

WILMINGTON, NC, August 23, 2014 /24-7PressRelease/ -- Children's book author Deanie Humphrys-Dunne has announced the 'Tails of Sweetbrier' is one of five finalists in the CLIPPA Awards in the 3rd - 4th Grade category.

'Tails of Sweetbrier' is a true story about a little girl who dreams of becoming a champion horseback rider. Deanie was born with a handicap, which made walking difficult. When doctors say she will never be able to walk, her dad decides to teach her to ride horses. This inspirational story shows children that nothing is impossible "if you don't quit."

"I'm extremely honored to be one of the finalists for the CLIPPA Awards in the third and fourth grade category," Deanie stated. "I am most grateful that the judges felt 'Tails of Sweetbrier' was worthy of this special recognition. I wrote this story so that children will know that perseverance is the key to success. I'm especially thankful to my sister, Holly Humphrys-Bajaj, for her beautiful illustrations and cover, which bring my book to life."

Deanie believes the message that perseverance is the key to accomplishing amazing things is one that can benefit every child. Through her inspiring, real life and fictional works, children will learn that anything is possible if they refuse to give up on their dreams. Through her works, children are reminded that tenacity is the key to success. They will see proof that obstacles can be overcome and that quitting only guarantees failure.

Deanie wants to be a positive influence to children. She loves to write entertaining stories that emphasize important values such as; never giving up, setting goals, and working together to realize great things. Her objective is to write books that build self-esteem and confidence in children. She works tirelessly to write books that would appeal to children and also teach them valuable lessons, presented in an engaging manner. Other books written by Deanie include 'Charlene The Star', 'Charlene The Star And Hattie's Heroes' and 'Charlie The Horse'.

The CLIPPA website states, "Children's Literature Independently Published Principals' Award celebrates books for elementary-school-age children that offer fun, learning and creativity and were created by authors who have self-published their works. The books nominated for the CLIPPA are judged by Elementary School Principals, Reading Specialists and Distinguished Authors."

"Awarding the top independently published children's books, the CLIPPA aims to stimulate awareness of self-published books for elementary age children and celebrate top works that

provide pages filled with fun learning for young readers."

'Tails of Sweetbrier' also took the Silver Medal in the Feathered Quill Book Awards in the Juvenile/YA Nonfiction category in 2014.

Deanie Humphrys-Dunne is a children's author with 4 published books. All of her books are beautifully illustrated by her sister, Holly Humphrys-Bajaj.

Deanie and Holly specialize in books that promote positive, character building messages for children.

Deanie is a graduate of the Institute of Children's Literature. She has been featured on several author websites and received top billing in one of her interviews with renowned author, Amb. Claire Power Murphy on womensradio.com. In addition she has been honored with numerous blogging awards and nominations including: The Sunshine Award, The Best Moment Award, The Super Sweet Award, The Very Inspiring Blogger Award, The Sisterhood of the World Award, and the I'm Part of the WordPress Family Award.

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