## Kilgore Memorial Library Director's Report Prepared for the July 21, 2016 York City Council meeting

- 1. The **Elmer Baker** display case is filled with a collection of antique toys from the collection of Bob Sautter. The **Kent Bedient** gallery is covered with information from Summer Reading Activities.
- 2. **Summer Reading** is winding down. The Final event is scheduled at 2:00 pm on Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup>. A magic show with Fax Gilbert from Fairfield, Iowa, will be the program. A performance artist and educator who uses mime, masks, magic, physical comedy and audience interaction to create programs that connect with his audience, we are excited to bring this show to York and the Summer Reading Club.

The Beach Party at the Family Activity Center will be the afternoon of Friday, July 15th.

- 3. The programs presented by the **4-H Extension educators** were a great addition to our summer activities. We are planning to add after-school programming through this partnership.
- 4. **StoryWalk 2016** books will be delivered on the trail the first week of each month through the year. The July title is *Wiggle* by Doreen Cronin. Our partner for this month is the Parks and Recreation Department.
- 5. The summer reading **SMACKDOWN** with Seward started on June 1 and runs through July 30 this year. We have 79 registered readers and the last report had Seward with 1,075 and York at 730. We have three weeks to go in this contest!
- 6. We are promoting another fun reading challenge. Nebraska 150 Books Project is a cooperative event to encourage reader's to read books about Nebraska, by Nebraskan's. The selection committee has identified titles that represent the collection to celebrate our state's sesquicentennial in 2017. Reader's can pick up a reading sheet to track the books they read at Kilgore Memorial Library or download the form from <a href="nebraska150books.org">nebraska150books.org</a>. Those who meet the reading challenges can register to be in a drawing for prizes from this activity.
- 7. After receiving a request from the Morton-James Public library director at Nebraska City for a staff member exchange, Rachel Mayfield and Deb Robertson traveled to their library on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Rachel spent time with their staff to see and learn about their collection processing and the steps they have for several other processes. Deb spent her time with the Southeast Libray System's CASTL meeting held in Nebraska City that day. The staff from Nebraska City will travel to York on July 15<sup>th</sup>. We have been asked to share our workflow for acquisitions and cataloging, they are also interested in our petty cash and social media processes.

Please mark your calendar and join us for these upcoming events at the library:

- July 19<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm Memorist Betty Auchard will speak on a unique period of York history. Betty recounts her experiences of living on the campus at York College as "mom" to the 11 college men her husband, math and physics professor Denny Auchard in her memoir "Living with Twelve Men... a mother in training."
- August 23 starting at 11:30 am the York County Health Coalition's End of Life Partnership and Kilgore
  Memorial Library are hosting a public forum on the book Being Mortal by Atul Gawande. This event will start
  with a light lunch and a viewing followed by discussion of the book with regional health care providers.
- August 31 from 1 5 pm, Suzi Parron, author of several quilting books, will present a hands-on Barn Quilt Paining Workshop where participants will create a painted quilt blocks to take with them. Suzi will also speak at 7:00 that evening about her experience as a writer of books about the Barn Painting world. These events are co-hosted with the library by the Quilt Basket in York.

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