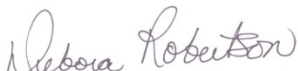


Kilgore Memorial Library
Director's Report
Prepared for the May 14, 2015
York City Council

1. Board members Leonard Hoskins and Mike Teetor along with library staff members Greg Buller and Deb Robertson attended the spring meeting of the Public Library and Trustee Section of the Nebraska Library Association in Kearney on April 23rd. The value of libraries as educational institutions was outlined by the presenter. Leonard, Mike and Deb also attended a session on *Navigating the Law* for Libraries in Nebraska presented by Nebraska Library Commission librarian, Richard Miller.
2. The Elmer Baker display case is filled with a collection of whistles from Gene Fischer. The Kent Bedient Hall Gallery is empty for the rest of May.
3. The Friends of the Library has moved their meetings to the second Tuesday of each month at noon.
4. Children's librarian, **Judy Andrews**, is currently making school visits to promote the Summer Reading Club activities which will kick off on May 22nd with a magic show at 7:00 pm at the library.
5. The 3rd annual adult Summer Reading SMACKDOWN competition with Seward to ultimately learn, "*who reads more on Highway 34*" will return on June 1st and run through August.
6. The StoryWalk project was officially launched on Saturday, May 9th. Unfortunately the weather did not cooperate but those who came enjoyed the activity. After this project was announced through local media outlets several groups and day care centers requested additional information to share with their customers! Since the first book, *Ready, Set, Skip* by Jan O'Connor, has been displayed we have had positive feedback through the library web site and Facebook page. There will be 8 stories displayed over the summer ending with Yorkfest in September.
7. The library staff has started the reaccreditation process due in 2016 by preparing a strategic plan. A 10-member community group will be meeting in May to start the process.
8. The Citizen's Advisory Library Board will be holding a "Looking Forward" retreat Thursday evening, May 14th at the Chamber of Commerce's meeting room.
9. Other upcoming events include: SELS Training Extravaganza, May 15; CASTL meeting in Beatrice, May 22nd; Summer Reading Club registration begins May 21st and the kick-off event with magician Jeff Quinn on May 22nd at 7:00 pm.

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