

BUILDING READERS . . . ONE BOOK AT A TIME



Minnesota's Central Council of Legacy West Telecom Pioneers is starting a new literacy project. We've chosen a small outstate library in the town of Clearwater Minnesota for our inaugural event.

Our goal is to get a book in the hands of a young reader to encourage continued interest in reading and have a personal book of their own.

Halloween, always a kid favorite day, is coming up so our chosen book will be a ghostly one. At evening story time Library Services Coordinator Cyrene Bastien requested to do the reading of a chapter to tease the interest of the children attending.

When Pioneers visited with Cyrene and toured the small library located in an old mall space we heard of her plans to make a warmer and reader friendly children's area. We promised to partner in that initiative. Meanwhile Cyrene is developing a flyer mentioning the partnership with Legacy West Telecom Pioneers and the October story time book give away event.

A Pioneer member of Central Council made a focused donation to help get this project off the ground. The donation came from aluminum cans collected and redeemed and this generous Pioneer was looking for something unique for its use. So the project, Building Readers . . . One Book at a Time was the lucky recipient.

It is exciting to have a new Council project and we hope to bring this literacy based event to other small Minnesota towns soon.

For now, in Clearwater there will be a few kids sporting a bright red book bag with something new to read!

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