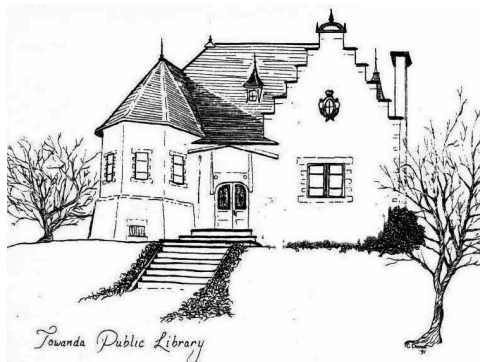


**STEP RIGHT UP**



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

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### **June's Jottings**

The Library has been bustling with activity this summer. Thank goodness for air conditioning in both the main library and the library annex. The Summer Reading Club kids enjoyed learning about juggling, magic, falconry, fencing and more in air conditioned comfort. Thanks to all the businesses in the community that provided incentives and prizes. And thanks again to **SELF Family Literacy** for Reading Club support.

**Library Services and Technology Act** grant money became available this summer so we began the project to "clean up" our database.

When the project is complete all subject headings will be updated. Punctuation, capitalization, and spacing errors will be corrected, and "SEE" and "SEE ALSO" references will be added. These references are very useful. If the searcher is looking for books by Mark Twain, a "SEE ALSO" reference will instruct us to look for books by Samuel Clemens. If a searcher is looking for books on dyslexia, a "SEE" or "SEE ALSO" reference will instruct us to look for books on learning disabilities.

We anticipate a considerable improvement in our ability to search the library's holdings once the project is complete. Additional cataloging software and a workstation will also be purchased.

That's all the news for now. Check out Kids Korner for Summer Reading Club prize winners. As always you may find information on our website at [www.towandapubliclibrary.org](http://www.towandapubliclibrary.org)

**June Houghtaling, Director**

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### **NOTICES**

The Library will be closed From Saturday through Monday, September 3,4,&5

**Have a nice Holiday!**

### **Friends of the Library**

**Books are now being accepted for the fall Book Sale. NO** encyclopedias, textbooks, Reader's Digest Condensed Books or magazines will be accepted. All other books may be dropped off at the Library Annex just west of the Main Library on Mondays from 1-3 PM. The Annex will not be open on holidays. All willing hands who will give some time to sorting the contributions are welcome at that time.

The Friends are in the process of setting the dates for their **fall book sale**. One of the items up for consideration is the possibility of having a continuous sale on Saturdays. If you wish to have input into their decision, please leave your vote at the Main Library Desk.

The Friends of the Library are volunteers who wish to see the Library thrive. They welcome all interested persons to join in their meetings and projects. Leave your name at the desk if you wish them to contact you.

The **knitting group** will be starting up again now that the summer is waning. If you would like to be part of a conversational group that talks over knitting needles, leave your name at the desk. No previous experience in either knitting or chatting is required.

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### **TRUSTEES**

The Library's exterior received a face lift this summer. Wooden window frames were repaired and painted, so fits, gutters, wrought iron and railings were painted and the exterior doors refinished. The Library's Building Committee is vigilant about maintaining this 107 year old building. Some have expressed concern about the removal of the vines. Never fear, there is evidence of new growth. The vines are hardy and not a danger to the brick, however they need to be cut back at intervals. Otherwise we couldn't see out the windows!

## Kid's Korner

What a busy summer. **WOW!** Once again you kids have **really** been actively reading. The highest consistent reader this year is coming from the Teen Beat again. The winner this year is **Sarah Madden**. She read **7,787 minutes** this year over her last year accomplishment of 5,277. Congratulations!

The results of Summer Reading is as follows

### **Teen Beat**

- 1<sup>st</sup>. place Kelly Holman
- 2<sup>nd</sup>. place Robin Holman
- 3<sup>rd</sup>. place Stephen Malkemes
- 4<sup>th</sup>. place Dallas Mosier

Our teens this year were really putting in the time reading. Our top five readers other than Sarah Madden in this group read more than our 1<sup>st</sup>. place teen last year. **Fantastic!!!**

All participants received a goody bag of neat stuff from our supporters.

### **Summer Reading Club and Bradford County Daycare**

- 1<sup>st</sup>. place Sarah Malkemes
- 2<sup>nd</sup>. place Allyson Beiersdorf
- 3<sup>rd</sup>. place Beth Frisk
- 4<sup>th</sup>. place Andrew Seeley
- 1<sup>st</sup>. place for Bradford County Daycare Rachel Juhola

All participants received incentives every week.

### **Read to me**

All participants were:

- Leah Frisk
- Meghan Mendler
- Zachary Beiersdorf
- Christopher Holler
- Chelsea Newbury
- Stephen Chenot

Winner of the drawing for the book There's a Dragon Downstairs was Leah Frisk.

Winner of the drawing for the **bubble sword** was Meghan Mendler.

All participants received a goody bag in recognition of their participation.

We expanded our efforts into the community this year by reading in the following sites for preschoolers.

### **Story times**

**Tues.** Bradford County Daycare - preschool age in K-4 building

**Wed.** Towanda Public Library

**Thurs.** Scott's Daycare near the hospital and Nana's House Daycare

Studies have shown that reading during the summer helps maintain and improve reading abilities for the next school year.

We thank all those kids and parents who participated this year and as always you all are winners for keeping your reading skills sharp.

**Fall story times** 10:30-11:30 am.

Please sign-up at the circulation desk or call us at 265 - 2470.

Our 8 weeks finish the week before Thanksgiving.

**Tuesday's - Time for Two's** begin on Sept. 27 through Nov. 15, 2005

**Wednesday's - Preschool** Story time begins Sept. 29 through Nov. 16, 2005

**Thursday's - Preschool** Story time begins Sept. 29 through Nov. 17, 2005

Our policy is for the caregiver to remain with the two year olds and as the preschooler's are comfortable the caregiver may move out of the children's room but not leave the library. Our goal is to have the children feel comfortable; enjoy books and a small social time with others their own age. We include finger plays, songs, physical movements, rhymes, color and shape identifications and a craft. Hope you can bring a little one to enjoy the pre-literacy activities.

Alice Rae Clock, Children's Librarian

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## **Adult Book Discussion Group**

On Thursday September 15 at 1 PM the reading group will meet in the Conference room to discuss **The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini**. This is a minor deviation from their normal "2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday" but the group felt that with the month starting on Thursday before Labor Day, it was to their reading advantage to wait a week.

This book is memorable both as a political chronicle and as a deeply personal tale about how childhood choices affect our adult lives. This is a complete work of literature that succeeds in exploring the culture of a previously obscure nation that has become a pivotal point in global politics of a new millennium

If a reader wishes to order a copy, stop at the Desk. Readers buy their own books for this group or borrow from others.

There are no officers, no experts, no refreshments, and no attendance roles. Any reader interested in the "Book of the Month" is invited.

Future titles are released in the Daily Review or the desk.

