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“For so many of us who studied with Dr. Weiss, we learned not only what and how to teach, but we learned by Dr. Weiss’ daily example, the power of the teacher’s position,” said Ms. Winkler. “As a role model, Dr. Weiss shaped my commitment to teaching and my passion for young adult literature.”

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of English, and the International Reading Association. The New Jersey Reading Association’s “M. Jerry Weiss Book Award,” affectionately known as “The Jerry,” was established in his honor in 1993, and he was also the first New Jersey resident to receive the International Reading Association’s Arbuthnot Award.

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