



Libraries Southwest

Libraries Southwest is a non-profit corporation of libraries, librarians, trustees, and individuals interested in the promotion and enhancement of libraries and library services in Southwest Louisiana.

Libraries Southwest institutional members are: Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron, Evangeline,

Jefferson Davis, South St. Landry Community Library, Vermillion, and Vernon parish libraries, as well as Calcasieu Parish School Libraries, Frazar Memorial Library at McNeese State University, SOWELA Technical Community College, and the Northwestern State University Library at Leesville.

Lynda Carlberg Award

Lynda Carlberg was the former director of the Calcasieu Parish Library System, 1978-1997. She was active in state, regional and national library activities. She was the heart of Libraries Southwest.

The Lynda Carlberg Award was established to honor the memory of a dear friend, and to honor special individuals for their contributions to libraries.

Previous recipients of the Libraries Southwest Lynda Carlberg Award are:

Sallie Farrell, 1998
Minnie Lou Lynch, 1999
Tom Jaques, 2000
Joy Lowe, 2002
Ralph Boe, 2004
Joe Landrum, 2005
Gretchen Fairbanks, 2007
Sona Dombourian, 2009
Lyle Johnson, 2012
Michael E. Matthews, 2013
Sara Zimmerman, 2014
Amanda Taylor, 2015
Beth Vandersteen, 2016



2016 ANNUAL AUTHOR DINNER LIBRARIES SOUTHWEST

Tuesday, October 18 at 5:00 p.m.

Treasures of Marilyn's

3510 5th Avenue

Lake Charles, Louisiana 70607

337.477.3553

5:00 p.m. - Meet and Greet

6:00 p.m. - Dinner followed by the
Lynda Carlberg Award Presentation
and Author Program

Tickets are \$30 each



2016 LYNDA CARLBERG AWARD RECIPIENT Beth Vandersteen



Beth Vandersteen has been working in libraries since 1967 when she started as an after school student worker at the Jackson Parish Library in Jonesboro, LA.

From there her career took off, receiving her MLIS from LSU in 1976 and her MS in elementary education from Louisiana Tech in 1979.

Serving as Assistant Director at the Rapides Parish Library from 1982-2007 she worked to develop the Rapides Library's preschool outreach program that received a national *Coming Up Taller Award* presented by First Lady Laura Bush in 2005.

Now as Director at the West Baton Rouge Parish Library, she has doubled the number of librarians serving the public inside the West Baton Rouge Parish Library, launched a new website and added the position of Network Administrator to stay up to date on technology.

Vandersteen served as 2nd Vice President of the Louisiana Library Association in 1988 and as 1st Vice President in 1995 before becoming President in 1996.

She has served on several of the committees, including the Annual Conference Chair (2005), Continuing Education Committee Chair (1998), Trustee Education Committee (1995), and the Public Library Section Chair (1992) among others.

Her awards include the Essae M. Culver Award for Distinguished Service for Lifetime Accomplishments in the Field of Librarianship (2015), the Human Relations Award presented by the City of Alexandria (2007), Capital One Louisiana Education Initiative, Preschool Outreach Grant (2006), the LLA/NMRT Anthony Benoit Mid-Career Award for Outstanding Contributions to the Field of Librarianship (1994), and the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities Special Humanities Award (1987).

C. C. Lockwood

Wildlife photographer C.C. Lockwood has lived and worked in fragile ecosystems whose preservation shapes his artistry.

Through words and images, he has captured the unique sense of space in wild places as diverse as Louisiana swampland and the rugged back country of the American West. His work has earned him international acclaim as an environmental artist, including the Sierra Club's Ansel Adams Award for conservation photography. Lockwood's work continues to reflect changes and perils in the natural world. His eleventh book, *Marsh Mission*, is part of a years-long effort by Lockwood to bring attention to the crisis of vanishing Gulf Coast wetlands.

His newest book, *Louisiana Wild, The Lands Protected and Restored by The Nature Conservancy*, portrays the good work this organization is doing on over 280,000 acres of land in our state.

Future projects include books on sunsets, beaches, and dogs. He is also working on a sustainable agriculture project.

He will soon produce a digital book on birds for handheld media machines. Most recently C.C.'s iconic image, "Flat Lake Sunset," has been chosen by the USPS to be the official bicentennial stamp.

C.C. Lockwood was born in Kansas City, Missouri, in the late 1940's and grew up in Fort Smith, Arkansas, where he graduated from Southside High School.

He moved to Louisiana in 1967 to attend Louisiana State University, where he received his B.S. in Finance in 1971. During his early years in Louisiana, he fell in love with the state's swampy backcountry, and he abandoned plans for a career in business as soon as he graduated. He taught himself photography and headed for wild places, determined to make a living capturing images of nature. Much of this time has been on a houseboat.

He has been married to Sue Richardson since 1996.



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