



### **Maine Reads Community Literacy Project Literacy Project Ideas**

The following is a list of suggestions to get you thinking about projects that will inspire you and your community while addressing the literacy needs your community has. We welcome fresh ideas and initiatives. The following suggestions are merely possible springboards for projects, and should not limit your thinking.

- 1) Develop a literacy outreach initiative that uses the visual, literary, or performing arts to generate community involvement and literacy development and outcomes.
- 2) Work with area educators and literacy specialists to determine school-age groups needing to develop reading, writing, or math skills and devise an event or program designed to create excitement while packing an underlying educational agenda.
- 3) Target the elderly and the school aged and develop a program designed to bring the two together so that each benefits from the others age and perspective.
- 4) Develop reading and writing projects designed to create community discussion.
- 5) Work with area daycare facilities to create programs designed to bring in the families so you may get to know and welcome them, while gaining an understanding of their needs. Then develop friendly programs designed to heighten family literacy.
- 6) Create a program designed to bring together physical activity, healthy eating and cooking skills involving reading and measuring.