

Kilgore Memorial Library
Director's Report
Prepared for the July 16, 2020
York City Council meeting

1. On July 1, the library implemented Phase II.1 of our re-opening plan. This phase included adding chairs at each of the tables including one chair in each of the four private study rooms. Only August 1, our meeting rooms will be available to small groups. As long as social distancing of at least six feet is required we will only be able to have one person at each of our tables. This will limit the size of group we can accommodate.
2. Four Corners Health Department approved our plans for two outdoor activities at the library. We are having Brown Bag Story Time on Wednesdays at noon. This activity takes place in the green space on the south side of the library parking lot. We were also approved to host our Summer Fun at the library party in conjunction with Balloon Days. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library and will include music by DJ, Connor Mogul and ice cream sundaes served by members of the Friends. This event will take place from 2:30 to 3:30 on Saturday, July 18.
3. Through an internship program with the Nebraska Library Commission we have an intern who is creating Virtual Escape Rooms. The first edition is now available from our website at <https://libraries.ne.gov/york/virtual-escape-rooms/>. Virtual escape rooms have become very popular during the pandemic. We are excited to offer this type of activity to our patrons.
4. York READS is going very well. We have surpassed the initial target of 50,000 minutes and will announce the final count at our Summer Fun event on July 18.
5. Our Technical Services department has been working to re-label every item in the collection with new spine labels. Any spine label prior to 2013 was manually typed and many/most have faded so much they can no longer be read. This project includes updating the catalog records to offer complete records that were entered prior to using MARC record standards of today. To date they have finished the Young Adult collection, Large Print and Regular Print fiction and have started the Juvenile Fiction. This is a huge project that will improve access to our holdings when it is finished.

Respectfully submitted by,



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