

Grace A Dow Memorial Library Board
Director's Report
January 14, 2010

Continuing Education

Vicki Carto, Youth Services Librarian, attended a workshop on What's New in Children's Literature sponsored by the Bureau of Education and Research.

Adult Services Activities

The two word processing public computers have been replaced. The new computers have updated software to better serve our patrons. These computers are not Internet accessible.

Youth Services Activities

Advanced and Accelerated students from the Midland Public Schools will be meeting at the library once a month to work on special projects. Parent volunteers will be assisting the students. Stephanie Williams, Supervisor of Youth Services, has identified library materials that may be useful in developing the various themes for the projects.

The Annual Cram Night for students in grades 9-12 is being held on Sunday, January 24th, 5:30-8:30 pm. This is an opportunity for students to get together and study for finals.

Other

A new feature on the library's webpage is the Bulletin Board. The Bulletin Board includes a convenient listing of upcoming programs and events.

The Friends of the Library Winter Used Book Sale is Friday, February 19th (Members Only), Saturday, February 20th and Sunday, February 21st.

The Spring Happenings 2010/National Library Week theme this year is "A Compass to the Great Outdoors." Programs and events are being planned for the months of March and April that highlight nature and outside activities. An insert with programs, dates and times will be included in the March/April Library Connection newsletter.

Melissa Barnard spoke to the Clytean Club, a local women's group, on library services.

Nancy Lackie, Midland Genealogical Society volunteer in the Library's Local History/ Genealogy Room, passed away on December 30, 2009. Nancy volunteered at the library for 30 years. Her knowledge and willingness to help others search for family history information will be greatly missed.