

The Rust Foundation

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The Rust Foundation helps children by encouraging literacy and a lifelong commitment to reading.

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IN THE NEWS:

Evergreen Elementary Appearance a Rousing Success

On October 21, Patricia Rust visited the Evergreen Elementary School to present her Royal Readers Program on behalf of the Writers Guild Foundation. This visit included a book-making project, and the children were delighted to go home with their own masterpieces. Visit www.PowerforKids.com for photos from the event.

Finishing Touches Put on Royal Readers Video

KITV in Hawaii informs us that they are putting the final touches on the Royal Readers video. It will air soon in their station, and we hope it will soon be aired on other stations around the country.

Signed Copies of *The King of Skittledeedoo* Are Perfect Holiday Gifts

The King of Skittledeedoo is a wonderful stocking stuff for every child in your family, or your friend's family. It will help motivate your young students to read, read, read. A limited number of signed copies of *The King of Skittledeedoo* are still available. To order your copy now, visit www.powerforkids.com and click the "Buy" link at the top of the page.

Patricia Rust Contributes to Uplifting Anthology

Best-Seller Books has just released their new title, *Chopped Liver for the American Spirit*. It is a collection of true and inspiring stories from everyday people just like you, including Patricia Rust. Those who contribute \$25.00 or more to the Rust Foundation

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CHILDREN'S POETRY:

I'm Glad

By Yaqueline Gonzalez

I'm glad the sky is painted blue,
And the earth is painted green and blue,
With such lot of nice fresh air
All sandwiched between

This and other children's contributions can be seen at www.PowerforKids.com.

DONATION CAMPAIGN:

The Rust Foundation Needs Your Help

It's the time of year to create tax write-offs and get kids excited about reading! As part of our continuing efforts to ensure that all children at risk for illiteracy have access to copies of *The King of Skittledeedoo* through their libraries and classrooms, and to make schools aware of the powerful tools offered through our website at www.PowerforKids.com, we need to send mailings to schools, increase the number of our school visits, print additional copies of *The King of Skittledeedoo*, manufacture literacy kits, and train literacy volunteers to create a national Royal Readers network. But we can't do it without you. We need funding to continue our imperative work.

Your donation of \$30 provides a child with a book and a Royal Readers learning kit.
Your donation of \$100 sponsors a classroom visit.
Your donation of \$500 sponsors a school visit with books donated to each classroom and the school library.

We also offer membership levels:

Silver club:

\$500-\$1000 – you will receive a signed copy of *The King of Skittledeedoo* and the link of your choice, either to your company or another organization with which you are affiliated, will be added to our website.

Gold club:

\$1000-\$5000 – your will receive a signed copy of *The King of Skittledeedoo* and your website banner link will be added to our website.

Platinum club:

\$5000 and up – you will receive a signed copy of *The King of Skittledeedoo* and your company logo will be featured prominently on our website, and your company link will be included in this newsletter.

Tax-deductible donations are now accepted online. Please visit <http://www.powerforkids.com/parents/contacts.html> and click the “Make a Donation” link. You can also mail your check or money order to:
The Rust Foundation, 12021 Wilshire Blvd. #924, Los Angeles, CA 90025.

If your employer offers a donation-matching, or employee-donation program, we are eligible to receive funds through it, as an educational organization. Please contact your human resources department for more information.

RECENT DONORS:

We would like to thank Kirsten Lee, Mrs. Takeda, Ms. Weaver, Mrs. Buenrostro, Bert Chang, and all the other helpers who made the Royal Readers Program at Evergreen Elementary School a great success!

NEW STORIES FOR KIDS:

Instead of a story, this month we encourage all our young readers to go to this link: <http://www.powerforkids.com/kids/fun.html>.

- There you will find lots of fun literacy activities.
You can:
- Make a crown
 - Create words from letters
 - Create sentences from words
 - Solve crossword puzzles
 - Print out a maze
 - Print a doorknob hanger for reading privacy
 - Play word find games
 - Write a story online
 - Answer questions about *The King of Skittledeedoo*
 - And print a coloring page from the book!

We hope you enjoy all these fun literacy activities during your Thanksgiving break.

Happy Turkey Day from Patricia Rust and the King of Skittledeedoo!

RUST FOUNDATION MISSION STATEMENT:

The Rust Foundation helps children by encouraging literacy and a lifelong commitment to reading.

The Rust Foundation is a grassroots literacy organization whose aim is to educate, motivate, and excite elementary school children to the wonders of reading at an early age. We believe that by reading to a child, helping one child at a time, we can stamp out this problem. Our organization's "Royal Readers" program provides books, interactive reading sessions, and educational activities for children at elementary schools across the country. Our new "Create-A-Book" program helps kids write and bind their own books.

Our motto is Live, Laugh, Learn

Helping Kids Become Royal Readers!

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