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## **A Message From The Chair.....Ann Burlingame**

The results are in for the North Carolina Book Awards! This year children throughout North Carolina voted for their favorite picture book and juvenile fiction book. The award for favorite Picture Book was Hooway For Wodney Wat by Helen Lester and the winner of the Junior Book Award goes to Toronado by Betsy Byars. Congratulations to our winners and thank you to all the children who participated in the voting.

Mark your calendars now for the 54<sup>th</sup> NCLA Biennial Conference on October 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> at the Benton Convention Center in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. CSS will be sponsoring a number of sessions, which will be covered in this issue of Chapbook by Jacky Miller. Additional highlights of the conference will include:

- FIFTY-and-counting conference sessions and programs
- NINE luncheon or breakfast events
- THREE pre-conferences
- A TOUR of the film school at School of the Arts, including

the film archives and a screening of short films by students.

We also plan to have lots of fun with the following social events:

- A Southwestern/Latino flavored VENDOR RECEPTION  
featuring a Mariachi band
- An all-conference reception featuring a SWING BAND
- A Friday closing dessert reception featuring book signing  
and informal conversation with NC AUTHORS.

We are also very excited that the speaker for our Opening General Session is Mercury Astronaut, Scott Carpenter.

For registration information please see: <http://www.nclaonline.org>

Read on to find out more about the sessions CSS will be sponsoring and remember that Mary Calhoun, author of The Cross Country Cat, will be speaking at the Children's Services Breakfast on Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup>!