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Ruth Anne Buzzard, Ph. D. 3996 Andrews Road Ransomville, New York, 14131

May 3, 2017

Dr. Catherine Collins 508 Main Street Buffalo, NY, 14202

Re: Guest of Honor, Ransomville Bicentennial Flag Day Parade 2017

Dear Dr. Collins:

This is the second year of the Flag Day celebration in Ransomville since the closure of our Ransomville Elementary School. This community activity is intended to keep enrichment and patriotism flowing in the Hamlet of Ransomville. The 50 State Flags were given to the children years ago. The Ransomville Elementary children wrote to each state and requested their state flag. The states responded positively to this request and the Ransomville Flag Day event became our unique tradition. The parade always started at 9:00 am on the school day closest to June 14; it was made up of all the children in the Ransomville Elementary School. The elementary band played their instruments, and the older grade children carried the 50 State Flags on poles down the main street. Wilson School took our "quality of life" when they took our children and the Flag Day parade two years ago.

Nevertheless, I would like to invite you to attend this year's Ransomville Bicentennial Flag Day Parade and Community Faire as our guest of honor. This would be an excellent opportunity to experience our way of life and our community's love for our great country. I believe that Ransomville is typical of many of the small communities in Upstate New York. I welcome you to join us for the Ransomville Bicentennial Flag Day Parade and Community Faire.

I have enclosed a few flyers showing some of the activities for Ransomville's Bicentennial Year. As a point of interest, Lilian Neumann who is 100 years old and taught at our Ransomville Elementary School (bottom right of the parade flyer) plans to ride in the horse and buggy in the parade. If you would like, you too could ride in the horse and buggy.

Thank you for your time and kindness.

Sincerely, Ruth Anne Buzzard

Find: Mr. Curtiss and Mr. Ransom



To Participate in Hiding Mr. Curtiss and Mr. Ransom Contest

Contact: Ruth Anne Buzzard (716) 791-4585.

Rules: The Business, Church, or organization that is hiding Mr. Curtiss and Mr. Ransom will donate the prize. The person that wins that prize has to come to the Library and sign up for a Library Card and take out 2 books in order to collect their prize. The Library will give the winner the prize from that Business or organization.

Ransomville Free Library will start the contest of hiding Mr. Curtiss and Mr. Ransom.

Finding Mr. Curtiss and Mr. Ransom Contest will run throughout the community Businesses, Churches, and Organizations. Businesses and other organizations, if you would like to participate in Hiding Mr. Curtiss and Mr. Ransom, contact Ruth Anne Buzzard (716) 791-4585.

Join in the Fun with Ransomville Bicentennial Contest

YOUR Business/Organization could advertise YOU are Hiding Mr. Curtiss and Mr. Ransom.

Ransomville Bicentennial Library Book Contest



Place: Ransomville Free Library: 3733 Ransomville Rd, Ransomville, N.Y. 14131

The Rules: A notebook and pen will be provided for the person (s) to write their own name and contact information, date the books were checked out, and the number of books checked out.

The books checked out for each person (s) will be counted at the end of each month. At the beginning of June the prizes will be awarded to the individual winners.

Prizes for April and May include:

Prizes: 10 Ride on Toys and Ransomville Teddy Bears for children 4 years old and under.

Prizes: 6 Amazon Fire Tablets for 5 years old to adult

Prizes: Donation from Anzalone Lighting for adults

This contest begins April 18 and closes/ends May 31, 2017. The prizes will be awarded at the Community Faire on June 10, 2017.

Second phase of the Book Contest June 1, 2017: at the end of the Ransomville Bicentennial Festival of the Wreaths event there will be ONE GRAND PRIZE given to the person who takes out the greatest number of books from June 1, 2017 to November 22, 2017. The GRAND PRIZE will be awarded at the Ransomville Free Library (Festival of the Wreath celebration). The GRAND PRIZE is a lap top computer.