

PSLA Conference History

April 19-20, 1974

Harrisburg Host Inn

Keynote Speaker:.....John Pittenger

Banquet Speaker:.....Nat Hentoff

Luncheon Speaker:.....Elizabeth Hoffman

April 4-5, 1975

Seven Springs Mountain Resort

Theme:.....Action: The Key to Quality

Keynote Speaker:.....Dr. Marilyn Miller

Banquet Speaker:.....Alvin Schwartz

Luncheon Speaker:.....Elizabeth Hoffman

Awards:

Author:.....Marguerite De Angeli

Special:.....Elizabeth Hoffman

April 8-10, 1976

Hershey Lodge and Convention Center

Theme:.....Curriculum '76

Keynote Speaker:.....Dr. Barry Farnum

Banquet Speaker:.....Virginia Hamilton

Luncheon Speaker:.....Gerald McDermott

Awards:

Author:.....Lloyd Alexander

Contributor:.....Dr. Robert Grimm

School LMC Program:.....Boyertown

Special:.....Helen A. Ganser

April 28-30, 1977

Downingtown Motor Inn

Theme:.....Dear Class! I Love You:

Keynote Speaker:.....Harry Wong

Banquet Speaker:.....M.E.Kerr

Luncheon Speaker:.....Lillian Hoban

Awards:

Author:.....Margaret Hodges

Contributor:.....Ruth Ann Davies

School LMC Program:.....North Penn

April 27-29, 1978

Seven Springs Mountain Resort

Theme:.....Learning From Today and
Yesterday For Tomorrow

Keynote Speaker:.....Daniel Fader

Banquet Speaker:.....Beverly Cleary

Luncheon Speaker:.....Arnold Lobel

Awards:

Author:.....Jean Fritz

Contributor:.....Alice Bartz

School LMC Program:.....District of Lancaster

April 24-26, 1979

Philadelphia Marriott

Theme:.....The Subject is Learning

Keynote Speaker:.....Dr. Richard Foster

Banquet Speaker:.....Bette Greene

Luncheon Speaker:.....Peter Spier

Awards:

Author:.....Carolyn Haywood

Contributor:.....Doris Rosenberger

April 10-12, 1980

Seven Springs Mountain Resort

Theme:.....Every School A Good School

Keynote Speaker:.....Robert Scanlon

Banquet Speaker:.....Robert Cormier

Luncheon Speaker:.....Ed Emberley

Awards:

Author:.....Walter Farley

Contributor:.....Gwendolyn Brown

School LMC Program :.....Abington

April 25-28, 1981

Hershey Lodge and Convention Center

Theme:.....Together We Can Make It Happen

Keynote Speaker:.....Dr. Fenwick English

Banquet Speaker:.....Betty Martin & Ben Carson

Luncheon Speaker:.....Lee Bennett Hopkins

Awards:

Author:.....Harriet May Savitz

Contributor:.....Sara R. Mack

April 22-24, 1982

Philadelphia Marriott

Theme:.....Looking Back-Moving Ahead

Keynote Speaker:.....Dr. Zacharie J. Clements

Banquet Speaker:.....Sue Ellen Bridgers

Luncheon Speaker:.....Stan & Jan Berenstain

Awards:

Author:.....James Michener

School LMC Program:.....Centennial

Contributor:.....Joan Diana

May 5-7, 1983

Seven Springs Mountain Resort

Theme:.....Challenge and Change

Keynote Speaker:.....Carol C. Lewis

Banquet Speaker:.....Richard Peck

Luncheon Speaker:.....Jose Aruego

Awards:

Author:.....Robin Brancato

Contributor:.....Jack Luskay

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April 26-28, 1984

Hershey Lodge and Convention Center

Theme: Invest in the Future: Teach a Child

Keynote Speaker: Dorothy DeBolt

Banquet Speaker: Katherine Paterson

Luncheon Speaker: Steve Kellog

Awards:

Author: Muriel Feelings

Contributor: Minda M. Sanders

April 11-13, 1985

Lancaster Host Farm

Theme: Kaleidoscope: Changing Images

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Emeral Crosby

Banquet Speaker: Norma Fox Mazer

Luncheon Speaker: Eric Carle

Awards

Author: Barbara Robinson

Contributor: Dr. Charles Walker

School LMC Program: Peters Township

April 17-19, 1986

Hershey Lodge and Convention Center

Theme: Reflections

Keynote Speaker: Jonathan Kozol

Banquet Speaker: Jean Craighead George

Luncheon Speaker: Tomie De Paola

Awards

Author: Barbara Brenner

Contributor: Marion Saul

School LMC Program: Mt. Lebanon

Special: Marvin Miller

April 9-11, 1987

Hershey Lodge and Convention Center

Theme: Connections

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Dov Peretz Elkins

Banquet Speaker: Gary Paulsen

Luncheon Speaker: Marc Brown

Awards:

Author: Lucille Wallower

Contributor: Shirley Pittman

April 14-16, 1988

Hershey Lodge and Convention Center

Theme: Celebrations!

Keynote Speaker: Jack Taub

Banquet Speaker: Norma Klein

Luncheon Speaker: Donald Crews

Awards:

Author: Fred Rogers

Contributor: Doris Epler

April 27-29, 1989

Seven Springs Mountain Resort

Theme: Partnerships

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Hancock McCarty

Banquet Speaker: E.L. Konigsburg

Luncheon Speaker: Trina Schart Hyman

Awards:

Author: Marc Brown

Contributor: Sue Walker

School LMC Program: Elizabethtown

April 26-28, 1990

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center

Theme: Challenges for the 90's

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Julia Thomason

Banquet Speaker: Lois Duncan

Luncheon Speaker: Alik

Awards:

Author: Carolyn Meyer

Contributor: Dorothy Lawley

April 18-20, 1991

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center

Theme: Be A Star

Keynote Speaker: Kaycee Hale

Banquet Speaker: Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

Luncheon Speaker: Gail Gibbons

Awards:

Author: Alik

Contributor: Celeste D. Nalwasky

April 30-May 2, 1992

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center

Theme: Restructuring: Opportunities for Excellence

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Beverly Kobrin

Banquet Speaker: Joan Lowry Nixon

Luncheon Speaker: Jim Aronsky

Awards:

Author: Jerry Spinelli

Contributor: Gerald Cumer

School LMC Program: State College

April 29-May 1, 1993

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center

Theme: Collaboration

Keynote Speaker: Joni Bodart

Banquet Speaker: Hadley Irwin

Luncheon Speaker: Leonard Everette Fisher

Awards

Author: Paula Danziger

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Contributor:.....Blanche Woolls
School LMC Program.....Council Rock

April 28-April 30, 1994

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center
Theme:Building Bridges: Tradition, Transition,
Transformation

Keynote Speaker:.....Dr. Albert Mamary
Banquet Speaker:Lois Lowry
Luncheon Speaker:.....Deborah Norse Lattimore

Awards

Author:.....Lois Lowry
Contributor:.....Jim Fogarty

April 27-April 30, 1995

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center
Theme:.....Books and Beyond
Keynote Speaker:.....Dr. Caroline Feller Bauer
Banquet Speaker:.....Russell Freedman
Luncheon Speaker:.....Thomas Locker

Awards:

Author:.....Robin Moore
Contributor:.....Margaret Tassia
School LMC Program:.....Upper St. Clair

April 25- April 27, 1996

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center
Theme:.....Media Magic
Keynote Speaker:.....Frank Charles Winstead
Banquet Speaker:.....Tom Feelings
Luncheon Speaker:.....Robert San Souci

April 17-19, 1997

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center
Theme:.....Paradigms Found
Keynote Speaker:.....Ken Haycock
Banquet Speaker:.....Jerry Pinkney
Luncheon Speaker:.....Chris Crutcher

Awards

Author:.....Nancy Springer
Contributor:.....Dr. Jacqueline Mancall

April 30-May 2, 1998

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center
Theme:.....Mission Possible
Keynote Speaker:.....Dr. Carol Kuhlthau
Banquet Speaker:Johanna Hurwitz
Luncheon Speaker:David Wisniewski

Awards

Author:Lois Duncan
Contributor:Diana Murphy

April 22-24, 1999

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center
Theme:.....The Power of Information
Keynote Speaker:.....Dr. Michael Eisenberg
Banquet Speaker:.....Cynthia Voigt
Luncheon Speaker.....Robert Bender

Awards

Author:.....Judith Gorog
Contributor.....Sally Myers

May 4-6, 2000

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center
Theme.....Kids Kount
Keynote Speaker:.....Dr. Andrew Clements
Banquet Speaker:.....Robert Newton Peck
Luncheon:.....Patricia Polacco

Awards

Author.....Jerry Pinkney
Contributor:John Emerick
School LMC Program.....Garnet Valley

April 26-28, 2001

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center
Theme.....Take the Spotlight
Keynote Speaker.....Dr. Gary Hartzell
Banquet Speaker.....Will Hobbs
Luncheon Speaker.....Paul Zelinsky

Awards

Author.....Susan Campbell Bartoletti
Contributor.....Debra Kachel
Individual School.....John A. Pidgeon Library,
Kiski School

April 18-20, 2002

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center
Theme.....Navigating the [Future@Your](#) Library
Keynote Speaker.....Dr. Jamie McKenzie
Banquet Speaker.....Simms Taback
Luncheon SpeakerJoan Bauer

Awards

AuthorElizabeth Howard
Contributor.....Becky Frost

April 24-26, 2003

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center
Theme.....Shaping the Future
Keynote Speaker.....Doug Johnston
Banquet Speaker.....T.A. Barron
Luncheon Speaker.....Brad Bagert

Awards

Author.....Megan Lloyd
Contributor.....Cynthia Keller
Individual School.....Strath Haven High School

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April 29-May 1, 2004

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center

Theme.....Global Connections with a Local Touch
 Keynote Speaker.....Dr. Harry Wong
 Breakfast Speaker.....Peter Catalanotto
 Banquet Speaker.....Pam Munoz Ryan
 Luncheon Speaker.....Esmé Raji Codell

Awards

Author..... Peter Catalanotto
 Contributor.....Dr. Larry Nesbit
 Individual School.....Springton Lake Middle School

April 28-30, 2005

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center

Theme.....Powering Up!
 Keynote Speaker.....Dr. Kathy Hirsch-Pasek
 Breakfast Speaker.....Laurie Myers
 Banquet Speaker.....Judith Kristen
 Luncheon Speaker.....Chris Soentpiet

Awards

Author..... E,B Lewis
 Contributor.....Janice Dysart
 Individual School.....Springfield Township High School

May 4-6, 2006

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center

Theme.....Get On Board the Leadership Express
 Keynote Speaker.....Stephen Krashen
 Banquet Speaker.....Bruce Coville
 Luncheon Speaker.....Laurie Halse Anderson

Awards

Author..... John Manders
 Contributor..... Eileen Kern
 Individual School.....Garnet Valley High School
 School LMC Program.....West Chester
 Poetry.....Joyce Sidman
 Professional Development.....Terry Morriston

April 12-14, 2007

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center

Theme.....The Future is in Your Hands @ your library®
 Keynote Speaker.....Jim Trelease
 Banquet Speaker.....Gordon Korman
 Luncheon Speaker.....Chris Raschka

Awards

Author..... Richard Ammon
 Contributor.....Dr. Mary Kay Biagini
 Program.....Ephrata School District

May 1-3, 2008

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center

Theme...SCORE!!! With Information Literacy and Reading @your library®
 Keynote Speaker..... Allison Zmuda
 Banquet Speaker.....Ridley Pearson
 Luncheon Speaker.....Kadir Nelson
 Official Attendance.....1007

Awards

Illustrator.....Laurie Ann Klein
 Contributor.....Joseph A. Marrone, Ph.D.
 Poetry.....Carole Boston Weatherford
 Individual School.....Maureen M. Welsh School

April 30-May 2, 2009

Penn State Conference Center, State College, PA

Theme..... Evidence Found!!! @your library®
 Keynote Speaker..... Dr. Ross Todd
 Banquet Speaker.....Adam Rex
 Luncheon Speaker.....Rick Riordan
 Official Attendance.....642

Awards

Author.....Katherine Ayres
 Contributor.....Joyce Valenza
 Individual School.....Bower Hill Elementary
 Special Recognition.....Keith McCall

April 15-17, 2010

Penn State Conference Center, State College, PA

Theme.....Make Your Mark @ Your Library®
 Keynote Speaker..... Stephanie Vance
 Banquet Speaker.....Robin Wasserman
 Luncheon Speaker.....Laura Amy Schlitz
 Official Attendance.....550

Awards

Author.....Gary R. Phillips
 Contributor.....Geneva Reeder
 Individual School..Hempfield High School (Lancaster)
 School LMC Program..Peters Township School Dist.
 Special Recognition Baruch Kintish
 Rep. Mark Longietti