

Each year this event is organized by Mrs. Lou Conwell, 3rd grade teacher at Carl Sandburg with the help of EIU professors, Mrs. April Flood, Dr. Linda Reven, and Mrs. Denise Reid. These teachers and EIU student volunteers from KDP and SRC work with students using hands-on activities and games to teach basic dictionary skills to students preparing them for 4th grade. In addition, using *The Dictionary Project*, students receive donated dictionaries that the children are to keep, so they can take it with them into the fourth grade and use it throughout their school career. The goal is for students to leave at the end of the year as good writers, active readers and creative thinkers. This year 166 dictionaries will need to be donated for all of the 3rd graders at Carl Sandburg for Dictionary Day on April 7th.

