

# South Dakota Children's Book Awards

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list, containing all the votes cast for each title, should be sent (postmarked no later than March 15, 2006) to:  
 SDLA Prairie Pasque Award  
 Attention: Jasmine Rousey  
 South Dakota State Library  
 800 Governors Drive  
 Pierre, SD 57501

The book award committee will tally votes from all participating schools and the winner of each award will be announced during National Library Week in April 2006.

**Please submit the following information with your votes:**

School \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Students voting: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Prairie Bud (K-3) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Prairie Pasque (4-6) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total School Enrollment: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Grades K-3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Grades 4-6 \_\_\_\_\_

- PRAIRIE PASQUE AWARD WINNERS**
- 1987 *Night of the Twisters* – Ivy Ruckman  
 1988 *Switcharound* – Lois Lowry  
 1989 *Royal Pain* – Ellen Conford  
 1990 *This Island Isn't Big Enough for the Four of Us* – Gery Greer and Bob Ruddick  
 1991 *All About Sam* – Lois Lowry  
 1992 *The Doll in the Garden* – Mary Downing Hahn  
 1993 *Hugh Glass, Mountain Man* – Robert C. McClung  
 1994 *Shiloh* – Phyllis Reynolds Naylor  
 1995 *Devil's Bridge* – Cynthia Defelice  
 1996 *Someone Was Watching* – David Patneade  
 1997 *The Best School Year Ever* – Barbara Robinson  
 1998 *Titanic Crossing* – Barbara Williams  
 1999 *Findle* – Andrew Clements  
 2000 *The Adventures of Captain Underpants* – Dav Pilkey  
 2001 *Holes* – Louis Sachar  
 2002 *Bud, Not Buddy* – Christopher Paul Curtis  
 2003 *Because of Winn-Dixie* – Katie DiCamillo  
 2004 *Skeleton Man* – Joseph Bruchac  
 2005 *Double Fudge* – Judy Blume
- PRAIRIE BUD AWARD WINNERS**
- 1998 *Toll-Bridge Troll* – Patricia Wolff  
 1999 *My Little Sister Ate One Hare* – Bill Grossman  
 2000 *Rotten Teeth* – Laura Simms  
 2001 *Look-Alikes* – Joan Steiner  
 2003 *Baby Beebe Bird* – Diane Massey  
 2004 *Wait! No Paint!* – Bruce Whatley  
 2005 *Penny Lee and Her TV* – Glenn McCoy

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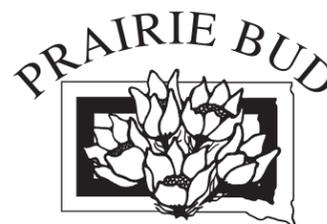
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## South Dakota Children's Book Awards Master List 2005–2006

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### PRAIRIE BUD Nominees

- \_\_\_\_\_ Chandra, Deborah and Madeleine Comora.  
**George Washington's Teeth**  
A rollicking rhyme portrays George Washington's lifelong struggle with bad teeth. (GI K–3)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cheng, Andrea. **The Key Collection**  
A ten-year-old boy in the Midwest misses his Chinese grandmother, who always lived next door until her health caused her to move. (GI 2–3)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Coy, John. **Two Old Potatoes and Me**  
After a young girl finds two old potatoes at her father's house, they plant and tend them to see if they will have new potatoes in September. (GI K–3)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cronin, Doreen. **Diary of a Worm**  
A young worm discovers that there are some very good and some not so good things about being a worm in this great big world. (GI K–3)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fleming, Candace. **Boxes for Katje**  
After a young Dutch girl writes to her new American friend in thanks for the care package sent after World War II, she begins to receive increasingly larger boxes. (GI 1–3)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Franco, Betsy. **Mathemattickles!**  
A collection of poems written in the form of mathematical problems. (GI 2–3)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Jenkins, Steve and Robin Page.  
**What Do You Do With a Tail Like This?**  
Explores the many amazing things animals can do with their ears, eyes, mouths, noses, feet, and tails. (GI K–2)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Koller, Jackie French. **Horace the Horrible: a Knight Meets His Match**  
Horace tries to prove to his niece that he is as good as his brother, the King, while all she wants is to stop missing her father. (GI K–3)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Long, Melinda. **How I Became a Pirate**  
Jeremy Jacob joins Braid Beard and his pirate crew and finds out about aspects of pirate life. (GI K–3)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Micucci, Charles. **The Life and Times of the Ant**  
Describes the evolution, physical characteristics, behavior, and social nature of ants. (GI 2–3)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pattison, Darcy. **Journey of Oliver K. Woodman**  
The remarkable journey across America of Oliver K. Woodman, a man made of wood, is told through letters and postcards. (GI 1–3)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Recorvits, Helen. **My Name is Yoon**  
Disliking her name in English, Korean-born Yoon refers to herself as "cat," "bird," and "cupcake" to feel more comfortable in her new school and country. (GI K–2)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Wheeler, Lisa. **Old Cricket**  
Old Cricket doesn't feel like helping his wife and neighbors prepare for winter, so he pretends to have all sorts of ailments that require a doctor's care. (GI K–2)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Wood, Audrey. **Alphabet Mystery**  
Little x is missing from Charley's alphabet and the other lowercase letters go off to solve the mystery of his disappearance. (GI K–2)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Wright, Betty Ren. **The Blizzard**  
Billy has a very special birthday when his teacher and classmates must stay overnight at his family's house to wait out a snowstorm. (GI 1–3)



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- \_\_\_\_\_ Anderson, Janet S. **The Last Treasure**  
Ellsworth visits relatives he has never met and joins forces with Jess, his distant cousin, to uncover family secrets and search for their ancestor's hidden treasure. (GI 5–6)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Batten, Mary.  
**Aliens from Earth: When Animals and Plants Invade Other Ecosystems**  
Explores how plants and animals enter ecosystems to which they are not native and the consequences of these invasions for other animals, plants, and humans. (GI 4–5)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Codell, Esme Raji. **Sahara Special**  
Sahara gets a fresh start in school with a teacher who supports her writing talents and the individuality of each of her classmates. (GI 4–6)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fleischman, Sid. **Disappearing Act**  
After their mother fails to return from Mexico and they discover that someone is stalking the house, Kevin and his sister flee to California, where they hope that new identities will keep them safe. (GI 4–6)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Johnston, Tony. **The Mummy's Mother**  
When his mother is stolen from her tomb, Ramose, a 4,000-year-old mummy, tries to find her. (GI 4–6)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Kehret, Peg. **Spy Cat**  
A series of burglaries in their quiet community upsets Alex's family, but the bad guys are no match for the protective family cat and Alex's younger brother Benjie. (GI 4–6)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Levine, Karen. **Hana's Suitcase: A True Story**  
The story of a girl who died in the Holocaust with an account of how the curator of a Holocaust center learned about her life after Hana's suitcase was sent to her. (GI 4–5)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Marciano, John Bemelmans. **Harold's Tail**  
After an experiment strips the fur from his tail, Harold the squirrel finds himself homeless and mistaken for a rat on the unfamiliar streets of New York City. (GI 4–5)
- \_\_\_\_\_ O'Malley, Kevin. **Mount Olympus Basketball**  
A basketball game in ancient Greece features gods versus mortals. (GI 4–5)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Peters, Lisa Westberg. **Earthshake: Poems from the Ground Up**  
Presents twenty-two earthshaking poems about geology. (GI 4–6)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ritter, John H. **The Boy Who Saved Baseball**  
The fate of a small California town rests on the outcome of one baseball game, and Tom Gallagher hopes to lead his team to victory. (GI 5–6)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Smith, Cynthia Leitich. **Indian Shoes**  
Ray Halfmoon, a Seminole-Cherokee boy, and his Grampa find creative and amusing solutions to life's challenges. (GI 4–5)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Stauffacher, Sue. **Donuthead**  
Franklin Delano Donuthead, a fifth-grader obsessed with hygiene and safety, finds an unlikely friend in Sarah, the tough new student who is as "irregular" as he is. (GI 4–6)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Winters, Kay. **Voices of Ancient Egypt**  
Craftsmen, artists, and laborers describe the work they do in Egypt during the time of the Old Kingdom. (GI 4–6)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Woodruff, Elvira.  
**Ravenmaster's Secret: Escape from the Tower of London**  
The eleven-year-old son of the Ravenmaster at the Tower of London befriends a Jacobite being held prisoner there. (GI 4–6)