Mission Statement
To create opportunities that give children, families, educators, and teacher candidates direct access to children’s authors, illustrators, and a wide variety of quality children’s literature. It is our belief that these experiences not only increase children’s exposure to quality books, but develop positive attitudes toward reading, enhance literacy development, and build bridges to cultural understanding.

Featured Centre Events
The Spring Festival of Children’s Literature
Founded in 1982, the Festival is a two-day conference at the end of April that brings children’s literature to Frostburg. It offers an opportunity for librarians, educators, parents, students, and other advocates to interact with celebrated authors and illustrators, as well as attend teacher workshops that apply current theory and ideas to the classroom.

Frostburg’s Storybook Holiday
On the first Saturday of December, this event kicks off with a breakfast with the elves, parade, and Elf Olympics. Firsthand interaction with a featured author/illustrator is followed by writing letters to Santa, Secret Elves’ Workshop, and much more. The event wraps up with the Tree Lighting Festival and a classic holiday movie at the Palace Theatre.

Summer Author Institute
A one-week course for educators and children’s literature advocates that offers intensive study of several authors or illustrators and their literary works. The Institute provides the opportunity to personally interact with the authors or illustrators in a small group setting and encourages the generation of classroom curricular connections.

Pirates Ahoy!
In this pirate-themed event of the summer, children participate in various pirate activities, including a treasure hunt, costume contest, and author/illustrator presentation.

CLC Projects & Endeavors
• Centre website www.frostburg.edu/clc
• Centre Facebook page
• CLC Monthly Newsletter
  Email clc@frostburg.edu to join our mailing list.
• Read Across America activities
• Collaborations with area schools and libraries
• In-service workshops for area school systems

CLC Review Collection
Come visit our growing review collection of over 7,000 children’s books at 206 Framptom Hall, on the FSU campus – serving area educators, students, and faculty at FSU.

More Information
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Building the Passion for Lifelong Reading

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Dear Friends,

Good books can spark a child’s imagination, instill a love of reading and inspire a lifetime of learning. Each year the work of the Children’s Literature Centre supports these life-changing outcomes; some activities provide enriching experiences that encourage young readers, while others enhance the knowledge teachers, librarians and media specialists need to promote reading and recognize quality children’s literature.

The Centre depends on generous contributions from friends and business partners to sponsor these programs, which include the annual Spring Festival of Children’s Literature, the Summer Author Institute and community activities such as the extremely well-attended Frostburg Pirates Ahoy! and Storybook Holiday events. The impact of these opportunities on the next generation is priceless.

The Centre needs your financial support to continue this work and help to address the rising costs of funding these important activities. By making a tax-deductible contribution to the Children’s Literature Centre Endowment, you can ensure that these programs and services continue well into the future. The love of reading starts early. Support the Children’s Literature Centre and make a difference in the life of a child!

Sincerely,

Dr. Edward L. Root
Professor Emeritus

Why Support the Centre?

- To expand partnerships with regional schools and libraries, assist with author/illustrator visits, create bibliographies, and provide a forum for teachers, librarians, media specialists, and parents to examine the most current children’s books and professional resources
- To support and sustain the rising cost of the Centre’s featured programs:
  - Spring Festival of Children’s Literature
  - Summer Author Institute
  - Frostburg Pirates Ahoy!
  - Frostburg’s Storybook Holiday
  - Adopt-a-School Program
- To enhance the Centre’s technological capabilities, making it possible for children’s literature advocates to utilize the Centre website and collection database
- To secure and maintain a graduate assistant position to assist with Centre activities and programs
- To host potential authors/illustrators-in-residence, with workshops for area schools and educators
- To obtain space for the Centre’s ever-expanding picture book review collection, as well as supporting materials
- To enhance communication between the Centre, its supporters, and the regional community

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