

From Greg Hill, Founder of Guys Read

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Dear College Rotarians

The Guys and Gals Read programs were greatly enhanced by support from the College Rotary Club of Fairbanks. The donation provided the books, the most important element of the programs, and the donation allowed us to extend and support similar programs in Nome and Barrow, Alaska, and in Queen Anne's County, Maryland. Your grant also paid for some administrative costs (publicity and printing). Please note that we were unable to provide the full four weeks of Gals Read programming due to a funding shortfall last summer.

Here are the books we purchased for this past school year's programs. All the books were purchased through Gulliver's Books in Fairbanks, who provided discounts up to 20% and free shipping:

Fairbanks Guys Read (distributed to 585 4th grade boys and 18 public elementary school libraries)

Li'l Rip Haywire by Dan Thompson (66 hardback copies)

This or That by National Geographic (66 paperback copies)

Slappy's Tales of Horror by R.L. Stine (66 paperback copies)

The Pixilated Parrot by Carl Barks (66 hardback copies)

100 Most Feared Creatures by Scholastic (66 paperback copies)

Dog Man by Dav Pilkey (66 hardback copies)

Hilo: Saving the Whole Wide World by Judd Winick (66 hardback copies)

Laser Moose and Rabbit Boy by Doug Savage (66 paperback copies)

Fairbanks Gals Read (distributed to 570 4th grade girls at 18 public elementary school libraries)

Oona Finds an Egg by Adele Griffin (66 hardback copies)

Phoebe and Her Unicorn by Dana Simpson (66 hardback copies)

Total Guys and Gals program costs: \$7,121.40

Nome Public Library (distributed to 31 4th grade boys at 1 public elementary school library)

Hilo: Saving the Whole Wide World by Judd Winick (6 hardback copies)

Laser Moose and Rabbit Boy by Doug Savage (6 paperback copies)

Li'l Rip Haywire by Dan Thompson (6 hardback copies)

Slappy's Tales of Horror by R.L. Stine (6 paperback copies)

The Pixilated Parrot by Carl Barks (6 hardback copies)

This or That by National Geographic (6 paperback copies)

Oddly Normal by Otis Frampton (6 hardback copies)

Total cost: \$498.78

Barrow Public Library (distributed to 38 4th grade boys at 1 public elementary school library)

Dog Man by Dav Pilkey (6 hardback copies)

Mouse Guard: Fall 1152 by David Petersen (6 hardback copies)

Arctic Giants by Neil Christopher (6 hardback copies)

Star Crusher by Jesse Greenwell (6 paperback copies)

Trickster: Native American Tales by Matt Dembicki (6 hardback copies)

Total cost: \$429.96

Queen Anne's County (MD) Public Library (distributed to approx. 180 4th grade boys at 6 public elementary school libraries)

100 Most Feared Creatures by Scholastic (80 paperback copies)

Total cost: \$500.00

Over its 11-year existence, Guys and Gals Read innovative approach to fostering a love of reading among children most at risk of becoming non-recreational readers has proven exceptionally effective. Informing librarians and educators of how the program works is a major goal of the Guys Read Gals Read, Inc. board of directors. Thank you again College Rotarians for helping us begin to achieve this worthy aspiration.