



MCA Teacher Continues to Publish Series of Children's Books

Several years ago, during her Creative Writing elective, Mrs. Ann Moore, MCA 6th grade English teacher, gave her students an assignment to write a children's book. As part of teaching them the many different facets of such a project, Mrs. Moore wrote a book as a model for the students. Partly because of her students' encouragement, and partly because she is

concerned about ensuring students maintain common virtues like courtesy and compassion, she decided to get her book published. *Mr. Jay Learns to Share: A Lesson in Compassion* was published two years ago. Since then, Mrs. Moore has had another book published, and is working on a third. The original is being re-illustrated for a second edition as well. On July 11 from 11AM to 2PM, you may meet Mrs. Moore along with the illustrator of her books, Mrs. Sophie Norman, who also happens to be Mrs. Moore's mother, at a book signing at Pages Bookstore on Main Street in Mount Airy. *Shame on Maude: A Lesson in Honesty*, Mrs. Moore's second book, will be available for signing. Additionally, look forward to the next book, *Wait, Carly, Wait: A Lesson in Respect* which will be available in October. Books will be available on a first come basis for \$10 each. Copies may also be found on Amazon.com.



Mrs. Sophie Norman, illustrator (left), and Mrs. Ann Moore, author, will be available at Pages Bookstore on July 11 from 11:00 – 2:00 for a signing of *Shame on Maude: A Lesson in Honesty*.

Upper School Invitatory and Awards Program

MCA held its first Invitatory and Awards program on May 28, 2015, when members of our first high school class invited rising ninth graders to join them in high school. Officers of the 9th grade class were on hand to formally invite students to join them in the great conversation, to manhood and womanhood, and to move upward and onward. Athletic and academic awards were also presented.

Athletic Awards

Soccer

Male MVP – **Emory Bray**

Female MVP – **Olivia Malone**

Volleyball

Serving Award – **Brooksie Lawson**

Coaches Award – **Abigail Spencer**

Girls Basketball

Lion's Pride Award – **Calista Tomchick**

Heart of a Lion Award – **Kayla Friend**

Boys Basketball

Lion's Pride Award – **Kaine Lovill**

Heart of a Lion Award – **Emory Bray**

Baseball

Coaches Award – **Christopher Rutt**

Most Improved – **Jake Gunter**

Softball

Most Improved – **Sydney Watson**

Most Dedicated – **Emily Brooks**

Track

Leadership – **Triston Wolfe**

Leadership – **Sarah Shepherd**

Golf

Leadership – **Derek Cashatt**

Cheerleading

Most Improved – **Gracie Terry**

Lion's Pride Award – **Kinleigh Vinyard**

Academic Awards

Each year, MCA presents subject area awards to those eight grade students who best exemplify scholarship throughout their 6th – 8th grade years. Each award recipient must have a three-year average within the top ten percent of the course and be recognized by the Upper School faculty and staff to exhibit the high ideals of MCA. In addition to the academic awards, MCA also presents a Citizenship Award to the one student who best exemplifies



the highest ideals of the school throughout his or her career at MCA. This individual embodies the Academy's three foundational pillars of scholarship, character, and community, and is known to epitomize the qualities of an exceptional student. Meet our eighth grade academic award winners for the 2014-2015 school year!

Haley Sisson –
Art Award



Calista Tomchick –
Music Award,
History Award



Jacob Hiatt -
Citizenship
Award,
English Award



Sydney Watson –
Science Award

Henry Richardson –
Technology Award



Abigail Spencer –
Student Athlete
Award



Breana Moser –
Spanish Award



Ryan Wagoner –
Math Award

Congratulations to our rising high school students!