

Grace A Dow Memorial Library Board
Director's Report
August 11, 2010

Adult Services Activities

A new book discussion group will be started in the fall. The "Not-Too-Serious" Book Club will meet three times in the fall and three times in the Winter/Spring.

In commemoration of World Alzheimer's Day, the Alzheimer's Association and the Library are partnering on a program about Alzheimer's disease September 21st, 10:30 a.m., Library Lounge.

Reference Librarians are assisting volunteer researchers working on the VOICES: Stories of Extraordinary Midland County Women exhibit to open in 2011.

Youth Services Activities

The 179 teens who volunteered in the VolunTeen program contributed 1350 hours to help with the Summer Reading Program and other summer events.

The Battle of the Books will kick off on Saturday, November 13th with guest author Linda Sue Park.

Additional Kaplan workshops are being offered for teens this fall: College Application Essay Writing Seminar and SAT Test Strategies.

Other

New digital signage has been installed in the library lobby. The equipment was purchased with a donation from the Friends of the Library. The monitor will display up-to-date information about library programs and events.

The September/October issue of the library newsletter, "Library Connection," will have a new look. It will be easier to read and less time consuming to produce. The newsletter is available on the library's website, by email and copies can be picked up at the library.

The new director of the Valley Library Consortium is Lee Martin. He replaces Karl Steiner who retired after serving as the Consortium Director for 19 years.

The Library will be closed Monday, September 6th in observance of Labor Day. Sunday hours will resume on September 12th.