

# The Hagedorn Little Village School

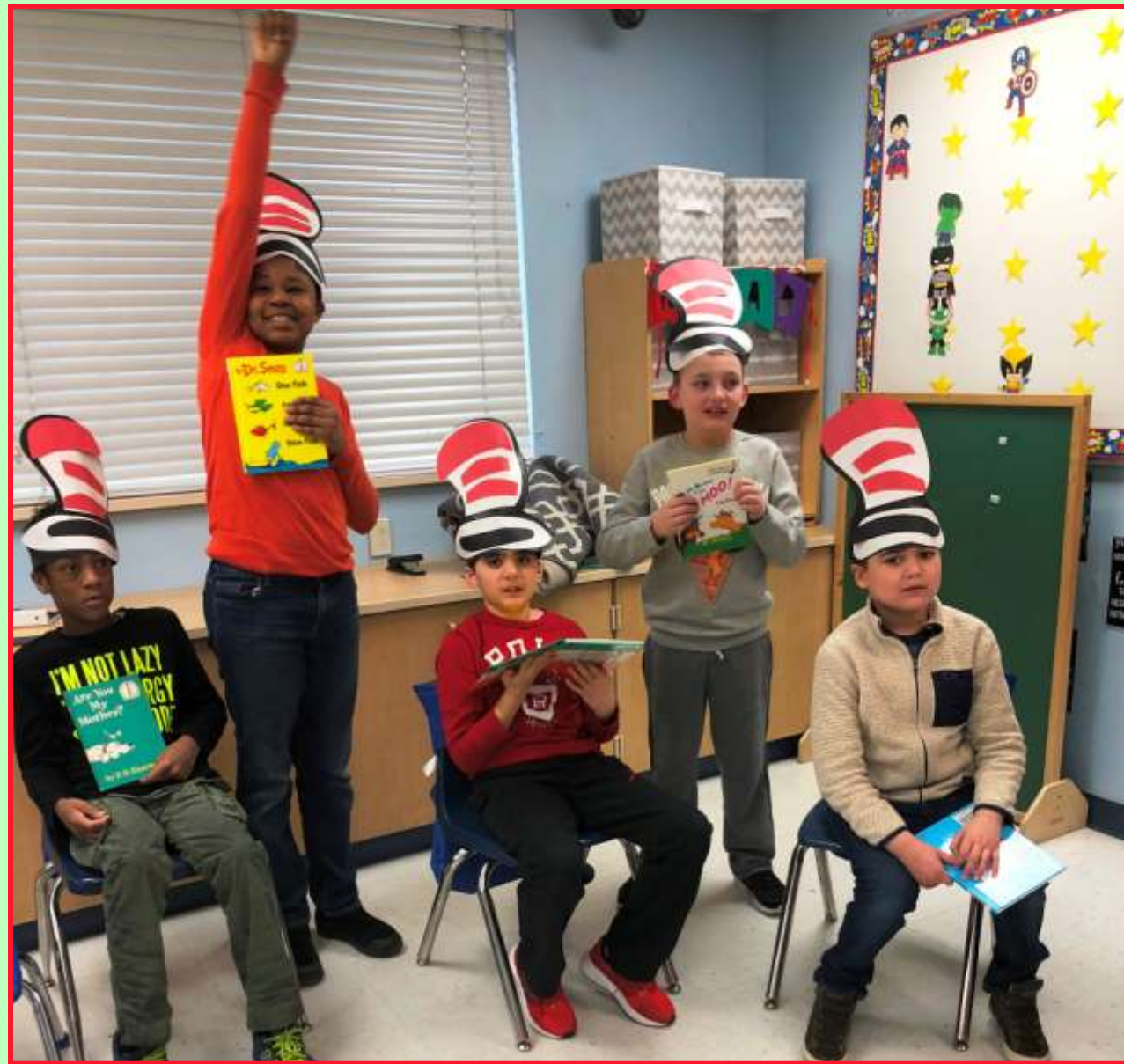
## Jack Joel Center for Special Children



March 2018 Newsletter



### *Celebrating Dr. Seuss and National Read Across America Day*



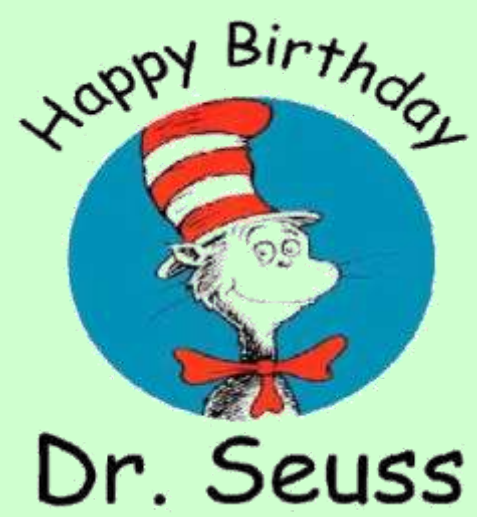
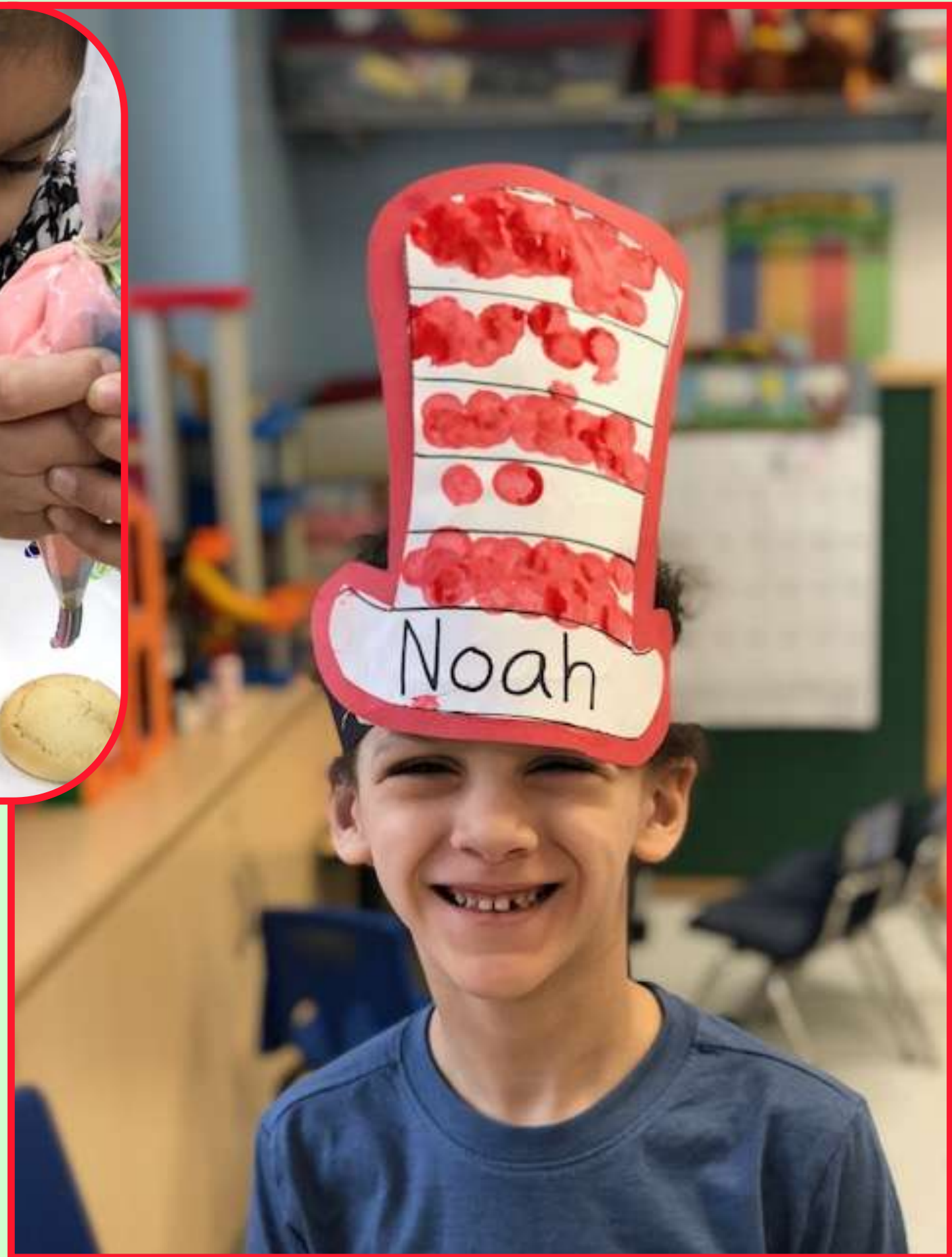
We celebrate  
***Read Across  
America***  
which is an annual  
reading motivation  
and awareness  
program that calls  
for every child in  
every community to  
celebrate reading on  
March 2, the birthday  
of beloved  
children's author  
**Dr. Seuss**



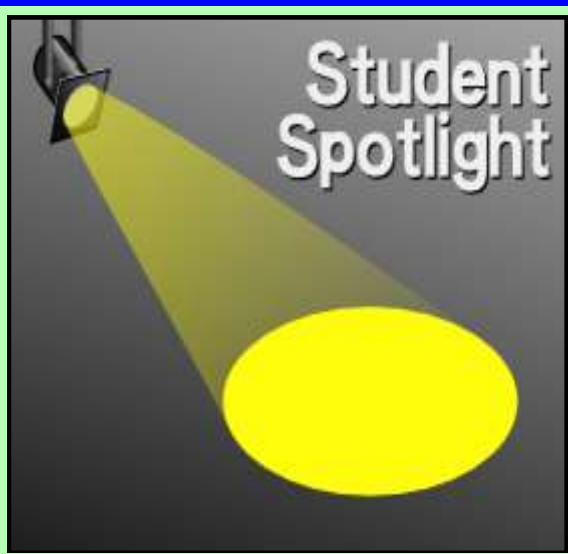




# *Celebrating Dr. Seuss and National Read Across America Day!*







## Student Spotlight — Gabrielle Djavaheri

**Gabrielle Djavaheri**, better known as Gabi at HLVS, is an active, friendly ten-year old girl who is quick with a wave and smile. She can often be seen showing off her freshly painted nails and checking out her teachers' latest nail art.

Gabi is an avid watcher of Lee Goldberg's Channel 7 weather reports and has become quite the weather personality in her classroom during morning meetings! One of Gabi's favorite school activities is D.E.A.R (Drop Everything and Read) time during which she enjoys her favorite book, *Rainbow Fish*.



At home, Gabi loves spending time with her two older brothers, **Michael** and **Rafi** and helping with her favorite household job, vacuuming. She also enjoys watching episodes of Wheel of Fortune and, in nice weather, spends lots of time in the pool. One of Gabi's favorite adventures is visiting a family friend who has a farm where she can feed the animals.



The HLVS staff looks forward to many more bright, shining smiles from Gabi as she continues her journey here at HLVS.



**Save the Date - Friday April 20, 2018**  
**Conference at Little Village!**

**Promoting Speech and Language in Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder:  
Strategies for Quality Outcomes**

**Dr. Joanne Gerenser, Executive Director of the Eden II Programs**

**Registration 8:00am • Conference 8:30am - 4:00pm • .6 CEUs offered Level: Intermediate • Professional Area**

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Please note that our email has changed: [Conferences@littlevillage.org](mailto:Conferences@littlevillage.org)



## Room 25 Learning About Animals and Their Homes

The students in Room 25 had fun learning about animals and their homes. Teacher **Denise McGowan** and the children had fun observing the habitats of winter animals. They read a variety of books and had fun with different arts and crafts. They finished up the week enjoying delicious animal crackers for snack.



*Coming Soon!*  
**The 2018  
Fashion Show!**

**Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 pm – 10:00 pm**

**Crest Hollow  
Country Club**

**For questions, please contact  
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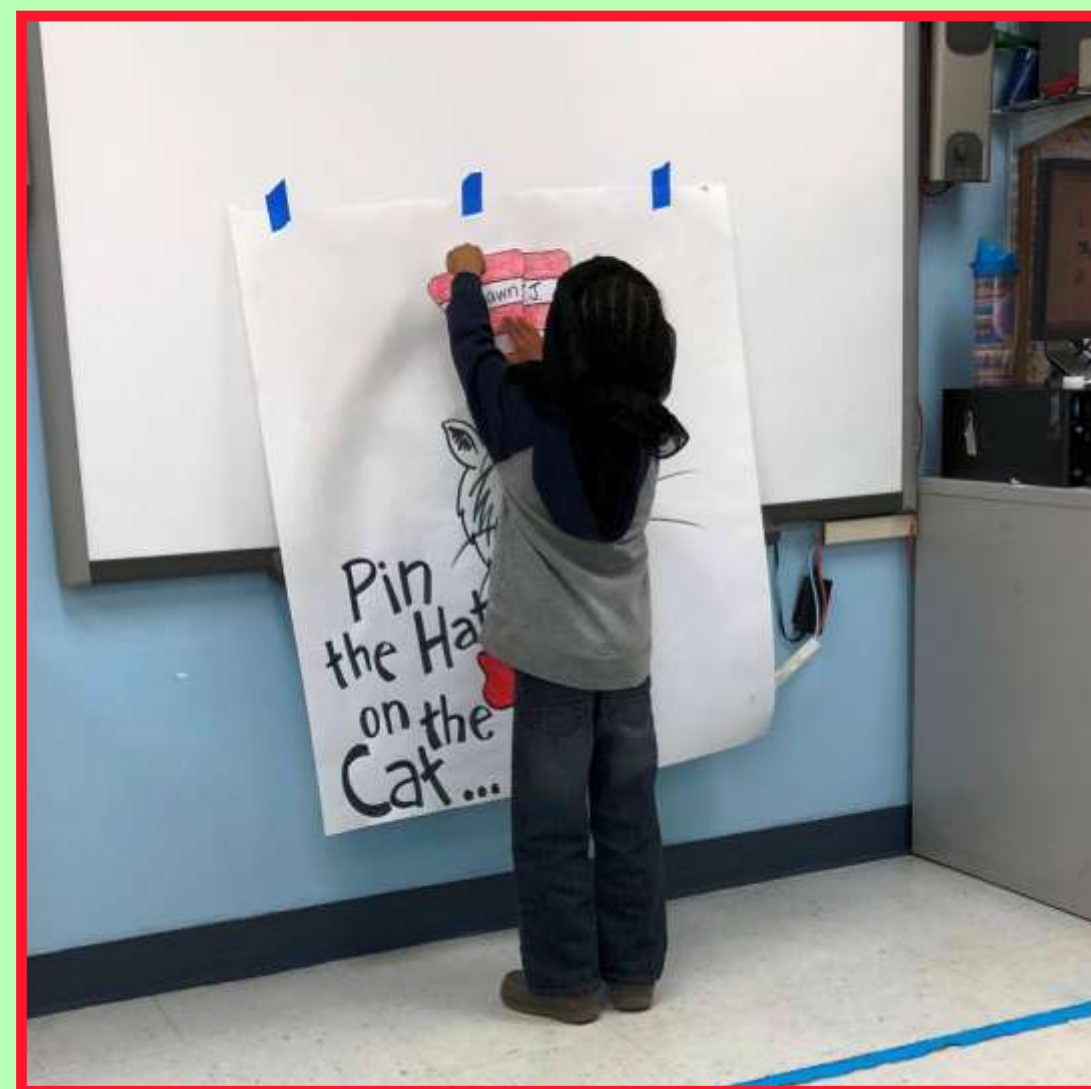
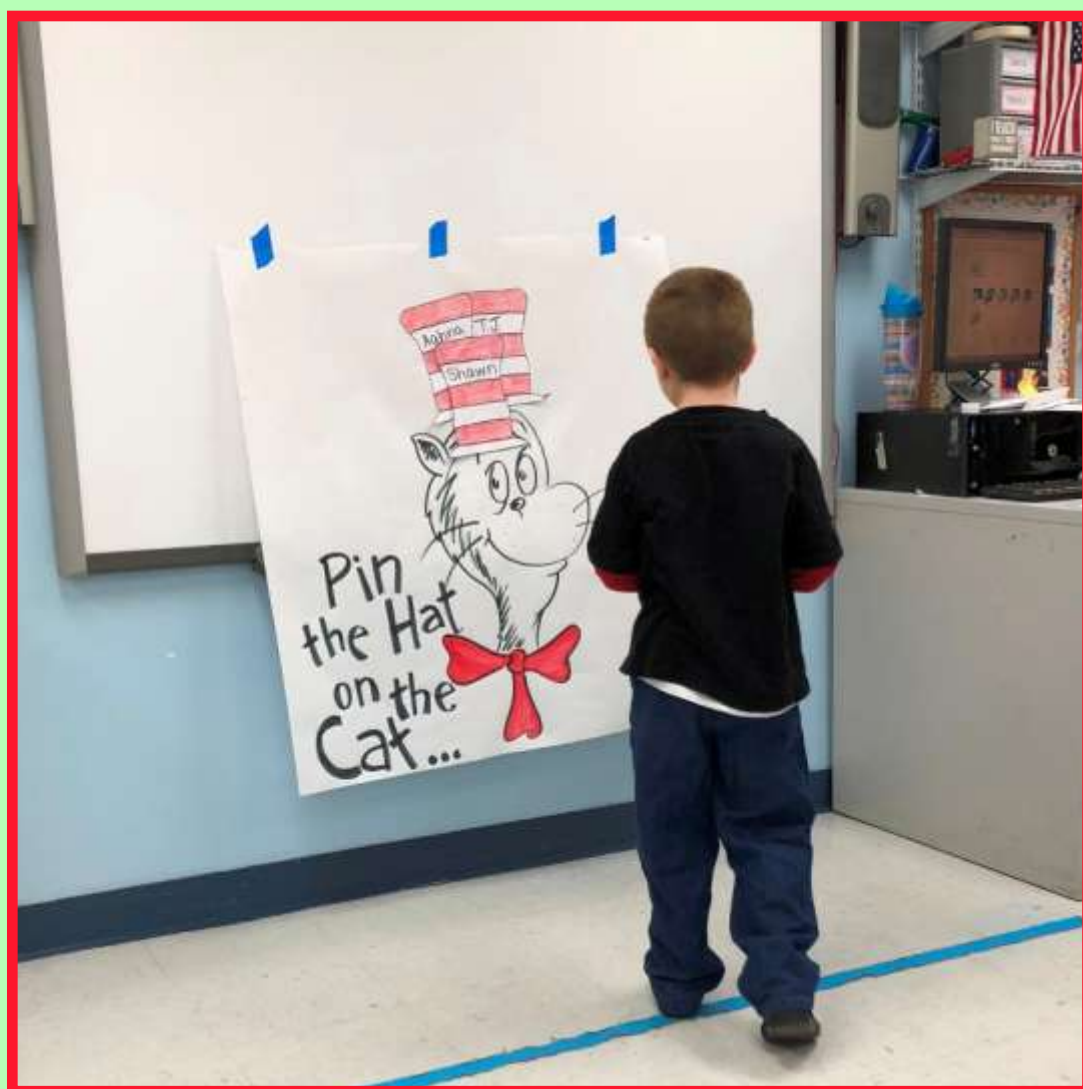
# BOOK FAIR





## Room 24 Has Fun With Dr. Seuss

Teacher **Kim Bickard** and the children in Room 24 spent all last week learning about Dr. Seuss. They read *The Foot Book* and practiced “left foot, left foot, left foot, right” using their feet on paper. They played “Pin the Hat on the Cat” after reading *The Cat in the Hat* and had Classroom Supervisor **Danny Gigliobianco** be a special visitor and read *Green Eggs and Ham*. They then decorated Sugar Cookies the colors of *Oh the Places You’ll Go!* Everyone had an awesome time!





# Room 14 Learns About Arctic Animals

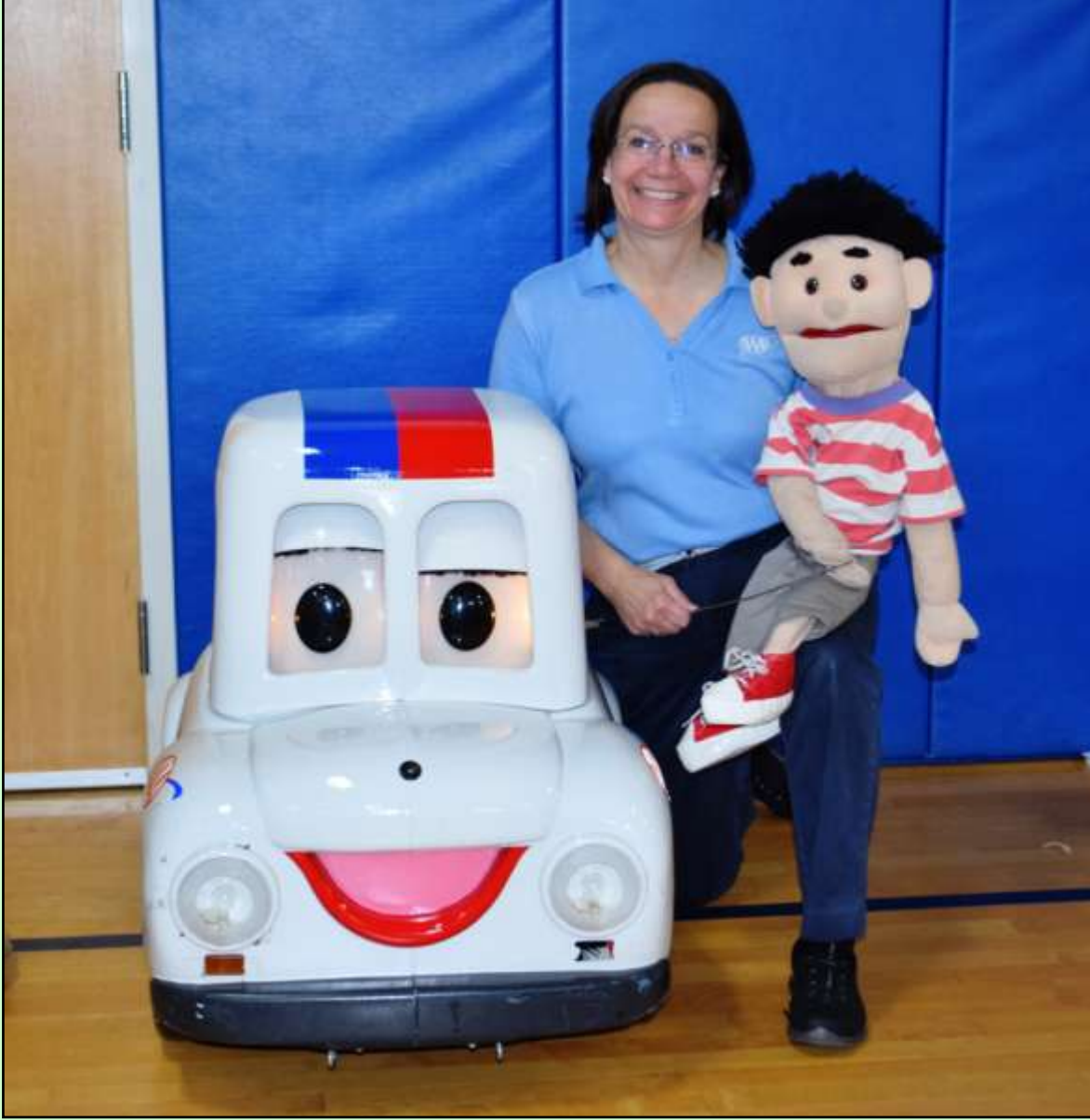
This month, Teacher **Sam Kirincic** and the students in Room 14 learned about arctic animals! They learned how these animals have blubber to help them stay warm. They performed a science lesson where the children put their hand in ice water to see how they would feel in the arctic weather. They then put on "blubber" and felt the water again. They noticed how their hand stayed warmer with the blubber on!





## *Otto the Auto Visits Little Village*

**Karen**, from AAA, stopped by one morning with her friends Bob the puppet and Otto the Auto. They taught the children all about staying safe when riding in a car and walking near the street. Everyone learned a lot and had a great time!



## *The Hagedorn Little Village School Jack Joel Center for Special Children*



# *27th Annual Golf Classic*

## *June 4, 2018*

# *Save the Date!*



Honoring Scott Miller with the  
Drew Weidhorn Humanitarian  
Award!



**Pine Hollow**  
Country Club

Look for upcoming mailings • For information,  
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## Classroom News

# Room 80 Celebrating Dr. Seuss

Teacher **Rebecca Sblendorio** and the children in Room 80 had so much fun celebrating Dr. Seuss's birthday! They read Dr. Seuss's *Hop On Pop* and *One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish*, played bubble wrap hop scotch, glued gold fish to fish bowls, made Dr. Seuss paper plate hats and engaged in a Dr. Seuss cooking activity.



## Classroom News

Teacher **Judy Stillwell** and classroom 223 spent Friendship Week making a beautiful "Friendship Quilt"





It is with much sadness that we share the passing of **Brian LaClair**. Brian and the MacArthur High School Guitar Ensemble performed for Little Village twice a year for the past 5 years. The music, singing and dancing was one of our children's favorite events. Our thoughts are with Brain's family and we will miss him dearly.



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*With Great Appreciation and in Fond Memory of Brian LaClair*



## *Free Legal Seminar for HLVS Parents*

On Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 **Andrew Cohen, Esq.** and **Mitch Weisbrot, CLU** will present a Legal and Financial Seminar at Little Village. The presentation will address the legal and financial preparations crucial to safeguarding assets and benefits for your special needs child. Andrew and Mitch are Little Village Alumni fathers. Their personal experience and professional expertise enable them to help other parents navigate the confusing and emotional aspects of estate planning to best serve the interests of each special needs child.

Some topics of discussion include:

- o Government benefits for individuals with disabilities
- o Special needs trusts
- o How to accumulate and preserve assets without disqualifying eligibility for benefits
- o Establishing guardianship
- o Strategies for funding trusts
- o Estate planning and wills

*The seminar begins at 7:00 p.m. and will run approximately 1 1/2 hours.*

If you are interested in attending this free seminar, please contact **Janet Mouliere** at 516-520-6067 or email her at [Janet.mouliere@littlevillage.org](mailto:Janet.mouliere@littlevillage.org).