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Classroom Activities

We finished our Tab Test, an assessment of reading, language, and math, in late September and moved on to creating our fake town, "Flimflamville", where each person simulates an independent life. I teach them how to write checks and balance their checkbooks as well as plan for the future though the game. We even had a quiz on the parts of the check itself. The class in charge of the game is doing very well. They write a weekly two page paper with gossip and hard hitting news. They also have to be the bank, in so far as they make sure that people don't write bad checks, and write bills out for their classmates every week. Along with that, they still have to do most of the same work as everyone else like the Pre-Test.

Career Association Activities

We are trying to raise money for a better prize purse at next year's 100-Mile Wilderness Dogsled Race. Terry Knowles came into class to speak about the dogsled race and how JMG could help. At last count, we have raised \$750 for prize money. We also had our Initiation and Installation with our guest speaker Principal Scott Gordon. The night went very well and the kids looked great. We built paper airplanes out of poster board with the one that flew the best getting an "A", but they had to submit a story of the plane's origin to qualify for the contest. Finally, we welcomed Tabitha Olmstead as our new Treasurer, she is a second-generation officer as her older sister was secretary several years ago. As for service events, we did a party at Milo Daycare and the kids loved us. We also ran the Haunted Hayride and indoor games for the American Legion of Brownville's Halloween party on the 28th from 3pm to 8pm in two shifts, but the officers and a select group stayed for the duration of the event.

Follow up

The star this month is: Kevin Nason. Kevin will be in the National Guard full-time starting in January – "Go Kevin".

Aleesha Chadwick is working for Governor's Restaurant.

Samantha Chase is working for Brewer Rehabilitation Center.

Jessica Coburn is attending UMPI.

Shane Herbest is working for the Railroad.

Stephanie Johnston works for Maine Veterans Home & attends UMO.

Hilary London is working at Shaw's & attending UNE.

Ashlei McMahon lives Wyoming & works at Domino's & Great Lakes Aviation.

Kevin Nason is going to be in the National Guard.

Marie Moulton works at the redemption center.

Ashley Pelletier is attending EMCC.

Devin Perkins is attending EMCC.

Damara Whittemore is a live-in nanny.

Ashley Williams works for St. Joseph's Hospital & attends EMCC.

Service Learning/ Upcoming Events

We hope to be involved with the weatherizing project in our area. We may try a food drive again.

Employer Marketing

We contacted every business in Milo and Brownville that we felt would have an interest in advertising as part of the 100-Mile Wilderness Dog Sled Race. All of the twelve businesses that we spoke with were very interested in contributing to the event. This was a great opportunity for business leaders to learn more about JMG while helping to make the event more successful.