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**Report to the WLA Executive Board and Wyoming State Reading Council from
Wyoming Book Awards Advisor**

The winners of the Wyoming Book Awards for 2017-2018 are as follows:

Soaring Eagle: *Long Way Down* by Jason Reynolds with 29 votes

- 1st Runner-up: *Projekt 1065* by Alan Gratz with 28 votes
- 2nd Runner-up: *Three Dark Crowns* by Kendare Blake with 27 votes

Indian Paintbrush: *The War That Saved My Life* by Kimberly Bradley with 176 votes

- 1st Runner Up: *Restart* by Gordon Korman with 152 votes
- 2nd Runner Up: *Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus* by Dusti Bowling with 132 votes

Buckaroo Book: *The Legend of Rock, Paper, Scissors* by Drew Daywalt with 1055 votes

- 1st Runner Up: *Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea* by Ben Clanton with 690 votes
- 2nd Runner Up: *The Princess and the Pony* by Kate Beaton with 512 votes

Interesting facts from the committees:

- There were 219 votes cast for Soaring Eagle, 917 for Indian Paintbrush and 4502 for Buckaroo Book. These numbers are down significantly over previous years.. 193 for Soaring Eagle, 500 for Indian Paintbrush and 2750 for Buckaroo book.
- Buckaroo Committee donated \$75 to the Pilcrow Foundation in honor of the winning author and received a really nice thank you note. Mr. Daywalt was also sent a mug engraved with the Buckaroo logo.
- By committee consensus, it has been decided that nominations will end March 1st for all committees and voting will cease on April 1st. This gives all committee members more time to read the nominations and students more time to read the nominees.

The 3 awards are sponsored and supported by both Wyoming Library Association and Wyoming State Literacy Association(WSLA) formerly, Wyoming State Reading Council.

Respectfully submitted,

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