

Dave Crawley joined KDKA in April of 1988 where he reports on the interesting stories of “KD Country.”

Throughout his career, Dave has visited many towns and has enjoyed learning about community activities and interests. He has taped more than 3,000 stories. Dave also wrote and produced a highly acclaimed documentary, “Celebrating 50 Years in Our Hometowns.” Before joining KDKA-TV, Dave was a news anchor/reporter for WMTV-TV in Madison, Wisconsin.

Numerous awards have been given to Dave throughout his career. He has won 12 Emmy awards, including “Outstanding Feature Reporter” in the Mid-Atlantic states, and an Edward R. Murrow Award for broadcast news writing.

The celebrity chairman of walkathons sponsored by the Alzheimer’s Association and other groups, Dave is active in many local organizations. He is also the author of a book titled Sidelights on Wisconsin.

Known for his rhyming stories on KDKA-TV, Dave has branched out into children’s literature. Dave’s first book, the critically-acclaimed Cat Poems honors our feline friends. His second book, Dog Poems, was selected at one of “The best Children’s Books of the Year” by the Bank Street Children’s Book Committee. Dave’s book of school poems, Reading, Rhyming and ‘Rithmetic received a starred review (“Highly Recommended”) from the Library Media Connection.

Dave also has numerous poems in nine anthologies: Rolling in the Aisles, If Kids Ruled the School, Miles of Smiles, I Invited a Dragon to Dinner, Peter Peter Pizza Eater, My Teacher’s In Detention, Lady Bug, Lady Bug, Pound A Poem, and What I Did On My Summer Vacation.

In addition, he has published dozens of poems in 13 national children’s magazines, including “Ranger Rick”, “Cricket”, and “Jack and Jill.”

Dave makes frequent appearances at area schools, reading his rhymes to poets of the future. To contact him about making an appearance at a school, email: dcrawley@kdka.com.

A graduate of Washington and Lee University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in History, Dave went on to receive a Master of Arts degree in Mass Communication from Emerson College in Boston. Born in Frankfurt, Germany, he now resides in the Squirrel Hill section of Pittsburgh. Dave enjoys traveling and meeting people in the hometowns of the tri-state area.

