

Coloring for Truth  
Douglas Rotary Club

We were excited to receive a District 5440 Centennial Grant to work with our young students in the first, second, and third grades of Converse County School District 1. After reading about the Rotary Club of Fairborn, Ohio, in The Rotarian, we visited their website, [andyandelmer.com](http://andyandelmer.com), and then proceeded to order a copy of the coloring book and story book to show our board members and then the entire club. The members were positive about putting the 4-Way Test into the community.

The principals of the Douglas Elementary, Douglas Intermediate, and Douglas Rural Schools were contacted for numbers of students and classrooms. Each student received his/her own coloring book that included the Andy and Elmer name plate with the club's name and address. Our club ordered 39 paperback picture books and 432 coloring and activity books for this year for a total of \$1516.00. The nameplates were produced by two of our members, Ed and Karen Werner of Pictograph Productions. We paid \$98.91 for them, which brought our total project cost to \$1614.91.

We presented to the second and third grade teachers at an after school faculty meeting in early February. The rural schools began their Friday Rural Days on March 3 in Douglas; the teachers and students were presented their classroom story books and their coloring books. Two home schooled students were also present so they were given the coloring books. At this time, the elementary school is still working on a presentation schedule, but they plan to use this story in their Character Education Unit.

We plan to sustain our project by purchasing the coloring books for the incoming first graders, which will cost approximately \$400 per year. Our Rotary Club feels that this is a positive way to introduce the community to the 4-Way Test!