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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### Ashwaubenon Senior Citizens Celebrate Dr. Seuss in the Schools

**Ashwaubenon, WI – March 6, 2012** – Three Ashwaubenon Schools joined together with Ashwaubenon senior citizens on Friday March 2nd, to share the joy of reading and celebrate the birthday of beloved children’s author, Dr. Seuss. Throughout the day senior volunteers read Dr. Seuss stories to 17 classes at Cormier Kindergarten Center, 19 classes at Pioneer Elementary School and 30 classes at Valley View Elementary School.

March 2nd was the birthday of Theodor Seuss Geisl who was born in 1904 in Springfield, Massachusetts. Writing under the pen name Dr. Seuss, he became most famous for his more than 60 children’s books, which are known for imaginative characters and rhyme. Numerous adaptations of his work have been created, including eleven television specials, four feature films, and a Broadway musical.

The Dr. Seuss Read-in is a joint project of the three schools and the Ashwaubenon Senior Volunteers in the Schools Program. It is part of the Read Across America Day, a national event that calls for every child in every community to celebrate reading in memory of Dr. Seuss. Senior citizen readers spoke to the students about Dr. Seuss, read a Dr. Seuss story selected for each individual class, and shared their love of reading.

For more information please contact Debbie Bodager, Coordinator of Senior Volunteers, at 920-492-2905 extension 2005 or [dbodager@ashwaubenon.k12.wi.us](mailto:dbodager@ashwaubenon.k12.wi.us).

Pictures attached (if you need higher resolution pictures, contact Debbie Bodager as detailed above):

cm-FranStaniak.jpg: Senior volunteer Fran Staniak reads a Dr. Seuss book to a Cormier classroom.

pi-JanUrquhart.jpg: Senior volunteer Jan Urquhart reads a Dr. Seuss book to a Pioneer classroom.

vv-JeanWatson.jpg: Senior volunteer Jean Watson reads a Dr. Seuss book to a Valley View classroom.

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