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## Columbia Author Wins Award

### Lucy Nolan Takes Silver for “Mother Osprey: Nursery Rhymes for Buoys and Gulls”

**Mount Pleasant, S.C.** (October 25, 2010) – On Saturday, October 9, 2010, the Florida Publishers Association (FPA) presented its 2010 President’s Book Awards to members whose books were chosen as the best in 16 different categories. “**Mother Osprey: Nursery Rhymes for Buoys and Gulls**”, written by local author, Lucy Nolan, was awarded a silver medal in the children’s picture book category.

Winners were selected from 61 entries by the competition’s 28 judges (25 librarians from across Florida and 3 members of nationally recognized book design firms). One gold and up to two silver medals were awarded in each category.

What happened to the old woman who lived in a shell? Why was the Hatteras Lighthouse falling down? This and other questions are answered in Lucy Nolan’s playful take on traditional nursery rhymes in “**Mother Osprey.**”

“**Mother Osprey**” emphasizes the importance of our coastline and waterways and includes fun facts about different coastal regions across America. Connie McLennan’s illustrations help bring lighthearted personality to old rhymes.

Nolan has been collecting tales from her vacations to Pawley’s Island, S.C. and Amelia Island, Fla. since she was a child. It was only natural that she would eventually combine her love of the sea and storytelling in “**Mother Osprey**”. Nolan is also the author of the “Down Girl and Sit” chapter books. She is a two-time winner in the South Carolina Fiction project, sponsored by the South Carolina Arts Commission. She lives in Columbia, S.C., with her daughter and dog. Visit her website at [www.lucynolanbooks.com](http://www.lucynolanbooks.com).

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