

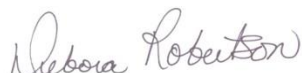
Kilgore Memorial Library
Director's Report
Prepared for the February, 2014
York City Council Meeting

1. Despite wintery conditions Carol Gruber and Libby Munsell made their way to Lincoln for the **Nebraska Library Association's advocacy day 2014**. This annual event is held to connect the legislators of Nebraska with library volunteers and advocates across the state. Because of the busy schedule of the Unicameral, Senator Adams was not able to join our representatives for lunch but they found a way to say "hello" from the gallery. A stop to the Senator's office to visit with his staff gave Carol and Libby a chance to share information about Kilgore Memorial Library in Lincoln.
2. The **Spring Storytime series** has hosted near record breaking numbers of preschoolers and their care takers. After the first session on February 7th children's services librarian, Judy Andrews expanded the storytime space to the entire meeting room space in the library. It turned out to be a wise move when 42 children and adults came to enjoy the hour. This program is scheduled for Friday mornings at 10:00 am through April.
3. A partnership between Kilgore Memorial Library's youth services department and Professor John Baker and his students from York College is offering "**No Frills**" **storytelling** on two Saturday mornings in February. This is a family friendly activity and with one finished and coming on February 22nd the report is that it is a great time for everyone involved.
4. Deb Robertson is working with the Seward Memorial and Crete Public library directors to offer "friendly" competition during an **adult summer reading program**. A contest reporting the number of books checked out from the library and read by adults will run through the summer months of June, July and August. In September, a celebration of our accomplishments will be held including a talk by *NYT* bestselling author Melanie Benjamin.
5. Deb Robertson has completed and submitted the **annual statistical data report** due to the Nebraska Library Commission. The data reported was for the 2012/2013 FY.
6. Deb Robertson has filed **e-Rate** Form 470 requesting bids for services to be needed for the year 2014/2015. This is the first step in the process to receive the qualified discounts on telecommunication services for our library.

Upcoming activities include:

1. Reaching out to community leaders for staff development opportunities and collaboration possibilities for the coming year continues.
2. Rachel Mayfield is attending the online Basic Skills course *Organization of Materials* during February.
3. Judy Andrews is planning to attend the Read Aloud Nebraska Workshop on April 4th, in Seward.
4. Reviewing grant opportunities to assist staff with developing programming and services from the library.

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