



# ROOSEVELT TIMES

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## Rogers' Awesome Authors

Three of the teachers at Rogers Middle School have published a children's book called *Mommy am I a . . .*. This is a cool book written by Anila Ali, edited by Karen Gottlieb, and illustrated by Marian Seiders. Ms. Ali and Ms. Gottlieb are Language Arts teachers, and Ms. Seiders is a Visual Arts teacher and a practicing artist.

### Interview with author Anila Ali

After 9/11, Anila Ali's daughter, then in elementary school, was approached by another student who said, "Don't blow me up." This book is about tolerance for Muslims, but also for those who have different ethnic backgrounds.

Roosevelt Times: What did you feel like when your daughter told you about how she had been treated?

Ms. Ali: I felt very sad but not angry. I felt this had happened because someone didn't know us and understand us.

Roosevelt Times: When did you decide to write the book?



Karen Gottlieb, Marian Seiders, Anila Ali

Ms. Ali: I didn't write the book because my daughter was called names after 9/11 but I wrote it because the name-calling didn't stop. Last September, a friend told me that her daughter was name called in a ninth grade US history class and another friend told me a similar story. That's what urged me to share my story.

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## Roosevelt Times a Knockout at Knott's

The *Roosevelt Times* editors and reporters attended the PressFriends Conference for Elementary Student Newspaper Excellence at Knott's Berry Farm on Saturday, June 5th, under the guidance of RAP coordinator, Ms. Maggie Guillen, RAP's *Roosevelt Times* advisor, Abraham Hernandez, and RAP counselor, Jerome Edwards.

The conference was attended by representatives from the newspaper staff from four other student newspapers—*Dragon Tales* (Leland Street Elementary School), *Roadrunner Reporter* (Rancho Vista Elementary School), *Tiger Times* (Taper Avenue Elementary School), and *PV Kids News* (Palos Verdes Library District). ❖



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## RAP Day

By Luz, Reporter

We had a lot of fun on RAP Day. It was held on Wednesday May 12, 2010, at the Farmer's Market on Hawthorne Blvd. The event was attended by lots of friends and family of the children that performed at RAP Day.

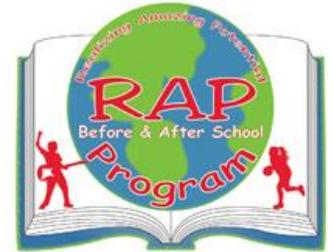
The Rogerss Rock Band and Rogers Cheerleaders performed. The F.D.R RAP Dancers performed. There was

a lot of food that cost about \$2.00, and I sang a solo to the song "Dancing Queen" with a lot of effort. I rocked the whole place out! The children from P.M. RAP in Carson danced to a song by Justin Bieber called "Baby".

Every school in the Lawndale Elementary School District has RAP so they had many performances. Some perform-

ances were more exciting than others. Some performances were real cute, especially the kindergartners from Anderson PM RAP, who danced and sang to a song called "You Belong To Me" by Taylor Swift.

The shows were very exciting, and I'm sure we will have even more exciting performances at RAP Day next year! ❖



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## Marching in Lawndale's Youth Parade

By Shamyra, Features Editor

Hey! I want you to know all about The Lawndale Youth Parade. Many of the RAP dance team members were in the parade. Even some sports players were there too!

The dance team members who came include: Aimee, Yamilex, Luz, Josie, Nia, Attahlah, Mariana, Emely, Allison, Ogechi, Betty, Maria, Guadalupe, and me. Some of the sports players were Andre,

Jordan, Carlos and Ailean. The RAP Program Leaders who came are Abraham, Jerome, Armando, Susana, Goret, Maggie, Ron, and Mike. The Panthers, the Rogers cheerleaders, were doing amazing dance routines. Everyone at the parade was sure to find something they liked.

When you go to next year's parade, you are sure to find something, too! Now, let me

tell you the bad part. When the team was dancing, the music and routine had to stop! The judges could only give each group one minute. Then we had to share our music player with other schools. The good part, though, is when the dance team got to perform!

We all LOVED the parade (except for the walking, of course) and if you saw it, we hope you did too! ❖



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## Fun at the Los Angeles Zoo

By Mateo, Entertainment Editor

The Los Angeles Zoo is a fun place to see animals and study them, because there are little signs that tell you what their names are and what they do, eat and other stuff.

There are different types of animals like birds, mammals, reptiles, invertebrate's, and amphibians. When you get

there, you will see a big sign that says *Los Angeles Zoo*, and there is a line like in other theme parks. The cost is posted at the entrance—children 2 years old and younger are free and children between 2 and 12 years old cost \$8; seniors can get into the the Zoo for \$10, and adults pay an entrance fee of \$13.

There are special events during the holidays that usually include special crafts and activities for kids. These are fun times to go, and you also can see all the animals in their habitats at the same time. The Los Angeles Zoo is a very fun place to take the family next time they want to take a trip but don't know where to go. ❖





### Career Corner

## Scientist Tim Saunders

By Kelsey, Roosevelt Times Editor

**D**id you ever think about what it would be like to be a scientist? The *Roosevelt Times* wanted to find out, so we interviewed Tim Saunders. Mr. Saunders is a researcher in advanced energy systems for the company Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne. He conducts research to develop power for rocket engines for the Department of Energy.

Roosevelt Times: How fast can the earth spin on its axis?

Mr. Saunders: 1000 miles per hour at the equator.

Roosevelt Times: Why did you want to become a scientist?

Mr. Saunders: I liked solving problems.

Roosevelt Times: What is the favorite part of your job?

Mr. Saunders: Working with engineers to find solutions to design issues.

Roosevelt Times: How can kids learn about science?

Mr. Saunders: Read about great inventors and researchers, like Alexander Bell, Louis Pasteur and many others.

Roosevelt Times: What do you find is the hardest thing about being a scientist?

Mr. Saunders: Finding a solution when the research data

does not show which way to go—thinking "outside the box."

Roosevelt Times: What's the best part about being a scientist?

Mr. Saunders: Having a solution work in a machine; finding a successful outcome to a problem.

Roosevelt Times: Do you enjoy being a scientist?

Mr. Saunders: Very much - every day is a new challenge!



## Knott's Berry Farm—The Place to Jam

By Kelsey, Roosevelt Times Editor

**K**not's Berry Farm is a fun place because it has thrill rides, roller coasters, children's rides, and family rides.

The roller coasters that they have are the Boomerang, Ghost Rider, Montezuma's Revenge, Jaguar, Pony Express, Sierra Sidewinder, Silver Bullet, Timberline Twister, and more. They have good places to eat there, like Johnny Rockets, Boardwalk Barbeque, Hollywood Hits, Superscoop and in Camp Snoopy they have Lucy's Lunchbox, Cave Inn, and more.

Knott's also has a separate park called Soak City, and it's very fun on a hot day; you get soaked by a lot of water when you go on the slides.

Knott's has a market place and some of the places to shop are Snoopy Headquarters, Virginia's Gift Shop, Marketplace Emporium, Berry Market, and more.

If you go to Knott's website, [www.knotts.com](http://www.knotts.com), you can take a virtual tour. It takes you to a lot of different places—The Boardwalk, Ghost Town, Indian Trails, Fiesta Village,

Marketplace, and Camp Snoopy.

There is so much to do there, that when I went with my family, I didn't even bother to look at the time. All I know is that it was dark at around 11:00. This place is a lot of fun, and I know that you won't get bored! ❖



## Skateboarding After School

By Berenice, Reporter

For the third trimester there are many clubs for RAP, but the club that most kids like is skateboarding.

The RAP teacher in charge of skateboarding is Mr. Jerome. In the skateboarding club, Mr. Jerome teaches people how to do ollies, kick flips, manual, nose manuals and so many other tricks. On some Fridays, the kids get to free skate. Free skate means that you can do whatever you want.

If you join the RAP skateboarding club, you always

have to wear the proper gear—helmet and elbow and knee pads. If Mr. Jerome catches you without your gear, you probably won't skate for a week. Mr. Jerome and Ms. Maggie don't want the kids to skateboard without the gear because you can get hurt, get in trouble, or you can end up in the hospital. For these reasons you should always wear your gear.

### Skateboarding Rules

It's important to follow RAP's skateboarding rules to keep you and others from getting

hurt. If you don't listen to Mr. Jerome when he tells you to get off the skateboard or to follow other skateboarding rules, you could get kicked out of the skateboarding club.

Following the rules is worth it, because skateboarding is fun. If you want to learn how to skateboard, to improve your skateboarding skills, or to do tricks on a skateboard, you should join the RAP skateboarding club! ❖



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## Soccer Rocks at Roosevelt

By Ecker, Sports Editor

Soccer coach, Ms. Susana tells us about the current soccer season.

Roosevelt Times: What is your team's name?

Ms. Susana: FDR Tigers

Roosevelt Times: What do you like about coaching soccer?

Ms. Susana: Everything, I love it because the kids enjoy it.

Roosevelt Times: Why did you want to become a coach? Ms. Susana: At first, I was pressured to do it because I know soccer so I took over the team and I don't regret it.

Roosevelt Times: Did you win any championships when you played soccer?

Ms. Susana: No, when I used to play soccer, our team was only a club not a competition team.

Roosevelt Times: What is different from your coaching skills between Mr. Armando's and Mr. Ron's?

Ms. Susana: It's not really different. Same rules apply!

Roosevelt Times: Do you

think your team will win?

Ms. Susana: I don't know, but I'm hoping we will. I'm trying not to get too overly confident.

Roosevelt Times: What is your favorite soccer team?

Ms. Susana: America.

The soccer team looks ready and hungry for another championship. If they continue with the teachings from Mr. Armando, Mr. Ron, and their new coach Ms. Susana, most likely they will dominate the competition. All I can say is good luck to Ms. Susana's soccer team, and bring home the gold! ❖





## World Cup Soccer

By Jorge C., Sports Reporter

Soccer is a sport some kids like and some don't. Soccer seems to be more appealing to most kids because they have seen their fathers and brothers either play it or watch it. Soccer is also known as football in different countries like England. Soccer is the only sport played and broadcast worldwide.

Starting in June, the World Cup will begin. The World Cup is held every four years, and this

year takes place in South Africa. There will be thirty-two teams participating, and one of those teams is the Furia Roja (Red Fury) Spain.

Spain is ranked according to FIFA as the second best soccer team in the world. They are known for having an undefeated streak, most of them from tying, and for having a 15-game winning streak. Their uniform colors for this year are red with blue.

Spain's head coach is Vicente del Bosque, who has been with the team since 2008. Their captain is Iker Casillas, who is also the goalie, and considered the first choice goalie in the country. Their leading scorer is Raul Gonzales Blanco, who has scored 44 goals from 1996-2006.

Even though Spain has yet to win the world cup I believe this will be their year. Good luck to all the other teams. ❖



## Chihuahuas

By Ilsi, Reporter, and Dakota H, Roosevelt Times Editor

Chihuahuas are dogs that are very small and cute. Some have white fur, brown fur, black fur, or even mixed colored fur.

A Chihuahua is about 5 to 6 inches tall. They are originally from Mexico. Chihuahuas are very smart animals because

any time anything happens they can hear it before a human can.

Chihuahuas can have five babies at a time, and a female Chihuahua is only pregnant for three months. All new born Chihuahuas are so cute, furry and small. They drink

milk from the mother Chihuahua until they are grown. Some Chihuahuas eat human food or dog food like rice and chicken or other types of meat.

These are some facts about Chihuahuas! Do you like Chihuahuas? I do and you will like them to! ❖



## Guitar Hero for Everyone

By Erick, Reporter

Are you one of the people that are bad at playing the real guitar? Well there is good news for all of you out there, it's called *Guitar Hero*, and it is a rhythm game developed by Neversoft and published by Activation.

*Guitar Hero* has been out since 2005, and anyone can play *Guitar Hero*—it's for all ages. Since 2005, there have

been various sequels to *Guitar Hero*—about sixteen games. You can find the *Guitar Hero* title in every platform, like the Wii, Xbox 360, Playstation 2 & 3, and the DS/DSi. The difference between the platforms is the graphics, and music for each system.

The game play is the same for all the systems. You can play by yourself or you can play

with or against a friend, and play as a band. If you select *options*, you can enter cheat codes. These cheat codes may get you new songs, new high-ways, and change the colors of the star power. Star power can help you increase your score, and you need to activate it at the right time.

Have fun with this game. It's awesome and doesn't get old. ❖

## Fundraising Fun at Chuck E. Cheese

By Kelsey, Restaurant Editor

Has your school ever had a fundraiser at Chuck-e-Cheese? Well my school had a fundraiser there, and it was so much fun. Also, my school gave students a sticker that allowed us to receive 10 FREE TOKENS!

When I went to Chuck-e-Cheese I had so much fun with my family. Their pizza was good; it had a soft crust, gooey cheese, and the portion of to-

mato sauce was good. When I was finished, I went to play games. I played games for tickets, and games just for fun. I basically played every game they had to offer. In the end I earned up 529 tickets, and I got prizes—like a spinning top, bouncing clay, a fake scorpion and a fake spider.

If you go to Chuck-e-Cheese with your family on a school fundraiser, your school will get

a 15% donation. If you buy a large pizza with 1 or 2 toppings and 2 soft drinks, they will give you 25 game tokens. If you buy the Fun Saver, it offers the same but has 4 soft drinks and they will give you 50 game tokens. But there is another package called the Family Saver, and they will give you 100 game tokens! I hope you go to Chuck-e-Cheese on your own or to help out your school. ❖



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## A Visit to Hollywood

By Mitzy, Roosevelt Times Editor

Hollywood is one of the best places you could go with children ages 1-14. The reason is because there are many dressed up characters like Darth Vader, Dora, Sponge Bob, Indiana Jones, Buzz Light Year, Woody, and many more animated characters. If you ever go you should go on a Saturday or Sunday

because that's when they're mostly there. For older kids there are very cool museum-like places Guinness World Record Museum and the Believe It or Not Museum. There are also cool gift shops and booths. In some of the booths they sell things to do magic and other cool stuff. In gift shops there are Oscar Awards

that say *Best Teacher* or other things. In Hollywood, you can also see the Walk of Fame. These are some of the names on stars: Michael Jackson, Walt Disney, George Lopez, and a lot of other cool celebrity names. In Hollywood there are many cool things I think you should go check it out. ❖



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## Roosevelt Opens Its House

By Luz, Reporter

Open House was on Thursday, April 29th from 6:30 to 7:30. The book fair was held on the same day from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. A lot of parents were there, and there were really cool activities for students to

do. The students had a nice time with friends and family.

There were 20 teachers at Roosevelt's Open House. Parents talked to student's teachers to see how their students did. The most popular ones brought

snacks like Nerds, Coke or Pepsi and Big Nate. Some had popcorn and juice.

Everyone had a wonderful time with their family and friends. This one of the best Open Houses ever. ❖





## FusionFall is Fun

By Evan, Video Game Editor

**F**usionFall is a game where you create your own character and head into Cartoon Network online at <http://fusionfall.cartoonnetwork.com/>.

In this online game, a war is being fought by the Cartoon Network characters and the enemy from planet Fusion.

The game starts in the year 2010, and your character is in a time machine where you meet Dexter, from the show *Dexter's Laboratory*. Dexter is about to send you one year ahead into his time period 2011. But then his annoying sister Dee-Dee messes with the controls and sends you into 2014. In 2014, Cartoon Network is losing the war, and you have to save the day.

You were a normal kid in Cartoon Network in 2010. But in 2011 the war started, and in somewhere between the time period of 2011 and 2014, the



war slowly turned against Cartoon Network. When you start the game you are in 2014., your main objective is to get the time machine fixed and get back to year 2011. There you can help turn the tides of the war.

Who are the evil attackers that want to take over Cartoon Network? The Fusions. The fusions are these little blob monsters about a foot tall. They are powerless by themselves, but

together they are almost invincible. The reason they have been such a threat is because there are over one million taking residents in Cartoon Network. Not only that but they have two very strange but powerful powers. With a bit of D.N.A they can turn into one of the Cartoon Network characters. And they can use only the objects or environment around them and turn into monsters or robots! Their leader is the power Fuse! A monster the size of a skyscraper and has the power of one billion fusions! He makes these machines called Tera Fusers, which can spread slime and acid in the area and create fusions.

With only a little bit of Cartoon Network left, do you have what it takes to end the war? Find out now by playing FusionFall and teaming up with your favorite Cartoon Network characters in this 3-D mega brawler! ❖



## YouTube Pop Star Justin Bieber

By Ilsi , Music Reporter

**J**ustin Bieber was born March 1, 1994. He is a Canadian Pop/R&B singer and is multi-talented. He can play the guitar, piano, percussion, and trumpet. Last but not least, he does vocals and is a songwriter. His performances on YouTube were seen by Scooter Braun, who later he became Justin's manager.

Bieber has a lot of screaming fans, like me. Did you know that thousands of screaming fans showed up at a U.S. mall to see Bieber on November 27, 2009?

Justin Bieber has been on some Nickelodeon shows like *True Jackson V.P.*, *School Girls*, *Silent Library*, and *Sat-*

*urday Night Live*. He said he had very fun hanging out with the casts of the shows on their sets.

Now Justin Bieber is moving on with his career, except for fracturing his foot in a London concert in Wembley Stadium with Taylor Swift last December. ❖

## Need for Speed

By Edgar, Reporter

**D**o you like racing games? If you do I have a game for you that will drive you crazy! The game is called *Need for Speed ProStreet*. The game is available for these systems: Wii, Xbox, Playstation3, and PSP. They are available in stores like GameStop, and the prices you will get it

for will be \$17.99 if it is used and if it is new, it will be for \$25.00 or more but it depends on which system you have.

The graphics are good in all systems. The graphics are amazing because it looks like you were seeing it in real life. You will feel like you are there

inside the actual game. I recommend this game because it has great cars and better maps to race in. It will keep you on edge through the whole game. You can Drag, Drift, and Grip with other good racers.

If you want to play versus, you can play 1 to 4 players. ❖



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## Poptropica

By Evan, Video Game Editor

**P**optropica is a fun game were you have only three major things to do: explore, collect, complete. You start out the game with a character that the game gives you. While you play the game you may change your players look. The point of the game is to go to different areas and earn the golden medal from each world by solving whatever problems in each world. Plus in each area

you will meet new people and find new objects that could do who knows what!

There are 12 areas so far. There is Early Poptropica, Super Power, Spy, Reality T.V Island, Counterfeit, Big Nate, Nabootie, Astro Knights, 24 Carrot, Time Tangled, Shark Tooth, and Mythology. Each time you beat an area you get 100 credits. Credits are used

for buying prizes like special out fits or weird doodads like lighting staffs and candy canes and flaming gum. Plus the person who made Poptropica is Jeff Kinney the author of *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*. It also explains why all the Poptropica characters look like the characters in *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*. Also, you probably don't need parental permission to play this game. ❖



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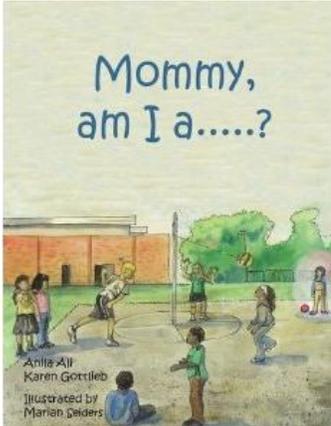
By Mitzy, Technology Editor

**H**ave you ever heard of a website called, How Many Of Me.com? If you haven't, check it out! This website can help you figure out how many people share your name. For example, if you type in Magdalena Guillen, it would tell you there are

23,182 Magdalena's. It will also tell you there are 24,356 Guillens in the world. The last thing it will tell you is how many Magdalena Guillen's there are in the world and, just in case you were wondering how many there are the answer is only two.

In order to have the information in this website you need to fill in the census and turn it in as soon as possible. If you have any time this week make sure you check it out with your parent, because you have to be 13 years of age and older to use the website. ❖





### **Mommy, am I a ...**

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**Roosevelt Times:** Have you written a book before?

**Ms. Ali:** No, I haven't, although I am working on another book.

**Roosevelt Times:** What kind of books would you like to write?

**Ms. Ali:** I would like to write more books that deal with cultural tolerance, multiculturalism, and human rights.

**Roosevelt Times:** What advice would you give to kids who want to write a book? What makes a book successful?

**Ms. Ali:** I say to all my students, you can all become published writers. You just have to set your mind to it.

You just have to set your mind to it. With the advent of the marketing over the Internet, anyone can publish a book and reach millions of people through the Internet.

Dealing with relevant issues, and knowing your audience is what makes a book successful. You have to make your subject relevant so it attracts the prevalent issues.



**Anila Ali**

However, you could be passionate about a subject that is not relevant, then you should still go ahead and write your book.

**Roosevelt Times:** How did you get the book published? Was it hard to get published?

**Ms. Ali:** The best thing about publishing a book in today's world is that you don't need thousands of dollars, you can self-publish for a fraction of the price. It wasn't very hard to get published because we chose to self-publish. With self-publishing, you need to market yourself. So we go to book fairs, community events, friends, and use word of mouth to market our book. .

**Roosevelt Times:** What did you like best about working with the editor and illustrator?

**Ms. Ali:** I knew both individuals were professionals and so they understood the importance of meeting deadlines and editing. Also, they are my colleagues and it was great fun to experience book publishing with people you enjoy being with.

### **Interview with author Karen Gottlieb**

Rogers Language Arts teacher, Ms. Gottlieb, helped write and edit the book. She also is Ms. Ali's mentor and longtime friend.

**Roosevelt Times:** Have you edited children's books before? Was it hard to edit this book?

**Ms. Gottlieb:** I have never edited a book before but as a Language Arts teacher for many years, I edit student papers on a regular basis. However, a book was quite a different task. I felt totally

responsible for what was going to be in print. Even now when I read the book, I question if some of the rules were accurately followed. I am sure no one except me would notice.

**Roosevelt Times:** What does an editor do?



**Karen Gottlieb**

**Ms. Gottlieb:** We needed to be sure all aspects of the plot were clearly defined and then had to work on the page layout and corresponding pictures.

**Roosevelt Times:** How many drafts of the book were made before you submitted it to the publisher?

**Ms. Gottlieb:** At least five drafts of the story were written.

**Roosevelt Times:** Have you ever been mistreated like in the book? To edit a book, do you need to know how the author felt?

**Ms. Gottlieb:** It was not difficult to edit this manuscript, and the fact that I have had similar experiences made no difference. It is actually easier to edit a piece in which you are not involved. The author, Anila Ali and I are not only col-

leagues but good friends. I was aware of the situation on which the story is based and have shared similar experiences with Anila. It was an exciting experience and incredible to see this project actually in print!

**Interview with illustrator  
Marian Seiders**

Marian Seiders is a Visual Arts teacher at Rogers, who drew the wonderful illustrations in the *Mommy, am I a ...* book.

Roosevelt Times: Where do you get the inspiration for your art?

Ms. Seiders: I get inspiration from everywhere. Life is fascinating and there's lots to stimulate me. I also read a lot of art making books and magazines and they have lots of ideas also. I save my ideas in an "idea book" so I have them there should I need them.

Roosevelt Times: Do you prefer teaching or illustrating?

Ms. Seiders: I would prefer to make art all the time rather than teach, but teaching is fun and I'm teaching my favorite thing, art, so it's ok. I need to know where my money is coming from, full time artist is too "iffy" as far as money.

Roosevelt Times: What kind of media do you use?

Ms. Seiders: I'm an "assemblage" artist which is taking junk and making art with it, I also paint and do mixed media collage. I will use any interesting material and I like to experiment by attaching things to the canvas and using all kinds of unexpected materials. I like acrylic paint because it's so versatile,

and I use watercolor, epoxy and E6000 glue for my assemblages

Roosevelt Times: What kind of pictures do you like to draw?

Ms. Seiders: I like drawing people best because they are hard to draw and such a challenge. When you get it right it's awesome! Plus, people are so interesting because they are all different in the way they dress, and move. But I will draw anything. Drawing for me is more a preparation for other things and not an end in itself

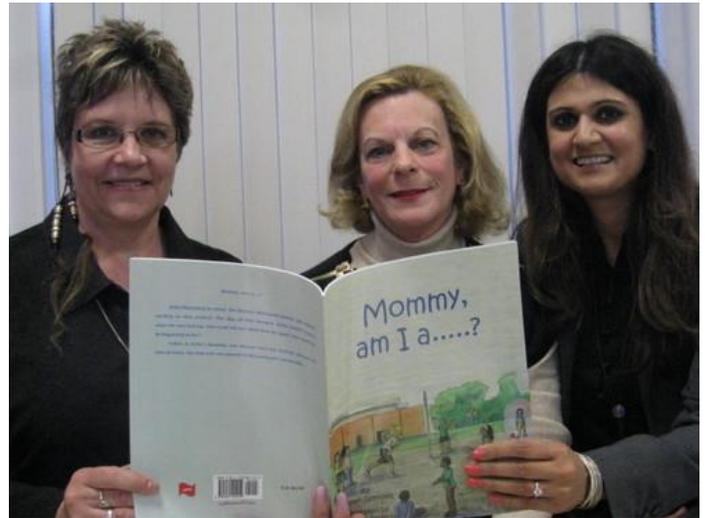
Roosevelt Times: What made you decide to illustrate "Mommy am I ...?"

Ms. Seiders: Anila asked me to do it, and at first I was reluctant as I am not an illustrator. Illustration is kind of boring to me....and I told her that, but she asked me to try, and I thought why not? It's a new sort of challenge.

Roosevelt Times: Did you enjoy drawing when you were



Marian Seiders



in elementary school? If so, what types of drawings did you do then?

Ms Seiders: I drew a lot when I was growing up. I was pretty good at it, and it was something I could do that others couldn't usually do as well, so I got attention for it. At that time I drew a lot of animals, and horses were a favorite to draw. I was also riding them at that time and reading about them, so they were my big interest.

Roosevelt Times: Have you illustrated other books?

Ms. Seiders: I haven't illustrated any other books, but I hope that I will do some more later on. It's sort of a new area that is promising.

Roosevelt Times: What did you like best about working with the author and editor?

Ms. Seiders: Working with the other ladies has been really enjoyable because we all work together and this has been an interesting learning experience for us. They are really dedicated people and very smart, so I feel very proud they have included me. What I like best about them is their enthusiasm for the book and for promoting it. ❖



## Short Story: The Nightmare

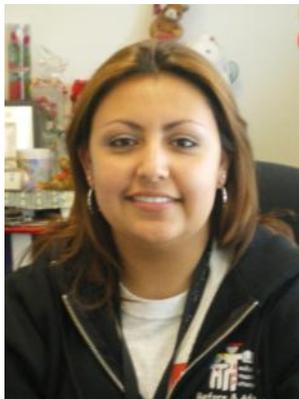
By Attahlah, Creative Writing Editor

**I**t was a cold and stormy night, and I was sitting at the bus stop waiting impatiently for the bus to arrive and take me home. I was waiting desperately for the bus to come but it was taking 20 years just to pick up one person.

As I was waiting impatiently I started to hear footsteps creeping up to me slowly and steady. But then I looked back, no one was there. I was becoming very paranoid so every minute I was sitting there I regretted it. Then, two minutes later I started hearing

the weird sounds again, so I turned around as fast as I could but when I turned around no one was there again.

Then, I woke up and realized I was having a nightmare. ❖



## RAP Rocks

By Maggie Guillen, RAP Program Coordinator

*Dear FDR Tigers,*

I cannot believe the school year is over and it is time for *SUMMER!!* I hope you all can join us in Summer RAP this year.

Well this is our last issue of the year and will for sure continue with *Roosevelt Times* next year. I want to thank all of you for reading *Roosevelt Times* throughout the year. Most importantly, I want to thank

all of our Reporters and especially our Editors and their Advisor Mr. Abraham for ALL of their hard work and dedication.

If you are interested in joining *Roosevelt Times* don't forget to have your parents attend the FDR RAP Mandatory Parent Orientation on July 20th. On that day, your parents will be able to sign you up for RAP and all the FUN included.

Before I conclude, I want to say farewell to all of our 5th graders and wish them the best as they embark into a new journey in middle school.

Thank you once again for being part of our *Roosevelt Times* and hope you all have a wonderful summer!! See you all August 31st at RAP!

Sincerely,  
*Ms. Maggie*

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