

# Acworth Teen Is A Four-Time Author

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ACWORTH, NH--Ceara Comeau of Acworth isn't afraid to follow her dreams. The 19-year-old, who will be a sophomore at Pensacola Christian College in Pensacola, FL, this fall, is already a four-time self-published author.

Comeau, began writing at age 11 and by age 15, she was able to publish her first two stories, both mystery books, entitled "Amber Oaks Mysteries Vol. 1" and "The Adventures of the Young and Curious."

Now at age 19, Comeau has published a total of four books and hopes to continue growing as a writer and publisher.

At age 11, Comeau started writing what she thought were just silly stories, never imagining they would become anything she could hold in her hands in a printed form. She says that for her, the writing started off as an escape.

"I was being bullied a lot when I was younger and I needed an escape and my stories were an escape for me. At first I didn't know what to write about when it came to putting pen to paper, but one of the bullies actually gave me an inspiration for a story, so I started writing and then I continued on and on."

Three of the four of Comeau's published works are a series entitled, "The Amber Oaks Mysteries".

"When I was around 12, I started writing "The Amber Oak Mysteries" and at first I didn't know that they were going to be a mystery se-



**Ceara Comeau**

ries. I was just writing as sort of a 21st century Nancy Drew, that's what my mindset was."

When discussing how the publishing of her work came to be, Comeau said she might have a shooting star that she saw when she was at camp at age 15 to thank for the occurrence.

"I remember the counselors took all of us out in to a field to stargaze and I remember wishing on a shooting star that my stories would come out and be open to the world. When I got home, my mom surprised me and told me that she found an online self-publishing website."

With her mom finding the website and her dad acting as her editor, Comeau credits her parents with a great deal of success of her stories coming to life.

"At first I did not want to publish because I was nervous, thinking, #Who's going to want to read the ramblings of a little kid." The my mom said #come on," and then people wanted to talk to me about my book, so it was really a mix-

ture of emotion because I was holding my two books in my hand; how many kids at 15 can say they have published two books."

Between the writing, editing, and publishing of a book, Comeau says that on average it can take about a year and a half to go from start to finish. All four of her books are now available on the Barnes and Noble website, but Comeau says it isn't the amount of people who buy then that matters to her, it is just the fact that she made her dreams a reality.

"I would say for anyone who wants to do this, or any type of art, go for it. It's not going to be instant, but if you just breathe and take your time, you learn a lot more. Just don't give up."

**Editor's Note:** *Hannah Berling has completed her summer internship with the e-Ticker News and is returning to Western New England University in Springfield, MA, to continue her studies. She will graduate in May, 2013. Thank you, Hannah, for a job well done!*

## St. Mary Accepting Items For Annual Indoor Yard Sale

CLAREMONT, NH--St. Mary Parish will be holding its annual Large Indoor Yard Sale in St. Mary Gym, on Saturday, September 8th, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Proceeds will benefit St. Mary Parish.

Donations for the yard sale will be accepted in the gym during the following dates/times:

- Monday, August 20, 2012 (3 pm – 7 pm)
- Wednesday, August 22, 2012 (3 pm – 7 pm)
- Saturday, August 25, 2012 (9 am – 1 pm)
  
- Monday, August 27, 2012 (3 pm – 7 pm)
- Wednesday, August 29, 2012 (3 pm – 7 pm)
- Saturday, September 1, 2012 (9 am – 1 pm)

The following items will be accepted: tools, small furniture, small appliances, glassware, china, dishes, pots/pans, Christmas items, crafts, toys, books, jewelry, pictures/frames, tapes/movies/CD's, puzzles, linens to include drapes & bedding, home decorative items, etc.

The following items will NOT be accepted: large appliances, large furniture, mattresses, luggage, broken items, rugs/carpeting, clothes, shoes, exercise equipment, ski's/poles, ski boots, typewriters and computers.

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