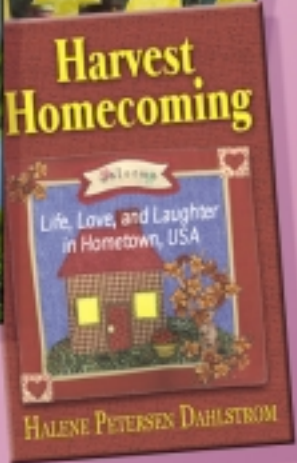
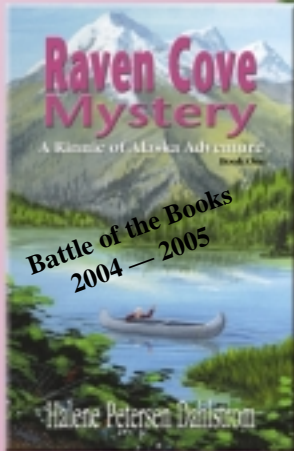


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engaging romp with Bonnie Bear and her animal friends. Written by author and award winning photographer Rebecca Irvin Clement. *The Alaska Adventure Bears Series* is a big hit with young children. Mrs. Clement, a retired teacher, combines her love for nature, photography and teaching to help children learn to read and write.

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# Authors In Your School

## Focus on Writing



Rebecca Irvin Clement



Halene Petersen Dahlstrom

## Focus — K through 3rd Grade Outline of Classroom Visit

### Writing Stories With Young Children

As a primary teacher for many years, I know what it takes to keep young children engaged in a topic. With the participation of the students and using my own stories, I demonstrate that it only takes a few familiar words to write a story. I will also discuss character development, word choice, setting and dialogue. The children will experience the rhythm of words and learn the songs from my books. I assure you my presentation will be age appropriate and leave the students with ideas for writing their own stories. I encourage you to invite the children to bring their favorite teddy bear on the day of my visit.

#### Follow up classroom activities include:

- 10 Things I Can Write About
- A Story Plan Outline
- Teddy Bear headband or puppet
- Alaska Adventure Bear web page stories to read and write an ending

To find out more about the Alaska Adventure Bears visit their web page [www.alaskaadventurebears.com](http://www.alaskaadventurebears.com)  
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**Rebecca Irvin Clement**, retired teacher and award winning photographer, spends summers exploring the North, from the rain forest of Southeast Alaska to the tundra of the Arctic. The Alaska Adventure Bears accompany her on these trips and then return to classrooms to help young children learn to read and enjoy nature. Mrs. Clement combines her love of adventure, photography and teaching to create books that captivate the imagination of beginning readers. She lives with her husband, two sons and lots of little bears. Becky is the author of *Bears in the Berry Patch* and *A Picnic with Friends*.

## Agenda

### Before the Author Visit

The school will receive a media packet which contains: photographs of the authors and book covers, press releases for school newsletter, information for teachers concerning classroom visits, master copy of entry form for assembly prizes, an Alaska Adventure Bear and camera and a copy of each author's books for display.

### Day of Event

- Meet and Greet Assembly: 45 minutes  
Introduction of authors with a slide show presentation  
Drawings for lunch with the Authors  
(students supply own lunch)  
Drawing for books and prizes
- Classroom Visits: 45-60 minutes  
Classes can be grouped together as needed
- Lunch with the Authors
- End Of The Day:  
book signing and purchase

**PRICE:** \$250 Per Author Per Day  
Additional fees for transportation and housing if required.

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## Focus — 4th through 6th Grade Outline of Classroom Visit

### Writing for Enjoyment and Success

I love to share the joy of writing with students in a classroom setting. The session begins with a brief introduction of the books I have written, and my involvement with Battle of the Books, sponsored by the Alaska Association of School Librarians. Throughout the presentation, the students engage in dialogue and activities as we review six traits of writing, such as: ideas, voice, word choice, sentence fluency and creative conventions. The session concludes with a discussion about autographs, and how the students can achieve their dreams.

#### Follow up classroom activities include:

- Classroom Presentation Writing Activity
- Raven Cove Mystery—A Rinnie of Alaska Adventure Summary Worksheet
- Vocabulary Challenge

To find out more about Halene's books, visit her publisher's website [www.publicationconsultants.com](http://www.publicationconsultants.com)  
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**Halene Petersen Dahlstrom** resides in Anchorage, Alaska. Creative writing has been a passion of hers from an early age, and her major in college. Besides being a writer, she is a wife, mother of four grown children, active in church and community as a speaker, volunteer, and program coordinator. Her book *Raven Cove Mystery—A Rinnie of Alaska Adventure* was selected to be on the **2004-05 Battle of the Books**. Halene's first book, *Christmas Connections—miracles one good deed at a time* is a delightful holiday novel. *Harvest Homecoming—life, love, and laughter in Hometown, USA* continues the saga of characters that we've come to know and love.