

Grace A Dow Memorial Library Board
Director's Report
November 12, 2009

Continuing Education

Ron Suszek, Supervisor of Adult Services, and Sudi Kotecha, Reference Librarian, attended the Michigan Library Association Annual Conference.

Adult Services Activities

Reference Librarian Katherine Redwine conducted a tour for clients and staff of the Pregnancy Resource Center of Mid-Michigan that emphasized library resources on job searching, interviewing and applying for jobs.

Youth Services Activities

At the Community Baby Shower sponsored by Success by 6, Youth Services Librarian Monica Anderson presented to 60 mothers a Baby Time story time and encouraged them to read to young babies to develop early literacy skills.

A special tour was held for 4th and 9th graders from the Midland Academy. The 9th graders learned about electronic resources and received an overview of the online catalog. The 4th graders had a tour of the Youth Services area and learned how to search for information for reports. After the training, the two grades worked together on the reports.

Other

The library participated in the Career Showcase sponsored by MiTech+. Three area high school students selected the library to learn more about library careers through touring the library and talking to staff.

Beginning November 16th, computer users may extend the hour time limit by 15 minutes if no one is waiting for an available computer. With the new time management system for the public computers, users reserve the next available computer which allows extended time for those currently on the computers if there is not a waiting list.

Melissa Barnard attended the Northwood University Strosacker Library's 40th Anniversary Open House. Barnard also met with State Representative Jim Stamas to discuss the funding and the role of libraries in the state.

Library hours for the upcoming holidays are:

Wednesday, November 25th, close at 5 p.m.

Thursday, November 26th, closed

Friday, November 27th, close at 5 p.m.

Thursday, December 24th, closed

Friday, December 25th, closed

Thursday, December 31st, close at 5 p.m.

Friday, January 1st, closed