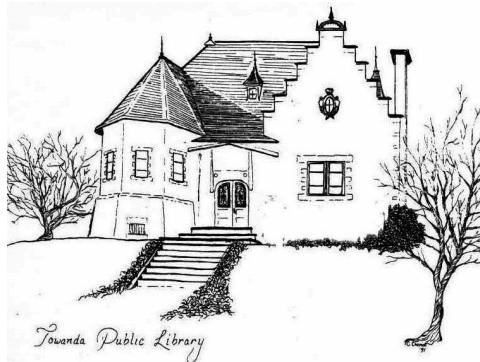


STEP RIGHT UP



Hours
Monday – Thursday: 10 – 8
Friday: 10 – 5
Saturday: 10 – 2
Sunday: 4 – 7

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June's Jottings

Greetings Everyone!

Wow! We've had a great summer. Fifty eight children read 708 books during the 6 week Summer Reading Program. That's over 662 hours of reading! Congratulations to the top readers. Miss Katie has fun activities planned for Story Hour and Time For Twos beginning in September. Be sure to read Kids Korner to learn more.

The Library staff has been busy ordering and processing children's audiobooks. Thanks to a Library Services and Technology Act grant administered by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Towanda Public Library was awarded \$4,833 to purchase listening equipment and books on compact disc and cassette. The listening equipment is in place and we've purchased about 80 new titles so far. More to come.

We've been preparing for the new county-wide computer system. We want our records to be just as accurate as they can be to make the transition as painless as possible. In preparation we did an inventory and withdrew any unnecessary titles from the catalog. The records have been sent to the new vendor who is transferring them to the new system. It should be up and running in 6 to 8 weeks. The new system will combine catalogs from the nine libraries in the county so that one may see at a glance all the holdings of all the libraries. An internet accessible account can be created so that you may view items that you have

checked out, as well as due dates and fines. We're very excited about these new services.

Last, but certainly NOT least, we want to wish Helene Foreman a Happy Retirement! Helene has been with the library for many years as a desk librarian, and she served on the library Board of Trustees. **Thanks, Helene, for your years of service!**

Looking forward to seeing you this fall...

June Houghtaling, Director

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FRIENDS

The Friends of the Library are busy putting up new window treatments in the Library. No one seems to remember when this was last done, so it is very much overdue. We look forward to its completion and the new look.

The annual book sale will continue on a monthly basis: the Friends have decided to hold the on-going sale on the last Wednesday of every month beginning in September. The sale will be held from 3PM until 7 PM monthly.

In order to keep the stock current, they will continue to accept used book donations.

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TRUSTEES

The Trustees are happy to report that they have enjoyed their summer off. They will be resuming their regular monthly meeting in September. If you have any items to bring to their attention, please leave a message at the desk or with the Library staff.

Kid's Korner

Who can believe that summer is almost over. There are only a few more weeks before school will begin again. Our **summer reading program** went really well this year. We had a lot of kids show up for the different programs, and we had a blast.

The top winners are as follows:

Teen Beat

1st place- Brittany Tedesco with 5,330 minutes
2nd place- Robin Holman with 5,314 minutes
3rd place-Stephen Malkemes with 3,742 minutes

Summer Reading Club (School age)

1st place- Kaitlyn West with 24 hours
2nd place - Allyson Beirsdorf with 22 hours and 10 minutes
3rd place-Keegan West with 10 hours and 30 minutes

Summer Reading Club (Daycare)

They all did a great job, and were all very close in the amount of time they read so they all got prizes.

The top reader was Adam Pronti with 34 hours and 10 minutes

We wish to thank all the area businesses that have donated items for incentives to this reading program for our community. This year our sponsors were: Dandy Mini Mart, Keystone Theatre, Only the Best, Towanda Business Association, First Liberty Bank & Trust, Wal-Mart and Wendy's. We would also like to thank Rich Gulyas and the Towanda Borough Police for their time that they donated to visit us.

I would also like to make a personal thank you to everyone that came and helped out. This was my first time doing the Summer Reading Program, and it was a lot of fun. I hope to see all of you again next year for another great reading program.

We will be starting our fall Story times On September 25, 2007. We will end our 8-week session on November 25, 2007. We will be having a Time for Twos on

Tuesday mornings from 10:30 to 11:30. Then we will have the preschoolers (3-5 year olds) on Wednesday and Thursday from 10:30 to 11:30. Please sign- up by stopping at the main desk or calling us at 265-2470. I hope to see you there, and it will be a lot of fun.

Katie Patton



Library Staff had a fun summer too!

New Faces in the Library:

Melody Williams, Erica Henderson and Emily Light.

Good Luck to:

Susanna Seibert and Alisha Blackman as they start college this fall.

Remember

Check out the Adult Reading Group which meets once a month – usually on the third Thursday at 1:30. Titles are chosen by the group and are ordered a month in advance. Check at the desk for what is coming and pick up your copy. All readers welcome!

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS FOR 2007

THANKSGIVING: November 21-5PM, Thursday, Friday

CHRISTMAS: December 23,24,25 – Sunday, Monday, Tuesday

NEW YEAR'S EVE – December 31 – Monday

A study at the University of Michigan suggests multitasking could actually be doing us more harm than good. People who spent time stopping and starting tasks took 2 to 4 times longer to complete them. In addition, brain scans showed juggling tasks reduces the brain power available for each. Focus on one task at a time for better efficiency and memory.