

Youth Services Advisory Council

Meeting Notes

October 15, 2004

At

Bethlehem Public Library

10:00 am-12:00 noon

(Small library concerns discussion group 9:00-10:00, Meeting 10:00-12:00)

Large library concerns discussion group 12:00-1:00)

Attendance: Polly Hartman (Bethlehem Public Library) Beth Bomba (William K. Sanford Town Library) Linda Howlan (William K. Sanford Town Library) Debbie Canzano (Cohoes Public Library) Terry Pavoldi (Guilderland Public Library) Cherry Neil (Guilderland Public Library) Jennifer Ogradowski (Guilderland Public Library) Rebecca Lubin (Rensselaerville Library) Pat Sahr (Nassau Free Library) Darlene Miller (Castleton Public Library), Barbara Goetschius (RCS Community Library) Jane Cirguin (Sand Lake Town Library/Brunswick Community Library) Carol Gaillard (Cheney Library) Diane Riganti (UHLS) Mary Fellows (UHLS)

Summer Reading Club

- Bethlehem Public Library & Guilderland Public Library had Bjorn Ogradnik from Iceland as a performer. They said he was wonderful.
- Nassau Free Library had programs from The Tang Museum and said it was a sculpting program where the children made sculptures from pipe cleaners. Very successful!
- Cheney Library had presentations from the Bennington Museum in Vermont, Ox Cart Man and Grandma Moses. Very successful!

UHLS UPDATES

- LSTA grants were decided. Adult- E books. Youth--Kids Cookin' by the Book: Food, Families, Libraries & Literacy. Eleven libraries participating. Information will be sent out soon.
- Sky Camp finishes with a workshop at Guilderland Public Library on Thursday, December 9, 2004. Linda Braun and Kathleen Odean will be presenting. The topics are about Tweens and Teens. Please call or email Mary for a registration form if you didn't receive one.
- There is an AV workshop on Thursday, November 4 2004 at UHLS. Audiovisual Materials – Refurbish, Repair or Weed? Call or email Mary to register.
- No checks from the Arts Council yet. Nassau has applied for funds for next year.
- Riverway is progressing, not much to report.

KidSearch review

Mary gave a presentation of the new KidSearch. http://www.uhls.org/uhls/kids_catalog.cfm
We also reviewed Children's Literature Comprehensive Database.

Organization Presentation

Cherry Neil from Guilderland Public Library gave a presentation called Organizing Your Youth Services Area. Guilderland Public Library invited Helen Volk to give them tips for organizing the small youth services office. Helen's book titled "Beyond Office Clutter" can be very useful in organizing workspace. Guilderland Public Library has a copy of the book. (J REF 640 VOL)

Great Reads

The Akhenaten Adventure (Children of the Lamp) by P.B. Kerr

When twelve-year old twins Philippa and John discover that they are descended from a long line of djinn, their mother sends them away to their Uncle Nimrod, who takes them to Cairo where he starts to teach them about their extraordinary powers.

Great and Terrible Beauty by Libba Brey

After the suspicious death of her mother in 1895, sixteen-year-old Gemma returns to England, after many years in India, to attend a finishing school where she becomes aware of her magical powers and ability to see into the spirit world.

How Angel Peterson got his Name by Gary Paulsen.

Author Gary Paulsen relates tales from his youth in a small town in northwestern Minnesota in the late 1940s and early 1950s, such as skiing behind a souped-up car and imitating daredevil Evel Knievel.

Performer showcase:

Steve Charney was our showcase performer. He gave us a very condensed presentation of his Program "Promoting Literacy magic, music and ventriloquism."

Next Meetings:

Monday, November 8 at UHLS

December 17 at William K. Sanford Town Library

January 21 at UHLS

February 18 at UHLS

April 15 at UHLS

May 20 at UHLS

SUMMER READING PROGRAM PLANNING WORKSHOP will be in Saratoga Spring on March 3, 2005. (Snow date March 9, 2005)