

Ione youngsters celebrate 'Children's Book Week'

(Editor's note: The following article has been submitted by the fifth and sixth grade English class taught by Karen Beck at Ione Elementary School.)

Mrs. Rietmann's first graders at Ione Elementary are studying A.A. Milne an author from England who wrote poems and stories for children. His most famous stories are the tales of "Winnie the Pooh." They also studied fairy tales and memorized "The Three Little Pigs" for which they made puppets. They are telling their friends the stories and are going to make a videotape on the Three Pigs.

Mrs. Broderick's second graders all made a videotape about books and stories they have read. They all

were to write down why they like to read books. Corey Baker said, "Reading is fun. I like reading because it helps me learn things like math and phonics and other things and a lot more." Rodney Ehrmantraut said, "Reading is fun. It helps you learn and spell." Jason Halvorsen said, "Reading is fun. I like reading because I like the stories."

Mrs. Morris's third graders are studying two authors, Beverly Cleary and Peggy Parish. Books which they have read are being put on display. Third graders will also make a banner which will have a book cover on it. Each pupil will choose a book; after he is finished reading it, he will write a report and share it with his classmates.

Mrs. Kincaid's fourth grade class

used this special week to learn about favorite authors such as Laura Ingalls Wilder. They made picture and book folders. Mrs. Marylee Heimstra visited their class and gave a presentation of Wilder's later life.

Fourth graders felt this way about Children's Book Week: Ryan Halvorsen stated, "It's great because it gets kids to read more books." Erika Bergstrom added, "It encourages people to read."

Mrs. Beck's fifth and sixth grade reading students are studying science fiction authors. Each is reading a science fiction paperback book and writing a report on it. Some are making displays to use along with their videotape presentations. During Mrs. Davison's art class all the

fifth graders are coloring brochures about Children's Book Week.

Mrs. Longway-Vince, another teacher at Ione is doing all the video taping of the children. They and their parents can watch the finished tapes.

On the videotape the children tell about the book they read. They also are making posters. Some of the books are "The Artificial Man," "The Little Mermaid," "The Shoe Maker and the Elves", and "The Baker's Wife."

Mrs. Carlson, Ione grade school librarian, is helping teachers organize Book Week. She put up a bulletin board display of special authors. Students initial authors whose books they've read.



Cow Belle Corner

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November is time to celebrate National Farm Women's Month and this year in particular, Women in Agriculture Week, November 11-17. Since many of the women in Morrow County are involved in some way with agriculture, here is an article entitled "When God Created Farm Wives" which Sheila Champlin, Ferryville, Wisconsin wrote for us.

On Day one God created the heavens and the earth. On Day two He created the sky and the oceans. On Day six, going into overtime, God was stumped in creating one small female...the average farm wife.

Trying to complete His creation, God called in His brightest angel for assistance.

"What's up, Lord?" the angel asked.

God said, "I'm having a hard time with the qualifications for a farm wife."

The angel replied, "Oh, come on, Lord-you created the heavens and earth. What could be so hard about one little farm wife?"

God said, "Listen to these required qualifications."

And God read the following list...
A farm wife has to be a wife, mother, farmer, banker, veterinar-

ian, housekeeper, barn keeper, peacekeeper, mechanic and all-around "Gofer."

She has to be a gourmet cook, sack lunch cook, carryout cook, garden preserver and baker.

She needs to be strong enough to jump over fences, crawl under fences, and guard fences and fix fences.

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She needs to have the ability to drive a lawn mower, tractor, combine, pickup truck, car and herd of cattle.

She needs wisdom, common sense and a healthy sense of humor to deal with farm pressures, children, house, husband and community responsibilities.

She needs to possess a good memory so she can recite - upon demand by her farmer husband - farm market reports, commodity options, record-keeping statistics and up-to-the-minute meteorology forecasts.

She needs eyes, ears and nose in both the front and back of her head to see, hear and smell problems arising in the house, in the fields and in the barn.

She needs to care and love farm life more than she does her own personal aspirations.

She needs to be versatile and flexible enough to realize that fixing a broken machinery part "right now" is far more important than celebrating a 15 year wedding anniversary.

A farm wife needs to be fearless of crawling bugs, snakes, rodents, all other wildlife, mother cows, angry sows and raging bulls.

She needs top-notch communication skills to talk intelligently to bankers, accountants, buyers, sellers, veterinarians, machinery dealers, salesman, hunters and her farmer husband.

She needs patience beyond measure to handle farm stress and personal disappointments due to sick livestock, crops to harvest, natural disasters and machinery breakdowns.

She needs to be totally committed in her role as a farm wife and still possess a soft, graceful, feminine appearance.

After gasping for breath, God said to His angel, "How can I ever accomplish all that in one day?"

His angel shrugged and said, "That's easy Lord. Just pretend you're a farmer with one more load of hay to get in before it rains."

IUCC announces evening services

The Ione United Church of Christ has announced a change in the worship schedule for Sunday, Nov. 18.

Since there will be an electrical power outage in the area that day, morning worship service and Sunday school will be canceled. Instead, there will be an evening service at the church at 7:30 p.m.

An evening service also is scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 21. The informal Thanksgiving eve worship will include prayers, songs, and scriptures of thanksgiving. Members of Valby Lutheran Church have been especially invited to participate, said the Rev. Cathy Barker. A time of fellowship will follow the service.

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