

SPENCER & RED STORM



Spencer is the happiest luckiest skunk you'll ever see! He gets all the corn he can eat and every day kids come in and say "Hi Spencer!"

SKUNK

The common striped skunk is a protected species. It is illegal in all States to domesticate these little guys as they are a common carrier of rabies. They have excellent hearing and sense of smell. Skunks eat berries, insects, and some small animals like mice. If a skunk finds a broccoli field, he will be very happy! It's a favorite!

Skunks are hesitant to use their spray. When threatened they will first try to escape, then they will hiss and stomp their feet. When all else fails they will crunch up into a U shape and spray.

RED SQUIRREL

These little fellows are classified as rodents. They offer the same headaches to homeowners that mice and rats do, but they are much cuter while they're doing it! Rodents are intelligent and the squirrel rates at the top of the list. They can swim, hang upside down and run on wires. Red Squirrels have a host of enemies like the fox, dogs, cats, hawks and owls. They don't hibernate and they lose up to 25% of their buried winter food stores. They have a tough life so be kind to them!

Carver: Thomas Holzinger
Roanoke, Indiana

Sponsors:

Spencer: Joan & Bill Grabe
Red Storm: The Graduating Class of
Saranac Lake High School 1961



As the carvings arrived in Saranac Lake, the local school children got a chance to look them over carefully, and give each animal it's official name. When the painter looked at this red squirrel, they saw "Peanut butter and Jelly" which is a very nice name. But when the school kids saw it, they saw "Red Storm"!

The Saranac Lake Central School District's teams are known as The Red Storm. This is the only animal lucky enough to have 2 names!