



The Hurricane



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Albert City-Truesdale Community School Newsletter

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Karl Lind came to our school on Veteran's Day to talk to us about the War. He brought a vehicle from World War II for us to look at. His car's birthday is on the same day as Veteran's Day. It was 63 years old.

He talked to us about the different kinds of helmets that they had to wear for different occasions. Some of the boys got to try them on. The soldiers had to carry canteens on a belt with a pan so that they could cook.

We also got to see a telephone that they carried in the field to talk to headquarters. Thank You Karl Lind for sharing with us and serving our country.

By: Natalie Jensen



This quarter for veteran's day we had a Vietnam veteran come in and inform us about the war in Vietnam. His name was Tom Vernon from Indiana. He shared about his experiences as a Staff Sergeant.

Mr. Vernon brought his hunting dogs with him. He named his dog after his sergeant in Viet Nam who was killed by a grenade. Now he enjoys

pheasant hunting with his dogs.

We had fun. He even let us pet his dogs.

By Tyler Bovero



On November 11, 2005 we had a Veteran's Day program and we invited the Veterans to come and watch us. To start off the program we had



the Girl Scouts have a ceremony and lead us in the pledge of allegiance, then the classes sang

songs, said poems and even had a game show. We had a lot of fun and I hope the Veterans enjoyed it. Then we all ate lunch and cleaned up.



By Jasmine Nehring



News from the 6th Grade

Get To Know Our Sixth Graders



Natalie Jensen

Meet Natalie Jensen. Natalie Jensen's favorite school food is cavatini. Her favorite class is reading. Her favorite specials are physical education and art. She is kind and funny. Her best friends are Cassie Elmore and Callie Buske. She has one sibling in forth grade named Gloria. Her parents are Nola and Dick Jensen. By Cassie Elmore

Sven Nielson is the son of Angie and Mark Nielson. His siblings are Suneva and Thor. Sven enjoys Hamburger pizza, chili, and cinnamon rolls. Sven plays football at recess. His favorite movie series is STARWARS EPISODE 3 REVENGE OF THE SITH.

By: Callie Jordan Buske

Let me introduce you to Katie Sievers. Her mom and dad's name are Laura and Todd. She has an older brother named Chris. Her favorite sport is dance. She has been taking lessons for six years. She is also in 4H. Her favorite color is pink. Here favorite football team is Iowa State.

The things she loves to do the most is hang out with friends, go to the movies, and do fun things in with her family. Her best friend is Chandler Johannsen. Also, her favorite subject is reading.

By Abby Samuelson



Sven Nielson



Katie Sievers

Student Council

By Katie Sievers

Mr. Baker decided that it would be a good idea to have a student council to get ideas from kids. One student represents their class by going to a meeting once a month. The council is made up of Kara Clausen for second grade, Caitlyn Moens for third grade, Mallory Bjork for fourth grade, Cole Groszkrueger for fifth grade, and Katie Sievers for sixth grade.

Book-It

By Jared Hanson

This year at AC-T we are doing Book-It for reading. The kids have many books to choose from at the library in school and the one up town on Main Street. If the class completes the goal for the year they will have a pizza party. Book-It is sponsored by Pizza Hut in Storm Lake and Spencer.

Flu Season

By Chandler Johannsen

Be sure to wash your hands after your visit to the bathroom! When you blow your nose, remember to dispose of the tissue properly, so others don't get sick. To prevent getting sick, dress according to the weather. The flu has been going around, so try to stay healthy!

Quiz Bowl

By: Kyle Clausen

On October 27th the fifth and sixth graders entered in the Thinking Cap Quiz Bowl. In the Quiz Bowl there were teams of three or four. The contest consisted of questions in different categories. The winning team's score was called in to state. Congratulations to our winning team, Chandler Johannsen, Katie Sievers, Abby Samuelson, and Kyle Clausen. They placed 34 out of 59 with a score of 1014. Sioux Central placed 32 out of 59 with a score of 1019.

Here are some questions that were on the Quiz Bowl:

Answers: 1: C, 2: B, 3:A.

1. Where was Abraham Lincoln born?

- A. Boston, Massachusetts
- B. Washington DC
- C. Springfield, Illinois
- D. Salem, Oregon

2. How wide is a balance beam?

- A. 12 in.
- B. 4 in.
- C. 6 in.
- D. 10in.

3. What baseball stadium do the Boston Red Sox play in?

- A. Fenway Park
- B. Wrigley Field
- C. Metrodome



WANTED: A NEW BURROW OR NICE FAMILY TO ADOPT ME

My name is Clippers. I am a scorpion. The army team stepped on my burrow. I need a home in five days or I will die. I am at the Denver airport. I will not live long without food.

I cannot find any spiders or insects. I can only see suitcases and weird creatures. They have cute button noses and are giants! I wonder if they have stingers and clippers under their clothes. My predators are not here, but those ugly creatures might step on me. I want to find a nice family to live with. They should like cookies with spiders and insects in them.

Call this number, 775-3784, if you find a burrow or a family that likes to eat spider and insect cookies. Make sure you don't find me a family of skunks. They will eat me!!!

Written by Kash Buse

Last quarter, fourth grade learned about the water cycle. The students were then assigned to write a story about the water cycle from the rain drops' perspective. The papers were wonderful! Here are a few to share with you!



The Great Water Adventure

By: Mallory Bjork

Hi my name is Rain. I am going to tell you about the water cycle. My little sister's name is Hail. My littlest sister's name is Sleet. My mom's name is Cloud. My dad's name is Vapor. My dog's name is Snow.

We all live in a pond. Today I was swimming in the pond when all of a sudden Snow and I were going up, up, up into the sky. I started getting smaller and so did Snow. Then we began to feel puffy. We were turning into clouds. We were having a lot of fun! Then I saw my friend Breana in the air too. We all joined a big group of clouds. I could not see a thing! Then I started to feel normal again. Snow fell as snow. Breana and I fell as rain. We all landed in the pond. My sisters asked where we were. I just said, "On an adventure." We were back in time for lunch. Dust patties with pepper and salt. Breana, Snow, and I went to school and told about our

adventure. Our teacher said we are very lucky because most rain drops don't get to go through the water cycle this young. Our teacher also said I would be on the news. We are to be famous! Well bye for now.
The End

Cleary's Adventure

By: Chelsey Blomgren

Hi, my name is Cleary. I live in the Indian Ocean with my mom and dad. We are all little drops of water in the ocean.

Oh, I almost forgot about my pet seahorse. He is the littlest seahorse in the ocean. So I'll start talking about my adventure. My mom and dad were always talking about when I was going to be in the water cycle. I was scared. But then, it happened. First, I was lifted in the air! But to me it was not scary; it was like a Ferris wheel! After that I turned in to a gas type thingy majigy. That's what humans call it. I've heard they drink water! OH NO! Then, I went through these clouds. I guess they don't taste like cotton candy after all. Pooy! At the end I was my old self again. My parents were waiting for me at the water cycle bus stop. I had a lot of fun in the water cycle. If you ever get a chance, go through the water cycle.

The End



FIRST GRADE Learns About Friendship and Feelings

Fourteen students in first grade (7 boys and 7 girls) have been very busy learning about friendship and how we can work together. We learned that there are many things that are alike and things that are different about each of us. There are different things about everyone that makes us special and unique. We shared about ways to work out problems with others and how we cop with feelings. We also did many things to build math, reading and writing skills through the unit.

We ended the unit by writing sentences and illustrating them to make a class book about the important things we learned about friendship. Here are the sentences the class came up with on their own and by working together to make a sentence. We hope you enjoy them!

First Grade Friendship, Feelings and Manners Book

By AC-T First Grade November 2005

If someone needs help with something, please help them. Nathanael

If someone falls, we can help them. Luis

If someone is lonely we can play with them. Cody

Let kids play with you. Dallas

Play with others if they need a friend. Mekayla, Tabitha & Marcail

Be nice to others. Mekayla

Be patient with friends. Luis

Don't be mean with words or actions. Marcail

When you get mad or frustrated, try to control yourself or talk to a grown up. Sydney

Say, "thank you", when someone gives you something. Crystal

Say, "I'm sorry", when you bump into someone. Pieri

We can take turns. Tabitha

We can help others. Jenny

We can help take care of the earth. Sydney

If there is a mess, help clean it up. Dalton K.

Give a hint if someone doesn't know a word when we read. Dalton E.

Use your manners, don't forget them! Tabitha & Jenny

Be respectful to everyone! Josue



Wanted: Beautiful Ocean Property

I am a Bottlenose Dolphin. My nickname is Soda. I live in the ocean. I am looking for a new home. I need my home close to the surface, because I have a blow hole. It can't be close to land either, because something called an oil rig just killed my baby. All that oil ruined my home.

My home needs lots of squid, crabs, and fish. But the place I get cannot have SHARKS! They are my worst enemy. They ate my best friend. They even eat their own babies.

I will pay you for finding me a new home. It needs to be big for me. I will pay \$100,000,000 for helping me relocate.

Work phone number 212-3992 Cell phone number 335-1234 Home phone number 842-9791

Please call me, PLEASE!!!

Written by Hannah Conlin

Share the Love of Reading



With AC-T First Grade Students
In the School Library 3 -4 Times a Month

For several years, parents and community volunteers have helped AC-T first grade students with their reading during library time. Volunteers help by listening to students read, sounding out difficult words with them and sharing the love of reading! We are looking for more volunteers this year so that each of our fourteen students has a turn to read a book they check out during library time with a volunteer.

First Grade Library Reading Volunteer Highlights

- Have patience with kids as they develop their reading skills through the year. You may have a few with them too!
- Share 40 minutes 3-4 times a month from 2:30-3:10 in the AC-T library by the south entrance. We have library every 6 days so volunteers will be given a schedule of the library days for each month.
- If you have a commitment on a scheduled library day, it is okay. There will always be enough volunteers for the students to take turns with other volunteers.

If you are interested or have questions, please contact Ms. Olney or Mr. Baker at AC-T School by calling 843-5416. First grade students will thank you!



WANTED: A New Home in the Rain Forest

I am a jaguar. My habitat is the rain forest. My home was cut down by a man. So now I can't catch my prey. It stinks!

I am not picky  about my food. My predator is mankind. I only  eat meat. I am kind of picky. My 'fave' is pig. It is  so JUICY!

I will pay you \$1,000,000 for a new home. My phone number is 555-666-9872. Please call me soon. My temporary address is 313 Orchard Street. Please call me. I'm begging you!!!

Written by Nick Samuelson

Wanted: A Swinging Rain Forest

Hi, my name is Red. I'm an orangutan. I desperately need a home to live in, because some rude men keep cutting down my home. I need a hot, rainy, rain forest. I live in the canopy. Trees and vines let me play, and they help me get my food.

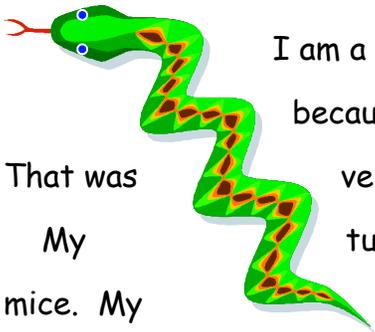


Please make sure it has my favorite foods like fruits, leaves, tree bark, and bird eggs. Oh, my predators are men. I need to be so very careful of men. They try to shoot me and steal my babies to sell them as pets.

I will reward you with 200,000 dollars. I will be at the Bates Motel in Spirit Lake, Iowa. My phone number is 843-5588. My cell phone number is 843-2288. Please call me soon.

Written by Lacey Roberts

Wanted: A Tree in the Rain Forest



I am a snake. I live in the rain forest. My name is Bell. I have no home now, because some guys tore down my house. Now I have to get a new home.

That was very mean of those nasty guys.

My tummy is growling. I need some food really bad. I love to eat rats and mice. My predator is man. I'm afraid someone is going to eat me! At night I get scared, because I have nobody to live with me. What should I do?

I would pay somebody money if they would build me a home. I also need a computer. You can reach me by calling 777-867-8910. I will be waiting for your call.

Written by Shyann Cummissky

WANTED: PARADISE IN THE RAIN FOREST

I am a tarsier. My name is Cynthia. Just a while ago these guys tore down my house for FARMland! Now I have to find a new home. How RUDE! I can't believe they did this. I am really mad at those guys.



I am getting pretty hungry. I love to eat plants and insects. I usually hunt at night for my prey. I am afraid of the sloth. He has big, sharp claws that scare me!

I am getting desperate for a new home and something to eat. My cell phone number is 843-250-5566. Please save my life!!!

Written by Caitlyn Moens