

New York AG LITERACY DAY

March 21, 2007



Spoons Across America® in cooperation with New York Agriculture in the Classroom is pleased to announce the second annual New York Ag Literacy Day in support of its mission of fostering awareness, understanding, and appreciation of agriculture and the food and fiber system. On March 21, National Ag Day, volunteers throughout New York State will go into classrooms to read a book with an agricultural theme and talk to students about agriculture.

Spoons Across America® is proud to announce the 2007 New York Ag Literacy Day participants from the New York City Board of Education: Public Schools - PS 1 & PS 132 in Manhattan and PS 282 in Brooklyn. Sixteen 2nd grade classrooms with a total of 480 children will be read Lily's Garden by Deborah Kogan Ray (Roaring Book Press) and participate in a hands-on agricultural activity to their classrooms. Spoons Across America will donate the book to each of the classrooms and the New York Agriculture in the Classroom will donate the book to each school library with a special bookplate recognizing Spoons Across America and NY Ag Literacy Day.

In 2006, nearly 1,000 books were read and donated, and thousands of second-grade students participated in fun and educational activities, and this year will be as far reaching as ever! If you are located in the New York City area and would like to participate in next year's Ag Literacy Day, please contact us at info@spoonsacrossamerica.org and mention 'NY Ag Literacy Day'.

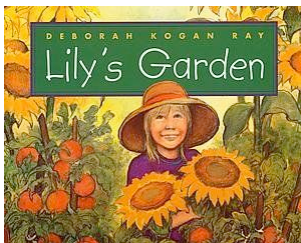
For more information about New York Agricultural Education Outreach, visit:

http://www.cerp.cornell.edu/aitc/Ag_Literacy_Day_2007.asp

For more information about National Ag Day, visit:

<http://www.agday.org/>

About the Book



NYAITC's 2007 Book of the Year is *Lily's Garden*, by Deborah Kogan Ray (Roaring Book Press). Read more about the book here:

http://www.dkgray.com/books/lilys_garden/index.html