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Young Authors “Build Bridges” and Writing Awards

Aspiring Nicholas Sparks and JK Rowlings gathered Sunday, March 29th at Meredith College for the 2009 Young Authors Celebration sponsored by the Raleigh-Wake Council of the North Carolina Reading Association.

Four St. Michael School students were among those honored. Seventh Graders Celia B., Catherine G., Emily L. and Bridget M. wrote essays and poems with the theme “Bridges” as part of a Language Arts class project.

Each young author was presented with a copy of the book *Bridges of Understanding*. Emily Lutz received the first copy during a presentation that unveiled her artwork on the front cover.

The contest organizers also decided to use more artwork from St. Michael students to illustrate the book’s pages. Pictures drawn by the following students can be found on various pages: Christina D., Sam H., Savannah L., Hannah M., Camille M., Morgan R., Connor R., and Shannon T..

On April 25th, the four winning Young Authors will obtain more tributes when nearly 500 North Carolina winners of the writing contest attend a reception in Raleigh.

The Young Author’s Project is an annual writing contest sponsored by the North Carolina Reading Association and its local councils. St. Michael’s “Building Bridges” writing pieces were entered by 7th grade writing teacher Cindy Johanson.

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