

MLS Awards 2009

Purpose:

The purpose of the Metropolitan Library System awards is to recognize MLS member libraries, trustees, MLS staff, and government officials for their contribution to libraries and/or the field of librarianship.

The winners of the 2009 MLS Awards were announced at the October 21, 2009 Annual Meeting and are as follows:

Janet Hayes Excellence in Customer Service

- Scott Remmenga (MLS Director of Finance)

Outstanding Government Official - *Continual Support*

- Mayor David Webb, Jr. (Mayor of Harvey, IL)
- Congressman Bobby Rush

Trustee of the Year

- Carol Vaughan-Kissane (Brookfield Public Library)

Outstanding Advocacy

- Dr. Steven Baule (Community Unit School District 201)

Best Practices in a Library

- Blue Island Public Library

Library Leadership

- Paul Whitsitt (Chicago Public Schools)

Innovation in Technology

- Darren Thompson (Blue Island Public Library)

Lifetime Achievement

- Judy Fries (Frankfort Public Library - retiree)

Susan Roberts Strengthening the Profession

- Jane Schulten (Crete Public Library District)

Special Recognitions

- Donald Schnering (Board President of Posen Public Library)
- Chicago Ridge Public Library (for its Chick-It-Out Program)