

New England Roundtable of Teen and Children's Librarians presents:

Leave 'em Laughing: Humor in Children's and YA Literature

Friday, March 23, 2007

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Worcester State College Student Center, Worcester, MA



Join us for an enjoyable day exploring this very popular genre of literature!

Registration and coffee are from 9-10am. **Booksale** 9am-4pm

And.....stand-up comic, **Dan the Librarian** (yes, really) will interject some of his special brand of humor throughout the day!

Speakers include:

Jarrett J. Krosoczka

Author/illustrator of the award-winning **Punk Farm**, **My Buddy Slug**, and **Giddy up, Cowgirl**, among others, will share his cutting edge humor so evident in his work as well as on his website <http://www.studiojkk.com> Jarrett is now looking forward to the Fall 2007 release of **Punk Farm on Tour** and his upcoming series of graphic novels.

Gail Gauthier

"Enjoys poking fun at sacred cows" in her books for middle grade readers: **Happy Kid!**, **Saving the Planet & Stuff**, **The Hero of Ticonderoga**, and **Club Earth** among others. Gail will present *Where Does Humor Come From and What Can a Writer Do With It!* Check out her website- <http://www.gailgauthier.com>

Kathleen Odean

Has brought her considerable experience as children's librarian, SLJ reviewer and chair of the 2002 Newbery Award Committee to her well-known series of **Great Books for Boys**, **Great Books for Girls**, **Great Books about Things Kids Love** and **Great Books for Babies and Toddlers**. She will present *Who Decides What's Funny? Evaluating Humor in Books*. For more info see <http://www.kathleenodean.com>

After lunch, all speakers will participate in a Closing Panel. Booksigning will follow.

Foul Weather policy: Call the main College number- (508)929-8000

[Registration Form](#)