

CHILDREN'S LITERATURE PROJECT

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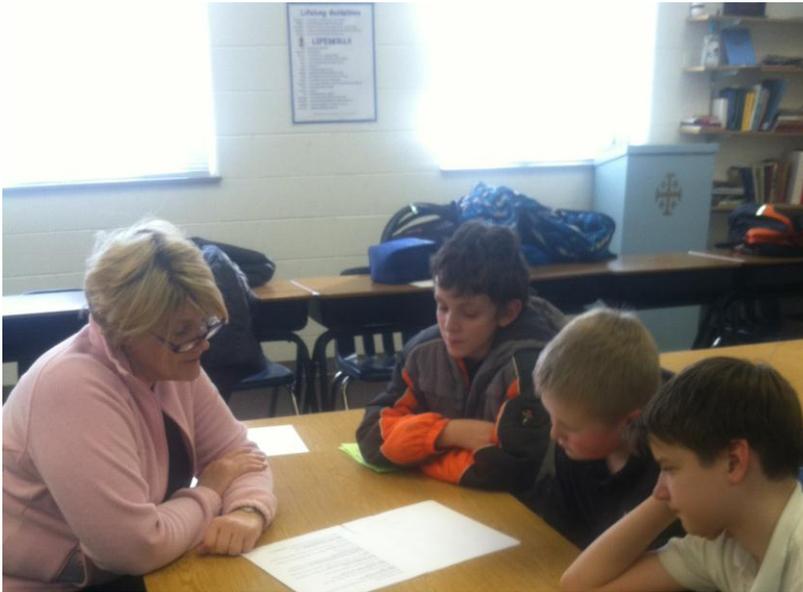
Sarah Gillette will be working with the students on play writing and production. She will also direct the three student productions.

I worked with the Galesburg-Augusta High School Drama Club (9th-12th grades) for 4 years as co-club advisor and director of the spring play. My duties included meeting monthly with the club to discuss upcoming projects, fundraisers, and working on current production.

Each spring I directed a play of my choosing to be presented for one weekend at the middle school auditorium. I would choose the play based on what students I knew I had in the small program which could be anywhere from 5-12. Since there was not a lot of support in the school district for the arts, it was my job with the assistance of my husband, Fred Gillette as Technical Director and a high school teacher, Eric Hayner, to do every aspect of the production. I served as head director, costumer, publicity and many other hats to stage the production.

During my four years, I directed the following shows.

1. *Disorder in the Court* (2007). A farce based in a southern court room. Cast of 10
2. *Destiny* (2008) – A farce based on the theme of a 1980's soap opera. Cast of 10-12
3. *Barefoot In The Park* (2009) – Neil Simon Comedy – Cast of 6
4. *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* (2010) – Fairytale – cast of 12.



Sarah Gillette working with Jon Perry, Noah Duyck, and Seth Wojcik on their adaptation of Leslie Helakoski's book, *Woolbur* for the script writing contest. The boys are students at St. Joseph Middle School in Battle Creek.

The program was discontinued after the last show as the high school liaison took a job with another school; there was a change in the principal of the high school, and lack support from the school itself.

I have been doing theatre in the local area for over 30 years and prior to that I directed and performed for a dinner theatre company in Wisconsin.

Currently I am a resident company member of What A Do Theatre in Springfield, Michigan as well as a full-time executive assistant to the District Superintendent of the United Methodist Church, Albion District.