

**Newstead Public Library
Board of Trustees
September 24, 2014**

Board Members Present: Sue Brown, Cheryl Esposito, Mary Mangan, Sue Sweitzer

At Large: Library Director Kristine Sutton, Councilman Jim Mayrose

Call to Order: 7:00 pm

Library Activities & Community Events

Summer Programs

- Fizz, Boom, Read programs were well attended. Summer science included a traveling planetarium, making of oobleck, bubble prints, gooey slime and marbles. Family programs included a magician, storytellers, and wildlife from the SPCA. In total 722 children and parents attended 29 free programs.
- Battle of the Books had 16 teens reading 80 books collectively
- Reading challenge resulted in 66 children reading 100,500 minutes.
- Read Down Your Fine provided 64 children the chance to dismiss \$200 in fines and cleared their library cards so they may borrow materials again.

Monthly Programs:

- Peace, Love & Yarn will have a Yarn-A-Thon on Saturday, November 1st 11:00-4:00
- Genealogy Group, Majong Players meet weekly, Lego Club resumed on 9/20
- Class Visits: Headstart and APA had two visits each
- Artsy in Akron Programs (Arts Services Initiative of Western) two programs in October: Create your own Mandala and No-Bake Pumpkin Cookies.

Special Programs

- Fantasy Author League: Draft Day 10/11 3:00
- Tea Basket Raffle: \$1.00 ticket
- Friends of the Library Book Sale 11/5, 11/7, 11/8

Library Business

- Patron Door Count down 0.2%, Computer sessions down 4.7%, WiFi up 0.5%
- Girl Scouts troop 30828 will present a proposal for earning their Bronze Award. They would like to refinish the exterior benches in the spring.
- Tom Whitbeck was hired as the new caretaker. Julie Shine was hired as the new Library Clerk.
- Board reviewed letters of interest for Trustee position. Recommendation will be shared with the Newstead Town Board.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 22 at 7:00pm

Meeting Adjourned: 7:48 pm