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What's Up With Kids!

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Gecko Gloves???

by Scott G. age 9

Scientists have made a cool discovery. Tiny little hairs on the geckos feet allow them to stick to surfaces, just like velcro. In England they say this could develop into Spider-Man like gloves! They have created gecko tape which contains billions of fibers and if applied to gloves could allow rock climbers and window cleaners to climb safely and quickly.

I read this in the October issue of Boy's Life. I get it delivered because I'm in scouts.

Read more at www.boyslife.org



Featured Reporter

Elizabeth M.
Age -12

School - *Springwood School*

How Long on the Newsletter - *since June 2001*

Best Friend-*Marissa*

Favorite subject in school- *Social Studies*

Favorite book- *The Harry Potter Series*

Favorite sports team- *Cubs*

Favorite teacher - *Likes all her teachers*

Favorite television program - *7th Heaven*

Hobby - *Drawing and painting*

Boy's Life Magazine can also be found in the Youth Services Department, at the Roselle Public Library.

Answers to "Now It's Trivia Time"
by Zach M. age 12

1. Uruguay
2. Neil Johnston
3. 4
4. Sugar Ray Leonard
5. Julius Erving
6. Sharks
7. Dennis Potvin
8. Indiana



Finding Nemo

by Isannah C. age 12

Many critics called the Disney and Pixar movie, Finding Nemo, the best movie of the year. I agree!

It's about a little orange clown fish named Nemo, who is separated from his widowed father and brought to Sydney, Australia. There, he meets some fish in the fish tank. They share and they all plan to escape and help Nemo get back home.

Meanwhile, Nemo's father is determined to get Nemo back. He meets a hilarious fish named Dory who helps him along the way.

This movie is sad, funny, and let's you know you can do anything if you put your heart and mind to it. It made me want to watch it again and again!

The video and DVD is going to be in stores November 4th., but the book is always available.



Picture by Angella W. age 11

America

by Teresa F. age 12

*America is where I belong
That's because it's really strong.
Salute straight up and not down,
and tell everyone all around.*

*On September 11, 2001, the terrorists
destroyed our home.*

*Our eagle is crying, it's very sad,
That's why we have to make it glad.*

It's o k if you are scared.

Just remember our God and Flag are always there!



What's Up With Kids, is a Youth Services Publication. This Newsletter is for kids, and is written by kids. It is our hope that this publication will provide children in the community a way to express their opinions. This publication's goal is to provide encouragement to those who enjoy reading, writing and drawing.

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Character



Counts

Small Steps: The Year I Got Polio

written by *Peg Kehret*

article by Elizabeth M. age 12

Could you ever imagine being paralyzed with polio? The story is a biography about Peg Kehret and her life with polio. It started off as paralysis but ended up as respiratory paralysis. She had to be transferred to a different hospital where she received hot packs and muscle therapy she called, "Torture Time". That's when she told her doctor, "The worst thing about being paralyzed is that I can't even paint my toenails". One day she could move so she was transferred back to the Rehabilitation Hospital where she began her physical therapy. As time progressed, she was able to use walking sticks. Then after that she was able to walk and go home, but she was sad because she was going to miss the friends she made at the hospital. My favorite part was when Peg came back to the first hospital and showed her favorite doctor that she could walk. I thought this was a great book because it shows how life would be with polio. It is a different perspective when looking at a person with polio and one without polio.

I would definitely recommend this book to whoever would like to have a different perspective of life through other peoples' eyes, and thoughts. This book was definitely a page turner, because after you read one page, you can't stop reading. You want to find out what happens next. My mind couldn't wander when I was reading this book because I couldn't wait till the end to find out how the story was going to turn out. If you want to read this book, you need to be open to new ideas and when it was sad, to want to keep reading whatever the outcome is. If you want to find out more, then check out the book at the library.

Halloween

by Jarna S. age 13

Ghosts, goblins, monsters,
 Haunted Houses if you dare.
 Witches, wizards, princesses,
 A sleepy little dragon on it's way to it's lair.
 Day or night,
 Rain or shine,
 To everyone we meet,
 We all shout, "Trick or Treat"!
 The best part of Halloween has to be the costume,
 Whether you're a scary polar bear or a blue balloon.
 Halloween is always fun,
 It's never a boring thing.
 The more you shout, "Trick or Treat"!
 The more treasures you will bring!
 Caramels, chocolates, gum,
 Suckers, cherry, kiwi, lime,
 Soft candy, hard candy,
 You name it, we've got them,
 Just don't eat them all at the same time!



The next ["What's Up With Kids"!](#) Meeting
 will be on [November 13th. at 7:00 p.m.](#)

Horace Splattly the Cupcake Crusader

by Andrea W.

If you like to read adventure stories, you should read “Horace Splattly the Cupcake Crusader”, by Lawrence David. It is about a short fourth grader, named Horace, and his sister Melody. Melody feeds Horace some powerful cupcakes. They make him able to fly and breathe fire. He flies around town in a purple costume with the words “The Cupcake Crusader” on his back. He uses his powers to play a prank on his friends Auggie and Xax. He breathes fire down their chimney and they think he is a dragon. He also finds out that his science teacher, Mr. Dienow is trying to feed his older brother, Principal Nosair to his gigantic hamster. If you want to find out if he gets in trouble, or if he can save his Principal, read this book! I loved it, and hope you will too.



Picture by :
Andrea W.
Age 8

Now It's Trivia Time!

by Zach M. age 12

1. **What country won the 1st. World Cup?**
__ Argentina __ Italy__ England __ Uruguay
2. **Who was the first center to lead the NBA in scoring & rebounding in the same season?** __ Nate Thurmond
__ Artis Gilmore __ Neil Johnston __ Willis Reed
3. **How many times did A.J. Foyt win the Indy 500 race?**
__ 2__ 3__ 4__ 5
4. **What boxer held five different world titles during his career?**
__ Roberto Duran__ Sugar Rae Leonard— Thomas Hearns
__ Pernell Whitacker
5. **Who was the last basketball player to win the MVP award in the ABA**
__ Billy Cunningham__ Artis Gilmore__ Spencer Haywood
__ Julius Erving
6. **What NHL team lost 71 games in a season?**
__ Senators __ Lightning __ Ducks __ Sharks
7. **Who was the first NHL defenseman to reach the 1,000 point plateau?**
__ Bobby Orr __ Dennis Potvin __ Paul Coffey
__ Larry Robinson
8. **What school won the first NCAA Division 1 basketball Championship game in decided overtime**
__ Indiana __ North Carolina State __ Oregon State __ Georgetown

Jack and the Beanstalk

the Real Story

by Natalie S. age 7

In this video, Jack finds out that there was a curse on his family. His great, great, great grandfather Jack, stole the giant's treasures because his mom was so poor. The treasures were a goose that laid golden eggs and a magic harp. Jack needs to return the treasures by climbing the magic beanstalk.

Jack finds out that the true story about the giant. Was the giant good or bad? You need to find out the answer, by watching this exciting video.



The Mystery of the Blue Ring by Patricia Reilly Giff

Sharifa H. age 8

This book is about a girl that lost her ring. Her parents gave it to her for a birthday present. It is gold with a blue crack side it. Two of her friends pretend to be detectives and look for the ring. They find a girl with the same kind of ring. Is this the missing ring.? After a few days they find the missing ring— where could it have been?

It's a good book and I think you should read it!



Holiday Jokes

What would you get if you crossed a famous Giant with Indian corn?

Willie Maize



What did the little ghost eat for lunch? A booloney sandwich.

What's the key to a great Thanksgiving? A tur-key of course!

Jokes from: www.scatty.com/jokes

Pajama Party by Joan Holub

article written by Madison M. age 8

The people in the story are Meg, Emma, Dee and Keesha. They have a pajama party and pillow fight, which Emma starts. Dee blows bubble gum that gets so oooo big!

They also tell ghost stories. When they try to go to sleep, they find that the dog is trying to eat all the popcorn. Oh no! Where is all the popcorn? Whoof, whoof! What did my dog do? Bad, bad dog! What a night. No one wants to go to sleep. But, what happens next is ZZZ ZZZ ZZZ ZZZ.