

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

1. The library staff is gearing up for a wonderful **Summer Reading Club** series for children from preschool to new 5th graders. The **Young Adult Reading Club** is for incoming 6th through 12th grade students. This year's theme is Fizz, Boom, Read! Youth Services librarian, Judy Andrews, has been visiting area schools and preschools inviting children to sign up and attend all the activities she has planned. Registration begins May 22nd. See attached flyer for details.
2. The library applied for and received a \$1,000 **Walmart grant** to assist with the costs of Summer Reading programming. **The Friends of the Library** group hosted a spring basket boutique that brought in over \$500. These proceeds were also designated to support the Summer Reading Club events.
3. The Kilgore Memorial Library has once again accepted a challenge from the Seward Memorial Library to compete to see which community reads more on Hwy. 34. The **Adult Summer Reading Smackdown** begins June 1 runs through August 30. Adult readers are invited to register and receive a punch card. Once they fill a five-punch card they are eligible for weekly drawings and their count helps York bring the trophy home! See *Literary Elements* flyer for details and a registration form.
4. Carol Gruber, Libby Munsell, and Deb Robertson attended an **Apollo User Group** meeting on April 30th. This event gave participants who use the same library automation system a chance to discuss how they use the application at their library and to ask questions from others who use the software. The afternoon session was held online and offered training and announcements from representatives of Biblionix, the company who hosts our installation of the Apollo system.

Upcoming activities include:

1. Reaching out to community leaders for staff development opportunities and collaboration possibilities for the coming year continues.
2. Rachel Mayfield working to gain public librarian certification by taking the next course in the series.
3. Jr. Friends of the Library Lock-in May 16th.
4. Advocacy events in May include speaking at the evening Lions Club meeting and hosting the Leadership York class in the library.

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