Medders

**Programs:**

Book Club: *Who's Doing the Work*, Amador Elementary School - 3 sessions  
Book Club: *Who's Doing the Work*, Tyrell Avenue School, Hayward - 2 sessions  
Book Club: *Mindful Classroom Design* presented by Bee Medders - 2 workshops  
Project Based Learning, in coordination with ACRA Board Meetings  
Summer Slide Program: Flyers and Book Lists

**Awards: (presented in September 2019)**

Sybil Hoffman Young Leader Award: Julianne Hampton, NHUSD  
Margaret Lynch Service Award: for California Reading Association

Bee Medders - Outstanding Contributions to Literacy from American Literacy Corporation  
Awards and installation Ceremony - Mexico Tipico, Union City



# 2019-2020

**Officers:**

President: Wendy Rodrigues  
President elect: Kathy Langham  
Recording Secretary: Mary Small  
Treasurer: Cheri Benafield  
Past President: Cheri Benafield

**Committee Chairs:**

Awards:  
Historian:  
Membership: Sybil Hoffman  
Newsletter: Lynn Gurnee  
Nominations: Sybil Hoffman  
Professional Book Review: Joan Masaryk  
Publicity/Outreach:  
Research: Joan Masaryk  
Webmaster: Jeannette Alday

**Members at Large:**

Tawnya Shaw

**Programs:**

Book Club: Trauma Stewardship - 2 sessions - Pioneer Elem NHUSD  
Book Club: Who's Doing the Work? - 2 sessions - Hayward USD  
Book Club: Trauma Stewardship - 2 parts - Amador Elem, Dublin USD  
Free Parent Workshop - Fremont Main Library - Kathy Langham and Cheri Benafield

**Awards:**

2016 David H. Russell Award for Excellence in Reading Instruction:  
2016 Walter J. McHugh Award for Assistance in Reading Instruction:  
Honor Council - 28th year