



FINGER LAKES DISTRICT 7120

AREA 8 LITERACY PROJECT



"PRINCIPALS BOOK OF THE MONTH" PRESENTATION - SCHOOL 33



"What can Rotary do for you?" was the question posed to a local educator. Her reply was straight to the point: "We need books to enable our students to learn to read."

In a subsequent conversation with the Director of Grace Urban Ministries (GUM), the same question was asked. Similarly, the reply was, "We need books to help students at our neighboring elementary school."

Thus was born the "Area 8 Literacy Project" developed by the Scottsville Rotary Club. Initiated in 2005, the plan was created to cultivate a network of partners, bonded by a common interest, to assist school administrators and teachers with providing reading materials for students K-6 in Rochester. Partnering with Schools #33 and #34 in the Rochester School District, the initial step was to identify the needs of these schools.

The first goal of the project was to provide new books for the "Principal's Book of the Month" accelerated reading program at School #33. Scottsville Rotary Club contacted other clubs in Area 8 and Avon, Caledonia-Mumford, Rochester Deaf, and Rush-Henrietta responded to Scottsville's request. The participating clubs contributed over \$2,000 seed money to begin this project. The second goal was to acquire dictionaries to be donated to School #34 for all their third grade students. This was fulfilled by Scottsville Rotary.

Later in 2005, an additional project was developed to furnish both schools with "gently" used books to restock their libraries. The total number of books needed was determined to be 14,000 over a period of 6 years. It is important to note that Avon contributed the single most total of books at one time: 1150!!

Through the cooperation and hard work of the five Rotary Clubs, and the publicity in their respective communities, the project has expanded to include the following:

- Mt. Morris School library book replenishment in 2008: all clubs
- Hope Hall School student breakfast program: Scottsville Rotary
- Guam Elementary School for the hearing impaired: RDR, Scottsville, District 7120
- Eyle Elementary School participation with School 33: Rush-Henrietta Rotary
- School 33 dictionary project: Rush-Henrietta
- Funding for new books: All clubs, District 7120
- Rochester General Hospital: used books for library (all clubs)
- Strong Memorial Hospital: used books for library (all clubs)
- Henrietta Senior Center: used books for library (all clubs)
- Clothing for tornado victims and other charities: RDR, Scottsville, District 7120



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2005

SCHOOL 33 - (K-6)

PRINCIPALS BOOK OF THE MONTH ACCELERATED READING PROJECT

SCHOOL 34- (K-6) - DICTIONARIES FOR EACH THIRD GRADER

HOPE HALL SCHOOL-

SUPPORT BREAKFAST PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS

2006

(PROGRAMS ADDED)

SCHOOL 33- GENTLY USED BOOKS TO REPLENISH LIBRARY INVENTORY
FURNISH DICTIONARIES FOR THIRD GRADERS

SCHOOL 34- GENTLY USED BOOKS TO REPLENISH LIBRARY INVENTORY

KATRINA VICTIMS (FL)- CLOTHING DRIVE

GRACE URBAN MINISTRIES- FURNISHED CLOTHING, FOOD, TOYS

GUAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - SUPPLIES FOR RDR TEACHER

AREA 8 JOINT MEETING DONATES MONEY FOR PROJECTS

2007

(PROGRAMS ADDED)

FYLE ELEMENTARY- PARTNERS WITH SCHOOL 33

CREATES JOINT ACCELERATED READING (R-H ROTARY)

CLOTHING DONATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL NON PROFITS

HENRIETTA SENIORS - RECEIVES USED BOOKS FOR CLIENT USE

SCHOOL 34- PRIZES AND AWARDS CONTRIBUTED FOR ACCELERATED READING

PROGRAM BY WHEATLAND CHILI INTERACT CLUB



2008

(PROGRAMS ADDED)

MT. MORRIS CENTRAL SCHOOL - BOOKS TO REPLENISH LIBRARIES (K-12)

ROCHESTER GENERAL HOSPITAL - USED BOOKS FOR PATIENT LIBRARY

STRONG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL - USED BOOKS FOR PATIENT LIBRARY

MEAL AND MORE - DONATION OF CLOTHING FOR THE HOMELESS

2009

(PARTIAL PROJECTION)

EAST HIGH SCHOOL - DICTIONARIES (SCOTTSVILLE)

OBTAIN CORPORATE FINANCING - RICHARD STANKEVICH - (SCOTTSVILLE)

SEARCH FOR GRANT(S)

DEVELOP A LITERACY PROJECT - STATE SCHOOL AT INDUSTRY

HIGHLAND HOSPITAL - USED BOOKS

ORGANIZATIONS PARTICIPATING:

AVON ROTARY - CAL-MUM ROTARY - ROCHESTER DEAF ROTARY -

RUSH-HENRIETTA ROTARY - SCOTTSVILLE ROTARY -

ROTARY DISTRICT 7120

ROBERTS WESLEYAN ROTORACT CLUB

WHEATLAND CHILI CENTRAL SCHOOL

SENIOR HIGH NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

INTERACT CLUB

T.J. CONNOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

ROTA YOUTH ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB

RUSH-HENRIETTA INTERACT CLUB

FYLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION

SCOTTSVILLE LIONS CLUB

SMITH - WARREN AMERICAN LEGION

RUSH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CHOIR

WADSWORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY - GENESEO, NY

MANY ROTARIANS

MANY GENEROUS INDIVIDUALS

OVERVIEW OF PROJECT

PRINCIPALS BOOK OF THE MONTH FUNDING - SCHOOL 33 -----	\$7700.00
GUAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SUPPLIES -----	\$2000.00
TOTAL	\$9700.00

USED BOOKS FOR LIBRARY REPLENISHMENT -SCHOOL 34 -	4759
SCHOOL 33 -	7376
MT. MORRIS CENTRAL SCHOOL -	928
STATE SCHOOL AT INDUSTRY -	55
TOTAL =	13,118

DICTIONARY PROJECT : THIRD GRADERS - SCHOOL 34 -	400
THIRD GRADERS - SCHOOL 33 -	900
EAST HIGH SCHOOL -	45
TOTAL =	1,345

NON PROFITS: USED BOOKS

GRACE URBAN MINISTRIES -	1254
HENRIETTA SENIORS -	620
ROCH. GENERAL HOSP -	410
STRONG HOSPITAL -	100
HIGHLAND HOSPITAL -	50
RUSH UMC -ADULT READING -	632
TOTAL =	3066

USED CLOTHING DISTRIBUTED ----- 1550 LBS
(Katrina victims, Meal & More, GUM, RUMC, School 34)

FOOD FOR NON PROFITS.

HOPE HALL SCHOOL - FOUR YEARS -	PRICELESS
GRACE URBAN MINISTRIES -	\$200.00

Respectfully submitted,
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