

Kilgore Memorial Library  
Director's Report  
Prepared for the June 16, 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** registration is high again this summer. More than 500 children are registered for Summer Reading and an average of 90 are attending the activities provided on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at the library.
3. Our summer interns, **Lauren Boyer and Rachel Rathjen** are assisting with the registration desk on Thursday and are assisting UNL York County Extension Educators for 4-H youth development provide programming at the library this summer.
4. **StoryWalk 2016** books will be delivered on the trail the first week of each month through the year. The June title is *Daddies* by Lila Prap and was financially supported by the Family Foundations – York Public Schools Sixpence program.
5. The summer reading **SMACKDOWN** with Seward started on June 1 and runs through July 30 this year. At the first report we have 56 registered readers and the scores reported were York 35 vs Seward 90. Early numbers have not indicated who will win in past years and we hope that is true in 2016!
6. **Jason Vogt** has moved to Grand Island and left his employment at the library. He has been replaced by **Megan Detlefs** as the part-time social media coordinator position created through funding from the County. **Caleb Groves** has also been hired for the summer to assist with graphic design through publications.
7. **Mike Teetor, library board president, and Deb Robertson** visited the County Commissioners twice this month. The first visit was to give a quarterly report on the activities generated by their financial support. The second visit, at the request of the County Commissioners was to give them an annual update from the library and formally request renewed funding for the 2016/2017 fiscal year. Copies of both reports shared with the County Commissioners are attached to this report.
8. **Deb Robertson** attended a workshop on Intellectual Freedom at Elkhorn, NE on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The presenters were from a county library district in Kansas where Intellectual Freedom is infused into every service they provide. Other presenters that day were from Do Space, the all-electronic library in Omaha, and a representative from inCOMMON, an organization working with communities of poverty.

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

- **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. This event will be co-hosted by the Quilt Basket in York.

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